



Bob Messina

**MISSION STATEMENT**  
 We, the Parish Community of Saint John Baptist de la Salle recognize that we are chosen by Christ and have as our mission to bring forth the fruits of the True Vine in response to the needs of our Parish Community through the recognition of active Parish Organizations and the cultivation of persons and groups not yet sharing in the mystery of the True Vine, Jesus Christ.  
*"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing."*

--John 15:5

**THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF  
 ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE**  
 16555 Chatsworth Street, Granada Hills, CA. 91344

**January 7, 2018  
 The Epiphany Of The Lord**

Rev. Ramon Valera.....Administrator  
 Rev. Monsignor Robert Milbauer.....Pastor Emeritus  
 Rev. Yesu Teneti.....Associate Pastor  
 Rev. Deacon Sam Frias .....Deacon  
 Rev. Deacon Dan Revetto.....Deacon

**PARISH OFFICE:** 10738 Hayvenhurst Ave.  
 Granada Hills, CA. 91344  
**SCHOOL OFFICE** 16535 Chatsworth St.  
 Granada Hills, CA 91344

**Parish Office:** 818 363-2535 **Fax:** 818 360-7407  
**St. John Baptist de la Salle Parish Website:** [sjbdls.com](http://sjbdls.com)

**Hours:** Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
 1:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 Friday **8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**  
 Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**Parish Business Manager:** Mrs. Janie Choate 363-2535  
**Religious Education Director:** Mrs. Sandy Cole 368-1514  
**School Principal:** Mrs. Larissa McKenna 363-2270  
**School Office:** 818 363-2270 **Fax:** 818 832-8950  
**St. John Baptist de la Salle School Website:** [sjbdls.org](http://sjbdls.org)

**Eucharistic Celebrations (Mass)**

**SATURDAY:** 7:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.  
**SUNDAY:** 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.. & 12 Noon  
**DAILY:** 7:00 a.m.  
**HOLY DAYS:** Please check bulletin  
**WEDNESDAY:** 5:30 P.M. Miraculous Medal Novena

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

**WEDNESDAY:** 4:30 p.m. to 5:20 p.m.  
**SATURDAY:** 4:00 p.m. to 4:50 p.m.

**Baptisms:** For infant Baptism, contact the Parish Office at least two months in advance.  
 Baptism for ages 7 and above, contact the School of Religious Education Office.  
**A Godparent must be a practicing and confirmed Catholic and, if married, married in the Catholic Church.**

**Marriages:** Visit the Parish Office on Tuesday or Thursday, 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
 or call for an appointment. At least six months advance notice is required.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** If you or a family member are in need of the Sacrament of the Sick, please contact the church office at 818 363-2535. Please do not wait until the last moments of life to call.

**Information on the Priesthood, Diaconate or Religious Life:** Contact Fr. Stephen Davoren 213 637-7755 or [frsdavoren@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:frsdavoren@la-archdiocese.org)

## The Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2018



Magi from the east arrived

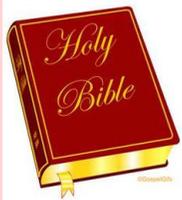
All kings shall pay him homage,  
all nations shall serve him.  
— Psalm 72:11

## Presider Schedule

January 13th & January 14th

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Msgr. Milbauer
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Fr. Kirsch
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Fr. Teneti
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	Fr. Ramon
Sunday	12:00 Noon	Fr. Teneti

**This schedule is subject to change.**



## Join us for Exodus

January 10, 2018 our Bible study group will begin a journey through the book of Exodus. Join us for 11 weeks as we grow in faith along with the people of Israel through prayer, reading, discussion, and instruction. We meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m., in Cabrini room, and there is a \$20 fee for materials. If you have questions please call Tim at [818-620-9569](tel:818-620-9569).

## New Catholic Men's Group

Join with your fellow Catholic men for fellowship, prayer, and insight. Our inaugural meeting will be on Saturday, February 17th. Meetings will be 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., and for the first six weeks we will be reviewing Bishop Robert Barron's "Priest, Profit, and King" video series to deepen our understanding of this uniquely Catholic perspective of our baptismal calling.

