

St. Bridget of Sweden Church

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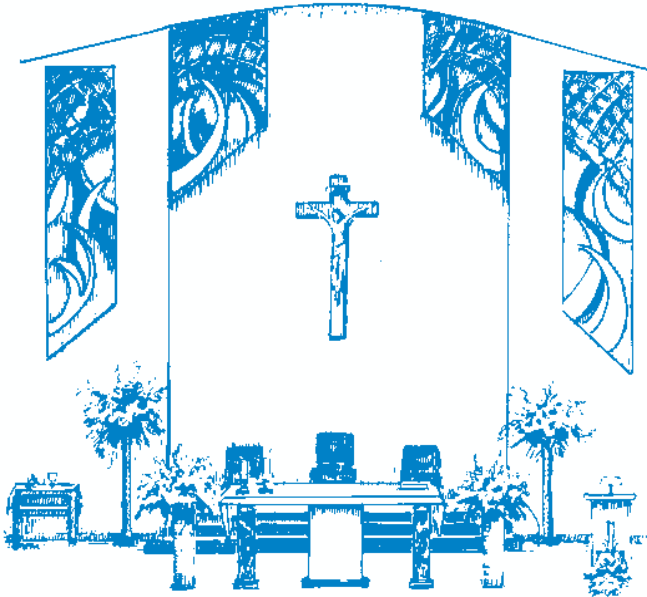
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Father Paul Griesgraber, Administrator

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

Spanish, Pedrina Sunun

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP English:

2nd. Sat. of Month 10:00 am 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

7:00 pm– Español

Monday-Friday First Friday Bilingual Mass 7:00 pm

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, 300-8857

Eucharistic Ministers – Mary Grahek 486-9968

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

Filipino/American Community, Carlos Gatmaitan, 486-4748

Lectors – Dorothy Serrao, 780-5202

Liturgy Committee – Susan O’Sullivan 994-9881

Music Director/English Choir – Marcos Mendoza, 378-4505

“Seasoned Citizens” – John Williams, 780-0526

1st & 3rd Monday

Simbang Gabi, Roselyn & Joe Arciaga (818) 481-8225

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, 896-1505, 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

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 7

7:30 am All Souls Novena
 +Guadalupe Nassar (Orlando Lopez)
 9:00 am +Jose L. Salas Sr. (The Salas Family)
 +Miggs Ruggiero (Ralph Ruggiero)
 +Jesus, Maria, & Odilla Pacheco
 (Estela Allen)
 Int. of Ernest Estrada Jr. (Victoria Estrada)
 10:30 am + Martin & Rigoberto Santiago
 (Rosa Santiago)
 12 noon +Salud Lopez (Estella Ramirez)
 Antonio & Ismael Ramirez)
 7:00 pm Parishioners

Monday, November 8

8:00am All Souls Novena
 7:00 pm Int. of Isabel Vela on her Birthday

Tuesday, November 9

8:00 am All Souls Novena
 7:00 pm All Souls Novena

Wednesday, November 10

8:00 am All Souls Novena
 7:00 pm All Souls Novena

Thursday, November 11

8:00 am All Souls Novena
 +Jaime Proano & +Alex Gormaz
 (Serrano Family)
 7:00 pm All Souls Novena

Friday, November 12

8:00 am All Souls Novena
 7:00 pm All Souls Novena

Saturday, November 13

8:00 am All Souls Novena
 5:00 pm +Rosalie & Henry Girard
 (Lou & Pearl Regenstreif)

Sunday, November 14

7:30 am +Albert & Peter McNerney
 (Pat Troy)
 9:00 am +Tony Sr, Norma, Fe & Nick Ruiz
 (Their Family)
 +Miggs Ruggiero (Ralph Ruggiero)
 Int. of Nancy Bejune (Katherine & David Tassinari)
 10:30 am Int. of Juan Jr. & Natalia Areliz on their Birthday
 12 noon Parishioners
 7:00pm Parishioners

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 7, 2010

My steps have been steadfast in your paths,
 my feet have not faltered.
 I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God.
 — *Psalm 17:5-6a*

Parish Retreat

Join Franciscan Friar Brother Kelly Cullen and fellow parishioners from St. Bridget of Sweden and St. Catherine of Siena parishes for an enlivening mini-retreat on February 26/27, 2011 at Holy Spirit Retreat Center in Encino. Brother Kelly will open our hearts with Scripture and Franciscan Spirituality. More details and registration information will follow in January. Contact Geoffrey McCarron geoffreymcc@gmail.com or 818.386.8129.

Food Pantry News

Next month we will Celebrate Thanksgiving Day

May we all remember those who have lost their jobs and are struggling to make ends meet.

Each year our Parish Food Pantry distributes Thanksgiving Baskets which you our Parish Family have filled with the proper items for a Thanksgiving Feast, to be given to the less fortunate members of our Christian Family.

