

THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.

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ATT: MARRIED COUPLES 25 AND 50 YEARS PLUS

Bishop Patrick McGrath invite couples celebrating SILVER and GOLDEN (or MORE) Wedding Anniversaries are invited to a special Anniversary Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral on February 2, 2008 at 10:00 A.M. Any married couples 25 and 50 years or more can pick up the registration form in the back of the church and mail it to the Diocese of San Jose no later than January 25, 2008.



SANTO NIÑO MASS

Join us on Wednesday, January 16th for the Annual Santo Nino Novena Mass. Rosary will be recited at 6:00 P.M. followed by Mass at 6:30 PM.

PRAY FOR THE SICK † OREN POR LOS ENFERMOS

Alberto & Socorro del Alto, Natalina Andreini, Alice and Becky Avelar, Marlene Aza, Carmen Bondi, Ann Fitzgerald, Alice Garcia, David Garcia, John Germaine, Mark Holmes, Yvonne Kuzinich, Lilian Macri, Gregorio Mariano, Josephine Martino, Joseph, Jerome, Jeffrey, Violeta, Magsuci, Frank Pacheco, Joseph Piazza, Blas Ramos, Louise Cava Rodolfa, Benedetto Rossallo, Clifford Sciba, Dolores Spada, Frank & Pearl Sunseri, Alice G. Torres, Pordina Toschi, Edith William, Aatha Youn

If you wish to add your name in our sick list, please call the rectory office. Thank you.

PARISH FAITH FORMATION SESSION SCHEDULE

Sponsored by our Deanery 6 Please pick up brochure with the inscription form at the entrance of the church.

Next Saturday, January 12, 2008

***Life in Christ: Grace-Salvation-Redemption**

8:30AM - 3:00PM at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Faith Formation 5111 San Felipe Rd. San Jose.



Saturday, January 26, 2008

***Christian Morality-God's Call**

8:30AM - 3:00PM at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 5111 San Felipe Rd. San Jose.

Liturgia Della Settimana * Lecturas De La Semana READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday/Lunes:** 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday/Martes:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
- Wednesday/Miércoles:** 1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
- Thursday/Jueves:** 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday/Viernes:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
- Saturday/Sábado:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30
- Sunday/Domingo:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

COMMENTO ALLE LETTURE

«Luce per illuminare le genti»

La luce domina la Parola di Dio di questa domenica: «rivestiti di luce, perché viene la tua luce, [...] la gloria del Signore brilla sopra di te[...] su di te risplende il Signore. Cammineranno le genti alla tua luce, [...] i re allo splendore del tuo sorgere» (1^a lettura).

La luce di una stella guida i Magi verso Gesù: «La stella, che avevamo visto spuntare, li precedeva, finché giunse e si fermò sopra il luogo dove si trovava il bambino. (Vangelo).

Quel bambino è Dio che si manifesta (Epifania). La luce che conduce a Lui viene da Lui: «Io sono la luce del mondo, chi segue me non cammina nelle tenebre, ma avrà la luce della vita» (Gv 8,12). Ma dal momento che noi non vediamo nessuna stella cometa come possiamo fare l'esperienza dei Magi? Perché questo deve accadere! Nella liturgia noi non celebriamo un passato remoto, ma un passato presente! Questo Vangelo si attua qui e ora per ciascuno di noi: o siamo Erode o siamo Magi. O stiamo seduti nella reggia o stiamo camminando alla ricerca. O abbiamo gli occhi e i cuori chiusi nelle tenebre delle nostre sicurezze inquiete o abbiamo gli occhi e i cuori aperti alla luce di una gioia che viene da Dio. Di che luce si tratta?

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2008

For those who have not taken yet the offertory envelopes they are in the church. If you are a new member and would like offertory envelopes for 2008, please contact the rectory for apply, likewise, if you are a registered parishioner and don't find your envelopes, please contact the rectory.

VALENTINE LUNCHEON

The Ladies Guild of our parish will be hosting their annual *Valentine Luncheon* on Wednesday, February 13th at 11:30 A.M. in Scalabrini Hall. Donation is \$12.00. For tickets please call the rectory or contact any Ladies Guild members.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Dear Parishioners, Very often we receive phone calls from parishioners requesting the *Anointing of the Sick* or (as many people say *Last Rites*) for immediate family members. Unfortunately, most of the time these calls come at the last minute or when it is too late. If you know any parishioner or have a immediate family member who would like to receive the sacrament of the sick, please call us in advance. Please do not wait for the last minute as if it is the last thing to do. The purpose of the Anointing of the Sick is to give strength for healing not to put an end to our lives.

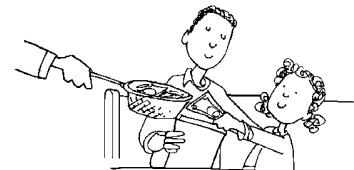
KING AND QUEEN UPDATE

The grand total of the **King and Queen Contest** for the year 2007 was **\$3,679.00**. Once again the parish is very thankful to all the King and Queen candidates, parents and all who purchased tickets from our contestants.

SECOND COLLECTION

Today, at all the Masses we will have a second collection for *Ethnic Minorities and Latin American* Church. As always please be generous.

Your donation counts!!!



Tú donación cuenta!!!