To RSVP, or for more information, please call:  
Tim Castagnola at [818-620-9569](tel:818-620-9569), or  
Terry Castagnola at [818-601-6684](tel:818-601-6684)

## Unexpected gifts

**Adult:** When have you found the presence of Christ in an unexpected place?

**Child:** Where and in whom will you look for Jesus this week?

## Faith in the journey

At the age of 13, her world darkened. Her happiness disappeared; she no longer found joy in her classes where she excelled or in playing her beloved clarinet; she was becoming more and more withdrawn. By the time her family and friends realized she was struggling, she was very sick. At school, counselors, and therapists confronted her about her detachment; her friends collectively decided that she was not worth their concern. Everything and everyone she turned to for love and acceptance were missing when she most needed it. Something "broke" inside of her. She didn't care if she lived or died.

So, desperate for a change, she transferred to another school - a Catholic high school. She was the daughter of a non-practicing Methodist and a non practicing Presbyterian. They left the decision of church and religion to her and her siblings - as long as they identified as "some sort of Christian." She didn't know whether she believed in God or not.

"I found I was searching for something that refused to make itself known," she remembers. "If God existed, I concluded, God was not interested in my soul. God did not include me, but my too-cool-for-religion friends did. That is, until they didn't." At her new school, signs of God were pretty much everywhere she looked. That first day she felt like an invader. She wasn't interested in a new beginning; she simply wanted to put in her time. She wasn't interested in new friends, either. She was far from convinced that she would succeed in this new school - she just knew that her last school left her defeated.

But that's when the unexpected happened.

"It took time and patience, but new friends found me. They did not give up on the moody and disconnected new student. Nothing was easy, but I was taught how to assimilate. It was a new form of love I had not yet known . . .

"I was 18 years old when I was baptized into the Catholic Church. The first person I was introduced to on my first day of class stood next to me at the baptismal font as my chosen god-mother. Since then, I have decided that my faith lies in my journey. I do not fear a lack of acceptance because I know God has a plan in motion. With God, I am no longer an outsider looking in. With God, I have found my missing community.

[From "Through the Motions: My patient journey with depression" by Nicole Bazis, *America*, November 28, 2016.]

*Today's solemnity of the Epiphany centers on the journey that every one of us travels, the journey that is ultimately a search for God: finding God in our life's meaning, finding God in belonging to family and community; finding God in the satisfaction of doing good. As the magi experienced, God sets "stars" ahead of us - for this student, the star was a group of teachers and classmates who would not let her be lost to the darkness of her depression. The understanding and support of family and friends, the forgiveness we extend and receive, the meaning we come to know in giving and serving those in need, are all "epiphanies" of God's presence in our own Bethlehems. In the new year before us, may our hearts and spirits behold these many epiphanies in which we re-discover the love of "Emmanuel" - God in our midst.*

*Please pray for the recovery of:*

Josie Emery	Pablita Engle
Andie Monroe Acosta	Nathalie Noverola Burgos
Janet Engdahl	Jorge Ruiz
Connie Chesney	Loling Roa
Humberto Diaz	Pamela Olivares
Mel Brown	Gregory Storey
Nathalie Echeverria	Steve Rezo
Evelyn Carating	Tony Marufo
Sheila Marie Matias	Flora D. Mesias
Kathryn Catlett	Susan D. Pacheco
Mark Menanno	Michael Harris
Desiree Velasquez	Ray Ritchea
Rafael Torres	Lisette Larez
Maria Serrano	Gabriel Mowery
Sandra Campos	Vazgen Balyezyan
Monica Rodriguez	Marie Melanie Martinez
Frank Gildore	Gemma La Fondant
Ken Bessenbacher	Alberta Sevilla
Stephanie Tiglao	Jess Baylon
Pete Dern	Claribel Mandap
Helen Lawson	Richard V. Haro
Hortencia Barcena	Eli Andrew Nuno
Celeste Barcena	Andy Dominique
George Mandap	<b>and all those in our</b>
Consuelo R. Jamora	<b>Prayer book.</b>
Mimi Maderazo	

