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Saint Matthew and the Angel

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday to Friday	12:10 pm
Monday to Thursday	5:10 pm
Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
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
Domingo - en Español	12:30 pm a 12:45 pm
	6:30 pm a 7:00 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday	12:45 pm to 4:45 pm
Thursday	12:45 pm to 4:45 pm
Friday	12:45 pm to 3:45 pm

BAPTISMS (Registration is required)

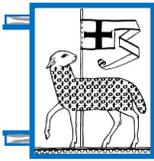
English — 3rd Saturday of the month, 9:00 am
Español - 4º Sábado del mes, 9:00 am

BAPTISM CLASSES

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

**WEDDINGS — Contact 916-444-3071,
Six (6)months in advance**

**GIFT SHOP — Sundays 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Mondays 10:30 am to 12:00 pm**



Mystagogy

Why does the priest add a few drops of water to the wine during the Preparation of the Gifts?

Being a rather small and seemingly insignificant part of the Mass, the mixing of a couple drops of water to the wine-filled chalice during the Offertory may seem **unimportant** and almost peculiar at first glance. However, like many things in the Mass, this simple rite and its accompanying prayer are actually quite significant and loaded with meaning.

The rite began in the early centuries of the Church for purely practical reasons: the wine used at the time was very thick and hard to drink. Following a cultural custom dating back to the Greeks, the very strong wine typical of the ancient world was mixed with water to make it more palatable. As the art of winemaking advanced over the centuries wine became more refined and drinkable, but the practice of cutting the wine with water remained a part of the liturgy and took on a more spiritual and symbolic character. The accompanying prayer offered during the rite derives from an ancient prayer of the Mass for the Nativity of Christ, "that we may be made partakers of Your Son Jesus Christ's divinity Who deigned to become a partaker of our humanity". There have been various interpretations of the meaning of this rite that have emerged over the centuries, but three that have become prominent.

First, the mingling of the water and wine is an allusion to the blood and water that flowed from the side of Christ when it was pierced by the soldier's lance (John 19:31-37). For centuries this was thought to be a miraculous occurrence since blood and water do not normally flow from a dead body. It was thought that the "miracle" was intended to highlight the spiritual significance of the Crucifixion. However, modern medical science and physiology confirm that this is indeed what would be expected if the Gospel narrative took place as described. The remaining blood in the heart does not coagulate for several hours, and modern autopsies reveal that the trauma of a death by beating produces an elevated amount of water around the lungs that remains trapped in the chest cavity. If opened by the blow of a lance, both the water and blood would drain copiously. Not having any accurate medical knowledge in the 1st century, the Apostle John marveled at what he saw because it was to him inexplicable: And so he wrote in his Gospel, "And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true; and he knows that he saith true" (vs. 35). It proves fairly incontestably that the Crucifixion actually happened the way John describes it. He was in fact there when the side of Jesus was pierced and he merely recorded the event as he observed it.

The blood and water that flowed from the side of Christ are sometimes thought to be a symbol of the birth of the Church and the release of the sacramental grace She administers to the faithful for their redemption and salvation: principally the water as a sign of Baptism that washes away our sin and the blood of Christ that redeems us as a sign of the Eucharist. From this perspective the Church, which is "the Bride of Christ", was born of the side of Jesus as He slept in death upon the Cross the way Eve was formed from the side of Adam as he slept in the Garden of Eden (Gen. 2:21-25; CCC Par. 766, 1067). Both the devotion to the Sacred Heart and the Divine Mercy make much of the blood and water flowing from the opened side of Jesus; it is seen as a figure of the never-ending flow of redemptive love and mercy from the Heart of Christ.

The second interpretation of the spiritual significance of this part of the offertory is its allusion to the Incarnation: the union of the human Jesus (symbolized by the water) with the Divinity of the Eternal Son (symbolized by the wine). Since the Council of Chalcedon in A.D. 451, the Church has always dogmatically confirmed that the Person of Jesus

Christ is fully human and fully Divine. The most important point of this rite is that when the water and wine are mingled they are irrevocably mixed and can no longer be separated. This portrays the reality that once the Eternal Son descended from Heaven to assume our humanity in Mary's womb, His Divinity and our humanity were eternally united in one "hypostatic union". Throughout all eternity, the Person of Christ Jesus will remain fully Divine and fully human. For that reason, in the Liturgy of the Hours we pray "When you took on flesh, Lord Jesus, you made a marriage of mankind with God . . ." (Wk. II Monday Evening Prayer following the second psalm).

