

Saint Francis de Sales Church Bulletin

June 14, 2009 ~ Sherman Oaks, California



REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK AND RECOVERING OF OUR COMMUNITY *especially*

Alicia Gomez, Mel Brandt, Susan Dalgleish, Melissa Manning Wilmot, Theresia Hubel, Marilyn Bardwil, Robina Dumas, Floyd Romeck, Rocco Carter, Peter Thompson, Calleigh Stone, Daniel Patrick Kennedy, Micki Kadar, Monica A. Faraldo, Robert Salvato, Steve Mccahulk, Sam Sosna, Rocco Wren, Kelly Hare, Joey Harper, Sr. Ellen Marie McGovern, Jane Faurot, Dee Gillespie, Emma Ramirez, Randi Renaud, Cynthia Kotzman, Lucy Fleming McGrath, Sr. Greta Stewart, Teresa Pina-Jiminez, Spencer Hawk, Jennifer Robin, and Eileen Breedon.

PRAY FOR OUR ARMED FORCES

Michael Lucas-US Navy, Mike McCarthy-US Navy, Monica A. Faraldo-US Army

In your prayers during the week please remember the repose of the souls of Patricia Fischer

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY- JUNE 13

9:00 AM -In Memory of Matt Roe

5:00 PM -In Memory of Bob De Chellis

SUNDAY- JUNE 14

8:00 AM -In Memory of Patricia Fischer

10:00 AM -In Memory of Jim Leetch

12:00 PM -In Memory of Natividad Sanchez

5:00 PM -In Memory of Elaine Murcia

MONDAY- JUNE 15

8:30 AM -In Memory of Paul Bardwil

TUESDAY- JUNE 16

8:30 AM -In Memory of Benjamin Knoll

WEDNESDAY JUNE 17

8:30 AM -In Memory of Debbie Parker

THURSDAY- JUNE 18

8:30 AM -For the Intentions of Ike Muñoz-Vignes

FRIDAY- JUNE 19

8:30 AM -In Memory of Jack Coughlin

SATURDAY- JUNE 20

9:00 AM -In Memory of Fr. Peyton

5:00 PM -In Memory of Clarence P. Loffarelli

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS (6/21)

First Reading - The Lord said to Job: Who shut within doors the sea? And who said: Thus far shall you come but no farther! (Job 38:1, 8-11).

Psalm - Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting (Psalm 107).

Second Reading - Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:14-17).

Gospel - Who is this whom even wind and sea obey? (Mark 4:35-41).

MISSION STATEMENT

“Our mission is to help our Parish Family discover rewarding and fulfilling opportunities to grow spiritually; to form relationships; to serve Our Lord and to help others.”



This Week In Our Parish

Monday 6/15

1PM- SFDS Adult Club Meeting.

Tuesday 6/16

7PM-RCIA. Parish Center.

Wednesday 6/17

8:30AM-SFDS Students to attend final Mass of 2009.

9:45AM-Mommy & Me. Parish Center.

7:30PM-Meditation Prayer group.

Thursday 6/18

9:30AM-Bible Study. Parish Center.

Sunday 6/21

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHURCH

Week of 6/4-6/10 Collection.

Collection \$11,794.00

Parish Pay \$ 1,469.00

Total \$13,263.00

Thank you for your contributions.

SFDS ADULT CLUB 2009 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Luncheon Meetings: - Every 3rd Monday of the month. Call Maurine Backus at 818-784-0605 or Renee O'Malley at (818) 986-6369 for reservations.

Club Membership: Join the SFDS Adult Club and its many year-long activities and projects for only \$15. Call Cora Kinsella for membership at (818) 990-5196.

Board Meetings: Last Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Executive Committee Meetings: Last Wednesday of each month in Parish Center at 1:30 pm.

Free Beach Parking at County Beaches for 62+: obtain your parking passes (M-F) by sending a copy of your driver's license and car registration to Department of Beaches and Harbors, 13837 Fiji Way, Marina Del Rey, CA 90292 or call (310) 305-9503.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a series of meetings held here at St. Francis de Sales Parish for persons interested in becoming members of the Catholic faith.

We welcome all who are interested, they include persons who have never been Baptized in any faith as well as persons who were Baptized in another religion. Persons who were Baptized as infants in the Catholic faith but who never made their First Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Confirmation. All are welcome to come and find out what the Catholic religion is all about. With divine guidance, these people might choose to embrace the Catholic faith. Meetings are taking place in the Parish Center, 13360 Valleyheart Dr., Sherman Oaks from 7-9 pm, every Tuesday evening. If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, or if you know of someone else who might be interested in gathering with us on a Tuesday evening, please call the Parish Center 818-784-0105 and leave your name and a telephone number. One of the group leaders of the RCIA program will call you and give you further information should you have questions to ask.





