

# WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL

We are happy that you are with us today to share Easter Sunday, and we pray that the joy of this feast touches you and your loved ones.

If you are new to the Cathedral and have not yet registered in the parish, we invite you to consider doing so. You can become a full member of our parish by filling out the registration form printed in this bulletin, or by going to our Web site at [www.cathedralsacramento.org](http://www.cathedralsacramento.org).



We invite you to take a guided tour of the Cathedral if you have not already done so. Every Sunday (except Easter), we will have two tours following the 9:00 a.m. Mass and the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Also available is a 34-page booklet called "A Pilgrims Guide to Sacramento's Cathedral," featuring the artwork and details of the 2005 restoration; it is ideal for taking a self-guided tour and costs only \$5. We also have a 64-page coffee table book on the restoration for \$20, titled "The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament." (shown at right) Both books are available in the gift shop in the Lower Level. There are also many resources on our Web site, including a slide show and tour movie.



## AN EASTER HOMILY

There was much proclaimed by the prophets about the mystery of the Passover: that mystery is Christ, and to him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

For the sake of suffering humanity, he came down from heaven to earth, clothed himself in that humanity in the Virgin's womb, and was born as a man. Having then a body capable of suffering, he took the pain of fallen man upon himself; he triumphed over the diseases of soul and body that were its cause, and by his Spirit, which was incapable of dying, he dealt man's destroyer, death, a fatal blow.

He was led forth like a lamb; he was slaughtered like a sheep. He ransomed us from our servitude to the world, as he had ransomed Israel from the land of Egypt; he freed us from our slavery to the devil, as he had freed Israel from the land of Pharaoh. He sealed our souls with his own Spirit, and the members of our body with his own blood.

He is the One who covered death with shame and cast the devil into mourning, as Moses cast Pharaoh into mourning. He is the who smote sin and robbed iniquity of offspring, as Moses robbed the Egyptians of their offspring. He is the One who brought us out of slavery into freedom, out of darkness into light, out of death into life, out of tyranny into an eternal kingdom; who made us a new priesthood, a people chosen to be his own for ever. He is the Passover that is our salvation.

It is he who endured every kind of suffering in all those who foreshadowed him, In Abel he was slain, in Isaac bound, in Jacob exiled, in Joseph sold, in Moses exposed to die. He was sacrificed in the Passover lamb, persecuted in David, dishonored in the prophets.

It is he who was made man of the Virgin; he who was hung on the tree; it is he who was buried in the earth, raised from the dead, and

taken up to the heights of heaven. He is the mute lamb, the slain lamb, the lamb of Mary, the fair ewe. He was seized from the flock, dragged off to be slaughtered, sacrificed in the evening, and buried at night. On the tree no bone of his was broken; in the earth his body knew no decay.

**He is the One who rose from the dead, and who raised man from the depths of the tomb. ST. MELITO OF SARDIS, BISHOP**

## CHOIR FUNDRAISER

As part of their fundraising for their November pilgrimage to Italy, the Cathedral Choir will be hosting a food and wine tasting event on Saturday, May 9 from 6 PM to 10 PM. It will be held in the basement in Mercy Hall. Participating vendors include Zocalo Restaurant and Bogle Vineyards. Tickets are \$40/person. If you have a connection with a restaurant or winery which may be interested in participating, please contact Rex Rallanka, Director of Music at 733-0220.

## EASTER MUSIC

The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament commissioned an original composition to help celebrate the Easter Eucharist this year. *Haec Dies* was composed by Dr. Lewis Songer of Johnson City, Tennessee. Dr. Songer, a retired music professor from East Tennessee State University, is a noted composer, French Horn player, and classical guitarist. His compositions have most recently been performed by the Johnson City Symphony, the Southeast Horn Workshop, and the renowned Virginia Chorale. His daughter, Rachel, is a soprano choral scholar/cantor at the Cathedral.

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION (APR 5)

Our collection last week was **\$15,600.58**. We wish to thank all those who made this collection possible.

## 59 NEW CATHOLICS RECEIVE SACRAMENTS



Fifty-nine people were received into full membership of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass this weekend. Over the past year we have seen these Catechumens and Candidates come to the 9 a.m. Mass and be dismissed after the homily as a reminder to themselves and to us that they were not yet fully initiated into the Catholic Church. We congratulate them and we share their joy.