**Mass Intentions  
For The Week**



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Sunday	7:30 a.m.	Mary Mya Yin
	9:00 a.m.	De La Salle Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	Kenneth Gillanders
	12:00 noon	Severiano Villarosa
Monday	7:00 a.m.	Nori & Boots San Jose
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	Joe & Kathleen Murphy
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.	Simeona Yapsangko
	5:30 p.m.	George Raymond
Thursday	7:00 a.m.	Philip Freedman
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Connie Chesney
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Asuncion Jones
	5:00 p.m.	Abelardo Caparros

**In Memoriam**

let us pray for all who have died,  
that they may rejoice with the Risen Lord  
***Sterling (Ernie) Norris,***

***Diane Imthurn***

***Josefina Reyes, and Corazon Hall***

May the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



**Teach children how  
to handle bullies**

Many schools have started initiatives focused on eliminating bullying, and teaching kids how to be kind to each other. At home, you can teach your children how to defend themselves and stand up for friends and classmates using firm, polite statements. Talk with your kids about bullying – what’s happening, who’s doing it, and how to stop it with the help of a trusted adult. For more information on bullying and in-school conflicts, visit:

<http://kidshealth.org/parent/emotions/feelings/bullies.html>.

**2017 Contribution Statement**



Parishioners requesting a 2017 Contribution Statement may call or stop by the Parish Office to sign the roster. We are open Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch between (12:30-1:30) **Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** Our phone number is 363-2535 ext. 221. **Your statements will be mailed at the end of January.**



**PARISH HOSPITALITY**

**There will be hospitality today after all the masses. Please stop by the Hospitality Pavilion and say hello to fellow parishioners and friends.**



**DE LA SALLE FRIENDSHIP CLUB FOR SENIORS**

Join us this **Wednesday, January 10th** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Seton Hall. Nourishing hot lunches are served. Many activities are planned for the year including trips to Laughlin. For more information regarding these trips contact Sandy Muir at: 818- 486-8011.



### DE LA SALLE CHURCH AND SCHOOL SCRIP FUNDRAISER

We carry scrip (gift cards) for many department, electronic, and home improvement stores including Macy's, Gap, Old Navy, Sears, J.C. Penny's, and Target. We also carry scrip for specialty stores including Bath and Body, Bed, Bath and Beyond, Starbucks, Sees Candy, and Toys R Us. For your dining needs we have scrip for many fine restaurants including Red Lobster, Yard House, Chipotle, Chili's, Macaroni Grill, Olive Garden, Outback, Black Angus, and Denny's. We have fast food restaurants: Pizza Hut, Taco Bell, Subway, El Pollo Loco, Jack in the Box, Del Taco, Burger King, Wendy's, and Carl's Jr. too. You can also purchase scrip for Exxon-Mobil, Shell, Vons, Albertsons, and Arco gas stations. We also have Smart and Final, and Walmart/Sam's too.

**Thank you for supporting the Scrip Ministry.**

### PARISH MINISTRY OFFICE NEWS AND UPDATES



### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER & ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULES

Eucharistic Minister and Altar Server Schedules have been emailed. If you have not received your schedule, please contact the Parish Ministry Office at: 818-368-1514 / [re@sjbdls.org](mailto:re@sjbdls.org).



### PARISH MEDIA MINISTRY

Listen and view the Gospel and Homily from the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Media Masses on your computer, tablet or smart phone by going to the link: <http://sjbdls.com/audio> or use the existing QR code on the left. Comments to [media@sjbdls.org](mailto:media@sjbdls.org).



### YOU MAY BE PHOTOGRAPHED OR RECORDED

Your presence at the 9:00 a.m. *Sunday Media Mass* or at any mass or event that is using our *Media Ministry*, implies consent to permit St. John Baptist de la Salle to photograph, record, film, or videotape your likeness and to publish it on our website and elsewhere. By your presence you agree to release St. John Baptist de la Salle from any liability resulting from publication of your likeness.

### Stewardship

### St. John Baptist de la Salle

**December 24, 2017**

**Collection: \$ 12,992.00**

**Christmas: \$ 36,000.00**

**Thank you for your generosity.**



### 2018 is soon approaching!

Is one of your resolutions to make a difference in the lives of others?

**THE TIME HAS COME!!**

#### **Volunteers –**

Join us at our 2018 PCC Volunteer Training. Please contact Norma Cano, Client Service Director at 818/895-2500 or e-mail [norma@pregnanthelp4u.org](mailto:norma@pregnanthelp4u.org) to find out how you can receive your Volunteer Application Packet!

