

# SANTO NINO CELEBRATION JANUARY 12

The 2008 Santo Nino Festival will be celebrated by the Filipino American community on **Saturday, January 12** at the Cathedral. Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 am, with Fr. Nicholas Ho and Fr. Cesar Ageas concelebrating. Traditionally this Mass has been preceded by a novena of Masses. This year participants are encouraged to attend the regular 5:10 pm Mass in the Cathedral to fulfill this novena.

Following the Mass on January 12, there will be a put luck meal and



reception at St. Elizabeth Church Hall at 12th and S Streets. Families with surnames beginning with a letter from the first half of the alphabet (A-M) are asked to bring a salad or desert. Families with surnames beginning with a letter from the second half of the alphabet (N-Z) are asked to bring a main dish.

The festival commemorates the miraculous preservation of the statue of the Holy Infant from fire in the City of Cebu in the Philippines during the war between the Spaniards and the natives.

## RITE OF ACCEPTANCE NEXT WEEK

**JANUARY 13 AT 9:00 A.M. MASS**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is one rite, but it is divided into periods that respect the individual's journey of faith. The Rite of Acceptance into the order of Catechumens is the first of the public rites celebrated. During this rite, the Inquirers publicly declare their intention to continue their journey toward full initiation into the Catholic Church, and the Cathedral Parish accepts them, offering support and witness during their journey. For the individual, this



rite means that the beginnings of the spiritual life and the fundamentals of Christian teaching have taken root. An important part of the Rite of Acceptance is that we, the Cathedral Parish, accept the candidates and become responsible for their guidance on their journey to the Easter Sacraments. In a very real sense, the actual formation team for the candidates and catechumens is the Cathedral Parish, everyone sitting in the pews.

## CATHOLIC BREAKFAST CLUB

On **Wednesday, January 9**, the Catholic Breakfast Club presents "The Other Pro-Lifers," by Monica Dodds, author of "A Catholic Guide to Caring for Your Aging Parent" and founder of the Friends of St. John the Caregiver, an international Catholic organization that promotes care for family caregiver. Orthodox Catholics typically have no problem expressing the value of the unborn life, but the value

of elderly life isn't discussed as often. Monica Dodds insists that elderly care is critical to the pro-life movement. Come to listen and learn about a most important aspect of our Catholic social responsibilities. The Catholic Breakfast Club is sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento and meets monthly at the Sacramento Hilton, 2200 Harvard Street. Mass is offered at 6:15 a.m., breakfast is served at 7 a.m., and the program begins at 7:30 a.m. Tickets are \$30.00 or \$20.00 for members who pay in advance. Reserve your seat online at <http://www.catholicbreakfastclub.org>.

## ST. THOMAS MORE SOCIETY MASS

Please join the St. Thomas More Society for our regular "Second Wednesday Noon Mass" followed by lunch on **Wednesday, January 9, 2008**, at the Newman Center at Cal-State Sacramento—5900 Newman Court, off "H" Street. Father Tom Piquado, S.J., from St. Ignatius will preside at Mass.

If you can come, please reply to [stms.sacramento@yahoo.com](mailto:stms.sacramento@yahoo.com). The St. Thomas More Society is an affiliate of the Sacramento County Bar Association. On the web at [www.sacstms.org](http://www.sacstms.org).

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION | Dec. 29-30, 2007

Our collection last week was **\$12,589.64**. 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. To achieve this goal 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!

## EPIPHANY PROCLAMATION 2008



*While a day like Christmas is fixed in our minds and on the calendars on December 25th, many of the important feasts of the Church year move, based upon the date that Easter is set. Easter changes each year moving to the Sunday after the "Paschal Full Moon," and can fall between March 22 and April 25. In ancient times before calendars were common, most people did not know the dates for the upcoming*

*Liturgical year. On Epiphany Sunday, the upcoming dates were "proclaimed" after the gospel in this way:*

**D**ear brothers and sisters, the glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return.

Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation. Let us recall the year's culmination, the **Easter Triduum** of the Lord: his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial, and his rising celebrated between the evening of the twentieth day of March and the evening of the twenty-third day of March.

Each Easter—as on each Sunday—the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has for ever conquered sin and death. From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy.

**Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of Lent, will occur on the sixth day of February.

**The Ascension** of the Lord will be commemorated on the first day of May.

**Pentecost**, joyful conclusion of the season of Easter, will be celebrated on the eleventh day of May

And, this year the **First Sunday of Advent** will be on the thirtieth day of November.

Likewise the pilgrim Church proclaims the passover of Christ in the feasts of the holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed. To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

## Thank You to Volunteers

Sister Jenny would like to publicly thank all those who provided food and assistance during the recent Fund Raising campaign for Religious Education. Our numerous Cathedral Religious Education classes could not survive without the support of many teachers, volunteers, and you!

## HOST OF EWTN TO SPEAK

Jeff Cavins, recognized both nationally and internationally as an exciting public speaker who has a deep love for Jesus Christ, will be speaking **Sunday, January 13th** from 2-4:15p.m. at Our Lady of the Assumption 5057 Cottage Way Carmichael, California. Cost: \$10.00 **Contact information: (916) 488-4626.** Jeff is founding host of EWTN's Life on the Rock and his conversion story is found in the best-selling book, *A Rebel Returns to the Catholic Faith*. He is also co-editor of the *Amazing Grace* series of books and the fastest growing Catholic Bible Study, *The Great Adventure*.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<b>MON 1/7/2008</b>	<b>ST. RAYMOND OF PENAFORT</b>
	12:10 p.m. Teresa Navarrete, S.I.
	5:10 p.m. Timothy Myres +
<b>TUES 1/8/2008</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY</b>
	12:10 p.m. Khanh Nguyen Cong +
	5:10 p.m. Moore & Nguyen Family
<b>WED 1/9/2008</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY</b>
	12:10 p.m. A. Lara, Ma de Jesu Saldana, & C. Villarreal +
	5:10 p.m. Sebastian Ceja +
<b>THURS 1/10/2008</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY</b>
	12:10 a.m. Jaime Chamberlin +
	5:10 p.m. Timothy Myres +
<b>FRI 1/11/2008</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS WEEKDAY</b>
	12:10 p.m. John Curley +
	5:10 p.m. <b>NO EVENING MASS ON FRIDAY</b>
<b>SAT 1/12/2008</b>	
	11:00 a.m. <b>FEAST OF SANTO NINO</b>
	POTLUCK FOLLOWING AT ST. ELIZABETH'S HALL

## New Parishioner Registration and Change of Address Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

*Fill out and deposit in Offertory Basket. Thank You!*