Catechetical Sunday

“Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ.”
Pastor’s Corner

We got a lot of stuff happening at the Cathedral these days. Religious Education is up and in full force. The little ones are back which adds a great and often unexpected dimension to our downtown, which is hardly a sea of children and wholesome family values. This Sunday is Catechetical Sunday, an opportunity to pray for and thank Sr. Jenny and all her volunteers for the hard work of teaching the faith to our future generations.

We also welcome back our choir at the 11:00am Mass after taking some important time to appreciate the beauty of our local summers. Even in their time off, I appreciate their special presence, along with all those who helped plan the liturgy and reception, at my father’s funeral in August. Thank you.

As well, this weekend we sponsor another Night Fever which brings in faithful from all over the area to worship together. Many come to pray who have not been in church for years. My prayers during this four hours of worship are for our Church and the pain caused through inherent evils in authority and hearts lost in the darkness of sin. May our leadership and all of us truly believe we are the Body of Christ.

How can I remain Catholic in times of scandal? A nun’s response

Sr. Theresa Aletheia Noble | Abridged | Aleteia.org

Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, now Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, once wrote, "How much filth there is in the Church, and even among those who, in the priesthood, ought to belong entirely to him!” These heartrending words sum up these times of scandal.

People inside and outside the Church have been shocked and outraged by the horrific details of clergy sexual abuse of children, teenagers, and adults. Also truly unconscionable is the behavior of some Church leaders who seemingly have put other priorities before the safety of the faithful—or even worse have engaged in abuse themselves. In the face of such evil, no words are adequate. [...] Two thousand years ago, while he hung on the Cross, Jesus saw the filth that would threaten to obscure the holiness of his Church. He saw each egregious sin now detailed in grand jury reports and the filth that would threaten to obscure the holiness of his Church. Instead, now Hell is always at the gates of the Church. Jesus has been victorious over sin and God will remain united to his Church but demonic forces of evil will try to tear souls away from the Church. For this reason, the Church on earth is called "the Church militant" because we are engaged in a battle against sin. But we can only fight this battle effectively when, as a Church, we recognize that the fight against evil begins in our hearts. We are all sinners in need of God’s grace.

Understandingly, however, we also become discouraged and outraged when some of our clergy and bishops fall into serious sin. We might wonder, “How can I remain Catholic in the midst of such evil?” We want to distance ourselves from the crimes of some of the Church’s members by distancing ourselves from the Church. But God is united to the Church and he would never will that we abandon his Church. Instead, now—more than ever—God calls us to unite ourselves with his holiness. He calls us to be bold and prophetic men and women who advocate for the truth, seek justice for victims, and tenaciously pursue holiness.

Each member of the Body of Christ has a part in God’s plan for the renewal of his Church. In fact, right now, the Holy Spirit is at work in each one of us to bring about new life in the Church. Make no mistake, God will prevail.
Movie Review: “The Nun”
David Ives | Sep 07, 2018 | Aleteia.org

Catholic fans of The Conjuring movie franchise will have much to rejoice over in the latest installment of the ongoing series. If it does nothing else, The Nun solidifies once and for all that The Conjuring universe is one governed by Catholic beliefs and principles. On the other hand, general horror fans, Catholic or otherwise, might not be as enthusiastic as, sadly, The Nun falls a tad short in the scares department.

As viewers are likely to recall, the titular nun was one of the forms the demon Valak chose to appear in The Conjuring 2, doing so to challenge the faith of the heavily fictionalized versions of Ed and Lorraine Warren. The Nun takes us back to 1952 to show us exactly why Valak has taken such a liking to this particular guise. Hint: he’s a demon, so if you already guessed it is to mock and agitate the faithful, you win.

The movie begins in a Romanian castle-turned-monastery where a young sister ends her own life rather than allow the demon confined in its dungeons to enter her body and escape into the wider world. To ensure that the monastery has not been desecrated by this act, thus endangering its super-secret purpose for being located in the castle, the Vatican sends spiritual troubleshooter Father Burke (Demián Bichir) to assess the situation.

Accompanying the good father (who must be a Jesuit because he wears a tie when he travels) is Sister Irene (Taissa Farmiga), a postulant whom the Vatican feels may be of use due to her tendency to have visions. The pair are joined in their journey by Frenchie (Jonas Bloquet), the only person in the nearby village who dares go near the monastery. And even he doesn’t like to stay there too long, as he makes abundantly clear again and again.

