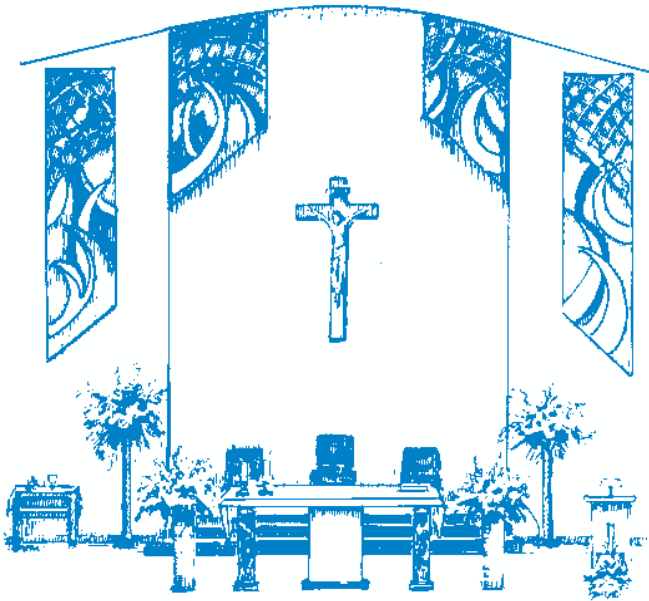


St. Bridget of Sweden Church

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Website: www.sbos.org

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Rectory/Rectoría

16711 Gault St., Van Nuys, CA 91406.....(818) 782-7180

Fax Number.....(818) 782-7184

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

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

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.

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**

**First Sunday of Lent
February 21, 2010**

*The word is near you, in your
mouth and in your heart.
— Romans 10:8*



REMEMBER

Once again the Church invites us to enter the desert of repentance. That desert, as today's first reading reminds us, is also a desert of remembrance. This holy season summons us to remember all that God has done for us. Like the Israelites who recalled their captivity and God's work to free them from the Egyptians, we, too, recall those times when we were held captive by sin and experienced freedom through the gift of God's redeeming love.

Saint Paul tells us that the word of God is near us; it is in our mouths and in our hearts. May that sacred word prompt us to remember God's great work of reconciliation in our lives and in our community. As this season of Lent unfolds, let us take to heart these words of Saint Paul and spend these forty days calling upon the name of the Lord, asking for forgiveness and healing.

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 21

7:30 am +Irma Oliveros (Helen Cieslar)
9:00 am +Ana Miron (Daughter Lily Miron)
10:30 am Parishioners
12 noon Carmen Garcia (De Su Familia)
+Baltazar Suarez (Rita Suarez)
7:00 pm Parishioners

Monday, February 22

8:00 Parishioners

Tuesday, February 23

8:00 am Parishioners

Wednesday, February 24

8:00 am Parishioners

Thursday, February 25

8:00 am +Eleanor Camarena (Husband Ruben Camarena)

Friday, February 26

8:00 am Parishioners

Saturday, February 27

8:00 am Parishioners
5:00 pm +Marla Gagan Cogswell (Virginia Gagan)
+Raul Navarro (Gloria Navarro)

Sunday, February 28

7:30 am Parishioners
9:00 am +Ernest & Ann Estrada (Daughter Victoria & Family)
10:30 am Parishioners
12 noon Parishioners
7:00pm Parishioners

Knights of Columbus 7th Annual March for Life

Saturday, March 13, 2010 8am—11:30 am

For information call Marty Spehar 818-881-7221

The Knights of Columbus, Van Nuys Council invites you to join us in a celebration of life. We are sponsoring the 7th Annual Los Angeles March for Life, which will be held on March 13, 2010. The March for Life is a two-mile walk that begins at St. Cyril of Jerusalem in Encino. Proceeds from the march provide needed funding for many important pro-life groups. The Pregnancy Counseling Center in Mission Hills is one such group that helps women in crisis pregnancies by offering them real choices. For more information, visit: <http://www.lamarchforlife.org> or call Nick Bryan, March for Life Chairman at 818-789-3237.

