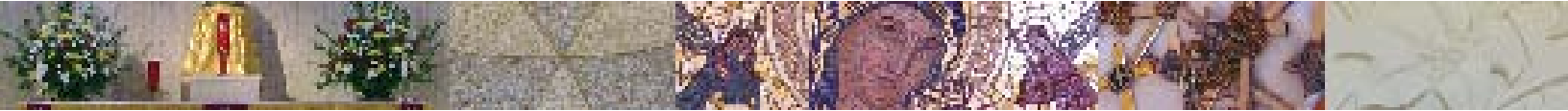


# Saint Francis de Sales Church Bulletin

November 8, 2009 ~ Sherman Oaks, California



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

Carol Gurse, Brooks Paul, Margaret Tarin Hensley, Olga D'Este, Catherine Street, Faye Schafuss, Ernest Dewsnap, Clarita Hernandez, Alicia Gomez, Susan Dalglish, Melissa Manning Wilmot, Marilyn Bardwil, Robina Dumas, Floyd Romeck, Theresia Hubel, Rocco Carter, Peter Thompson, Calleigh Stone, Micki Kadar, Monica A. Faraldo, Steve Mccahulk, Sam Sosna, Rocco Wren, Kelly Hare, Joey Harper, Sr. Ellen Marie McGovern, Jane Faurot, Dee Gillespie, Emma Ramirez, Cynthia Kotzman, Lucy Fleming McGrath, Sr. Greta Stewart, Teresa Pina-Jiminez, Spencer Hawk, Jennifer Robin, and Eileen Breeden.

## **PRAY FOR OUR ARMED FORCES**

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

## ***In your prayers this week, please remember the repose of the soul of***

Tom Ferrero, Odette Vanderchans, Emily Van Slovis

## **MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**SATURDAY- NOVEMBER 7**

9:00 AM -All Souls Novena

5:00 PM -All Souls Novena

**SUNDAY- NOVEMBER 8**

8:00 AM -All Souls Novena

10:00 AM -All Souls Novena

12:00 PM -In Memory of Dony Alejandro

5:00 PM -In Memory of Jesus Lammatao

**MONDAY- NOVEMBER 9**

8:30 AM -Anniversary Mass for deceased Souls

San Fernando Mission Mortuary

**TUESDAY- NOVEMBER 10**

8:30 AM -For the Intentions of Fe. Garchito Rena

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 11**

8:30 AM -For the Intentions of Jackson Ross

**THURSDAY- NOVEMBER 12**

8:30 AM -For the Intentions of Francine Hernandez

**FRIDAY- NOVEMBER 13**

8:30 AM -In Memory of Odette Vanderchans

**SATURDAY- NOVEMBER 14**

9:00 AM -In Memory of Tim Siuta

5:00 PM -In Memory of Bob De Chellis

## **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS (11/15)**

First Reading - Those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever (Daniel 12:1-3).

Psalm - You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Psalm 16).

Second Reading - Where there is forgiveness, there is no longer offering for sin (Hebrews 10:11-14, 18).

Gospel - Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away (Mark 13:24-32).

## **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."**



## CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CHURCH

Week of 10/22-10/28 Collection.

Collection \$12,042.00

Parish Pay \$ 1,711.00

Total \$13,753.00

Thank you for your contributions.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 11/8

8:45AM-Teen Confirmation. Parish Center.

9AM-CRE Classes.

10AM-Little Church.

Tuesday 11/10

7PM-RCIA. Parish Center.

Wednesday 11/11

7:30PM-Meditation Prayer group.

3-PM-Children's Choir practice. In Church.

Thursday 11/12

9:30AM-Bible Study. Parish Center.

6-10PM-Choir rehearsal. Church.

Sunday 11/15

8:45AM-Teen Confirmation. Parish Center.

9AM-CRE Classes.

9AM-Book Fair in school auditorium.

10AM-Little Church.

## WORKSHOP ON LOSS, GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT

During this month of November, we are very aware of those who have died. On Saturday, November 14, at 10:00, St. Joseph the Worker Church, in Winnetka, invites you to a workshop in our Conference Center. Paul Brogan, MFT from Mount St. Mary's College, will present a workshop on "Understanding and Coping with Loss, Grief and Bereavement". This workshop will examine how children, adolescents and adults cope with loss caused by divorce, unemployment, illness and death. Participants will receive a free research booklet which offers practical advice on ways to help people of all ages cope. Please RSVP to the Parish Center (818) 341-6634.

