

St. Bridget of Sweden Church

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Rectory/Rectoría

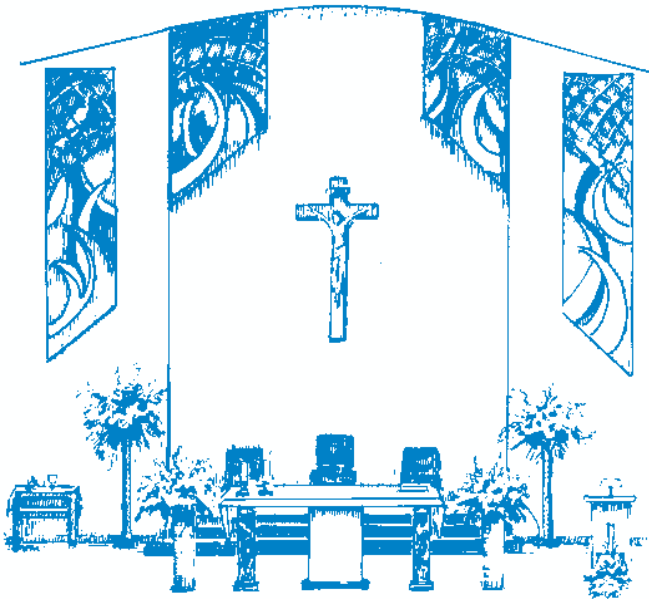
16711 Gault St., Van Nuys, CA 91406..... (818) 782-7180

Father Joseph Dass, Administrator Pro Tem

Mr. Ray Rivera, Deacon

Parish Office Secretaries: Gloria Romero and
Dorothy Keenan

Parish Council: Tony Rodriguez (818) 782-7180



EDUCATION

ST. BRIDGET OF SWEDEN SCHOOL
7120 Whitaker Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91406
(818) 785-4422 Vacation: 785-2564

Principal: Robert Pawlak

President: Roselyn F. Arciaga

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: 782-7180

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

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 – Gloria Romero, 782-7180

Detention – John Williams, 780-0526

Eucharistic Ministers – Mary Grahek 344-4221

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

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

Lectors – Dorothy Serrao, 780-5202

Liturgy Committee – Susan O’Sullivan 994-9881

Music Directo/English Choir – Marcos Mendoza, 886-0764

“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 Ushers – Arturo Romero 782-7180

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

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to **your** new parish! Please stop by the rectory to
register or fill out form at church doors. Welcome Committee:
English & Spanish Frank Ayala 994-7630

**Second Sunday of Easter
(Divine Mercy Sunday)
April 19, 2009**

Who indeed is the victor over the world
but the one who believes that
Jesus is the Son of God?
— 1 John 5:5



Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 19

7:30 am +Linda Gustafsun (Dannis & Editha Almozara)
9:00 am Int. of Mary Jane Elliott
(Bryce Elliott)
10:30 am Parishioners
12 noon +Sofia & Elena Morachis
(De Su Familia)
7:00 pm +Cristobal Irlanda (Carrillo Family)

Monday, April 20

8:00 am +Stefan Loicenbauer (His Suster Pauline Frieberg)

Tuesday, April 21

8:00 am +Roseta Caballes (Marietta Maceda)

Wednesday, April 22

8:00 am Parishioners

Thursday, April 23

8:00 am Parishioners

Friday, April 24

8:00 am Parishioners

Saturday, April 25

8:00 am +Subuir De Leon (Josefina De Leon)
5:00 pm +Dorothy & Earl Hopkins
(Mary Grahek)

Sunday, April 26

7:30 am Parishioners
9:00 am +Tony Sr., Norma, Fe, & Noli Ruiz
(Their Family)
10:30 am Parishioners
12 noon Parishioners
7:00pm Parishioners

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sometimes children acquire nicknames in childhood that stalk them through adulthood: “Pinky,” “Boo-boo,” and the like. This Sunday was once called “Low Sunday,” a step down from Easter glory, and an unfortunate nickname since Easter rejoicing goes on for fifty days. Traditionally this is the day when the newly baptized put away their white baptismal robes and returned to their everyday life after a week of intense celebration. Of course, the goal was to take up everyday duties with a very new point of view.