The third interpretation of the rite presents the mingling of water and wine as a sign of our union with the Incarnate Christ. In the same way a few individual drops of water are absorbed into the wine never to be recovered, so too is each individual within the Church absorbed into the Divinity of Christ to make one cup, or one single community incorporated into Christ. We do not become divine, but we are incorporated into the Divine and share His glory. That is why we refer to the Virgin Mary as the exemplar of the Church; She was created as a human being and in no sense divine, but by reason of Her intimate union with the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit in the Incarnation, She was as it were "divinized" and brought wholly into the fullness of the glory of the Holy Trinity when She was assumed body and soul into Heaven. In this way, She is the exemplar of what all the faithful are destined to become in Christ.

These sacred mysteries are also at the heart of the Church's teaching on the indissolubility of marriage, for we believe that Christ taught that the Sacrament of Marriage was ordained by God to portray the union of Christ and His Church: As Gerhard Cardinal Mueller put it, "For us marriage is the expression of participation in the unity between Christ the Bridegroom and the Church His Bride. This is not . . . a simple vague analogy. No! This is the substance of the sacrament . . ." These are the sacred mysteries we recall at the preparation of the gifts when the priest adds a few drops of water into the Chalice and offers the inaudible prayer, "By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the Divinity of Christ Who humbled Himself to share in our humanity".

~John-David Black~



Saint Matthew

September 21—From such an unlikely situation, Jesus chose one of the foundations of the Church, a man others, judging from his job, thought was not holy enough for the position. But Matthew was honest enough to admit that he was one of the sinners Jesus came to call. He was open enough to recognize truth when he saw him. "And he got up and followed him" (*Matthew 9:9b*).

Matthew was a Jew who worked for the occupying Roman forces, collecting taxes from other Jews. The Romans were not scrupulous about what the "tax farmers" got for themselves. Hence the latter, known as "publicans," were generally hated as traitors by their fellow Jews. The Pharisees lumped them with "sinners" (see *Matthew 9:11-13*). So it was shocking to them to hear Jesus call such a man to be one of his intimate followers.

Matthew got Jesus in further trouble by having a sort of going-away party at his house. The Gospel tells us that many tax collectors and "those known as sinners" came to the dinner. The Pharisees were still more badly shocked. What business did the supposedly great teacher have associating with such immoral people? Jesus' answer was, "Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. Go and learn the meaning of the words, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' I did not come to call the righteous but sinners" (*Matthew 9:12b-13*). Jesus is not setting aside ritual and worship; he is saying that loving others is even more important.

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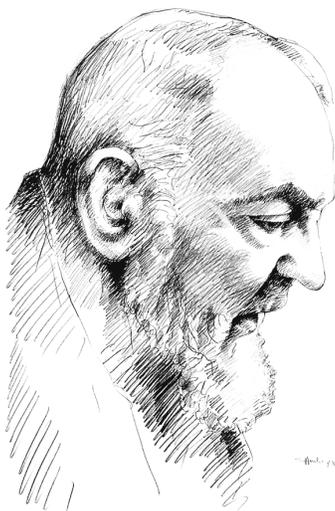
Pastor's Corner

This weekend, we celebrate an important event at the Cathedral; the 50th anniversary of the profession of Sister Jenny into the community of the Canossian Daughters of Charity. This community of sisters has been an important part of the spiritual and educational development of our diocese for many years. They even helped educate me in St. Joseph parish, Lincoln, when I was preparing for confirmation, so many years ago. Sister Jenny has gently guided our youth and adult formation for over ten years at the Cathedral, creating an atmosphere of openness, charity, and love. She welcomes everyone with open arms and reveals the embrace of Jesus who invites all the little children to come to Him. She has encouraged many of our parishioners to mature in their faith journey and makes sure that they use their talents in ministry for the increase of our parish family. We thank God for the gift of Sister's presence, for her vocation to religious life, and for her untiring commitment to the needs of our Cathedral.