What follows after the trio arrives at the monastery gates is fairly boilerplate horror fodder. There are half-glimpsed figures around every corner, a few scattered jump scares, and the occasional appearance of the title character, who remains an effectively creepy addition to the monster canon. Unfortunately, the scary bits never quite gel the way they should for some reason, so there are few actual frights to be had.

Even so, the film is not a total loss. The actors are solid and make the most of what they are given to work with. The movie itself is visually appealing, mercifully foregoing the bleached out look of so many modern horror films and going with a natural palette instead. With its gothic setting and choice of camera angles, The Nun mostly resembles one of the old Hammer Horrors of the 60s, though without those films’ copious shots of heaving bosoms. We are talking about a movie centered around a group of cloistered nuns, after all.

Speaking of which, it is almost astounding the level of respect paid to Catholicism in the film. Outside of one small comment near the beginning regarding the Vatican’s tendency to keep secrets (nudge nudge, wink wink), The Nun plays religion straight. The priest has problems from his past, but never wavers in faith. The young postulant is sincere, dedicated, and (gasp) not tempted by Frenchie’s attentions at all. As for the Church itself, she’s the good guy, probably the only thing standing between the world and the supernatural forces that want to corrupt and destroy it.

Oh, and what is the main weapon of defense used most in the movie? You might want to sit down for this: it’s prayer. There’s more praying going on in The Nun than in the last 10 or so faith-based films I’ve sat through combined. In fact, if they pay attention, there’s a good chance everyone in the audience will be able to recite at least part of the Hail Mary in Latin by the time the credits roll. That’s how much praying there is. And better yet, it works. Sure, there has to be a loophole at the end allowing Valak to show up for his part in The Conjuring 2, but for the most part the movie’s philosophy is that if you want to beat back the evil that is trying to destroy the faithful, prayer is the first line of defense. You can break out the big guns like relics when necessary, but always start with prayer.

If for nothing else, that makes it quite an interesting moment for The Nun to be seeing release. The film might not be scary enough for horror fanatics, but for the faithful who are having a rough go of it with all the bad news lately, the underlying message couldn’t be timelier.

Catechetical Sunday

Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday?

The mission of the church reflects the mission of Jesus to teach, preach, heal, and forgive. Through these acts, Jesus shares the good news of salvation and invites all people to share in the life and love of God. The church continues this mission in all its ministries, but especially, and perhaps most importantly, through catechesis.

Catechetical Sunday is celebrated on the third Sunday of September. The task of handing on the Gospel is entrusted to the whole community, who by word and example, form young and new members in the way of the Gospel. Parish programs assist parents in teaching the basics of faith through liturgical experience, instruction, and faith formation. This ministry is essential for the parish to grow, for individuals to develop as believers, and for the ongoing spiritual formation of the whole community. It reminds the church that preaching the Gospel and growing in faith are essential to our sacramental practice and our liturgical prayer.

On this Sunday, we recognize those who are called to be teachers and ask for God’s blessing and grace.
**Cathedral Kids**

**Read the Gospel and Color**

**40 Days For Life**

September 26—November 4
HELP SAVE LIVES IN SACRAMENTO

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion. Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 750,000 volunteers! With God’s help, here are the proven results in 22 coordinated campaigns:

- 14,643 babies saved from abortion
- 177 abortion workers converted
- 96 abortion centers closed

Join us for an ongoing vigil at FPA Abortion Clinic, 2322 Butano Drive, Sacramento, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. Learn more on 40daysforlife.com/sacramento, or contact Susan at 530-320-1614 or susanalive@gmail.com, or Wynette at 916-955-1577.

**Bishop Jaime Soto will celebrate the 40 Days for Life Opening Mass on September 24 at 8:00 am, at the Shrine of our Lady of Guadalupe, 711 T Street. For more information, contact Vero Avina at 916-205-0713.**

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

Is anything more important than our children’s souls?
The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori-based approach to Christian formation, in which children as young as three form deep, lifelong relationships with our Lord. Learn more at an introductory workshop in Sacramento on Saturday, October 20. For details, visit www.youngsheep.org/workshop.

**The Ministry Fair is Next Sunday, the 23rd, All Day in Mercy Hall!**

"It is better that scandals arise than the truth be suppressed."