A long title for the day was *Dominica in albis deposito*, or “The Lord’s Day for Putting Away the Albs,” so no wonder the nickname “Low Sunday” arose. In the old calendar it was also called “Quasimodo Sunday,” after the first word of the opening chant, *Quasimodo geniti infantes*, or “As newborn infants,” a reference to the newly baptized taken from the Epistle of Peter. Victor Hugo’s bell-ringing hero in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* was abandoned as an infant on the threshold of the cathedral of Paris on Low Sunday, 1467, and named “Quasimodo” for the feast.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20
Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

Seasoned Citizens

4-27-09 Board Meeting 11:00 AM
5-4-09 Business Meeting 11:00 AM
5-13-09 Huntington Library 9:30 AM
5-18-09 Catered Potluck \$10.00
For information Call Laura Spehar
(818) 881-7221

Van Nuys Knights of Columbus

All Catholic men are invited to join our great fraternity. The next initiation ceremony is June 30, 2009. For more information call John Williams at (818) 780-0526

Eucharistic Ministers Schedule April 25th, & April 26th, 2009

Saturday, 5:00 PM	Walsh	Sison	Grahek
Sunday, 7:30 AM	Vollmer	Centeno	Emond
Sunday, 9:00 AM	M. Spehar Penaloza	L. Spehar Da Costa	Kotzman
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	O’Sullivan	Pawlak	Pilares

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

En tiempos pasados, cuando la misa era en latín, no teníamos la oportunidad de escuchar en nuestra propia lengua las bellas palabras que Cristo pronunció durante la Última Cena y que el sacerdote repite durante la Consagración: “Esto es mi cuerpo”... “Esta es mi sangre”. Por tal razón los monaguillos sonaban unas campanitas indicando que algo importante estaba pasando. En ese momento los fieles levantábamos la cabeza para ver el pan convertido en cuerpo y el vino convertido en sangre. Lamentablemente el sacerdote nos daba la espalda y no podíamos ver lo que ocurría sobre el altar. Sin embargo, respondíamos con las palabras del apóstol Tomás: “Señor mío y Dios mío”.

Estas palabras reconocen y adoran la presencia de Jesús en el pan y el vino. A este momento se le consideraba el más importante de la misa. No obstante, el Concilio Vaticano II vino a enseñarnos que este es el momento cumbre, junto con toda la Plegaria Eucarística, pues toda la misa es igualmente importante, excepto que durante la Plegaria Eucarística alcanzamos el punto más alto de la celebración. Por esa razón ya no hay campanita, pues ahora escuchamos todo en nuestro propio idioma, así como los discípulos las escucharon de Cristo, en su propio idioma.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Gluz, OFM, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.



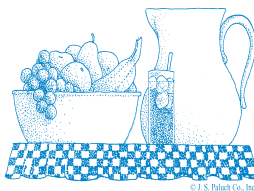
LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Hch 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8
 Martes: Hch 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15
 Miércoles: Hch 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
 Jueves: Hch 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
 Viernes: Hch 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
 Sábado: 1 Pe 5:5b-14; Mc 16:15-20
 Domingo: Hch 3:13-15, 17-19; Sal 4; 1 Jn 2:1-5a;
 Lc 24:35-48

Nikki Folse Scholarship Breakfast

The Nikki Folse Scholarship Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 26, 2009 after the 7:30 AM and 9:00 AM Masses in the Parish Hall.

St. Bridget of Sweden School sponsors the breakfast, and proceeds will go to the scholarship fund.



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
April 12., 2009		
\$5,780	\$8,360	-\$2,580 \$1,667
PRAY FOR OUR SICK/ RECE POR LOS ENFERMOS		
Estela Areliz	Hector C. Lopez	Irene Wright
Dorothy Healy	Judy Rochon	James Tierney
Amy Anton	Dorothy Keenan	Teresa Carranza
Florence Diaz	Yolanda Nestor	Dorothea Smith
Sherry Santor	Dan Kahn	Clarence Wright
Tony Ruiz Jr.	Belem Herrera	Juan Areliz
Ed Keenan	Phyllis McNamara	Rita Herrera
Mary Ellis	Evelyn Whittemore	Sandy Baxter
Isabella Mills	Joe Avelino	Justina Gomez
Rosalie Graveline		David Santibañez
Guadalupe Santibañez	Concepcion Martinez	Men Nguyen

School News

St. Bridget of Sweden School is now accepting applications for Kindergarten through 8th grade, for the 2009-2010 school year. Applications can be picked up at the school office, or can be mailed upon request. You can also go on line at www.stbridget.org. For more information please call 818/785-4422.

A CHEERFUL GIVER

A cheerful giver does not count the cost of what he gives. His heart is set on pleasing and cheering the one to whom the gift is given.

—St. Julian

GENEROSIDAD

La generosidad no consiste en dar mucho, sino en dar a tiempo.

—Anónimo

Sacrament of Confirmation

Most Reverend Bishop Joseph M. Sartoris will be coming to St. Bridget of Sweden Church to confir the Sacrament of Confirmation on our young people on Saturday, April 25, 2009 at our regular 5:00 pm Mass. We welcome Bishop Sartoris and Congratulate the Confirmation Class of 2009.



El Sacramento de Confirmación

El Obispo Joseph M. Sartoris vendra el Sabado 25 de Abril a la Misa de las 5:00 pm a celebrar el Sacramento de Confirmación a los jovenes de nuestra parroquia. Bienvenido Obispo Sartoris y felizidades a los Confirmados de la Clase de 2009.