

SUCCESS: 18TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

As of May 20, the Sacramento Diocesan Office of Stewardship and Development has received 15,700 gifts and pledges totaling \$1,854,850 from the 2008 Annual Catholic Appeal. This represents a 103.3 percent increase in participation and a 54.4 percent increase in dollars over the 2007 appeal.

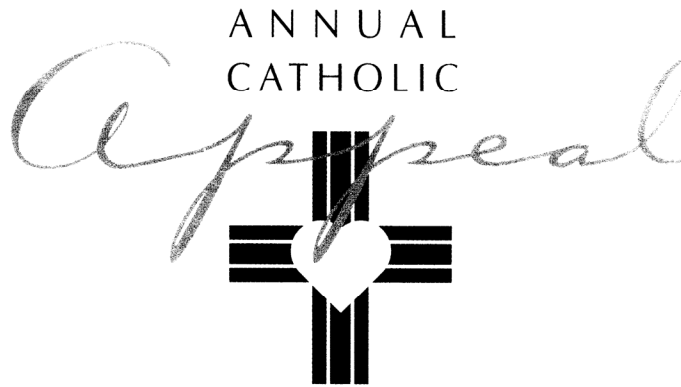
Here at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, our participation was 603 percent higher than 2007, totaling \$30,139.34, of which we will receive 25 percent. That is just over \$3522 which we will use to help those most desperately in

need locally. These funds have been allocated to the Downtown Poor.

Thank you for your continued generosity. May God be your reward.

If you have not made a donation to the 2008 Annual Catholic Appeal and would like to participate, pledge forms are available at www.diocese-sacramento.org or by calling (916) 733-0266.

25 percent of your donation comes back to our parish no matter when you donate.



LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION | JUNE 8, 2008

Our collection last week was **\$9,594.93**. We wish to thank all those who made this collection possible. Because of the high upkeep costs at the Cathedral, our goal is to reach \$14,000 per week. The motive for this generosity is thankfulness for God's goodness to us — an attitude of gratitude!

CATHEDRAL YOUTH GROUP

"SOULJERS OF CHRIST"

Youth Group **Parent** Informational Meeting on Wednesday **June 18, 2008 at 7:30 pm** in the Lower Level of the Cathedral. Parking will be provided after 7:00 pm in the parking lot and refreshments will be provided.

UPCOMING MUSIC EVENTS

The St. Mary's Cathedral Choir of Boys and Girls will be singing at the 12:10 p.m. daily Mass on this **Tuesday, June 17**. Formed 15 years ago under the direction of Christoph Tietze, the choir sings twice a month at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. In 2000, they toured Italy, culminating in a Papal Mass at St. Peter's Square in front of 100,000 people. Last year, they toured Switzerland and again in Italy. This visit to the Cathedral is part of a mini-tour to Sacramento and Reno.

On **Saturday, June 28**, the Cabrillo Symphonic Chorus of Santa Cruz will present Mendelssohn's *Elijah* at 7:30 p.m. Under the direction of Cheryl Anderson, the Symphonic Chorus will be accompanied by orchestra. Information on tickets will be made available soon.

CATHEDRAL PARISH GRADUATES

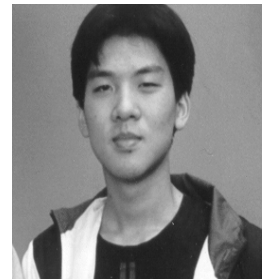
Several of our outstanding Cathedral Parish altar servers and choir members have graduated from high school and one from college this year.



MOIRA MCCREIGHT & WHITNEY WAID AT GRADUATION

Altar server Whitney Waid and choir member Moira McCreight both graduated from Loretto High School on May 15, 2008. Whitney won the Bank of America scholarship for Art. Both Whitney and Moira's parents are active members of the Cathedral Parish. Moira's mother Joan Beach runs the Cathedral Bookshop and is a **Lector**.

Whitney's parents both are Eucharistic Ministers and her father Victor Waid has been on several parish councils.



JOSEPH HUANG

Joseph Huang has been an altar server since was 10 years old when he entered religious education classes here at the Cathedral under Sister Mariangela. He spent 2 years in China learning about his heritage, returned to Sacramento, and graduated from the University of California at Davis with a degree in Civil Engineering on Friday June 13. He faithfully serves at the 7:30 am Mass every Sunday and at all special Masses and events at the Cathedral.

FR. CHARLES S. McDERMOTT DIES

Father McDermott passed away on Monday morning at Sherwood Convalescent Hospital in Sacramento. Father McDermott, a native of Ireland, was ordained for the Diocese of Sacramento in 1960. He was 72 years old and in ill health for some time.

Father McDermott served as Vicar for Theological and Canonical Affairs for Bishop Francis Quinn and for Bishop William K. Weigand. He was appointed Chancellor of the Diocese of Sacramento in 2004. Father also served as a consultant for Mercy Hospital on questions of medical ethics. Funeral Mass arrangements are pending notification of kin in Ireland.

RALLY FOR LIFE JUNE 18

The "Rally for Life" will be held on **Wednesday, June 18** on the West Steps of our State Capitol from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please come and be a part of history as we demand that abortion funding be eliminated from our state budget. Each year, \$33 million of our tax dollars is used to fund abortions. Join thousands of people on June 18 for this historic event, as we say "Enough is enough. Before the rally, we will have orientation/training and after the rally, we will visit the offices of our state legislators. Contact **Wynette Sills** at (916) 955-1577, esills@earthlink.net for more information about joining this historical effort.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION JUNE 29

Christ Our Hope is the theme for this year's Peter's Pence Collection. Your generosity allows the Holy Father to bring hope—through timely and effective emergency assistance—to our suffering brothers and sisters as a result of war, oppression, disease, and natural disaster throughout the world. The contributions to Peter's Pence have totaled over \$190 million from dioceses in the United States, which is nearly half of all gifts made to this collection worldwide. In solidarity with the Holy Father, we Catholics participate in works of goodness that distinguish us as followers of the Gospel. Please pray for the Holy Father, and please give generously. For more information on the Peter's Pence Collection, visit www.usccb.org/ppc.

SCRIPTURE FOCUS

You have seen for yourselves ... how I bore you up on eagles wings and brought you here to myself. herefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation.

Exodus 19 5-6

JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Department of Evangelization & Catechesis at the Diocesan Pastoral Center has an opening for a full time (35 hours per week) Administrative Assistant to begin in mid-July. The successful applicant must be proficient in Word and Excel and be comfortable working with databases. Bilingual skills a plus. Send resume by June 25 to personnel@diocese-sacramento.org.



CATHEDRAL DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MON 6/16/2008

12:10 pm: Julie Chan +

5:10 pm: Manuel Rodriguez Gomez +

TUES 6/17/2008 ST. MARY'S BOYS & GIRLS CATHEDRAL CHOIR

12:10 pm: Juanita Perez Ruiz +

5:10 pm: Ana Maria Eonescu +

WED 6/18/2008

12:10 pm: Donald E. Walter +

5:10 pm: In Thanksgiving

THUR 6/19/2008

ST. ROMUALD

12:10 p.m.: Manuel Rivas +

5:10 p.m.: In Thanksgiving

FRI 6/20/2008

12:10 pm: Jose David & Elia Maciel, S.I.

NO EVENING MASS ON FRIDAYS

**CATHEDRAL TOURS EVERY WEEK
AFTER 9:00 AM AND 11 AM MASSES**

New Parishioner Registration and Change of Address Form

Name: _____ Envelope No.: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Fill out and deposit in Offertory Basket. Thank You!