~St. Gregory the Great~

**Prayer** - Dear God, thank you for coming to save me from my sins.

**Mission for the Week** - With your family, talk about what you would enjoy if you were a king or queen. Tell how Jesus was different from other kings.

**Puzzle**

Enlarge the picture square by square.
"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."
~Mark 8:34b~

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|                    | 9:00 am / Cornelio Ybarra Rosas + Gerald O'Reilly + | 8:00 pm NIGHT FEVER |
|                    | 11:00 am/Monsignor Carroll + Juan Manuel Garcia Tafolla + | Catechetical Sunday  
|                    | 1:00 pm Spanish / Esteban Cruz Lopez S.I. | 9:00 am - RCIA for Children & Teens  
|                    | 3:00 pm Chinese / 5:00 pm / John F. Nealon + 7:00 pm Spanish / Luis Perez + Margarita Ramos + | 9:00 am Mass: RCIA - Breaking of the Word  
|                    |                                           | 11:00 am Mass: Liturgy of the Word for Children |
| Sunday September 16 | 7:30 am / Carmen Perez S.I.                  |                                           |
|                    | 9:00 am / Cornelio Ybarra Rosas + Gerald O'Reilly + |                                           |
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| Monday September 17 | 12:10 pm / Crescencia DeGuzman S.I.          | 6:30 pm RCIA: Vespers  
|                    | 5:10 pm / People of the Parish | 7:00 pm RCIA: Class |
| Tuesday September 18 | 12:10 pm / Urritia Family S.I.                | 6:00pm Spanish Choir Rehearsal for the 7pm Mass |
|                    | 5:10 pm /                                   |                                           |
| Wednesday September 19 | 12:10 pm / Nena Delos Reyes S.I.             | 7:15 pm Communion & Liberation  
|                    | 5:10 pm /                                   | 7:15 pm English Choir Rehearsal  
|                    |                                           | 7:15 pm Spanish Choir Rehearsal for the 1pm Mass |
| Thursday September 20 | 12:10 pm / Mario Lidunao +                   |                                           |
|                    | 5:10 pm / Gabriel Voehl S.I.                 |                                           |
| Friday September 21 | 12:10 pm / John Fairbanks S.I.               |                                           |
| Saturday September 22 | 5:00 pm / Robert Jones S.I.                  | 10:00 am CCD Classes  
|                    | Perez Valdez Family S.I.                     | TOMORROW: THE MINISTRY FAIR |

**Readings & Observances**

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday  
Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35  
Monday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church  
1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1 Cor 11:26b]/ Lk 7:1-10  
Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [3]/Lk 7:11-17  
Wednesday: St. Januarius, Bishop & Martyr  
1 Cor 12:31–13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22 [12]/Lk 7:31-35  
Thursday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-g?n, Priest, and Paul Ch?ng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs  
1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 [1]/Lk 7:36-50  
Friday: St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist  
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13  
Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14 [14]/Lk 8:4-15  

“Thank you Lord that you are Victorious over every trouble and obstacle. Thank you that you have overcome sin, and death, and any evil that we may face today. And because of you, we too are overcomers. We too can have victory, and we can walk strong in your peace. Amen"
Esquina del Pastor

Tenemos muchas cosas sucediendo en la Catedral en estos días. La educación religiosa está en pie y en plena vigencia. Los pequeños están de regreso, lo que agrega una gran dimensión, a menudo inesperada, a nuestro centro de la ciudad, que no es un mar de niños y valores familiares sanos. Este domingo es el Domingo Catequético, una oportunidad para orar y agradecer a Hna. Jenny y todos sus voluntarios por el arduo trabajo de enseñar la fe a nuestras futuras generaciones.

También damos la bienvenida a nuestro coro en la misa de 11:00 a.m. después de tomar un tiempo importante para apreciar la belleza de nuestros veranos locales. Incluso en su tiempo libre, agradezco su presencia especial, junto con todos los que ayudaron a planificar la liturgia y la recepción, en el funeral de mi padre en agosto. Gracias.

Además, este fin de semana patrocinamos otra Fiebre Nocturna que reúne fieles de toda el área para adorar juntos. Muchos vienen a orar que no han estado en la iglesia por años. Mis oraciones durante estas cuatro horas de adoración son para nuestra Iglesia y el dolor causado por los males inherentes a la autoridad y los corazones perdidos en la oscuridad del pecado. Que nuestro liderazgo y todos nosotros realmente podamos creer que somos el Cuerpo de Cristo.

