



THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Lord lifts up all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.

— Psalm 145:14

October 31, 2004

**CONCERN AMERICA CRAFTS
AND FAIR TRADE COFFEE—HERE NEXT
WEEKEND November 7th.** Coffee from cooperatives in Chiapas, Mexico and Peru. Brightly painted wooden decorative items from El Salvador, hand woven home and personal items from Guatemala, baskets woven from the natural fibers and dyes of Honduras, jute place mats from Bangladesh, and much, much more. A gift selected from a Concern America craft sale is a double gift: it will warm the heart of the person receiving it and it will support the struggle for a dignified life for the artisan and her/his family. We invite you to think about honoring your family and friends in a very special way by choosing gifts with meaning and purpose. This FAIR TRADE and JUST WAGE opportunity is brought to you by Concern America, an international development and refugee aid organization based in Santa Ana, CA 714.953.8575.

THANK YOU

for your generosity on World Mission Sunday! Our parish offered \$1,650.00 to the Propagation of the Faith for the missionary work of the Church. This is a real blessing for the Missions! Please continue to pray for missionaries — and for the people to whom they bring the “Good News” of Jesus. May God bless you for your generous missionary spirit!

COMUNIDAD MEETING

The next Comunidad meeting is Tuesday, November 2nd. It will be a full, prayerful, and fun agenda. We will elect next year's Steering Committee, the people who work at making Comunidad a success. Also, we will celebrate the feasts of All Souls and All Saints. If you like, bring a photo of a dearly departed, or an item of theirs which you may place on our "Altar of Remembrance" along with a list of names of those who have gone before us. We will light candles and share prayer. To balance the solemnity, we ask you to wear the costume of your favorite saint. We want to add a spiritual dimension to the idea of a Halloween costume party.

PRAY FOR OUR DEAD...

Juan Salas

32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME — NOV. 7

First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5

Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

ALL SAINTS DAY
Monday, November 1
Not a Day of Obligation to attend Mass



We will celebrate our daily
Mass at 8:00 a.m.

ALL SOULS DAY
Tuesday, November 2
Not a Day of Obligation to attend Mass



ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH
Mass at 8:00 a.m.
Spanish Mass at 7:00 p.m.

ALL SOULS CEMETERY
Mass at 10:00 a.m.
President: Bishop Oscar Solis

RITE OF WELCOMING

Next Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, we will welcome two catechumens, Tanya Roberts and Angela Fernandez and five candidates, Sheryl Uglis, Steve Wilson, Anne Ruiz, Mary Ellen Mendoza and Frank Hinojosa. Let us thank God for blessing us with people preparing to be new members of the Catholic Church.

THANKS...

to everyone who supported our eight St. Matthew walkers in the CROP Hunger Walk! Through your generosity we were able to give over \$800.00 to the local agencies that work to feed the hungry in the Long Beach area.



VOTE NO



*The Embryo Cloning and
Stem Cell Research Bond Act*

Proposition 71:

- Funds both the *creation and destruction* of human embryos in the name of research;
- Obligates taxpayers for \$6 billion over 30 years;
- Grants scientists a *constitutional right* to conduct stem cell research; and
- Diverts funding away from adult and cord blood stem cells—the areas in which successes have occurred.