Thank you, Sister!

Speaking of ministry, our Ministry Fair is next Sunday, September 24. Once upon a time, priests and religious sisters and brothers ran the parishes, but today we have the blessing of the many talents flowing in from our homes to help guide us. I encourage everyone to spend some time in the parish hall learning about the different ministries present at the Cathedral. Don't be afraid to descend into the lower level. You will not be asked for any financial help, and snacks and various goodies are provided. Of course, you're expected to get involved in some ministry so as to embrace more fully your pilgrimage to Christ and your service to neighbor. I also challenge the different ministries to visit the other tables to learn more clearly what your brothers and sisters are offering as part of the great mission of our Cathedral parish. I look forward to seeing everyone participate and may God bless you.

~Father Michael~



"You need to hold fast to two virtues: kindness toward your neighbor and humility toward God. I trust that you will do this, because that great God who has taken you by the hand to draw you to himself will not abandon you until He brings you into His eternal tabernacle."

~Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)~

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As the Lord is kind and merciful, so should we be forgiving toward one another. Our forgiveness is to be without limit and so reflect Christ's eternal love. He alone is Lord.

**Sir 27:30—28:7 Ps 103:1-4, 9-12
Rom 14:7-9 Mt 18:21-35**

MONDAY 18TH

Through his own personal supplication, the centurion requested the healing of his servant. Blessed be the Lord who hears our prayers.

1 Tm 2:1-8 Ps 28:2, 7-9 Lk 7:1-10

TUESDAY 19TH

~Saint Januarius, Bishop, Martyr~

Qualities desired in leaders of the faith community are discussed. Jesus restores life to the son of the widow of Nain.

1 Tm 3:1-13 Ps 101:1-3, 5-6 Lk 7:11-17

WEDNESDAY 20TH

~Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs~

Paul quotes a liturgical hymn which speaks of great deeds: Jesus' incarnation and resurrection. His advent is met with criticism and indifference.

1 Tm 3:14-16 Ps 111:1-6 Lk 7:31-35

THURSDAY 21ST

~Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist~

Mathew (or Levi), the tax collector, is called to be an evangelist, to proclaim the good news by word and deed.

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13

FRIDAY 22ND

Paul reminds Timothy of the values which should animate his ministry. Women join the Twelve in following Jesus.

1 Tm 6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-10, 17-20 Lk 8:1-3

SATURDAY 23RD

~Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest~

Serve the Lord and keep his commandments until the Day of Jesus Christ. His word has been planted in our hearts to bear fruit in faith and love.

1 Tm 6:13-16 Ps 100:1-5 Lk 8:4-15





Parish News

The Annual Cathedral Ministry Fair is next Sunday.

Join us after every Mass, for food and fellowship. Learn more about our ministries and you may find one that touches your heart!

September 17, 2017 – Saved by His love

No matter how many times God provided for His people they would find fault and complain. God couldn't take their constant complaining any more, so He punished them by sending poisonous serpents. After great suffering, the people repented and Moses interceded for them. God's remedy was to have the people look upon a bronze serpent they were to hang on a pole. Typical of the ancient world, people made votive offerings in the shape of the body part that was problematic. The serpent hanging from the pole foreshadows Jesus hanging on the cross. Whoever looks upon Him with faith is saved from the curse of the snake (Adam's first sin). • The Responsorial, Psalm 78, contrasts God's eternal fidelity to us, with our infidelity to Him. If God were truly just, He would have destroyed His people long ago, for they deserved this punishment for all the times they turned away from Him and constantly complained against Him, despite His numerous interventions. However, God always forgave and showed great mercy. If we follow His example and live in His mercy, mercy shall be ours. • The Second Reading gives us a beautiful example of Jesus' profound humility. He surrendered His Divine prerogative, in order to serve us as a man. The emptying of self does not mean that He stopped being God, rather it signifies a spirituality of surrender and humility. The ultimate degree of humility was obedience to the Father unto death on the cross. The Father in turn proclaims Jesus as *Lord*, a title affirming His divinity. • Today's Gospel is part of a dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus that deals with salvation. Hence the allusion to the bronze serpent, the salvific foreshadowing of Jesus on the cross. Jesus came to reveal God's tremendous love for us. We are saved inasmuch as we live that love. We are condemned inasmuch as we reject His love. May our lives be a response *to* His love *in* His love.