## SAVE THE DATES & DEADLINES

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

December 10th: Welk Resort Theatre: Tour includes "A Christmas Carol" at the Welk Theatre; Deluxe Bus Transportation; Buffet Lunch; Stop at Tom's Farm on the way home: 9am-8:30pm - \$99.

December 14th: Annual Member Christmas Luncheon.

sponsored by the Knights and Scholarship Committee

Make Reservations now for upcoming trips sponsored by the SFDS Knights of Columbus and the Adult Club: call Cora Kinsella for details: 818-990-5196.





## HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSE

CRESPI November 8 1-4pm  
 PROVIDENCE November 15 12-2:30 pm  
 BISHOP ALEMANY November 15 12-5pm  
 ST. GENEVIEVE November 21 11am-12:30  
 NOTRE DAME November 22 10am-1pm  
 MARYMOUNT November 22 12:30-4 pm  
 LOUISVILLE December 6 11am-2 pm  
 MAYFIELD December 6 1-4 pm  
 IMMACULATE HEART December 6 1-4 pm  
 LOYOLA December 13 1-4 pm  
 For more details about the High Schools, please call them directly.

## VATICAN II SERIES

St. Mel Book Club is happy to announce that on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 7 PM, 20870 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills in the Pastoral Center Room 200, Father Stephen Cooley, O Carm., M.S.W., D MIN. will begin a series discussing Vatican II: its importance and outcome. His series will continue for several months covering topics such as: the emerging role of the Priest and the Lay Person. Where do we fit? Has Vatican II changed us? Among the other topics Father Cooley will address are: the nature of the Church, social justice, religious freedom and how the Church views other Faith traditions.

Father Cooley will begin by discussing the context in which John XXIII called Vatican II by giving a brief history of prior Councils. Why did Pope John XXIII call Vatican II? What were some of the tensions at the Council? What is the unfinished business of Vatican II and should another Council be called?

Father Stephen Cooley studied Theology in Rome from 1963 to 1966 during Vatican II. He is a Carmelite priest and past associate pastor of St Michael's Church of Houston, Texas. A native of Chicago and the oldest of nine children, he holds four degrees: a Bachelor of Arts, Masters in Theology, a Masters in psychiatric social work and a Doctorate in pastoral ministry. Throughout his more than forty years as a priest.

For more information please come to the Wednesday, November 18th session to receive a schedule. Doors open at 7 p.m. and the presentation begins at 7:30 pm.

## SFDS ADULT CLUB 2009 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

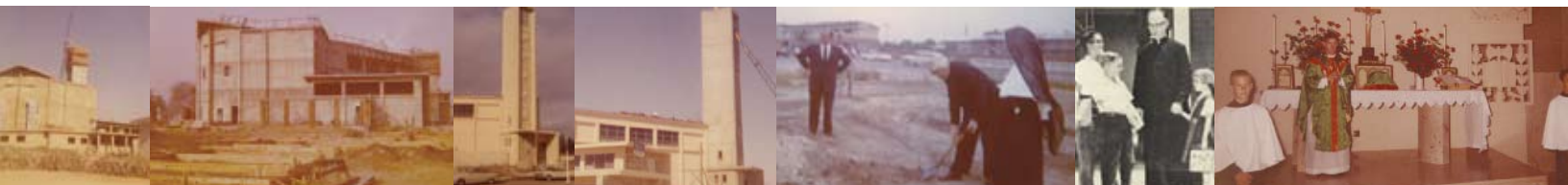
Luncheon Meetings: - Every 3rd Monday of the month. Call Maurine Backus at 818-784-0605 or Renee O'Malley at (818) 986-6369 for reservations..

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.





## **SFDS BOOK FAIR 2009**

The Annual SFDS Book Fair is around the corner. Save the dates, November 15th through the 22nd. With the following hours: 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.- Monday thru Thursday, 8a.m.-2:30 p.m. on Friday & 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. for both Sundays. What a great way to start your Christmas shopping for everyone on your list. Interesting books from Pre-K to Adult subjects. The purchases of these books will also benefit our school.

## **CHAMINADE HIGH SCHOOL**

Chaminade College Preparatory High School is hosting its annual “Club Nade” Step-up day for 8th grade students on Friday, November 13th from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. This is an opportunity for 8th graders to experience campus life as a Chaminade student. They will attend short classes, meet our teachers and students and be treated to an afternoon of educational and fun activities. For more information call the Chaminade Admissions Office at 818-347-8300 ext. 355 or visit Chaminade on the Web at [www.chaminade.org](http://www.chaminade.org).