Fr. Victor Ruvalcaba has announced that the St. Bridget of Sweden Mass for the Knights of Columbus Council #3148 will be celebrated on Sunday, February 21, 2010 9:00 am Mass. The Knights will process in at the beginning of Mass and will be welcomed by the celebrant. Immediately following the Mass, the Knights and their families will join St. Bridget of Sweden's "Pancake Breakfast", a fundraiser for the Parish School.

The St. Bridget of Sweden Knights of Columbus Roundtable has an active membership and is a part of the Van Nuys Knights of Columbus Council 3148 which incorporates members from eleven surrounding parishes.

Seasoned Citizens

2-22-2010 Board Meeting

3-1-2010 Business Meeting

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

February 20th, & February 21st, 2010

Saturday, 5:00 PM	Alvarado Grahek	Serrao Herrera	Walsh
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Lopez	Vollmer	Emond
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Scarcello Kotzman	Ferrer Penaloza	Sison
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	Pawlak	Pilares	Wright

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

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February 14, 2010

\$5,272 \$8,360 -\$3,088 \$1,285

PRAY FOR OUR SICK/ RECE POR LOS ENFERMOS

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

Clases de Catecismo Para Adultos

El programa de Educacion Religiosa de esta parroquia tendra clases de Primera Comuni3n y Confirmaci3n para adultos. Las clases empiezan el 4 de Marzo a las 6:30 pm. Para informacion puede llamar a la oficina de la iglesia (818) 782-7180.

Legion de Maria

La Legion de Maria del Valle de San Fernando les hace una cordial invitacion a todas las personas que gusten formar un grupo de La Legion De Maria en esta Parroquia. Nos reuniremos el dia martes 23 de Febrero a las 7 pm. La primera junta sera reunion de orientacion. En el salon # 8 de la escuela.. Por favor no falten, La Virgen los espera.

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 for more information please call 818-785-4422. Financial Aid is also available.

Scholarship Breakfast

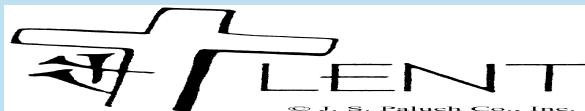
February 21, 2010

After 7:30 and 9:00 am Masses

Proceeds from the breakfast go to a deserving St. Bridget of Sweden School Family, to help pay tuition expenses.

Menu: Sausage, Hash Browns, Scrambled Eggs, Pancakes, Juice, Coffee & Tea.

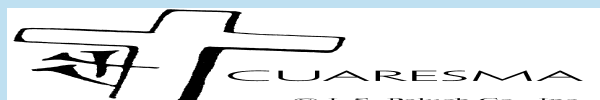
Cost: Adults & Children 14+	\$6.00
Seniors & Children 7-13	\$5.00
Children 3-6	\$3.00
Children 2 & under	Free



Lenten Schedule
Stations of the Cross

Each Friday, during Lent Stations of the Cross will be held at 6:00 pm in English and 7 pm in Spanish.

On Friday, immediately following Stations of the Cross Services there will be a Lenten soup meal served in the Parish Hall. Please come by to sample some of the tasty soups we have prepared for you. If you would like to volunteer or for information please call Tony Rodriguez at 818-342-9028.



Horario de Cuaresma
Vía Crucis y Bendición Solemne

Todos los viernes de Cuaresma a las 7:00 pm en Español.

Sopa en el Salon Parroquial

Venga al salon parroquial y disfrute de una merienda de cuaresma antes del Via Crusis en Español.

RECUERDA

Una vez más la Iglesia nos invita a entrar en el desierto del arrepentimiento. Este desierto, como la primera lectura nos recuerda, también es un desierto de recuerdos. Este santo tiempo nos llama a recordar todo lo que Dios ha hecho por nosotros. Como los israelitas que recordaron su cautiverio y la obra de Dios para liberarlos de los egipcios, nosotros también recordamos las veces en que fuimos cautivos del pecado y conocimos la libertad por el don del amor redentor de Dios.

San Pablo nos dice que la palabra de Dios está cerca; está en nuestros labios y en nuestro corazón. Que la santa palabra nos incite a recordar la gran obra de reconciliación de Dios en nuestras vidas y en nuestra comunidad. A medida que avanzamos en este tiempo de Cuaresma, tomemos a pecho estas palabras de san Pablo y pasemos estos cuarenta días invocando el nombre del Señor y pidiendo perdón y sanación.

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