

# St. Bridget of Sweden Church

CHURCH: 7100 Whitaker Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91406

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Rectory/Rectoría

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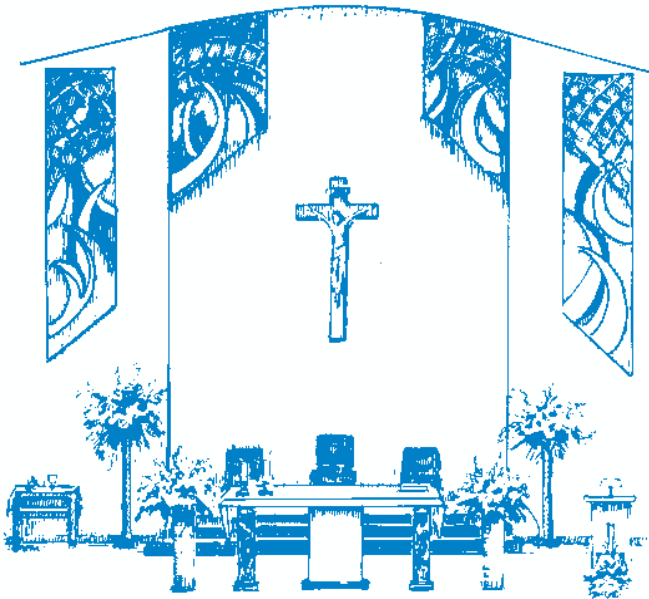
Mr. Ray Rivera, Deacon

Parish Office Secretaries: Gloria Romero and

Dorothy Keenan

Parish Council:

Tom Riley (818) 715-0965



## EDUCATION

### ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN SCHOOL

7120 Whitaker Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91406

(818) 785-4422 Vacation: 785-2564

Principal: Robert Pawlak

President: Dede Waller

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: 786-1815

Elementary (Gr. 1-8): Wed. 3:30-4:45 pm

Confirmation 1 & 2: Wed. 7-8:30 pm

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):

Contact 782-7180

## SERVICES

### NORTH VALLEY CHRISTIAN COUNSELING CENTER:

Sr. Una Connolly, M.A. 365-8588, 361-2819

FOOD PANTRY COORD., Liz De Nicholas 780-8294

FOOD DISTRIBUTION: Tues., 10 am-4 pm.

## PRAYER GROUPS/GRUPOS DE ORACION

**SPANISH BIBLE STUDY:** Monday, 7:30 pm – Rosario & Jess Rodriguez, 989-5231; FAX 366-7640

**SPANISH PRAYER GROUP:** Friday, 7:00 pm – Porfirio, Maria Rodriguez 994-6438

**LEGION OF MARY English:** Saturday, 9:00 am

Lucy Santiago 730-7080 or Silia Fifita 782-8956

**CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP English:** 2nd. Sat. of Month Katherine Tassinari 781-6738

## DEVOTIONS

**ROSARY:** Weekdays after 8:00 am Mass

**NOVENA** to Our Mother of Perpetual Help  
Wednesdays after 8 am Mass.

## Masses/Misas

5:00 pm – Saturday Vigil Mass - English

## Sunday/Domingo

7:30 am – English

9:00 am – English

10:30 am – Español

12:00 pm – Español

7:00 pm – English

## WEEKDAYS

8:00 am – English

## SACRAMENTS/SACRAMENTOS

### CONFESSIONS/CONFESIÓN:

Saturday/Sábado 8:30 am, and 4:00 pm or by appointment.

**BAPTISMS:** Call the Rectory.

**MARRIAGES:** Call the rectory at least 6 months in advance to make arrangements.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY:** Please call the Rectory

**BODAS, BAUTIZOS,** en Español. Por favor llame al Diacono Ramon Rivera 782-7180

**QUINCEAÑERAS:** Por favor llame a la Rectoría con Gloria Romero

## MINISTRIES/MINISTERIOS

**Altar Servers** – Susan O'Sullivan, 994-9881

**Altar Society** – Elaine Quadra,

**Detention** – John Williams, 780-0526

**Encuentro Matrimonial**-Maricela & Fausto Urena, 635-9015

**Eucharistic Ministers** – Mary Grahek 344-4221

**Fall Festival** – R. Newton 344-2713, R. Contreras, 343-9598

**Filipino/American Community,** Joe Ariaga, 705-4741

**Lectors** – Dorothy Serrao, 780-5202

**Liturgy Committee** – Susan O'Sullivan 994-9881

**Music Director/English Choir** – Marcos Mendoza, 896-1505

**"Seasoned Citizens"** – John Williams, 780-0526

1st & 3rd Monday

**Spanish Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon Ray Rivera 782-7180

**Spanish Altar Servers** – Deacon Ray Rivera 782-7180

**Spanish Community**-Deacon Ray & Josie Rivera, 782-7180

**Spanish Ushers** – Porfirio Rodriguez, 994-6438

**Spanish Lectors** – Marcelo/Jesse Rueda, 896-0490, 10:30 am mass; Rosario/Jess Rodriguez 989-5231/

360-0667, 12 noon mass

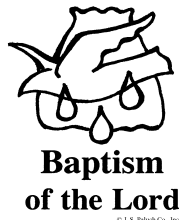
**Spanish Choir** – Carlos Cruz, 678-9116; Debbie Dominguez, 908-2534