The Dioceses of Northern California have announced the schedule for **ON FIRE NorCal Jam 2017**, to be held on Saturday, Sept. 16 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom in Vallejo. Participants will be given early entrance to the park for a morning program from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., featuring praise and worship with Father Es-paillat, Manibusan, Angrisano, Hart, Melendrez and the Holy Fire Choir and Mass with the bishops of the dioceses, including Bishop Jaime So-to. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit <http://www.onfirenorcal.com>

Ministry Days 2017 — Join us on September 29 and 30 at St. Francis High School in Sacramento from 8am-4pm for the largest gathering of ministers, catechists and Catholic school teachers in the Diocese of Sacramento! Whether you are looking for new ways to strengthen your skills or looking for some inspiration for your ministry, our workshops cover a wide variety of topics, including Liturgy, Sacrament Preparation, Catechesis, Vocations and Social Justice. To browse through our workshops and register for the conference, please visit <http://www.ministrydays.com>.

40 Days for Life Mass — Please join the Cathedral Respect Ministry for the 40 Days for Life kick-off Mass at Presentation Parish on September 27th at 8am. For more information about how you can participate in the 40 Days for Life campaign, please visit 40daysforlife.com

PARKING — Cathedral parishioners are no longer able to park for free in the private parking structure next to the Cathedral Office. The Cathedral is therefore purchasing from the City of Sacramento, coupons to pay for the \$5 weekend parking charge in the City parking lots located on 11th St. between I Street and J Street; and on 10th St. between K St. and L St. After each weekend Mass, if you parked in a City parking lot, you may pick up a coupon as you leave the Cathedral. To offset the cost of the coupons, please consider increasing your weekly donation to the Cathedral. (27/41)

The **Sacramento Life Center** is in need of baby supplies for low-income new moms. Gift baskets filled with clothing, diapers and supplies are given to every patient after her baby is born. Please consider donating: clothing (up to size 18 mos), diapers (especially size 3,4,5) and other baby items like shampoo, lotion, bibs, hats, pacifiers, blankets, etc. Donations can be dropped off Monday through Friday 9-4:30 at Sacramento Life Center, 2316 Bell Executive Lane in Sacramento. For more information please call 916-451-4357. Thank you for your generosity!

Live with courage, love with faith., laugh with hope.

"Flame of Love Diary" of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Retreat at St. Lawrence Parish, 4625 Don Julio Blvd. North Highland. In Spanish on Mondays, October 2, 9, 16 and 23, 7-9 pm. In English, on Thursdays, October 5, 12, 19, and 26, 7-9 pm. You will discover great graces from Our Mother and the urgency of spreading the Flame of Love of Her Immaculate Heart. The cost is \$5. Join us on this special spiritual retreat through Mary's special month of October. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Divine Mercy Conference — Jeff Cavins of the "Great Adventure Bible" series, Sister M. Confida Gilara from St. Faustina's Covent in Boston, and Conor Maher, Youth Minister at Divine Savior Parish in Orangevale, are this year's guest speakers for the Divine Mercy Conference at Divine Mercy Parish, 2231 Club Center Drive in Natomas on October 7th, from 9:30 and to 4:30 pm. Tickets are still available, but going fast. \$20.00 in advance, or \$25.00 at the door. For more information, visit DivenMercySacramento.org, or call 530-677-2805.

Retrouvaille –Marriage Recovery

Is your marriage in trouble –miserable –dead? Would you like it to come alive? Retrouvaille can give you the communication skills you need to relate to one other in a more respectful and emotionally mature way. The next weekend is in Sacramento, October 13 -15. For more information call (800) 470-2230 or visit <http://www.helpourmarriage.com>.

