



The Most Holy Body and Blood

The cup of salvation I will take up,
and I will call upon the name of the Lord.

JUNE 18, 2006

— Matthew 28:19

PASTORES DABO VOBIS "I Will Give You Shepherds"

You are invited to share in our
Eucharistic Celebration
as

MOST REVEREND ALEXANDER SALAZAR
AUXILIARY BISHOP OF LOS ANGELES
SAN PEDRO REGION

INSTALLS

REVEREND GUILLERMO RODRIGUEZ

PASTOR

OF SAINT MATTHEW'S PARISH

SUNDAY, THE SECOND OF JULY, 2006

TEN-THIRTY IN THE MORNING

~ Reception will follow in the Parish Hall

THE DA VINCI CODE: FUSS, FACTS AND FICTION JOIN US TODAY AFTER 10:30 A.M MASS

We hope you can join **Sister Rose Pacatte, FSP**, movie critic, for a lively analysis and Catholic perspective of this controversial movie. Sister Rose is director of Pauline Books and Media in Culver City and co-author of the "Lights, Camera, Faith!" Film Lectionary Series.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Our meeting is postponed

Please join us
Sunday, June 25th

Room 1—Education Building

Thanks to Dr. Celestine Ebegbulem who has served as Conference President for the St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Matthew for the past several years. We congratulate Bill Siegel, our new St. Vincent de Paul Conference President, who points out the challenges facing Long Beach. Bill reports that St. Vincent de Paul is making progress with opening a thrift store and food pantry in L.B. Besides this, there is another exciting program called "Project Independence" with funding approved. This program will benefit our community by allowing St. Vincent de Paul to provide long-term housing solutions for the poor. How blest St. Matthew's is to have Bill and all the members of St. Vincent de Paul working on these projects!

OFFERING OF LETTERS

"Speak out for those who cannot speak, for the rights of all the destitute. Speak out, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and needy."

—Proverbs 31:8-9

Please join in our annual *Offering of Letters Campaign* as you leave the church today. Sign a letter requesting our legislators to draft legislation that will appropriate funds to fulfill our promise made for the Millennium Challenge Goals. This project is done in conjunction with *Bread for the World* and marks our 12th year working with this organization that seeks to reduce world hunger.

ROSARY

Three and a half years ago we formed a group to pray the rosary on Saturday morning to pray that there would be no war in Iraq.

We believe that more than ever we need to entreat the Lord through his Blessed Mother for peace in the Middle East. We recall our prayers for the solution to the Cold War and are strengthened to continue prayer "to Jesus through Mary." Please join us on Saturday mornings at 8:30 a.m. in the church.

Happy Father's Day

AIDS WALK—LONG BEACH

St Matthew's is sponsoring a walking team for *Aids Walk Long Beach*, which will take place next Saturday, June 24th. This is the final weekend that members of Comunidad are collecting sponsorship donations after all the Masses. Thank you for your generosity toward this effort in the past and present!!

**Did you know that our bulletin is
available on our website?**

Look for it at:
stmatthewlb.org

JUNE 25 — 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Job 38: 1, 8-11

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41