**Tongan Community** – Silia Fifita 782-8956

**Ushers** – John Williams, 780-0526

**Youth Ministry**– Abel Herrera, 366-0180

**The Baptism of the Lord**  
**January 10, 2010**  
 He saved us through the bath of  
 rebirth  
 and renewal by the Holy Spirit.  
 — *Titus 3:5*



## *Weekly Mass Intentions*

### **Sunday, January 10**

7:30 am +Beatrice Clark (Husband Bud Clark)  
 9:00 am Int. of Selyna Arciaga on her Birthday  
 (Her Family)  
 10:30 am Int. de la Familia Castaneda  
 +Martin Santiago (Rosa Santiago)  
 12 noon Parishioners  
 7:00 pm Parishioners

### **Monday, January 11**

8:00 Parishioners

### **Tuesday, January 12**

8:00 am +Beatrice Clark (Husband Bud)

### **Wednesday, January 13**

8:00 am Int. of Edna G. Chua on her Birthday  
 (Dori Arceo)

### **Thursday, January 14**

8:00 am Parishioners

### **Friday, January 15**

8:00 am +Emanuel Castillo (Marietta Maceda)

### **Saturday, January 16**

8:00 am Parishioners  
 5:00 pm Parishioners

### **Sunday, January 17**

7:30 am Parishioners  
 9:00 am Int. & Thanksgiving of Wilbur Littlefield  
 (Priests & Parishioners)  
 10:30 am Int. de la Familia Castaneda  
 +Martin & Rigoberto Santiago  
 (Rosa Santiago)  
 12 noon Parishioners  
 7:00pm +Lani Tupou (The Tupou Family)

## **Parish Retreat**

**Saturday, February 13 and**  
**Sunday, February 14**

All Parishioners are invited to attend the Parish Retreat at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center in Encino. The retreat leader is Brother Kelly Cullen, Franciscan Friar. Overnight accommodations are available and recommended. Payment and registration information will be available starting January 23rd. Lunch and Dinner will be served Saturday and Breakfast and Lunch on Sunday.

Brother Cullen will visit us on the weekend of January 23 and 24 to preview the retreat and to learn more about us. Contact Geoff McCarron at: 818.360.0615  
[geoffreymcc@gmail.com](mailto:geoffreymcc@gmail.com) or call Bernadette Tallis at 818.785.4422.

## **School News**

St. Bridget of Sweden School is now accepting applications for Kindergarten through 8th grade, for the school year of 2010-2011. Applications can be picked up at the school office, or can be mailed upon request. You can also go on line at [www.stbridgetofswedenschool.org](http://www.stbridgetofswedenschool.org) for more information please call 818-785-4422. Financial Aid is also available.

### **Howard Lee Scholarship Breakfast**

**Sunday, January 24, 2010**

**After 7:30 am & 9:00 am Masses**

**At the Parish Hall**

**Proceeds from the breakfast go to a St. Bridget of Sweden School Family to help with tuition expenses.**

**Menu:**

**Sausage-Eggs-Pancakes-Hash Browns**  
**Coffee & Juice**

## **Eucharistic Ministers Schedule**

### **January 16th, & January 17th, 2009**

<b>Saturday, 5:00 PM</b>	<b>A. Balint</b>	<b>E. Balint</b>	<b>Walsh</b>
	<b>Serrao</b>	<b>Herrera</b>	
<b>Sunday, 7:30 AM</b>	<b>Da Costa</b>	<b>Centeno</b>	<b>Ferrer</b>
<b>Sunday, 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Muljadi</b>	<b>Arciaga</b>	<b>Hanna</b>
	<b>Folse</b>	<b>Scarcello</b>	
<b>Sunday, 10:30 AM</b>	<b>S. Garcia</b>	<b>P. Rodriguez</b>	
	<b>J. Flores</b>	<b>M. Rodriguez</b>	
<b>Sunday, 12:00 Noon</b>	<b>M. Hernandez</b>	<b>E. Medina</b>	
	<b>M. Hernandez</b>		
<b>Sunday, 7:00 PM</b>	<b>Watsabaugh</b>	<b>Wright</b>	<b>Huhane</b>

## **TURNING THE TIDE**

When everything goes against you, till it seems as though you could not hold on a minute longer, never give up then, for that is just the place and time that the tide will turn.

—Harriet Beecher Stowe

## **CAMBIO EN LA MAREA**

Cuando todo va en contra tuya, al punto que parece que ya no puedes asirte ni por un minutos más, no te des por vencido entonces, porque en ese lugar y en ese tiempo es cuando la marea cambia.