#### **Volunteer Nurses –**

We are also needed (LVN or higher) to perform pregnancy tests and provide education regarding pregnancy options. Training will be provided. We would love to hear from you!

#### **Administrative Assistant Position –**

We are seeking an Administrative Assistant to join our life-affirming ministry. This position is for 18-20 hours (flexible). Bilingual in Spanish and strong computer skills are preferred. Please e-mail your resume and cover letter to:

[norma@pregnanthelp4u.org](mailto:norma@pregnanthelp4u.org) or call (818) 895-2500



### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Your love as husband and wife is a gift to one another as well as a gift from God. Attend a Worldwide Marriage

Encounter Weekend to receive the tools needed to make the most of this precious gift. Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance, and renew your sacrament by attending the next WWME weekend on February 9-11 in Canoga Park.

For more information contact Ed and Jo Lara at 818-848-6729 or go online at [www.twocanlove.org](http://www.twocanlove.org)

*We help make good marriages better.*

# Religious Education News!



## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is an extension of the main assembly's celebration of the Mass. Watch for the banner in the Entrance Procession at the 9:00am Mass, which means that the children will be dismissed to gather in the Kateri Room and hear simplified, age appropriate readings. They will reflect on what they've heard, profess their faith, offer prayers of the faithful and contribute to the collection basket (envelopes will be provided). Their collection basket will be presented during the Offertory. The children will return to their families in Church for the continued celebration of the Mass.

If you are interested in your child participating, have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact Mrs. Cole, (818) 368-1514 / [re@sjbdls.org](mailto:re@sjbdls.org).



## CONFIRMATION 2019 CANDIDATE & SPONSOR EVENT

Please pray for our Confirmation 2019 Candidates and their Sponsors who will be attending the Candidate/Sponsor Event **today**. Sponsors and students are to check-in Seton Hall at 11:30 a.m., drop off their lunches and attend the Ritual of Promise in Church at the 12:00 p.m. Mass (reserved seating). Families are welcome to sit in the body of the Church. Following Mass, students and sponsors return to the hall for lunch and the day's events until 2:30 p.m.

**CANDIDATE MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR PARENT/GUARDIAN, IF THE SPONSOR IS UNABLE TO ATTEND.**

## 2018 LOS ANGELES RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS – MARCH 16 - 18

This year's theme is *"Rise Up!"* The Los Angeles Religious Education Congress, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Los Angeles Office of Religious Education, is the nation's largest annual gathering of Roman Catholics! It has continued its original objective of offering in-service education and spiritual formation to those in catechetical and related ministries. Though the Religious Education Congress continues to serve religious educators, today it is so much more! Congress now draws approximately 40,000 participants during this internationally acclaimed four-day event and offers more than 300 workshops covering a vast range of topics from spirituality, music and personal development to biblical studies and catechesis. Register now for this spirit-filled and enriching weekend! You may access the registration book and register on line by visiting [www.recongress.org](http://www.recongress.org). For more information contact the SRE Office: [re@sjbdls.org](mailto:re@sjbdls.org) / (818) 368-1514

# DLS School News



## ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE SCHOOL

TK — 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

**\*\*\*OPEN HOUSE\*\*\***

For Prospective Families  
**Sunday, January 28, 2018**

9:00a.m. Mass with our  
De La Salle Students

10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. School Tour  
Please come by and meet the teachers,  
as well as our office staff,  
Vice Principal and Principal.



Save the date for  
**ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE SCHOOL'S**

**Totally 80's  
CASINO NIGHT!**

**Saturday, February 10th, in Seton Hall**

**Doors open at 6:30 pm**

**Casino games start at 7:00 pm**

**Event ends at midnight.**

**Ticket prices:(21 & over event only)**

**Pre-sale: \$35/ticket or \$65/2 tickets**

**At the door: \$40**

**Ticket price includes:**

**Appetizers, 1 drink ticket, \$100 in  
funny money "chips"**

**\*\*Funny money "chips" are converted into  
tickets to bid on prizes at the end of the night \*\***

**ALL EVENT PROCEEDS GO TO BENEFIT  
ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE SCHOOL**



**Join De la Salle School  
Families for  
Family Fun Night at**

**SKATELAND**

**Saturday, January 20th, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.**

**Skateland Northridge**

**18140 Parthenia St., Northridge**

**\$11 admission with your own skates**

**\$17 admission w/skate rental, \$3 non-skating parent  
admission (not included with fundraising), 50% of  
admission fee goes back to De La Salle School**