It's a comfort to know we can count on each other through whatever life brings. This year we ask that instead of food items for a basket you would make a money donation in the special envelopes at each pew. A gift certificate will be given to our clients so they can purchase the appropriate food items for their celebration. May life bring you a reflection of the kindness you've shown to others.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and May God Bless You abundantly,

The Food Pantry Staff

A.B.C. Accion Catolica

A-Accion

B-Basada

C- Confianza (Cristo)

Solo Para Hombres

Todos los Sábados a las 5 pm

Coordinador: Oscar Moreno

(818) 448-6579

**“Donde dos o más personas se reúnan en mi nombre, allí estaré yo; dice el Señor Jesús”
 “Renovación en El Espíritu”**

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

November 13th, & November 14th, 2010

Saturday, 5:00 PM	A. Balint Walsh	E. Balint Serrao	Grahek
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Centeno	Emond	Ferrer
Sunday, 9:00 AM	L. Spehar Scarcello	M. Spehar Folse	Badilla
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	Santiago De Leon Sitani	Pilares Langi	

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

REGULAR INCOME 1 ST COLLECTION INGRESO REGULAR Ira COLECTA	AVERAGE EXPENSES GASTOS PROMETIDOS	B/M & R FUND 2 ND COLLECTION FONDO DE M/R 2da COLECTA
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October 31 , 2010

\$ 4,138 \$8,360 -\$4,250 \$1,132

PRAY FOR OUR SICK/ RECE POR LOS ENFERMOS

Estela Areliz	Francisco Calderon	Emma Herrera	Ed Keenan
Jim Nelson	Judy Rochon	Lainy Butler	Timothy Stanley
Dan Kahn Jr.	Dorothy Keenan	Pat Valenzuela	Carlota Palacio
Florence Diaz	John Lawson	Dorothea Smith	Pearl Regenstreif
Ellie Pilares	Natividad Quezada	Clarence Wright	Tommy Gutierrez
Tony Ruiz Jr.	David Santibañez	Juan Areliz	Jesus Herrera
Josie Rivera	Justina Gomez	Evelyn Shockley	Lupe Santibañez
Art Pfeifer	Cruz Garcia	Sylvia Chavez	Esperanza Herrera
William Mouzis	Evelyn Shockley	Lea Manao	Roger Lapham
Mary Maggio	Josie Estrada	Patricia Young	Dorothy Pawlak
Salvador Lopez	Paul Aussum	Rita Suarez	Maria Hernandez

THE LORD STRENGTHENS US

If you drive past a health or fitness club early most mornings, you'll usually see a fair number of cars parked outside. Most likely you'll see more cars parked there than outside the parish church for morning Mass or morning prayer. When the apostle Paul speaks today of the word of the Lord "speed[ing] forward"(2 Thessalonians 3:1) he is making a racing/athletic allusion. This sort of reference is one of the most frequent in his letters. In his world, influenced by Greek culture, the city's gymnasium was a place for athletics, but also for poetry, philosophy, and religious and political discourse. It was a place for the body, mind, and spirit.

All aspects of our life must be guided by the word of the Lord. We can exercise at the health club for bodily fitness, but ultimately it will be the Lord who will strengthen us. In the same way, it will be the Lord's own strength we must use for our vocation as disciples: to speed the word of the Lord forward, so that Christ may be known and God glorified through our witness. Paul sums up by telling us what the heart of the disciple will be: directed at all times toward the love of God, and possessing the endurance of Christ.

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***Bishop Alemany High School
Open House***

Prospective students and their families are invited to experience all that Bishop Alemany has to offer at our Open House, Sunday, November 14, 2010 from 12 pm to 4:00 pm. Please join us for an exciting and informative afternoon.

Bishop Alemany High School is located at 11111 N. Alemany Drive in Mission Hills, between Laurel Canyon & Sepulveda Blvd. off Rinaldi Street. For more information please contact Cecilia Garza at (818) 837-5222 or email admissions@alemany.org or you may visit our website at www.alemany.org

St. Bridget of Sweden School News

Fall Enrollment Applications:

We are still accepting applications. Some openings are still available. For information please call 818-785-4422. Application forms may also be downloaded from our website at: www.stbridgetofswedenschool.org.

Seasoned Citizens

November 8, 2010 Picnic at Lake Balboa

November 15, 2010 12:00 pm Potluck (Last day to pay for Christmas Party)

November 29, 2010 Board Meeting 10:30 am

December 5, 2010 Christmas Luncheon

December 6, 2010 Business Meeting

December 15, 2010 Trip to the Cathedral

(For info. Call Marge Sherrard 818-343-3821)

December 27, 2010 Board Meeting

EL SEÑOR NOS FORTALECE

Si pasas por un club de gimnasia temprano por la mañana, usualmente verás a un buen número de automóviles estacionados afuera. Puede que veas más vehículos estacionados allí que en la parroquia para la misa de la mañana o la oración de la mañana. Cuando el apóstol Pablo habla hoy de que la palabra del Señor "se propague con rapidez" (2 Tesalonicenses 3:1) hace una alusión a las carreras atléticas. Este tipo de referencia es una de las más frecuentes en sus cartas. En este mundo influenciado por la cultura griega, el gimnasio de la ciudad era el lugar para el atletismo, y también para la poesía, la filosofía y las discusiones políticas. Era un lugar para el cuerpo, la mente y el espíritu

Todos los aspectos de nuestra vida deben ser guiados por la palabra del Señor. Podemos hacer ejercicio en el club atlético para tener un cuerpo en forma, pero al final será el Señor quien nos fortalecerá. De igual manera, será la propia fortaleza del Señor que debemos emplear en nuestra vocación de discípulos: para propagar la palabra del Señor, para que Cristo sea conocido y Dios glorificado por nuestro testimonio. San Pablo lo resume todo diciéndonos cómo será el corazón del discípulo: dirigido en todo momento hacia el amor de Dios, y esperando pacientemente a Cristo.

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