

St. Bridget of Sweden Church

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Rectory/Rectoría

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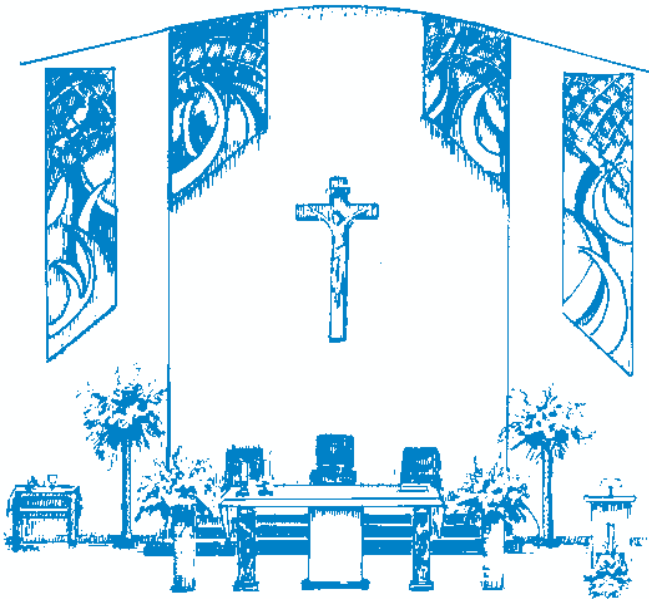
Father Victor J. Ruvalcaba, Administrator Pro Tem

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 Epiphany of the Lord
January 3, 2010**

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!
Your light has come,
the glory of the Lord
shines upon you.
— *Isaiah 60:1*



Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 3

7:30 am +Esperanza Luciano Salas
(The Salas Family)
9:00 am For Deceased Memembr of Rivero Family
(Lily Miron)

10:30 am Int. de la Familia Castaneda
12 noon Parishioners
7:00 pm Parishioners

Monday, January 4

8:00 Parishioners

Tuesday, January 5

8:00 am +Beatrice Clark (Husband Bud)

Wednesday, January 6

8:00 am +Maria Loreto Salas (The Salas Family)

Thursday, January 7

8:00 am Parishioners

Friday, January 8

8:00 am Parishioners

Saturday, January 9

8:00 am Parishioners
5:00 pm Parishioners

Sunday, January 10

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

RISE UP IN SPLENDOR

This great feast of the Epiphany of the Lord opens with these words: “Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you” (Isaiah 60:1). That reading goes on to describe a world covered with darkness. Even in that world, the prophet announces that the glory of the Lord will shine on Jerusalem. Many would agree that our world is covered with darkness—the darkness that war, terrorism, and famine bring. Today we announce that even in today’s world, the Lord can scatter that darkness, if only we would welcome Epiphany’s light. As we remember the visit of the magi to the manger, let us pray that one day our weary world will rise up in splendor—the splendor of peace and justice.

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LEVÁNTATE Y RESPLANDECE

Se da inicio a esta gran fiesta de la Epifanía del Señor con estas palabras: “Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén, porque ha llegado tu luz y la gloria del Señor se alborea sobre ti” (Isaías 60:1). Esa lectura sigue con la descripción de un mundo cubierto de oscuridad. Aun en ese mundo, el profeta anuncia que la gloria del Señor brillará en Jerusalén. Muchos concordarían en que nuestro mundo está cubierto de tinieblas —las tinieblas que la guerra, el terrorismo y el hambre traen. Hoy anunciamos que aun en el mundo de hoy, el Señor puede disipar las tinieblas, si tan sólo acogiéramos la luz de la Epifanía. Al recordar la visita de los reyes magos al pesebre, pidamos que un día nuestro mundo cansado se levante y resplandezca con el esplendor de la paz y la justicia.

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Did You Know?

Five Tips for Safeguarding Children

The Archdiocese mandates that all people who work with children and youth in our parishes and schools must undergo child abuse prevention training through the VIRTUS program. The training details five steps to prevent child sexual abuse: 1. Know the warning signs of an inappropriate relationship with a child. 2. Control access to children by carefully selecting the adults who work with children and youth. 3. Monitor all programs for the safety of all children and youth. 4. Be aware of and sensitive to what is going on in the lives of children. 5. Communicate concerns to the appropriate person in authority. For more information, please call the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children office: (213) 637-7227.