El próximo fin de semana es nuestra Feria de Ministerio. Todos son animados a venir y pasar un tiempo familiarizándose con los diferentes ministerios disponibles en la Catedral. Por un lado, es posible que encuentre un ministerio que se comunique con usted por su apoyo. Por otro lado, puede notar cualquier ministerio importante que todavía falta aquí en nuestra parroquia. La Feria del Ministerio es un evento importante tanto para fortalecer nuestros ministerios actuales como para introducir otros nuevos. Además, como escuchamos el domingo pasado en la misa, los miembros del Consejo de Finanzas estarán presentes si alguien tiene interés en aprender más sobre nuestras finanzas.

Ha sido un verano hermoso, incluso mientras oramos por todos aquellos que sufrieron pérdidas durante los devastadores incendios en todo California. Aquí, en la Catedral, nunca hay un momento aburrido. Les pido a todos ustedes que sigan reteniéndonos a mí y al personal y voluntarios de la Catedral en sus oraciones. También oramos por mayores y más soluciones centradas en Cristo para nuestros pobres del centro y personas sin hogar, especialmente a medida que se acerca el clima más fresco y húmedo.

Oro por todos nosotros mientras mantenemos nuestro enfoque en la única verdad que importa, Jesucristo.

Padre Michael

El domingo catequético se celebra el tercer domingo de septiembre. La tarea de transmitir el Evangelio se confía a toda la comunidad, que con palabras y ejemplos forma jóvenes y nuevos miembros en el camino del Evangelio. Los programas parroquiales ayudan a los padres a enseñar los principios básicos de la fe a través de la experiencia litúrgica, la instrucción y la formación en la fe.

En este domingo, reconocemos a aquellos que están llamados a ser maestros y piden la bendición y la gracia de Dios.
LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA

Debo confesar que en varias ocasiones, no he orado por una persona si me lo pide. He dicho a veces, "Oro por usted," que puede ser frase vacía de verdadero sentido o intención. Es como preguntar, "¿Cómo está?" ¿Verdaderamente quiero saber cómo está todo el tiempo? Y como si fuera automático, uno contesta "Bien." Puedo tener un día horrible, pero digo una respuesta que no refleja mi estado verdadero. Muchas veces la gente dice cosas para ser amable sin pensar en lo que dice. Bueno, espero que yo no sea el único.

La verdad es que esas palabras son vacías, si no hay acción. A veces uno quiere hacer o hacer a los demás sentirse bien en decir que sí hará algo, pero sin hacerlo. Aunque uno crea que sea sincero, la verdadera fe sin acción es fe muerta.

La corresponsabilidad buena requiere que hablemos consciente de lo que dice y más comprometido a cumplir con nuestra palabra. A corresponsabilidad es una forma de vivir. Sí pide amor. Pide acciones profundas llenas de amor. Uno debe ofrecer sus dones, talentos, tiempo y oraciones unos a otros y cumplir con ellos. Esto significa que uno debe ser más consciente de lo que dice y más comprometido a cumplir con su palabra. Si practicamos esta forma de vida, no simplemente estaremos haciendo lo correcto, sino nuestra integridad estará intacta y seremos testigos al poder transformador de Jesucristo.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

LAS LECTURAS Y CONMEMORACIONES SEMANALES

Las lecturas de la semana del 16 de septiembre de 2018

Domingo: 24o Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario; Domingo Catequético
Is 50, 5-9/Sal 116, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9 [9]/Sant 2, 14-18/Mc 8, 27-35
Lunes: San Roberto Belarmino, obispo y doctor de la Iglesia
1 Cor 11, 17-26. 33/Sal 40, 7-8. 8-9. 10. 17 [1 Cor 11, 26]/Lc 7, 1-10
Martes: 1 Cor 12, 12-14. 27-31/Sal 100, 1-2. 3. 4. 5 [3]/Lc 7, 11-17
Miércoles: San Januario, obispo y mártir
1 Cor 12, 31-13, 13/Sal 33, 2-3. 4-5. 12 y 22 [12]/Lc 7, 31-35
Jueves: San. Andrés Kim Taegon, sacerdote y san Pablo Chong Hasang, y compañeros, mártires
1 Cor 15, 1-11/Sal 118, 1-2. 16-17. 28 [1]/Lc 7, 36-50
Viernes: San Mateo, apóstol y Evangelista
Ef 4, 1-7. 11-13/Sal 19, 2-3. 4-5 [5]/Mt 9, 9-13
Sábado: 1 Cor 15, 35-37. 42-49/Sal 56, 10-12. 13-14 [14]/Lc 8, 4-15

