

REPORT ON CATHEDRAL CAMPAIGN

Beginning today, we hope to provide periodic status reports on our Parish's accomplishments in the recently conducted Capital Campaign. The Campaign purpose was to provide funding for five areas of Diocesan concern: Parish Needs; Education & Formation; Cathedral Restoration; Priests' Retirement; and Social Ministries. As a reminder, the Campaign dollars raised for the Cathedral Restoration are dedicated to the church. The lower level renovation is the parish's responsibility. Our parish goal was to obtain pledges totaling \$500,000, with 25% (or \$125,000) being returned for our parish needs.

As of December 31, 2003, the Cathedral Parish had pledged the following. As indicated, the first \$500,000 received will be divided between the Diocese and our parish: 75% to 25%. Any additional money is split in half.

	Goal <u>75%/25%</u>	Excess <u>50%/50%</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Pledges	\$ 455,203	\$ 398,245	\$ 853,449
One-Time Gifts	44,797	0	44,797
Less: Write-Offs	<u>0</u>	<u>(63,438)</u>	<u>(63,438)</u>
Net Pledges/Gifts	<u>\$ 500,000</u>	<u>\$ 334,807</u>	<u>\$ 834,807</u>

As of December 31, 2003, 429 parishioners have paid a total of \$382,189 in Pledge Payments and One-Time Gifts. The Balance indicates the value of expected future parishioner payments.

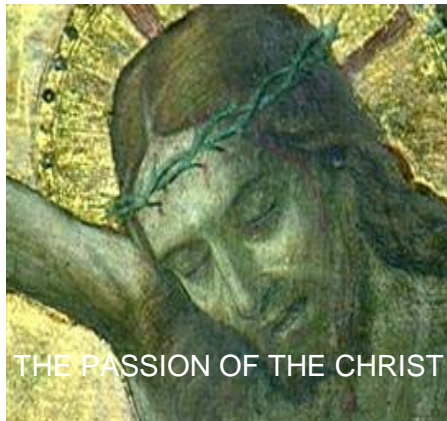
PLEDGES	PAYMENTS	ONE-TIME GIFT	WRITE OFF	BALANCE
<u>\$ 853,449</u>	<u>\$ 337,392</u>	<u>\$ 44,797</u>	<u>\$ 63,438</u>	<u>\$ 452,619</u>

We thank all w h o participated, and are continuing to participate, in this Campaign. Our parish is part of the prayerful generosity of nearly 23,000 Catholic families in the Diocese of Sacramento, which pledged support in excess of \$77 million. We encourage all to continue their payments to the Campaign. We invite anyone who pledged during the Campaign, but is no longer receiving (or never has received) Campaign payment envelopes, to contact The Preserving Our Past, Building Our Future Foundation at (916) 733-0266.

We further invite anyone who did not have the opportunity to make a pledge during the Campaign to contact the Cathedral Rectory (444-3070).

SEE THE MOVIE, BUT BE CAREFUL

Jewish leaders have already complained that the movie tends to confirm mistaken views of Jewish involvement in the death of Jesus and add new impetus to



a resurgence of anti-Semitism in Europe and elsewhere.

Defenders of the film, which has been shown to many religious groups in the United States prior to its official release, insist that it is an accurate if gritty portrayal of Christ's Passion and death,

presented without fear or favor. "The Passion of the Christ" may thus become one of the most debated, defended and vilified movies in many years.

The film has already given rise to one of the most economical and eloquent movie reviews of all time: "It is as it was." Originally attributed to Pope John Paul II after he had seen "The Passion of the Christ" in the Vatican, the quote was later denied by the pope's secretary. Clearly, the Vatican does not want to seem to favor a film with such potential for disrupting closer ties between Catholics and Jews. It might be wise for Catholics (and others) who intend to see the movie to be alert to the church's authentic teaching on the Jews and Christ's death ... before entering the darkness of the movie theater.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MON 3/8/2003 (St. John of God, opt.)

Rdgs: Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6: 36-38

7:00 am: Joseph & Thelma Valencia

12:00 noon: Maria Vong Ching

TUES 3/9/2003 (St. Francis of Rome, opt.)

Rdgs: Is 1: 10, 16-20; Mt 23: 1-12

7:00 am: Jack & Lois O'Neill

12:00 noon: All Souls

WED 3/10/2003 Lenten Weekday

Rdgs: Jer 18: 18-20; Mt 20: 17-28

7:00 am: Harry & Jan Valencia, S.I.

12:00 Noon: Mary Nguyen

THURS 3/11/2003 Lenten Weekday

Rdgs: Jer 17: 5-10; Lk 16: 19-31

7:00 am: All Souls

12:00 noon: All Souls

FRI 3/12/2003 Lenten Weekday

Rdgs: Gn 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46

7:00 am: All Souls

12:00 noon: All Souls

Hidden, Holy One CHORAL MEDITATIONS for LENT

settings of American hymns and tunes, English anthems, & others

The CHOIR of the CATHEDRAL of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Jackson Schoos, *director*

Bradley Slocum, *assisting organist*

Howard Montenegro, *viola*

Leo Gravin, *'cello*

Sunday, March 21, 2004

the Fourth Sunday of Lent

3:00 IN THE AFTERNOON

Westminster Presbyterian Church

13th & N Streets Downtown Sacramento

Immediately South of the State Capitol

free of charge