

# St. Bridget of Sweden Church

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Rectory/Rectoría

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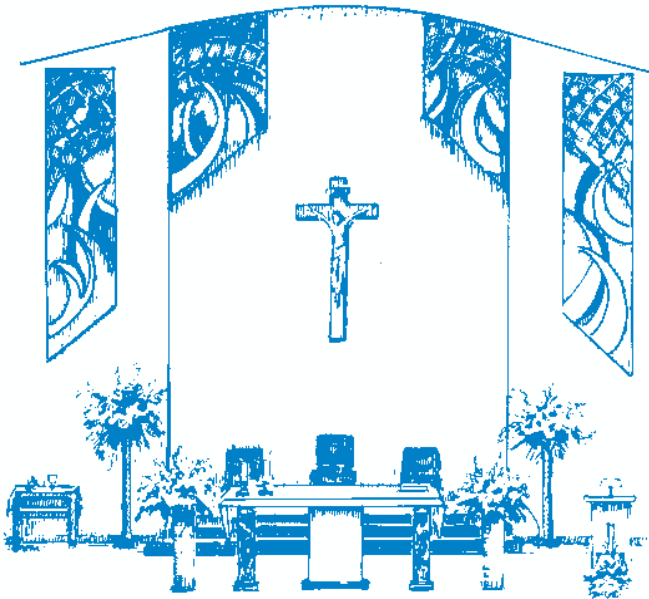
Mr. Ray Rivera, Deacon

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

**All Saints**  
**November 1, 2009**  
 See what love the Father has  
 bestowed on us  
 that we may be called the children  
 of God.  
 — 1 John 3:1



**Food Pantry News**  
 This Thanksgiving Day, may we show gratitude to God by being generous toward others. As we shop for our Thanksgiving feast may we be mindful of others who are not able to do the same. Bring your donations to the Food Pantry on Tuesdays or leave them in the back of the church on Sundays. Our ushers will get them to the Food Pantry. Suggested items are;

Chicken Broth	Jello	Butter
Canned Vegetables	Yams	Margarine
Cranberry Sauce	Canned Fruits	Potato Buds

Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you.  
 The Food Pantry Staff



***Weekly Mass Intentions***

**Sunday, November 1**  
 7:30 am +Guadalupe Nassar (Orlando Lopez)  
 Int. of Miriam Meza  
 9:00 am +Beatriz B. Guerrero (Anchita Herrera)  
 10:30 am Parishioners  
 12 noon Parishioners  
 7:00 pm +Jose L. Salas Jr. (The Salas Family)

**Monday, November 2**  
 8:00 am All Souls Novena  
 10:30 am Seasoned Citizens Mass  
 5:30 pm Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed  
 7:00 pm Conmemoración de Todos los Fieles Difuntos

**Tuesday, November 3**  
 8:00 am All Souls Novena

**Wednesday, November 4**  
 8:00 am All Souls Novena

**Thursday, November 5**  
 8:00 am All Souls Novena

**Friday, November 6**  
 8:00 am All Souls Novena  
 +Araceli Maceda (Marietta Maceda)

**Saturday, November 7**  
 8:00 am All Souls Novena  
 5:00 pm +Rosalie & Henry Girard (Lou & Pearl Regenstreif)

**Sunday, November 8**  
 7:30 am All Souls Novena  
 9:00 am Int. of Mary Jane Elliott (Bryce Elliott)  
 10:30 am Parishioners  
 12 noon Parishioners  
 7:00pm +Evelyn Whittemore (Sue Ten Eyck)

**Seasoned Citizens**

11-02-09 **Business Meeting — 11:00 a.m.**  
 11-16-09 **Thanksgiving Potluck — Noon**  
 11-30-09 **Board Meeting — 10:45 a.m.**  
 12-6-09 **Christmas Luncheon — Noon \$26.00**  
**For reservation call Corinne Henrich at 818-701-0305**  
 12-10-09 **Laurence Welk Theater & Luncheon**  
**Bus leaves at 9:00 a.m.**

**Perpetual Adoration**—St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church at 18115 Sherman Way in Reseda, CA has begun perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. You are welcome to come by 24 hours a day to be with our Lord, the doors will be open. This is a huge commitment for the parish and St. Catherine's is currently in need of more people willing to commit to an hour a week before our Lord, especially during the night hours. If you feel moved to commit to an hour of adoration each week please call St. Catherine's office 818-343-2110. Please leave your name, phone number, and the hour that you can commit

Thank you so much and God Bless you.