"And every day, when your heart especially feels the longingness of life, pray" ~Saint Padre Pio~

Date	Mass / Intentions	Activities
Saturday September 16	5:00 pm / Monsignor Carroll +	
Sunday September 17	7:30 am / Ted Tadema S.I. 9:00 am / Edward Alig S.I. 11:00 am / Luca Polli + 1:00 pm Spanish / Rodolfo Esparza S.I. 3:00 pm Chinese 5:00 pm / Cresencia de Guzman S.I. 7:00 pm Spanish / Parish Intentions	9:30 am RCIA Breaking of the Word 11:00 am Liturgy of the Word for Children
Monday September 18	12:10 pm / Gerald Eugene Bledsoe + 5:10 pm / Rodolfo Esparza S.I.	6:30 pm RCIA Evening Prayer 7:00 pm RCIA Class
Tuesday September 19	12:10 pm / Nena Delos Reyes S.I. 5:10 pm / Imee Foronda +	6:00 pm Spanish Choir for the 7pm Mass 7:15 pm The Rosary Club
Wednesday September 20	12:10 pm / Aurelia V. Barajas + 5:10 pm / Laura Remo +	7:15 pm Spanish Choir for the 1pm Mass 7:15 pm Communion & Liberation
Thursday September 21	12:10 pm / Cathedral Youth Group 5:10 pm / Aurelia V. Barajas +	
Friday September 22	12:10 pm / Aurelia V. Barajas +	7:30 pm Rosary Recitation at St. Junipero's Statue

Offering Mass for a special intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons: for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday or special anniversary. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, please contact the rectory office for help with available dates and times. Intentions are \$10.00 donation per Mass request and are due the Tuesday before the publication weekend.

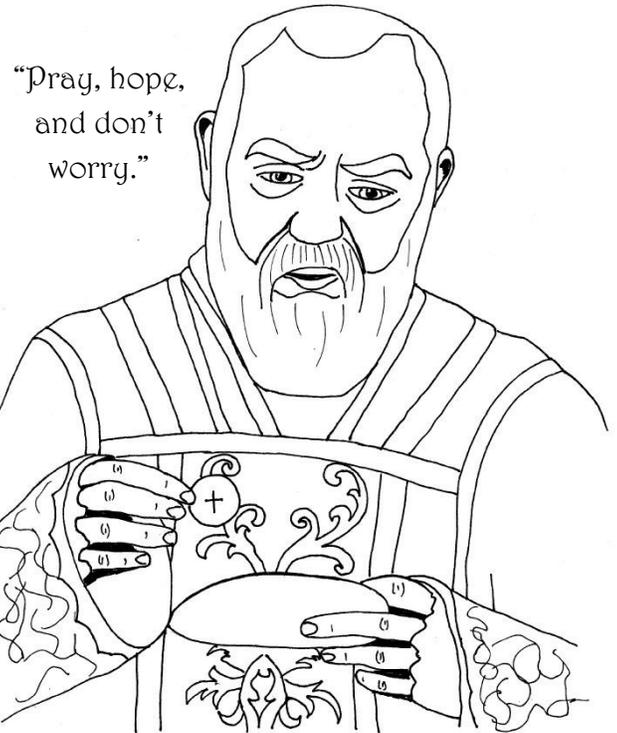
*"In trust of God's infinite goodness, we pray to lift up our sick parishioners, family and friends, and those in need of healing of the body and soul.
Almighty Father, hear our prayers for..."*

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| Emma Valdez | Giang Tran | Miles Jedlinsky Flanagan |
| Eugenia Roque | Joel and Cesar | Louis Metzinger |
| Alfredo Rivera | Miguel and Family | Baby Lucas Barbosa |
| Adolfo Espinoza | Gabriela and Christian | Baby Ariana |
| Raymundo Guerrero | Tinoco | Baby Selena Reyes |
| Natalia Galan | Marissa Mallani and | Baby Moises David |
| Salomon Galan | Family | Lopez |
| Tomasita Rodriguez | Karron Williams | Shelly Lord |
| Rosa Carrillo | Kim and Aaron | Danielle |
| Felix Nunez Claver | Luke Armstrong | Peter |
| Alvin Sul | Julie and Hansel | |
| Anyrani Gonzalez | Michael Jose Mejia | |
| Erin Nicole Tam | Luis Gutierrez, Jr. | |
| Riley Hana | Luis Gutierrez, Sr. | |
| Lee McClure | Cynthia Belarma | |
| Noah Anthony Hernandez | Garren Bratcher | |
| | Stephen and Julie | |

Amen."