## **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Veterans Day began with the signing of a symbolic treaty between the Allies and Germany ending World War I (then called the “Great War”) on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month. The auspicious date was actually a well-established religious holiday, the feast of Saint Martin of Tours, a beloved soldier saint of the army of Rome. After World War II, Armistice Day was changed to Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Britain, but of course the feast of Saint Martin endures.

Martin was named after Mars, the god of war, and against the advice of his parents he went on his own to church. He became a catechumen at the age of ten. By fifteen he was enlisted in the cavalry in France. Coming across a poor man, Martin had an impulse to divide his bright red soldier’s cape and clothe him. He later had the insight that he had served Christ, and the other half of his cape became a lifelong sign to him of his duty to serve the poor. Housed in a tiny church capella or “chapel,” the cape became a great object of pilgrimage on the way to Compostella, and a favored place for the prayers of soldiers. Martin was not so eager to serve as bishop as he had been as a soldier, and legend says that he hid in a barn filled with geese to avoid episcopal election. To this day, the customary meal for November 11 is goose! Traditionally, this is the last feast day before winter closes in, and begins a period of fasting once known as “Saint Martin’s Lent” or “Martinmas,” that later developed into the season of Advent. -Rev. James Field, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

## **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

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP SETUP VIRTUAL ROSARY PILGRIMAGE PROJECT**

Volunteers, especially catechists, youth ministers, deacons, are needed to assist with a virtual Marian “shrine” pilgrimage and Rosary exhibit. “Family Rosary Pilgrimage: Around the World with Mary” will be held December 8 - 11 in the gym at Rancho San Antonio Boys Home, Chatsworth. This project is sponsored by Holy Cross Family Ministries, founded by Servant of God Father Patrick Peyton, CSC. Volunteers will help set up the exhibits for various displays on the Rosary, greet the children and staff exhibits among other tasks. Call 1-800-299-7729, Ext. 2023 or email [FamilyRosaryPilgrimage@hcfm.org](mailto:FamilyRosaryPilgrimage@hcfm.org).



## **AN IRISH CHRISTMAS**

Lift your spirits this Christmas season with a joyful and “rip-roaring” Christmas night in Ireland. David Munnely, Irish button accordion wizard and sensational Celtic Fiddler, Kathleen Keane, Sirocco, three Irish sisters singing Christmas songs and The Kerry Dance Troupe. Come join the feast of Irish music, dance, song, and storytelling in a night celebrating family life, friendship, and community.

Saturday, November 28th at 8 p.m. at the Thousand Oaks Civic Center, (805) 449-2787.

Sunday, November 29th at 2 p.m. at the Irvine Barclay Theatre, (929) 854-4646.

More dates and venues are listed on the website, please reserve tickets early before the best seats are gone. Visit [www.kerryrecords](http://www.kerryrecords) for more details or call 818 784-3805.

## **QUEST 2009 Louisville High School Grand Raffle**

2010 Mini Cooper or \$10,000 Cash

A donation of \$100 per ticket, 6 tickets for \$500. Only 600 tickets will be sold. The drawing will be held on Friday, November 20, 2009 at the Quest gala event at the Four Seasons Hotel, Westlake Village. The winner need not be present. Vehicle taxes and license are not included. Call Louisville at (818) 346-7510 to purchase tickets or for additional details.

## **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](mailto:sfdsbulletin@sbcglobal.net).

## **SFDS CHOIR ANNUAL ALL SOULS DAY CONCERT**

Saturday Nov. 7, 2009, 7:30 pm. will be the Annual All Soul's Day Concert performed by the St. Francis de Sales Choir and the Wagner Ensemble. The choir will perform the magnificent Missa in Tempore Belli (Mass in Time of War) by Joseph Haydn with full orchestra in the St. Francis de Sales Sanctuary. Tickets are \$15. As the concert commemorates All Souls' Day, you will have the opportunity to remember a loved one in the printed program with donations of \$50 or more, which also includes 2 tickets of admission. With each \$50 donation, two names may be submitted to be printed in the program and read aloud at the opening of the concert. Names must be submitted NO LATER THAN November 1st. For ticket information call: Cynthia Leetch 818-378-3648.

## **SFDS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

Support the SFDS Scholarship Fund. Simply register your Ralphs, Vons, Macys and Albertsons loyalty cards to SFDS and earn money while you shop. It is as simple as that. Last year we earned over \$2100 for the scholarship fund. If you need more information call Lisa Sanders at the Parish Center or email the scrip office at [mrebbe@stfrancisds.org](mailto:mrebbe@stfrancisds.org).