PARISH PAY

In these tough economic times it might be easier to have your church contributions taken weekly or monthly from your checking account or credit card. If you set up a predetermined amount you can easily budget expenses. Parish Pay is an easy and convenient service provided to our parishioners. You simply go on line and they will automatically deduct your church contributions at whatever schedule and amount you determine. It only takes a few moments to go to their secure website and make arrangements. If you are interested simply go to www.saintfrancisdesaleschurch.com and click on contribute and then Parish Pay.

LOAVES & FISHES

CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

This tournament will be held at the Woodland Hills Country Club, 21150 Dumetz Rd., Woodland Hills, CA (818) 347-1511, on Monday, July 20, 2009. Please contact Barbara Ausburn at (818) 997-9043 for a registration form. The registration deadline is Tuesday, June 30th.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NOTES

The SFDS Knights coordinates with the School and Church a monthly canned food and clothing drive on the 1st weekend of the month. Save your canned food and clothing for the Loaves & Fishes Program. Current community needs have greatly increased the need for food and clothing for our poor. Thank you to all the SFDS Families who bring food and clothing to the collection. It keeps the doors open at Loaves & Fishes, where all SFDS Families are referred for assistance. The primary goal of this drive is to collect non-perishable food items such as canned goods. However, L&F is always in need of clothing as well. Thank you.

PROVIDENCE HS SUMMER SESSIONS

Are you looking for educational enrichment or simply "something for your student to do" this summer? Providence High School is offering a variety of courses for both review and to learn something new! Pre-registration is required. Courses include Chemistry 1 & 11 Review, Photography, Spanish, Study Skills and much more! English and Math Enrichment courses for 8th grade students are \$250.00. All other upper grade classes are \$300.00. For additional information visit the website www.providencehigh.org or call Mr. Reece Talley at (818) 846-8141 ext 109. For registration questions call Mrs. Kathleen Pantaleo at (818) 846-8141 ext. 111. Providence is located at 511 S. Buena \Vista St., in Burbank.

Registration/Payment Deadline is June 18

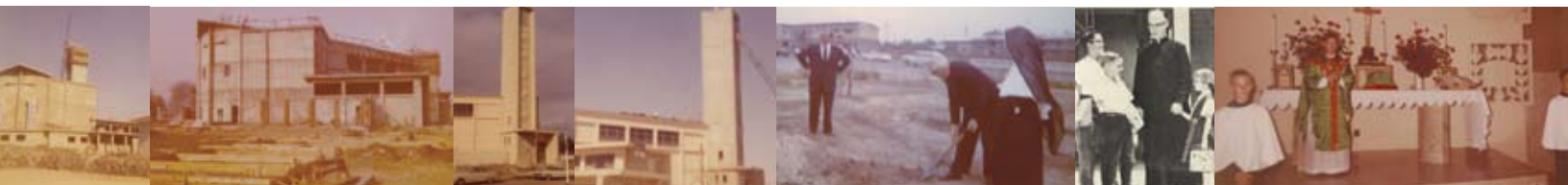
Summer Sessions begin Monday June 29

Session 1 8AM-10:30AM

Session 11 10:45AM-1:15PM

Classes are Monday-Thursday.

Last Day is Thursday, July 30





UNDERSTANDING LOSS, GRIEF & BEREIVEMENT IN CHILDREN & ADOLESCENTS

Fr. Alexander Lewis from Our Lady of Peace Parish, on 15444 Nordoff Street, North Hills invites you to a workshop on loss, grief and bereavement on Saturday, June 27, 2009 from 10:00 to 12:00 noon in our parish hall. Please register by calling 818 894-1176.

This presentation will consist of an overview of the research exploring the fundamental dynamics of loss, grief and bereavement as they impact children and adolescents. We will examine the different ways children and adolescents cope with loss, caused by separation, divorce, moving to a new home or school, or the death of a loved one. The physical and psychological impact grief has on children, adolescents and their families will be examined. We will review some concrete and age appropriate interventions which can be used to help people deal with loss.

FULTON AVE. BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS

Construction has begun on the Fulton Ave. Bridge over the L.A. River in order to meet federal bridge codes and meet state seismic safety standards. The work consists of removing and rebuilding portions of the channel walls at each four corners of the bridge and widen the deck to accommodate a new roadway width of forty three feet. The work will also include approach street and sidewalk improvements as well as the installation of an architectural metal rail above the new concrete barriers. The work on the bridge will hopefully be finished by January 31, 2010. If you have any questions please contact C-1 Construction at (323) 469-3402.

MOMMY & ME

We have a whole new group of little ones with their mommies (and daddies, of course) at our free weekly meetings. Join us at our new time, on Wednesday's from 9:45-11:15 a.m. in the Parish Center. We welcome all children ages three months to three years, offering playtime in a caring, supportive environment with other new parish parents. Any questions, call Cheyene at 818 645-6007.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to place your news items in the Bulletin, you may do so via e-mail. The address is: sfdsbulletin@sbcglobal.net.

