

BOTH BISHOPS TO CELEBRATE CHRISM MASS

Bishop William Weigand will celebrate the annual Chrism Mass at the Cathedral this **Thursday, March 13**, beginning at 6:00 pm. Coadjutor Bishop Jaime Soto will concelebrate along with the priests of the diocese. Msgr. James Murphy will preach.

At this annual Eucharist, the bishop blesses the oils that will be used in the celebration of the sacraments throughout the diocese during the coming year: the Oil of Catechumens used in Baptism, the Oil of Chrism used in Baptism and Confirmation, and the Oil of the Sick used when sick people request the healing power of



OIL OF THE SICK

OIL OF THE CATECHUMENS

SACRED CHRISM

Christ. Small bottles of these three oils will be sent to the 101 parishes that comprise the Diocese of Sacramento.

At the Chrism Mass liturgy, the bishop also recognizes the many lay ministers on whom the parishes of the Diocese of Sacramento depend for their daily functioning: liturgical ministers, youth ministers, educators, parish stewards, parish secretaries, and more. You are cordially invited to

join in this beautiful celebration of our diocesan church this Thursday. Lay ministers in the parish are especially encouraged to participate.

ST. PATRICK FEAST DAY WITH BISHOP

Bishop William K. Weigand will celebrate Mass in honor of St. Patrick at the Cathedral next **Friday, March 14, at 5:10 pm**. St. Patrick is one of the patrons of the Diocese of Sacramento; Our Lady of Guadalupe is the other. The celebration honoring St. Patrick has been moved to March 14 because March 17 falls during Holy Week, when the liturgy of the Church focuses on the Passion of Christ, rather than on the feast of a saint. The feast of St. Joseph, which falls on March 19, has also been moved. A dispensation from the Lenten obligation to abstain from meat has been given by the bishop for March 14.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION | MAR. 1-2, 2008

Our collection last week was **\$13,758.73**. 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. We encourage parishioners to donate one hour's pay per week to the parish or 3% of income. The motive for this generosity is thankfulness for God's goodness to us — an attitude of gratitude!

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Easter Flower donations are being accepted in Memory of loved ones. Special envelopes are available in the foyer of the Cathedral, or you may just write on your checks "For Cathedral Flowers in Memory of ____."

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES

The Cathedral Parish has begun Adult Confirmation Classes on Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the Lower Level for those who, for whatever reason, have never been confirmed. The Bishop extends this invitation each year providing that candidates have prior instruction. The Adult Confirmation Mass will be celebrated on May 3, 2008.

EASTER WORKSHOP

The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament invites you to experience the Interior Journey to God's divine indwelling within your soul as you will be guided to walk through the Map of the Interior Life. Please join us on **Saturday, March 29, from 1-5pm** in the Cathedral Lower Level and experience Easter Joy for yourself. Call Sr. Jenny at 444-5364 for more information.

WAY OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY



The Way of the Cross is in the heart of the city where people carry their daily cross, most of the time dreadfully alone. This is the true cross of every day, the cross of a person abandoned only to himself in his most inner need for a never ending love, truth, beauty, and justice. We need the presence of "God-with-Us," every day. We invite you to join in this procession of the cross and to participate in the Good Friday Liturgy at the Cathedral at Noon. Participants will gather at Crocker Park at 3rd

and N Streets at 8:45 am and begin the procession to the Capitol. The final station is in front of the Cathedral at approximately 11:15 am. For more information, contact **Daniel Patterson at (916) 601-6035** or danny@pattersonclan.us.

NO CATHEDRAL TOURS NEXT WEEK

Because the Palm Sunday liturgies are lengthy, no Cathedral Tours will be conducted on Palm Sunday, March 16, nor on Easter Sunday, March 23. All tours will resume on the Second Sunday of Easter, March 30.

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY – March 16

Eucharist with Blessing of Palms at all Masses.
Blessing and Procession from Cathedral Square at 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm (Spanish) Masses



HOLY THURSDAY – March 20

12:10 PM – Communal Penance Service †
(visiting clergy available for individual confessions; No 12:10 PM Mass)
7:00 PM – Mass of the Lord’s Supper †* (Bilingual)
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY – March 21

12:10 PM – Celebration of the Lord’s Passion †*
(Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion)
Stations of the Cross following the Liturgy
7:00 PM Via Crucis en Español
7:30 PM – Liturgia en Español



HOLY SATURDAY – March 22

9:00 AM – Morning Prayer *(chanted)*
8:15 PM – The Great Vigil of Easter†*
11:00 PM Vigilia Pascual *Español*



EASTER SUNDAY - March 23

Mass 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM †* 5:00 PM
1:00 PM – *Misa en Español*
3:00 PM – Mass in Chinese
No habrá Misa en la tarde
†Bp. Weigand presiding * Cathedral Choir



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & RECONCILIATION

Thursday, March 20: Communal Penance Service – 12:10 PM
Friday, March 21: 1:30–3:00 PM; Saturday, March 22: 3:30–5:00 PM

WELCOME BACK FOR EASTER

A program for non-practicing Catholics who are considering a return to the Sacraments, and to regular church attendance, will be held on six consecutive Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., beginning **April 1, 2008**, in the Lower Level of the Cathedral. For more information, without obligation, please call **Tim Longdon at (916) 359-5540 or Jorge Usi or Sister Jenny at (916) 444-5364.**


LITURGY COURSE AT CATHEDRAL

The Pontifical Institute School of Faith, endorsed by Bishop Weigand, will begin a Course in Liturgy to be held each Tuesday beginning **March 4 at 7:15 pm** in the Cathedral Lower Level. The course will answer some of the questions in our

understanding of the Eucharist. What does Liturgy mean? Is Christ really present in the Eucharist? Why do we celebrate Mass? How do we celebrate Mass? What is the importance of the Liturgy in the life of a Catholic? The course will run 12 weeks ending on May 20, 2008. The cost of the course is \$40 plus \$10 for materials. The main teacher will be Reverend Oscar Figueroa, Director of the Office of Liturgy of the Diocese of Sacramento. For more information, please contact **Deacon Jorge Usi or Mr. Ruben Arocan at the Rectory (444-3071 or 444-3070).**

RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED

The Cathedral Parish is seeking individuals interested in becoming sponsors within our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program. RCIA is designed for adults in preparation to receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). Sponsors are needed to assist and mentor those seeking these sacraments. This year alone, we have over 100 catechumens and candidates. If interested or if you need additional information, contact **Carol Pennington, RCIA Coordinator, at (916) 283-4162 or Sister Jenny at (916) 444-5364.** Your generous time will not go unrewarded.



CATHEDRAL DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

MON 3/10/2008	LENTEN WEEKDAY
	12:10 pm : Ryan Lumagui +
	5:10 pm: Caroline O'Brien +
TUES 3/11/2008	
	12:10 pm: Andrew & Carla Jimenez, S.I.
	5:10 pm: Barbara Cramer, S.I.
WED 3/12/2008	LENTEN WEEKDAY
	12:10 pm: Mrs. Kathleen Murphy +
	5:10 pm: Grace Hesel, S.I.
THURS 3/13/2008	LENTEN WEEKDAY
	12:10 pm: David Pollard +
	5:10 pm: Barbara Cramer
FRI 3/14/2008 (BISHOP WEIGAND) ST. PATRICK	
	12:10 pm: Vedrine Family, S.I.
	12:45 pm: Stations of the Cross
NO EVENING MASS ON FRIDAY	

New Parishioner Registration and Change of Address Form

Name: _____ Envelope No.: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Fill out and deposit in Offertory Basket. Thank You!