Remember, you must register your cards EVERY year to continue earning money for SFDS.

## **BE STILL AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD...**

All are welcome to join the SFDS Meditation Prayer Group. We meet every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. for one hour in the church. The group follows the teachings of Fr. John Main, a Benedictine Monk, who uses a combination of silence, stillness and prayer. Those who are drawn to silent meditation as a way of experiencing the divine presence in their lives are encouraged to attend. “God is not only out there but also within.”

To learn more about the group's practice, go online to The World Community of Christian Meditation at [www.wccm.com](http://www.wccm.com).

## **KNIGHTS NEWS**

SFDS Knights will have its monthly clothing and non-perishable food collection this weekend (every 1st Sunday of the month) for the poor and homeless in our community.

Please bring your items to the Church this weekend and drop off before or after Masses in the bins provided.

Loaves and Fishes is in real need for the increased number of people requiring assistance.

## **FINGERPRINTING**

If anyone works with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, they would have been fingerprinted. Aides, CYO coaches, volunteers can get fingerprinted on:

Friday, December 4th at St. Didacus in Sylmar, from 12-3:40 p.m. and 5:20-7:20 p.m. Call (818) 367-6181 for an appointment.

Friday, December 11th at Santa Rosa in San Fernando, from 12-3:40 p.m. and 5:20-7:20 p.m.. Call (818) 361-4617 ext.451 for an appointment.

## **EARNING 4 LEARNING** at The Westfield Fashion Square in Sherman Oaks

Participating in Earning 4 Learning is easy! Westfield Sherman Oaks Fashion Square is donating to local schools as part of their customer appreciation program. They give SFDS 10 points for every dollar spent for most shops & food court eateries at the mall (5 points per dollar for Macy's and Bloomingdales). The more points we have, the more money SFDS School earns. There is no catch and no cost to you. Just buy the things you normally would at the Sherman Oaks Fashion Square & then show your receipts to the Concierge (located on the first floor by Pottery Barn.) Receipts are logged, stamped and returned to you. All of your regular and holiday shopping, as well as your food court purchases qualify! The program runs from November 1st to May 31st. From November to December, please collect your receipts as the turn in dates do not start until January 1st. (However, November and December receipts apply once registered in January.) For more information, you can log onto [http://www.shoppingpartnership.com/points/westfield\\_fashion\\_square.htm](http://www.shoppingpartnership.com/points/westfield_fashion_square.htm)

## **BOX TOPS 4 EDUCATION**

This is a great way to raise money for the school and is absolutely free! Just look for the pink labels on your favorite foods, shopping items, and office products. Clip & save them. When you have a bunch, bring them to the School or Scrip office and we will do the rest! Hundreds of dollars have been earned through the years, helping SFDS to buy much needed curriculum materials for the school.

## **Recycle Used Cell Phones and Printer Cartridges**

Did you know SFDS earns money on every used printer cartridge and cell phone? Please bring to the School or Scrip office and we'll turn them in for cash back to the school.

## **THANKSGIVING TURKEY COLLECTION**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is asking for donations of turkeys for the poor of our parish so that they may have a blessed and fulfilling Thanksgiving. Please bring your turkeys to the Parish Center by Monday, November 23rd. Please remember the less fortunate of our parish. God bless you.

## **ST. CHARLES CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE**

St. Charles Borromeo Church Annual Christmas Boutique in the Social Center, Sat., Nov. 21, 2009 -12-6:30 p.m. and Sun., Nov. 22, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Handmade crocheted, knitted items, arts & crafts, bake booth. Continue shopping Sun., Nov. 22 meet Santa and have breakfast by Knights of Columbus. Corner of Moorpark and Lankershim in North Hollywood.

## **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

Our Society of St. Vincent de Paul is proud to have helped in 215 cases, 599 people, this fiscal year, amounting to \$22,414. Most of all, we are so grateful to all our parishioners who made this possible with their generosity.

Thank you,

The St. Vincent de Paul Society.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

Getting to and from School Safely

If your child walks to school, walk the route with him/her to identify landmarks and safe places to go if he/she is being followed or needs help. Create a map with your child showing acceptable routes to and from school using main roads and avoiding shortcuts and isolated areas. Make sure young children are properly supervised going to and from school, whether it is by you as a parent/guardian, an older sibling or another trusted adult. Remind older children to always take a friend when walking or riding their bikes to and from school. For a back-to-school child safety checklist, please visit: [www.missingkids.com](http://www.missingkids.com) and click on "Back to School Safety."

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