DID YOU KNOW?

Working Together to Prevent Child abuse

A hallmark of the Catholic Church is the protection of life and the dignity of the human person. Through Scripture and Catholic teachings we are called to protect the life and dignity of all human persons no matter how young or old. Working to prevent child abuse is an important response of what we are called to do as Church. For information on how you can become more informed and involved in keeping our children safe, please call the parish office or visit: <http://www.archdiocese.la/protecting/index.php> .

Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office, 213 637 7227.

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

SAVE THE DATES & DEADLINES

June 26th at 7:10pm: Annual SFDS Dodgers Night & Fireworks: Dodgers vs Seattle Mariners; Great seat location for only \$18/ ticket: SFDS Adult Club Members & Students - \$14 (regular game day price \$23)

July 18th : 7:30pm Knights at the Movies including refreshments & games.

July 29th : Santa Barbara Day Trip via Van Nuys Amtrak Station.



August 15th: Movie Night.

August 19th: Gene Autry Museum Trip.

September 19th: Movie Night.

December 2ND: Glory of Christmas at Crystal Cathedral & Knott's Chicken Dinner.

December 14th: Annual Member Christmas Luncheon.

FATHER'S DAYS NOVENA

All fathers, living and deceased, will be honored in a special Father's Day Novena of Masses which will begin on Sunday, June 21st. Envelopes to be placed on the altar for the Father's Day Novena can be found in the pews. The cards for mailing can be obtained in the Parish Center Office.

TOGETHER IN MISSION PLEDGE BILLINGS

The monthly pledge billings for the Together in Mission pledges have been mailed. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach and, hopefully, exceed our goal. Once the pledge payments have exceeded our goal, we receive all of the additional funds for use in our parish ministries.

Sign up for St. Francis de Sales Swim Team Now!

Summer Practice with Coach Jean Everman and other coaches will begin in June at Notre Dame High School Swimming Pool. Meets will begin in September at Van Nuys/Sherman Oaks Swimming Pool. Open to all SFDS Students and Parishioners ages 5-14. New swimmers are welcome! Must be able to swim a 25 yd. pool length. Summer conditioning takes place each Thursday at 5:30pm. Please contact Marci Moran at (818) 378-5032 or marci@shanesinspiration.org to sign up now! Be a bulldog swimmer!

PRECIOUS BLOOD

On this solemnity we focus our attention on the Body and Blood of Christ. We listen to the story of the renewal of the old covenant, which Moses sealed by splashing the blood of animals on the altar of sacrifice, as well as on the people. Jesus, whose blood is the blood of the new covenant, shed that precious blood on the cross, saving us from sin and promising us everlasting life. Blood is the life source that courses through our bodies. The precious blood of Christ is the life source for our spirits. Today may we, like the psalmist, offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving to the Lord, whose body and blood strengthens us to bring the Good News to everyone we meet.

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HONORING FR. RICHARD AFFRIM

The Ho Diocese Assistance Corporation (HDAC) will be hosting The Gala, a dinner honoring Father Richard Affrim, Sir Daniel Donohue, Dr. Lisbeth Gant-Britton, and Anthony & Peggy Sella at the Skirball Cultural Center on Friday, June 19th at 7pm. We invite all SFDS families to join us at this special event. Funds raised will be used to build a Secondary School and Learning Center at Gbi-Atabu in Ghana, Africa. This community has enjoyed over 50 years of peace and... for every dollar we donate, they contribute 15% in goods and services. So, we hope you can support this worthy cause to honor Father Richard and help the needy in Ghana. For ticket or tribute ad information, or to make a contribution, please contact Marci Moran at (818) 378-5032 or jacknmarci@charter.net.

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

Lord, hold our troops
In Your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families
For the selfless acts they perform
For us in our time of need.
And give us peace.
I ask this in the name of Jesus,
Our Lord and Savior.
Amen

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The origins of today's solemnity lie in thirteenth-century Belgium. In those days, people seldom received Holy Communion, and never the chalice. A nun in a troubled convent, Juliana of Liège, devoted her life to stirring up love for the Eucharist, lobbying for a feast day to honor the Blessed Sacrament with Masses and processions.

Juliana may have been inspired by the Ascension Day processions in nearby Bruges. Crusaders brought a treasure home to Bruges from Constantinople in 1204: a reliquary said to contain a cloth from Joseph of Arimathea with which he had helped prepare the body of Jesus for burial. The stain on the cloth was said to be the holy blood itself, and so the people of Bruges built a great basilica to house the relic. Bruges became a great center of pilgrimage because of this treasure, and the procession of the Holy Blood is still one of the greatest festivals in Belgium today. The bishop carries the relic through the narrow streets, and the people wear medieval costumes and act out scenes from the Bible.