VERSO DEL EVANGELIO DE DOMINGO

Después llamó a la multitud y a sus discípulos, y les dijo: "El que quiere venir conmigo, que renuncie a sí mismo, que cargue con su cruz y que me siga. Pues el que quiere salvar su vida, la perderá; pero el que pierda su vida por mí y por el Evangelio, la salvará". - Mc 8, 34-35

MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

Si Jesús preguntara, ahora, quien es él para cada uno de nosotros. ¿Qué le responderíamos? Quizá, la respuesta sería rápida como la de Pedro. "Tú eres el Mesías". (Marcos 8:29). Pero, ¿sabemos realmente lo que está respondiendo? O, tal vez, si les preguntáramos a los niños, ¿nos dirían que es el niño Jesús?, ¿los jóvenes lo pondrían como un modelo a seguir?, para los mayores ¿la esperanza de una vida mejor? En fin, para muchos sería un mundo donde se viva la paz, la justicia y el amor. Excelentes respuestas, pero, la realidad es otra.

En el Evangelio, Jesús se revela a sí mismo como "el Cristo." Su enseñanza del sufrimiento venidero es una realidad que se avecina, por esa razón, les dice a sus discípulos que; "Sería condenado a muerte y resucitaría a los tres días". (Marcos 8:31). Ellos, quedaron sorprendidos y desconcertados con la explicación, por esa razón, de nuevo, Pedro, toma la iniciativa de hablar y reprender a Jesús. Luego del diálogo entre Jesús y Pedro, Jesús, lanza la invitación al seguimiento. Tomar la cruz de cada día y seguirlo. Esto es válido para los seguidores de entonces y para los de hoy. El reto, es difícil, dado que salen de la boca y no del corazón.

VIVIR LA LITURGIA

¿Quién dice usted que es Jesús? Algunas personas consideran a Jesús como el que alivia el dolor y el sufrimiento. Queremos creer en un Dios que aliviará nuestras incomodidades. La frustración y la pérdida de fe pueden pasar cuando uno menos lo espera. Jesús es el Cristo. Como Cristo, Él es el que nos mostrará cómo mantener la alegría y el sufrimiento en balance. El sufrimiento no se puede evitar, es parte de la vida. Aunque hay dolor físico que sufrimos como humanos, vivir el Evangelio puede ayudar a con el sufrimiento. Jesucristo es el Camino, la Verdad y la Vida. ¿Qué tiene usted el deseo de seguir a Jesús?

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Primera lectura - Escuchamos hoy cómo el profeta Isaías sufría, a pesar de que era inocente. Sin embargo, Isaías confía en Dios. ¿Qué nos dice esto sobre el carácter de Isaías?
Segunda lectura - Santiago enfatiza la importancia en que la fe produzca buenos hechos. ¿Qué hechos buenos ha hecho usted que tiene raíces en su fe?
Lectura del Evangelio - Jesús le pregunta a sus discípulos, "¿Quién dice que soy yo?" Pedro lo identifica correctamente como el Mesías pero falla en reconocer el papel del sufrimiento de Jesús. ¿Por qué cree que a Pedro (y a muchos creyentes) se les dificulta entender el concepto de un Mesías que sufre?
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Monday to Thursday  5:10 pm
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Sunday  7:30 am
9:00 am
11:00 am
1:00 pm en Español
3:00 pm Chinese
5:00 pm
7:00 pm en Español

State Holidays  12:10 pm only

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Monday to Friday  11:30 am to 12:00 pm
Saturday  4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
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6:30 pm a 7:00 pm

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When attendants are available:
Wednesday  12:45 pm to 4:45 pm
Thursday  12:45 pm to 4:45 pm
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BAPTISMS (Registration is required)
English - 3rd Saturday of the month, 9:00am
Español - 4º Sábado del mes, 9:00am

BAPTISM CLASSES

English - 1st Thursday of the month, 7:00pm
Español - 2do jueves del mes, 7:00pm

TOURS

Tours are free and are led by trained Docents after the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses, and at 12:40pm on Wednesday. Tours in Spanish are held the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month after the 1pm Mass. Tours begin at the Baptismal Font. Contact 916-444-3071 to arrange free private group tours.