† MASS SCHEDULE †

Sunday, January 6 The Epiphany of the Lord

5:00 PM †Iola Fredianelli, †Ernesto & †Adela Fredianelli and †Ugo & †Amelia Pasquinelli †Audrey O. Cancilla

8:30 AM Altar Society of Holy Cross *Living & †Deceased Members †Joe Kuzinich by Ladies Guild

†Audrey O. Cancilla by Rose Santonocito †Sam Vitale by Pauline Ciraulo

10:00 AM †Sergio Acosta †Benita Alfaro †Sam Palizzi †Jose Silva & †Alberto Casillas

†Jose & †Gloira Valencia y †Isabel Causor †Benigno & †Maria Castellanos

11:30 AM †Beatriz Timtiman, Death Anniversary

1:00 PM †Dionisio & †Maria Moro, †Andrew & †Mary and †Joseph Pizziol

6:00 PM †Amador & †Felicitas Rodriguez,

*Familia Garcia Cardenas y *Maria De La Luz Rodriguez

Monday, January 7 St. Raymond of Peñafort

7:30 AM †Joseph & †Mary Terrano, †William Oliver and †Elizabeth Carroll

Tuesday, January 8

7:30 AM All Souls

Wednesday, January 9

7:30 AM All Souls

6:30 PM All Souls

Thursday, January 10

7:30 AM †Mildred Greco by Josephine Francesconi

Friday, January 11

7:30 AM All Souls

6:30 PM All Souls

Saturday, January 12

7:30 AM All Souls

Sunday, January 13 The Baptism of the Lord

5:00 PM †Kae Hwa Kang by Sue Arkerson

8:30 AM †Joe Kuzinich by Carmeb Bondi and Family †Dominick Surace by Pauline Ciraulo

10:00 AM People of the Parish

11:30 AM †Olimpio Manuel

1:00 PM *Lourdes Almazan, In Thanksgiving

†Joe Andreini

6:00 PM All Souls

Lectors/Lectores/Lettori and Communion Ministers

Sunday/Domingo/Domenica, January 13, 2008

5:00 PM (C) Paul (1L) Cristian (2L) Rocio (M) Lyle F.

8:30 AM (C) Mae (1L) Emma (2L) Ann (M) Maria

10:00 AM (C) Javier Madrigal (1L) Blanca Barajas (2L) Sanmuel Arreola

(M) Hermelinda Silva (M) Lupe Sanchez

11:30 AM (C) Gloria (1L) Rebecca (2L) Char (M) Laddy

1:00 PM (C) Maria Landino (1L) Luccio Caporicci

(2L) Matteo Caporicci (M) Francesco D'Anna

6:00 PM (C) Martha Quintero (1L) Guadalupe Plascensia

(2L) Imelda Garcia (M) Susana Ramirez

LA ESTRELLA DE BELÉN

El desarrollo del relato de la Encarnación continúa hoy cuando la Iglesia celebra la Epifanía. La historia de los Magos de Oriente es uno de los relatos más fascinantes de las Escrituras. Nos enseña mucho sobre qué podemos esperar, incluso en circunstancias y lugares que pueden parecer insignificantes. Belén era un pueblo diminuto, lo que hoy diríamos un pueblo sin siquiera un semáforo. Sin embargo, es sobre este lugar aparentemente insignificante que la estrella guía se detuvo en su búsqueda del lugar en donde el Salvador nacería. Muchas veces no comprendemos que la estrella de Belén se posa en nuestra vida diaria, donde podemos sentir la presencia de Dios, manifestada de maneras diversas y nuevas. La Epifanía nos llama a salir de nuestro estupor y a reconocer a Aquél que viene a salvarnos.

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ANIVERSARIO DE BODAS DE PLATA Y ORO

Una misa especial diocesana será celebrada por el obispo McGrath el Sábado, 2 de Febrero 2008 en la catedral a las 10:00 A.M. para honrar las parejas que están celebrando sus 25 y 50 (o más) aniversarios. Cada pareja recibirá un certificado firmado por el obispo. Una recepción sigue después de la misa. Puede recoger la forma en la parte posterior de la Iglesia y enviarlo a la Diócesis de San Jose no más tarde 25 de Enero.

SOBRES PARA EL AÑO 2008

Para los que todavía no los han recogido sobres para las ofrendas dominicales del próximo año están disponibles en la entrada de la Iglesia. Se usted no los encuentra o si desea estar registrado en la Iglesia por favor contacte nuestra oficina.

UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

Muy a menudo recibimos llamadas telefónicas de parroquianos que solicitan la Unción de los Enfermos o para próximo miembros de la familia.

Desgraciadamente, gran parte del tiempo estas llamadas vienen a última hora o cuando es demasiado tarde. Si usted sabe de un parroquiano o tiene a un próximo miembro de la familia que querría recibir el sacramento del enfermos, por favor nos llamen con tiempo. Por favor no espere el último

minuto. El propósito Unción de Enfermos es de dar la fuerza no terminar la vida.

LADIES GUILD

Tendrán su almuerzo de San Valentín el Miércoles, 13 de Febrero a las 11:30 A.M. en el salón Scalabrini. Donación: Adultos \$12.00 para boletos llame a la rectoría al (408) 294-2440.

SEGUNDA COLETA

Hoy tendremos una segunda coleta para ayudar a las **Iglesias mas pobres de América Latina**. Por favor sea generoso.

FORMACIÓN PARROQUIAL EN LA FÈ

HORARIO

Por favor recoger el folleto con la forma de la inscripción en la entrada de la iglesia.

Próximo Sábado, 12 de Enero 2008

***Vida en Cristo: Gracia -Salvación-Redención**

8:30AM - 3:00PM en Iglesia San Francisco de Asís, 5111 San Felipe Rd. San Jose.



Sábado, 26 de Enero 2008

***Moralidad Cristiana, Llamado de Dios**

8:30AM - 3:00PM en Iglesia San Francisco de Asís, 5111 San Felipe Rd. San Jose.