—Harriet Beecher Stowe

**FROM THE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL  
DE EL CONCILIO FINANCIERO PARROQUIAL**

REGULAR INCOME 1 <sup>ST</sup> COLLECTION INGRESO REGULAR 1ra COLECTA	AVERAGE EXPENSES GASTOS PROMETIDOS	B/M & R FUND 2 <sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION FONDO DE M/R 2da COLECTA
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**January 4, 2010**

**\$5,927                      \$8,360    -\$2,433    \$8,243**

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK/ RECE POR LOS ENFERMOS**

Estela Areliz	Ed Keenan	Dick Dybas	Emma Herrera
Jim Nelson	Judy Rochon	Lainy Butler	Timothy Stanley
Sandy Baxter	Dorothy Keenan	Pat Valenzuela	Carlota Palacio
Florence Diaz	Yolanda Nestor	Dorothea Smith	Dan Kahn Jr.
Sherry Santor	Natividad Quezada	Clarence Wright	Tommy Gutierrez
Tony Ruiz Jr.	David Santibañez	Juan Areliz	Jesus Herrera
Josie Rivera	Justina Gomez	Evelyn Shockley	Rosalie Graveline
Peter Wolf	Pearl Regenstreif	Lupe Santibañez	

**MANIFESTANDO AL ESPÍRITU**

El tiempo de Navidad finaliza este domingo con el Bautismo del Señor. Esta fiesta es hermana de la fiesta de la semana pasada, la Epifanía. Cada una ellas celebra una “epifanía”, o manifestación del Espíritu de Dios en Jesús —primero en su nacimiento y ahora en su bautismo.

El Espíritu Divino se manifiesta en todas las lecturas bíblicas de la fiesta. El Salmo 104 destaca al Espíritu de Dios que crea y renueva la tierra, mientras que la lectura de Isaías describe a Dios restaurando a Israel. En el relato de Lucas del bautismo del Señor el Espíritu Santo desciende sobre Jesús. Y la carta a Tito nos recuerda que el Espíritu Santo también “derramó con abundancia” sobre nosotros, el “baño de regeneración” (Tito 3:5, 6).

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**Crespi Carmelite High School**

Entrance exam dates for Crespi Carmelite High School are January 30, 2010 and February 6, 2010. For more information or to schedule a tour please contact the admissions office at (818) 654-1329 or [rkodama@crespi.org](mailto:rkodama@crespi.org).

**Notre Dame High School**

Now Accepting 9th Grade Applications

Application Deadline: January 15, 2010

Entrance Exam: January 30, 2010

Financial Aid Available

For information : (818) 933-3600 or [www.ndhs.org](http://www.ndhs.org)

Notre Dame High School  
13645 Riverside Drive  
Sherman Oaks, CA 91423

**Seasoned Citizens**

**1-18-2010 Potluck 12:00 Noon**

**1-25-2010 Board Meeting 10:45 a.m.**

**2-1-2010 Business Meeting 11:00 a.m.**

**2-15-2010 Catered Potluck 12:00 Noon**

**Reminder Club Membership Fee is due**

**Come and Join us!**

**Life and Dignity Sunday Set for**

**January 23/24, 2010**

At the request of Bishop Wilkerson, all parishes in the San Fernando Region will be focusing attention on our civic responsibilities by inviting interested parishioners to register for a newly created Catholic Legislative Network. It has been described as a “Voice for Life and Dignity in California”. Next weekend there will be a one-page explanation of the Network and Life & Dignity Sunday in our parish bulletin. Please read it and then carefully and prayerfully consider registering for the Catholic Legislative Network on January 23/24.

**Domingo de la Vida y la Dignidad**  
**Programado para el 23 y 24 de enero, 2010**

Por petición del Obispo Gerald Wilkerson, todas las parroquias de la Region de San Fernando ecfocarán su atención en nuestras obligaciones cívicas invitando a los feligreses interesados a que se registren en la recientemente establecida Red Legislativa Católica. A ésta se le ha descrito como una “Voz a Favor de la Vida y la Dignidad en California”. El próximo fin de semana, nuestro boletín parroquial contendrá una hoja de explicación sobre la Red y el Domingo de la Vida y la Dignidad. Favor de leerla y luego medite atentamente, en la presencia del Señor, sobre la posibilidad de registrarse para la Red Legislativa Católica el 23 y 24 de enero.

**Life in the Spirit Seminar**

The Faith and Love Community of St. Catherine of Siena invites you to a Life in the Spirit Seminar.

Saturday, January 23, 2010

8:00 a.m. to 5 p.m.

St Catherine’s Parish Hall

18115 Sherman Way Reseda, CA

Register by January 20. Please contact the rectory 818.343.2110 or email: [secretary@catherineofsiena.org](mailto:secretary@catherineofsiena.org)