**\*\*Make sure to tell the cashier you are  
with De La Salle School \*\***

## GOD'S PROMISE TO ALL PEOPLE

Today Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and that they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

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### Health Tip Of The Week

For vitamin C, eat either two lemons or one orange daily. Apart from increasing immunity, Vitamin C also helps to produce collagen which is required to prevent wrinkles in the skin.

Dr. Anju's



**Chaminade College Preparatory High School Entrance Exam** will be administered on two dates: **January 20<sup>th</sup>** and **January 27<sup>th</sup>** from **8:00am to 12:00pm**. An online application for admission and the application fee should be on file with the school by **January 12<sup>th</sup>**. Financial Aid applications are available online. For more information please call the Admissions office at (818) 347-8300 or **apply online at [www.chaminade.org](http://www.chaminade.org)**

### DAILY ROSARY

Every weekday,  
(Monday through Friday),  
immediately following the  
**7:00 a.m. Mass**, parishioners pray  
the rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.  
You are most welcome to join them any day  
of the week in this beautiful devotion.



**Here at St. John Baptist De Salle**  
we strive to be a safe environment for  
our children. For this reason, please make  
sure that all children are accompanied by  
an adult when going to the rest room.  
**It is for their safety and protection.**

# PARISH MINISTRIES AND DIRECTORY

<b>Altar Servers</b>	Ministry Office	368-1514
<b>Anointing of the Sick</b>	Parish Office	363-2535
<b>Baptisms</b>	Parish Office	363-2535
<b>Bereavement</b>	Parish Office	363-2535
	Tracy Flores	
<b>Bible Study</b>	Tim Castagnola	620-9569
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Ministry Office	368-1514
<b>Finance Council</b>	Fr. Valera	363-2535
<b>Hospitality</b>	Ministry Office	368-1514
<b>Lectors</b>	Ministry Office	368-1514
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Elisa Pazirandeh	368-1514
	Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.	
	Virgie Blanco	818 782-5644
	Saturday, 1:00 p.m.	
<b>Liturgy Committee</b>	Gerry McGrath	363-1326
<b>Marriage Ministry</b>	Elizabeth Moreno	363-2535
<b>Media Ministry</b>	Don Jacob	363-2535
	<a href="mailto:media@sjbdls.org">media@sjbdls.org</a>	
<b>Music Ministry</b>		
	<b>Director: Angelo Francisco</b>	<b>818 445-8771</b>
	Adult Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, 7:15 p.m.	
	Youth Choir	Kim Consaga (805) 428-7919
	Handbell Choir	Tim Castagnola 832-9687
<b>Parish Pastoral Council</b>	Fr. Valera	363-2535
<b>Parish Ministry Office</b>	Mrs. Cole	368-1514
<b>Respect Life Ministry</b>	Nancy Corbett	360-9430
<b>Religious Education Office</b>		
	<b>Director: Mrs. Cole</b>	<b>368-1514</b>
	Adult Education	
	First Communion	
	Elementary (Grades 3-5)	
	Liturgy of the Word	
	Family Ministry	
	Middle School	
	O.C.I.A./O.C.I.C.	
	Confirmation	
	Youth Ministry/High School	
<b>School</b>		
	<b>Principal: Mrs. McKenna</b>	<b>363-2270</b>
	<b>School Website: <a href="http://sjbdls.org">sjbdls.org</a></b>	
	Pre-Kindergarten thru Grade 8	
	16535 Chatsworth Street	
	Granada Hills, CA 91344	
<b>Sacristans</b>	Kathy & Joe Bilotta	363-2535
<b>Seniors</b>	Marty Spehar	514-6572
<b>Senior Trips</b>	Sandy Muir	486-8011
<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>		363-2535
<b>St. Vincent de Paul large item pick up call</b>		800 974-3571
<b>Ushers</b>	Ellen Celaya	363-2535

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