For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

January 9th, & January 10th, 2009

Saturday, 5:00 PM	Frankel Sloniker	Alvarado Grahek	Frankel
Sunday, 7:30 AM	E. Duran	A. Duran	Lopez
Sunday, 9:00 AM	L. Spehar Meda	M. Spehar Sison	Folse
Sunday, 10:30 AM	S. Garcia J. Flores	P. Rodriguez M. Rodriguez	
Sunday, 12:00 Noon	M. Hernandez M. Hernandez	E. Medina	
Sunday, 7:00 PM	Langi	Pawlak	Sitani

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

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December 20, 2009

\$4,719 \$8,360 -\$3,641 \$1,352

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	

¿Sabe Usted?

Cinco Consejos Para Que Proteja a Sus Hijos

La Arquidiócesis asigna que por mandato, que toda la gente que trabaje con niños y jóvenes en nuestras parroquias y escuelas, debe participar en el entrenamiento de la prevención del abuso de menores por medio del programa VIRTUS. El entrenamiento detalla cinco pasos para prevenir el abuso sexual de menores. 1. Sepa las señales de peligro de una relación inadecuada con un niño. 2. Controle el acceso a los niños, cuidadosamente seleccione a los adultos que trabajan con ellos. 3. Supervise todos los programas para la seguridad de los niños y jóvenes. 4. Entérese y sea sensible a lo que está pasando en las vidas de los niños. 5. Comuníquese a la Oficina Protegiendo a Los Niños al 213-637-7227.

Para obtener ayuda, llame a la Oficina del Ministerio de Ayuda al (213) 637-7650.

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.

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

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

Seasoned Citizens

1-18-2010 Potluck

2010 Holy Year, Holy Child

All lovers of the Holy Child are invited to attend the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in honor of the **Holy Infant Jesus— The Santo Niño** at the **Historic Faith Center of the San Pedro Region (SS. Peter and Paul Church) at 515 West Opp Street in Wilmington on Saturday, January 16, 2010 at 10:00 am. Bishop Alexander Salazar**, Vicar for Ethnic Ministry, will be the main celebrant. Complimentary lunch will be offered after the Procession and Mass. Your Statue of the Holy Child will be blessed during the celebration of the Holy Mass. For more information, please call Mr. Jun Hingco at the parish office at (310) 834-5215 ext. 23 or email us at sppc@sbcglobal.net.

Año Santo-Niño Santo 2010

Durante el Ciento Cuarenta y Cinco Aniversario de nuestra Parroquia, nosotros, los sacerdotes, religiosos y fieles da San Pedro y San Pablo cordialmente invita a los aficionados y devotos a la celeración de una Misa Muy Especial en honor al Santo Niño. Habrá una procesión enseguida de la Misa. Almuerzo complementario será ofrecido en el Salón Parroquial después de la procesion. La celebracion de el Santo Niño sera el **Sábado, 16 de Enero del 2010, a las Diez de la mañana. En La Iglesia Histórico de San Pedro y San Pablo, 515 West Opp Street Wilmington, CA 90744. Su estatua del Santo Niño sera bendecida durante la celebración de la Santa Misa.** Para mas información, hable al 310-834-5215, ext. 23 al correo electrónico: sppc@sbcglobal.net

Providence High School

Providence High School will host Entrance Exam Workshop.

Attention 8th grade students! Providence High School is offering our Entrance Exam Workshop for Language Arts and Study Skills on Thursday, January 7, 2010 and for Math on Wednesday, January 13, 2010. Each session is from 3:45-5:45 p.m. Pre-registration required. Cost is \$15.00 per class \$25.00 for both classes. For additional information visit our website www.providencehigh.org. or call the Admissions Office @ (818) 846-8141 ext. 501.

Entrance Exam Dates are:

Saturday, January 23, 2010 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Saturday, January 30, 2010 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.