

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SING PRAISE TO THE LORD WITH THE HARP,
WITH THE HARP AND MELODIOUS SONG.

— Psalm 98:5

NOVEMBER 18, 2007

THANKSGIVING LITURGY

Thursday, November 22, 9:00 a.m.

This Thursday, we will celebrate our bilingual Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 a.m. We ask all those attending to bring non-perishable food items or monetary donations. We want everyone to be a part of our offertory procession! After Mass, Mr. Paul Mousel will take our donations to St. Francis Center for distribution to those in need.

Help decorate our church for Thanksgiving...

If you have *Birds of Paradise* growing in your gardens, bring your donation of flowers and leaves to the Rectory tomorrow or Tuesday. Thank you!

BLANKET AND JACKET DRIVE

Our **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** is having a **blanket and jacket drive** to benefit the homeless in Long Beach. Please bring your clean, gently used items to the church this weekend or next weekend.

WELCOME TO OUR RCIA INQUIRERS

Next Sunday, November 25 at the 10:30 a.m. Mass, we will have a **Rite of Acceptance** into the Catechumenate for one of our inquirers Fumiyuki Okamoto (Yuki) who is preparing for the three sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. We will also welcome Ramon Ruiz, who has been baptized Catholic and is now preparing for the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Let us rejoice with them and continue our prayerful support.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS FOR 2007-08 ARE NOW AVAILABLE

at the Rectory. The price is \$10.00.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

NEXT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 5:30 P.M.

PLEASE ARRIVE BY 5:15P.M. AND SIT IN THE RESERVED PEWS
AT THE FRONT OF THE CHURCH

One of the more notable activities of the Lord's public life was healing the sick. Healing was one of the explicit ministries entrusted to the 72 disciples when they went on mission. Communal services that celebrate God's healing mercy experienced through the sacrament of anointing the sick call to mind, for both the sick and the well, the healing power of God's love and the challenge of each of us to be instruments of healing in the midst of so much suffering in our fragile world. We hope that all who suffer serious illness, those who are elderly, and anyone about to have surgery will come to receive the anointing.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION IS TODAY

Your gift supports programs that:

- *Bring people together to solve community problems.*
- *Create affordable housing for low-income families.*
- *Teach new skills and create jobs.*
- *Help those in poverty achieve self-reliance and self-sufficiency.*
- *Educate Catholics about poverty and Catholic social teaching.*

Envelopes are in the pews. Please be generous.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEEDS YOUR HELP

Catholic Charities is seeking groups to gather donations for the holidays. We are in need of canned food, staples; baby items, Christmas toys for children and youth of all ages, and Christmas gifts for the homebound elderly. Please call Anna Totta, Regional Director at 562.591.1641 or email atotta@ccharities.org.

PROJECT CONCERN THANKS

A huge thank you to all who helped in any way to make our *Project Concern* sale so successful. The proceeds of \$1,500 will be put back into the cottage industries in Central America to enable people to continue supporting themselves. We are grateful to those who worked and those who purchased the lovely handcrafted items.

TAKE TIME OUT...

to open your bible to read and reflect on next Sunday's gospel reading. The readings are listed below along with a question to prompt you to relate the Word of God to your life.

— OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING —

FIRST READING: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:12-20

GOSPEL: Luke 23: 35-43

- *Who do I know that is carrying the cross of Jesus and how can I help them?*
- *Has there been anyone in my life that has offered me solace and comfort when I was at a low point? What did I say or do for them.*

You might also...

Pick up a book to enrich your spiritual life before or after the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass. Ten minutes of spiritual reading per day can really *make your day!*

or...

Join other parishioners in the church on Saturday mornings at 8:30 a.m. to pray the Rosary.