The most powerful tool the Lord has given us to help one another is prayer. If you, your family, or someone you know are in need of prayer, send your prayer request to cbsprayer3@yahoo.com or fill out the form on cathedral-sacramento.org. Hundreds of parishioners are always prepared and honored to take up your prayer for you.

Cathedral Kids



"Pray, hope,
and don't
worry."

Saint Padre Pio

Keep On Forgiving

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times. Matthew 18:21-22 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 18:21-22



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PETER	ANSWERED	MANY	JESUS
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ASKED	TIMES	BROTHER	SEVEN

I will sing of mercy and judgment: unto thee, O LORD, will I sing." ~Psalms 101:1~

Noticias de la parroquia



Esquina del Pastor

Este fin de semana celebramos un importante evento en la Catedral; el cincuenta aniversario de la profesión de la Hermana Jenny en la comunidad de las Hijas Canossianas de la Caridad. Esta comunidad de hermanas ha sido una parte importante del desarrollo espiritual y educativo de nuestra diócesis durante muchos años. Incluso me ayudaron a educarme en la parroquia de San José, en Lincoln, cuando me preparaba para la confirmación hace tantos años. La Hermana Jenny ha guiado suavemente nuestra formación de jóvenes y adultos durante más de diez años en la Catedral, creando una atmósfera de caridad y amor. Ella da la bienvenida a todos con los brazos abiertos y revela el abrazo de Jesús que invita a todos los niños a venir a Él. Ella ha animado a muchos de nuestros feligreses a madurar en su camino de fe y se asegura de que usen sus talentos en el ministerio para el aumento de nuestra familia parroquial. Damos gracias a Dios por el don de la presencia de la Hermana, por su vocación a la vida religiosa y por su incansable compromiso con las necesidades de nuestra Catedral.

¡Gracias hermana!

Hablando de ministerios, nuestra Feria del Ministerio es el próximo domingo, 24 de septiembre. Hace tiempo, los sacerdotes y hermanas y hermanos religiosos dirigían las parroquias, pero hoy tenemos la bendición de los muchos talentos que fluyen desde nuestros hogares para ayudarnos a guiarnos. Animo a todos a pasar un tiempo en el sotano de la Catedral aprendiendo sobre los diferentes ministerios presentes en la Catedral. No se le pedirá ayuda financiera pero si habrá bocadillos y se ofrecerán diversas golosinas. Por supuesto, se espera que se involucre en algún ministerio para que aprenda plenamente de su peregrinación a Cristo y su servicio al prójimo. También invito a los diferentes ministerios a visitar las otras mesas para aprender más claramente lo que sus hermanos y hermanas están ofreciendo como parte de la gran misión de nuestra parroquia de la Catedral. Espero ver a todos participar y que Dios los bendiga.

~Padre Michael~

Razones Para Aprender Mas Sobre Tu Fe

Jesús nos pide: "vayan y hagan discípulos de todas las naciones, bautizándolos en el nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo, enseñándoles a obedecer todo lo que les he mandado a ustedes". (Mateo 28, 19-20)

Si somos seguidores de Jesús, o sea cristianos, es nuestro deseo hacer lo que El nos pide. Los invitamos a venir todos los lunes de 7pm a 8:45pm a aprender mas de tu fe. No hay costo alguno. Sólo se requiere traer biblia, cuaderno y pluma. Preguntas: 916-444-3071 ext 15 Diacono Edgar. ¡Te esperamos!

