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SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - 4545 E. 4th St. (Monday & Wednesday)
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NOTE: All announcements for the Bulletin must be submitted to the Rectory Office by Monday at 2:00 pm. The deadline for Pulpit Announcements is Friday evening. **DO NOT** come to the Sacristy before Mass to request an announcement.

LOOKING IN THE RIGHT PLACES

"Appearances can be deceiving," as the saying goes. As we celebrate the *epiphania*, the "appearing" of the eternal Word of God on earth, this is still true.

What rapturous foresight must have filled Isaiah as he wrote the words we hear today. How, for four hundred years, they must have filled the hearts of the people of Israel with hope for the day when God's glory would shine on them. How deceived some must have felt when the glory of God came to them in the lowliest and humblest of human lives.

We have many expectations about how the divine presence will appear among us. But we can also set ourselves up, through these expectations, to miss the divine glory when it truly appears. We get caught up in looking for the star, forgetting that the star is not the divine sign, the babe is. It may take a persistent journey for us to come upon the true appearance of God's glory in our lives: Jesus Christ.

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ALTAR SERVERS

Jan. 13	5:00	Scolamieri/Cowan
Jan. 14	8:00	White/Hayes/Huntley
	9:30	Roberts
	11:00	Parker
	12:30	Ramos

LECTORS—EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Jan. 13	5:00	Boessow/Killian—Team 1
Jan. 14	8:00	Souverielle/Montgomery—Team 1
	9:30	Sullivan/Gibb—Team 3
	11:00	Caputi/Woznicki—Team 3
	12:30	Salsameda/Salsameda—Team 1

CENTERING PRAYER (Christian Meditation)

Two weekly opportunities to add a wonderful new practice to your daily life: Wednesdays, 7-8:30pm, Meditation, video, discussion, at St. Bartholomew Youth Center, 4545 E. Fourth Street. Call: Pat for more information (562)433-2452.

Fridays, 7:30-8:00pm and 8-8:30pm, Meditation and Silent Walk in St. Bartholomew Church. Just come and bring a friend.

LEGION OF MARY

Meets every Wednesday, 8:45am, in the Jubilee Room. Everyone is welcome.

MEALS ON WHEELS

Please consider volunteering to help Meals on Wheels deliver hot meals to ill, disabled, aged in our local St. Bart's area. Volunteers can help one morning a week or even one morning a month from 10:30am until about 11:45am, delivering in-home nourishment. Please call Julie, (562)433-0232, for more information.

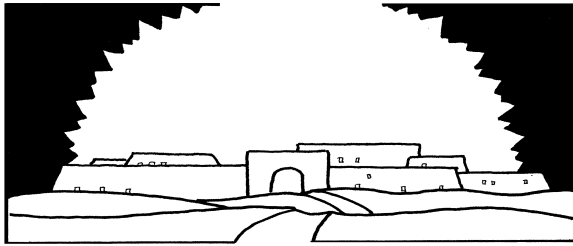

THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Nathan Laharty, Sarah Fries, Robert Kacsuta, Fabio Marinetti, Nadya Conway, Kade West, Charles Ward, Calvin Carlson, and Bill Serhan.

(We are updating the list of "The Sick of our Parish" in the bulletin. Please call the Rectory if you wish to have a name included).

THE DECEASED OF OUR PARISH

Don Wiltz



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The Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2007

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem!
Your Light has come,
the glory of the LORD shines upon you.
- *Isaiah 60:1*



Dear Parishioners:

As we begin this New Year, I want to extend to all a very blessed 2007. A special "Thank-you" to all who gave so generously to your parish this Christmas. Our Liturgical celebrations were wonderful. I thank the Liturgy Committee for their preparations. The Church was beautifully decorated and all of the Liturgies were spiritually uplifting. Congratulations to all of the children for making the 4:30pm Children's Mass such a beautiful celebration.

COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

"Life "Changes" - Study of the Book of Acts. Every Thursday, 7:00pm, in the Jubilee Room. For more information, call: Patricia Goodman (562)434-7434.

NEW LIFE BEGINNINGS

The Long Beach shelter for homeless, pregnant women is looking for volunteers to help at their collectibles/thrift shop: **Treasure Hunt Boutique** at 2650 E. Broadway. Hours are 10-4, Tuesday through Saturday. If you have a few extra hours a week (or month) and are looking for something worthwhile and fun, call Christine Woznicki (562) 987-0216.



Vocation Retreat Day for Young Women—Nazareth House, 3333 Manning Avenue, Los Angeles, Sunday, January 14, 9:00am-4:00pm. Call: Sister Fintan (310) 216-8170, or (310)839-2361, or email: vocations_naz@yahoo.com.



ORDINARY INCOME
December 23/24 \$ 7,055.25
CHRISTMAS \$ 40,695.00

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

The first meeting of the Women's Council for the new year will be held this Monday, January 8th, in the Jubilee Room at 12 noon. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

Until further notice, monthly bridge has been cancelled. For more information, please call: Liz Thometz (562) 438-8222.

CONFIRMATION DANCE LESSONS

Once again, it is time to **DANCE**. Learn to tango, cha-cha, and foxtrot, taught by Nicholas Cotton, former United States and World Ballroom and Latin Champion, and his wife, Cheryl Cotton, former United States Amateur Champion. The classes are Friday evenings, 7-8:30pm, beginning February 9th, for 6 weeks. They are held in the gymnasium at St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School, 6200 E. Willow in Long Beach, and the cost is \$100 per couple for the 6 lessons. All proceeds of these classes go towards the building of a home, or two homes, that our confirmation candidates and sponsors do in the spring in Mexico through Corazon. Please call the rectory to register—and register early.

CHANGING TABLE

At the request of many of our mother's, a changing table has been installed in the Women's bathroom outside the Social Hall.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Additional Eucharistic Ministers are still needed for the 8:00am and the 12:30pm Sunday Masses. Please consider this ministry to God and our community. Call: Colette Santucci (562)439-6970 for more information.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION DONATIONS

Dr. and Mrs. William Hanley