**Eucharistic Ministers Schedule**  
**November 7th, & November 8th, 2009**

<b>Saturday, 5:00 PM</b>	<b>Frankel Sloniker</b>	<b>Frankel Alvarado</b>	<b>Herrera</b>
<b>Sunday, 7:30 AM</b>	<b>Emond</b>	<b>Vollmer</b>	<b>Centeno</b>
<b>Sunday, 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Kotzman Dizon</b>	<b>Penaloza Da Costa</b>	<b>Ferrer</b>
<b>Sunday, 10:30 AM</b>	<b>S. Garcia J. Flores</b>	<b>P. Rodriguez M. Rodriguez</b>	
<b>Sunday, 12:00 Noon</b>	<b>M. Hernandez M. Hernandez</b>	<b>E. Medina</b>	
<b>Sunday, 7:00 PM</b>	<b>Wright</b>	<b>Sitani</b>	<b>Langi</b>

**SE NECESITA MÁS QUE ESO**  
 Asistir a la iglesia no te hace cristiano, al igual que ir a un garaje no te hace un automóvil.  
 —Billy Sunday

**IT TAKES MORE**  
 Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you an automobile.  
 —Billy Sunday

**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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**October 25, 2009**

**\$4,991                      \$8,360    -\$3,369    \$1,054**

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

Estela Areliz	Cruz Garcia	Dick Dybas	Emma Herrera
Dorothy Healy	Judy Rochon	Margie Sherrard	Timothy Stanley
Amy Anton	Dorothy Keenan	Teresa Carranza	Carlota Palacio
Florence Diaz	Yolanda Nestor	Dorothea Smith	Dan Kahn Jr.
Sherry Santor	Natividad Quezada	Clarence Wright	Jim Nelson
Tony Ruiz Jr.	Belem Herrera	Juan Areliz	Jesus Herrera
Ed Keenan	Phyllis McNamara	Justina Gomez	Evelyn Shockley
Peter Wolf	Raquel Garcia	Sandy Baxter	Pat Valenzuela
Isabella Mills	Pearl Regenstreif	Lainy Butler	Josie Rivera
Rosalie Graveline	David Santibañez	Guadalupe Santibañez	

**Restorative Justice — Overview**

**The month of November is international Restorative Justice Month.**

It's been pointed out by legal scholars, sociologists and religious leaders that our criminal justice system is grounded in retribution. Those convicted of crimes — especially violent acts — are to be locked away and punished by the government. Besides cooperating with the police and testifying in court, victims play no further role in the adversarial process. And rehabilitating offenders, at best, is an afterthought for the two million men and women incarcerated in the United States today.

Starting with their 2000 pastoral letter "Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration: A Catholic Perspective on Crime and Criminal Justice," U.S. bishops have advocated for a more humane approach called "Restorative Justice" to repair the harm caused by criminal behavior. The growing social justice movement encourages victims, offenders and their impacted communities to fully participate in the healing process through victim/offender mediation, restitution, victim and ex-offender assistance, sentencing circles and community service.

Crime is viewed as an offense against human relationships, so the focus is on reconciling them. By confronting their victims, offenders see firsthand the impact of their crimes.

"Restorative justice is about making everyone involved in crime whole again — victims, perpetrators and the community," says Auxiliary Bishop Gabino Zavala of Los Angeles. "It's a messy process. But the alternative is fear, hatred and divisiveness. The alternative is worse. It means the continual loss of human life."

*To learn more about restorative justice from a Catholic perspective, please visit [RestoreJustice.com](http://RestoreJustice.com).*



**Monday November 2, 2009**

**Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**

**8:00 am Mass (English)**

**10:30 am Mass (Seasoned Citizen Mass English)**

**5:30 pm Mass (English)**

**7:00 pm Mass (Spanish)**

**All Souls Novena**

*Envelopes for All Souls Novena may be found in the church pews. You may list the names of those you wish to be remembered and then place your donation inside the envelope. Envelopes may be placed in the collection basket or brought to the church rectory during business hours (9 am to 8 pm).*

**Lunes 2 de Noviembre de 2009**

**Commemoración de Todos los Fieles Difuntos**

**8:00 am Misa (Inglés)**

**10:30 am Misa (Seasoned Citizen Misa Inglés)**

**5:30 pm Misa (Inglés)**

**7:00 pm Misa**

**Novena Para Los Fieles Difuntos**

*Los sobres para la Novena para Los Fieles Difuntos estan en las bancas de la Iglesia. Escriba los nombres de sus seres queridos en el sobre y ponga su donacion en el sobre. Puede poner su sobre en la canasta de colecciones, o trígalo a la rectoria durante las horas de oficina 9 am a 8 pm.*

**"Together in Mission" 2009**

**Goal: \$32,877**

**Amount Paid as of June 2009**

**\$11,934 Amount Needed**

**\$20,943**

**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

Lunes: Sab 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 o 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, o bien cualquier lectura tomada del n° 668 o de la Misa de los Difuntos nús. 1011-1016

Martes: Rom 12:5-16b; Lc 14:15-24

Miércoles: Rom 13:8-10; Lc 14:25-33

Jueves: Rom 14:7-12; Lc 15:1-10

Viernes: Rom 15:14-21; Lc 16:1-8

Sábado: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lc 16:9-15

Domingo: 1 Re 17:10-16; Sal 146 (145);

Heb 9:24-28;

Mc 12:38-44 [41-44]