17 de septiembre, 2017 – Salvado por Su amor

Sin importar las veces que Dios proveyó por Su pueblo, siempre encontraban alguna falta y se quejaban. Dios no pudo más con sus persistentes quejas, así que les castigo mandándoles serpiente venenosas. Después de un gran sufrimiento, el pueblo se arrepintió y Moises intercedió por ellos. El remedio de Dios fue que el pueblo mirara hacia una serpiente de bronce que deberían colgar de un poste. Algo común del mundo antiguo era que el pueblo hiciera ofrendas devotas que llevarán la forma de la parte del cuerpo que les era problemática. La serpiente colgada del poste se asemeja a Jesús colgado de la cruz. Él que mire hacia Él con fe es salvado de la maldición de la serpiente (el primer pecado de Adán). • El Responsorial, Salmo 78, presenta el contraste de la fidelidad eterna de Dios hacia nosotros con nuestra infidelidad hacia Él. Si Dios fuera realmente justo, hubiera destruido a Su pueblo desde hace mucho, ya que merecían ese castigo por todas las veces que se han alejado de Él y por sus constantes quejas en contra de Él. Si seguimos Su ejemplo y vivimos en Su misericordia, la misericordia será nuestra. • La Segunda Lectura nos da un bello ejemplo de la profunda humildad de Jesús. Él cedió Su privilegio Divino, para poder salvarnos en forma de hombre. Al vaciar el ser no significa que Él deje de ser Dios, sino que demuestra una espiritualidad de rendimiento y humildad. El grado máximo de humildad es obediencia al Padre hasta la muerte en la cruz. El Padre en torno proclama a Jesús como *Señor*, un título que afirma su divinidad. • El Evangelio de hoy es parte del diálogo entre Jesús y Nicodemo que habla sobre la salvación. Así pues la alusión a la serpiente de bronce, la predicción salvífica de Jesús en la cruz. Jesús vino a revelar el extremo amor de Dios para nosotros. Somos salvados en lo que vivimos ese amor. Somos condenados en lo que rechazamos Su amor. Que nuestras vidas sean una respuesta a Su amor en Su amor.

Estacionamiento para el catecismo

Las clases del catecismo para niños y sus papás empezaron hoy 10 de septiembre. El mejor lugar para estacionarse es el City Hall Garage en la calle 11 casi esquina con la calle J. (Donde está la gran **P**). El costo del estacionamiento es de \$5.00 dólares pero a usted no le cuesta porque la Catedral lo paga por usted. Por favor recoja su cupón al final de la Misa de 1pm.

¡Venga a prepararse para recibir sus Sacramentos!

Clases para Bautizo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación para adultos todos los lunes de 7pm a 8:45pm. Para mas información hable al 916 444 3071 x 15 con el Diacono Edgar o al 916 444 5364 con Sister Jenny.

Retiro en OCTUBRE Lunes 2, 9, 16 y 23 de octubre 7:00 p.m. a las 9:00 p.m. Les animamos a participar en este retiro parroquial "**La Llama del Diario de Amor**" del Inmaculado Corazón de María. A lo largo de todo, descubrirás las gracias reveladas en el Diario escrito por Elizabeth Kindlemann y la urgencia de difundir la Llama de Amor del Corazón Inmaculado de las gracias de María. Por favor revise los folletos ubicados en la iglesia. El costo es de \$ 5. Puede obtener el libro por adelantado en la oficina parroquial o recogerlo en la primera sesión. Únase a nosotros en este retiro espiritual especial a través del mes especial de octubre ¡TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS!

"Y cada día, cuando tu corazón siente especialmente la soledad de la vida, ruga" ~ San Padre Pío ~



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華人團體消息

本月事務會議將於9月17日(星期日)彌撒後在聖體大教堂會議室舉行，歡迎大家踴躍參加。

Our business meeting this month will be held on September 17, 2017 (Sun) after Mass at the meeting room of Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to attend.

歡迎參觀9月24日在交誼廳舉行的年度教友職務展覽，籍此加深認識在大堂內不同的教友職務和小團體。

You are welcome to visit the annual Ministry Fair held at the Mercy Memorial Hall on September 24 so as to become acquainted with the various ministries operating at the cathedral.

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