### CATECHUMENS

Stacey Bierer  
Kasandra Cady  
Emmanuel Curry  
Abraham Daniels  
Steve Devault  
Alice Foy  
Ellen Goranov  
Gene Goranov  
Victor Goranov  
Felicia Guadiana  
Jonathan Gutierrez  
Destiny Holguin  
Emilio Holguin  
Michael Huffman  
Rebecca Johnston  
Laura Marquez  
Gavin Mercer  
Leilani Reid-Vera  
Victor Reid-Vera  
Calyssa Reid-Vera  
Heather Ring  
Dion Sanders

Shannon Smith  
Carisa Tamayo  
Michelle Tamayo  
Mystra Tillotson  
Jennifer Torre  
Christina Vasquez  
Crystal Wacker

### CANDIDATES FOR PROFESSION OF FAITH

John (Jay) Anderson  
Nancy Anderson  
Joanna Balathandra  
Linda D'Souza  
Katie Halley  
Jeffrey Hook  
Ira Newman  
Cassandra Reid  
Daniel Richards  
Heidi Wolf  
Bianca Alejandre

Alfonso Alejandre  
Gary Corippo  
Estaben Diaz  
Luciano Duran  
Raul Duran  
Salina Garcia  
Leena Johnston  
Deric Johnston  
Jofe Laroa  
Christopher Metzinger  
Alexander Ortega  
Celia Perez  
Daniel Perez  
Diego Perez  
Diana Saxon  
Kelley Stone  
Amanda Toscano  
Marco Veramendi

## WELCOME BACK NON-PRACTICING CATHOLICS

Are you a Catholic who has been away from the Church? Or do you know someone who is? The Welcome Back Program recognizes that difficulties may arise among us as God's children because God can never be fully captured in human language or institutions. This program is designed to help pave the way for a return to the sacraments. The program begins Wednesday April 15, 2009, and continues each Wednesday through May 20, 2009. Meetings are from 7:15pm to 9:00 pm in the Lower Level of the Cathedral. For more information without obligation, please contact Tim Longdon at (916) 359-5540 or Deacon Jorge Usi or Sr. Jenny Aldeghi at (916) 444-5364. E-mail to [welcomedback@cathedralsacramento.org](mailto:welcomedback@cathedralsacramento.org).

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOMELESS

The Festival of Trees and Lights has been supporting the Cathedral Square Homeless Program, an outreach of the Cathedral's St. Vincent de Paul Society, for the past two years through our annual fundraiser. Since the downturn in the economy, we are seeking ways to expand our support for the growing number of individuals and families in need. We are currently seeking volunteers who may have time and/or other resources to offer. At the Loaves and Fishes facility, there is a shelter for 13 women to stay at Sister Nora's Place and are working toward becoming self-sufficient.

Some ideas for this outreach include the following: cooking breakfast once a month on the third Saturday; sewing curtains for their guest's private sleeping spaces; and teaching a hobby or a craft, a one-time service. Are you interested in helping the homeless help themselves?

To volunteer, please call or e-mail Valerie Chun (916) 212-5355 or [vwchun@gmail.com](mailto:vwchun@gmail.com)



## CATHEDRAL MASS SCHEDULE

**MON 4/13/2009** **EASTER MONDAY**  
 12:10 p.m.: Gervasio & Fedelina Anub +  
 5:10 p.m.: Mariano Austra Cayabyab S.I.

**TUES 4/14/2009** **EASTER TUESDAY**  
 12:10 p.m.: Victorine Camichael +  
 5:10 p.m.: Orlando Robles Jr. +

**WED 4/15/2009** **EASTER WEDNESDAY**  
 12:10 pm: Rayn Lumagui +  
 5:10 p.m.: Victoriano Romo +

**THUR 4/16/2009** **EASTER THURSDAY**  
 12:10 p.m.: Dennis Kelly +  
 5:10 p.m.: Maria Villalpando S.I.

**FRI 4/17/2009** **EASTER FRIDAY**  
 12:10 pm: Remy Tate +  
**NO EVENING MASS ON FRIDAYS**

**NO CATHEDRAL TOURS EASTER SUNDAY**

**GIFT SHOP HOURS**  
**MON-FRI 11AM-2PM, CLOSED SATURDAY**  
**SUNDAY 10AM-2PM**

### New Parishioner Registration and Change of Address Form

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

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

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

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