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Sundays  9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Tuesdays  10:30 am to 12:00 pm

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The Diocese of Sacramento requires an engaged couple to complete a marriage preparation program no later than two months before their wedding date. Contact: Janet & Omar Bardales at matrimonyprep@att.net, or 916-427-9160, or Sister Jenny at 916-444-5364. You do not have to have your wedding at the Cathedral in order to take this class.

GET MARRIED AT THE CATHEDRAL

If you would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at the Cathedral, download the Cathedral Wedding Guidelines and Reservation Form on the cathedral website. Contact the parish office at least six months before your desired wedding date to arrange a meeting with Wedding Coordinator, Titi Kila, at the Cathedral Office, 916-444-3071 x13, or titi@cathedralsacramento.org.

HAVE YOUR MARRIAGE BLESSED IN THE CHURCH

If you would like to have your civil marriage blessed in the Catholic Church, please call or email Deacon John at the Cathedral Office to explore this possibility: 444-3071 Ext. 11; jgisla@cathedralsacramento.org. This can often be done in a small, private ceremony called a Convalidation, without any cost or fee. If you have been together for a number of years and would like to be married in the Church, this can also often be done in a small, private ceremony without any cost.

QUINCEAÑERA

This is the tradition of celebrating a young girl’s coming of age on her 15th birthday with a Mass, and highlights the virtues of family and social responsibility, recognizing her journey from childhood to maturity. For more information on celebrating this beautiful tradition at the Cathedral, call Titi Kila, at 916-444-3071, x13, or titikila@cathedralsacramento.org.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

For ages 5 to 10 years old, at the 11:00 am Sunday Mass (Check calendar for dates), this program provides children with age appropriate explanations of the Sunday readings and gives parents with young children an opportunity to focus on the Scripture readings and the homily without distractions. Children return to their families before the Offertory. For more information, contact the education office or Dorothy Corgiat at dlcorgiat@yahoo.com.
The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary (September 15)

In addition to the Holy Saturday, the Holy Church commemorates the seven sorrows of the Virgin. The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin was commemorated on Holy Saturdays since the fifteenth century. Since A.D. 1727, the Holy Church has ordered all parishes to have the solemnity. Since 1668, the order has the permission to hold a special ceremony on the third Sunday of September each year to commemorate the Seven Sorrows of the Virgin. Since 1817, Pope Pius VII has ordered the Universal Church to hold this ceremony. The contents of the seven bitterness of the Virgin are summarized as follows:

First Sorrow of the Virgin—Simeon’s prophecy. At that time in Jerusalem, there was a man named Simeon, who was just and sincere.... He said to Mary, "...a sword will pierce your heart."

Second Sorrow of the Virgin—Taking Refuge in Egypt. The angel said to Joseph in his dream: "Get up, take the baby and his mother to flee to Egypt and live there until I talk to you again."

Third Sorrow of the Virgin—Baby Jesus missing three days. His mother said to him, "Child, why are you treating us like this? See your father and I have been looking for you with sorrow."

Forth Sorrow of the Virgin—Jesus bears the pain and walks to the execution site. "Jesus carried the cross and walked forward. There was a large group of people and women who followed him. The women cried by beating their chest."

Fifth Sorrow of the Virgin—Jesus was crucified. "They went to the place where they were called Golgotha, and they crucified Jesus there. His mother... stood by the cross of Jesus."

Sixth Sorrow of the Virgin—The body of Jesus was removed from the cross. "Joseph of Arimathea... asks for the body of Jesus. After the body of Jesus was removed by the cross, His mother was in his arms."

Seventh Sorrow of the Virgin—Jesus’ sacred burial. "Mother of sorrow, when Joseph wrapped Jesus in linen and placed it in the grave, how painful your heart is!"

本週報告（會長）

慕道班將於每星期彌撒後以中文舉行。如果您認識的任何朋友或家人對天主教信仰有興趣，請邀請他參加。

Announcement this week (President)

We will have the RCIA every week after mass in Chinese. If any friend or family member you know is interested in the Catholic faith, feel free to invite him/her to the RCIA.
Contact Jeff Tkachuk to place an ad today!
jtkachuk@4LPi.com or (800) 950-9952 x2513