

ST. BARTHOLOMEW CHURCH

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The Rectory Office is open

Monday-Friday 9:00 am-12:00 noon; 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

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MASSES:

Saturdays: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sundays: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 am; 12:30 pm

Eves of Holy Days: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Holy Days: 8:00 am; 12:15 pm, 7:00 pm

Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: 3:45 to 4:45 pm. **First Fridays:** Before the 8:00 am Mass.

Eves of Holy Days: Before the Vigil Mass.

BAPTISMS: By Appointment. Call the Rectory at least 10 days in advance. Administered on the 1st and 3rd Sunday

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

VISIT OUR PARISH WEB SITE
 PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
 SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 4545 E. 4th St. (Monday & Wednesday)
 CONFIRMATION COORDINATOR
 RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)
 RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY
 LEGION OF MARY
 MEN'S CLUB & USHERS
 PARISH MUSIC DIRECTOR AND ORGANIST
 LECTOR / EUCHARISTIC MINISTER COORDINATORS
 COMMUNITY GROUP
 ALTAR SERVERS
 CENTERING PRAYER (Christian Meditation)
 YOUTH BIBLE STUDY
 CHILDREN'S CHOIR
 GUITAR GROUP

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 Pat Metzger 243-8460
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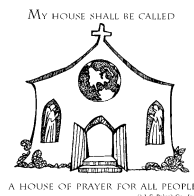
NOTE: All announcements for the Bulletin must be submitted to the Rectory Office by Monday at 2:00 pm. The deadline for Pulpit Announcements is Friday evening. **DO NOT** come to the Sacristy before Mass to request an announcement.

CALLED TO ACT IN GOD'S NAME

"Let all the nations praise you!" (Psalm 67:4) today's psalm response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a "put up or shut up" challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with "Behold!" (Matthew 15:22) "Behold!" is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus' followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to belief, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.

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ALTAR SERVERS

August 23	5:00	Oberhaus/Meyer
August 24	8:00	Mendez
	9:30	Scolamieri/Cowan
	11:00	Guerin/Sepera
	12:30	Roberts

LECTORS—EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

August 23	5:00	Bergam/Hammeras—Team 2
August 24	8:00	Montgomery/Souverielle—Team 1
	9:30	Surfus/Gorman—Team 3
	11:00	Woznicki/Caputi—Team 3
	12:30	Salsameda/Salsameda—Team 3

HEALING MASS

Tuesday, August 19, 7:00pm, at St. Cornelius Church, 5500 E. Wardlow Road (562)421-8966.

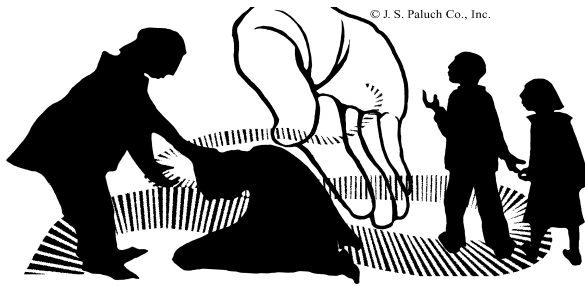


THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Calvin Carlson, Harry Fehner, Leo Poissant, Marie Therese Arslan, Sandra Shadden, Josephine Ronan, Patricia Schuck, Alan Arslan, Mark Lott, Matthew Frank Arslan, Edward Kulik, Peggy Kinkella, Sarah Fries, Maureen Murray, Gloria White, Ray Esquivel, Carol McEachen, Betty Gill, Bill Green, Tess Fitch, Catherine Thompson, Michele Arslan., Bill Williams, Diane Marie Walker, Jerry Ganz, Bob Kacsuta, Edward Jette, Max Milton, Xavier Dybbro, David and Betty Hatch, Mike Campbell, Katherine Devine, Jane Kruger, and Henrick Peterson.

THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Gisela Brown



**Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 17, 2008**

Observe what is right, do what is just;
for my salvation is about to come,
my justice, about to be revealed.

-Isaiah 56:1

GUITAR GROUP CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE

This newly formed music group will sing at the 9:30am Mass on the first (2) Sunday's of each month. Rehearsals are held every Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Church. If you would like to be part of this music ministry, please call:

John Koss (626)484-8587.

ADULT CHOIR

Our Parish Adult Choir will resume weekly rehearsals on Wednesday, September 10th at 7:15pm in the Church. The choir will sing Sunday, September 14th at the 11:00am Mass. New members are most welcome. If you are interested, please call:

Director, Brian Archambault (562)208-8222.

CHILDREN'S / YOUTH CHOIR

Grades 3 through 9. Parents and children/youth are invited to meet in the Church Hall on Thursday, August 21 and 28, at 6:30pm, for Q & A, sign-up, and singing. Contact: Julie @ Jwesty212@msn.com

PARISH MINISTRY FAIR

Saturday and Sunday, October 4th and 5th, 2008, in the Social Hall after all Masses. There are more than 20 ministries and groups at St. Bartholomew. Each offers rewarding opportunities. Save the date and find out what's going on—get involved and get to know other parishioners. For more information, please call Brian Archambault (562)208-8222.

VOCATION RETREAT DAY for Young Women

Sunday, August 31, 9:00am-4:00pm, at the Nazareth House, 3333 Manning Avenue in Los Angeles. Please call: Sister Fintan (310)216-8170; or, Sister Philomena (310)839-2361.

E-mail: vocations_naz@yahoo.com

COLLECTIONS

Ordinary Income: August 9/10 \$ 13,786.00

SAVE THE DATE
Annual Parish Picnic
Saturday, September 27th
11:00am—3:00pm
Marine Stadium

This is great fun for the whole family.
Please plan to attend.

**Reservations will be taken after all
Masses in the Social Hall this
Sunday, August 17th**

To volunteer, please call:
Linda Gager (562) 433-2985

WOMEN'S SILENT RETREAT

Carmelite Sisters Sacred House Retreat House, September 5th to September 7th. This retreat provides a silent and restful atmosphere in a beautiful garden setting in which you can come closer to God and deepen your prayer life. You will return consoled, strengthened and spiritually refreshed, as there is great power in prayer and silence. For reservations or information, please call: Eva Talastas or Carmela Chiurazzi directly at (562)428-7194.

50+ CATHOLIC SINGLES

All (divorced, separated, single, widowed) are invited to meet this Sunday, August 17, 2pm, in the conference room of St. Pancratius Church, 3519 St. Pancratius Place, Lakewood. For additional information, call: Mary (562)698-6323. This "50+ Catholic Singles" organization represents churches in the surrounding cities.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Volunteers are needed to teach 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades in our parish religious education program. Please call Director Pat McGlynn, 562-494-8149, if you are interested.