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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.

SURPRISE

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The Scriptures are filled with stories of God's surprises cropping up where least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated up highest; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For that bridegroom (who, in the Gospel story, has no direct contact with Jesus) the pleasant surprise came because somebody else had paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective, and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life—maybe our own, maybe somebody else's—will be surprised for the better.

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ALTAR SERVERS

Jan. 20	5:00	Mendez
Jan. 21	8:00	Scolamieri/Cowan
	9:30	White/Hayes/Huntley
	11:00	Roberts
	12:30	Parker

LECTORS—EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Jan. 20	5:00	DiLeo/Smith—Team 2
Jan. 21	8:00	Gooch—Team 2
	9:30	Surfus/Gibboney—Team 4
	11:00	Leonard/McDonnell—Team 4
	12:30	Burcelis/Hanley—Team 2

MASS WITH HEALING SERVICE

Tuesday, January 16, 2007, 7:30pm with Fr. George Reynolds, St. Cyprian Catholic Church, 4714 Clark Avenue, in Long Beach (562-421-9487).

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.

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



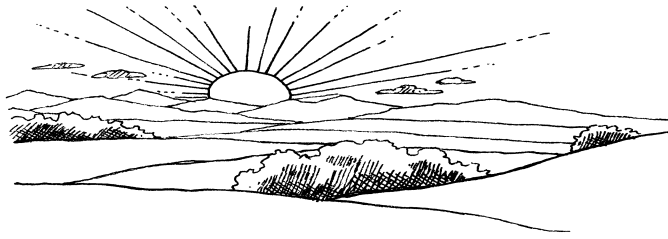
THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Nathan Laharty, Sarah Fries, Robert Kacsuta, Fabio Marinetti, Nadya Conway, Kade West, Charles Ward, Calvin Carlson, Bill Serhan, Germaine Graef, Johnnie

Cobb and John Swanson.

(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).

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 14, 2007

Nations shall behold your vindication,
And all the kings your glory.

-Isaiah 62:2

FREE ONE-DAY RETREAT

Deepen your prayer life—"Ask and ye shall receive; seek and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened to you (Luke 11:9)." Silent retreat open to all Catholics searching for deeper spirituality. It covers beginning steps that lead to contemplative prayer. Retreat master, Fr. Datus, OCD, is an experienced teacher in deep forms of prayer. Saturday, Jan. 20th, 9am-4pm, Sacred Heart Retreat House, 920 E. Alhambra Rd., Alhambra, California 91801. Please bring a lunch to avoid breaking silence. For more information, call: Eric (562)867-8164, eric-saca@hotmail.com.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

1st Adam Robezzoli and Carolyna Macias

OPEN HOUSE

Our Lady of Refuge School will host their annual Open House on Sunday, January 28th, from 10:30am-12:00noon. If you are looking for a great Catholic School for your child, please join us on this day. The Open House is preceded by 9:30am Mass. Everyone is invited to come and see the exciting learning environment provided at Our Lady of Refuge. For more information, please call: Jan Walsh (562)597-0819.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

Now accepting applications for the Kindergarten class of 2007-2008. There will be a general information meeting for all new prospective parents only on Tuesday, Feb. 20th, at 7:00pm. Applications must be received by this date. There will be an Open House at St. Joseph, on Wednesday, Jan. 31st, 6:00pm. Call Bridget in the school office if you plan to attend, or for any other information regarding enrollment (562)596-6115.

DEDICATION of the school football field to Coach Bob Fitzpatrick, Sun. Jan. 28, 2-5pm, followed by a BBQ and a Roast of Coach Fitz in the Social Hall. Rsvp: (562)596-6115.

SEE'S CANDY

Due to an overshipment this Christmas from See's Candy, additional 2 pound boxes of assorted chocolates are still available at a cost of \$15.00 (originally \$24.00). To purchase, please call: Carolyn at 594-0460; or Pam at 433-7565.

APPRECIATION

"Catholic Charities San Pedro Region is extremely grateful to the parishioners of St. Bartholomew for the contribution made to the Elizabeth Ann Seton Shelter this holiday season" (1/3 of the donations at the Thanksgiving Day Mass went to this charity; as well as 1/3 going to St. Francis Center and New Life Beginnings, both here in Long Beach).

"Thank you for choosing our home to share your Christmas gifts. Every mother and child in this home was well taken care of this Christmas, you can be assured. I believe this was the best Christmas any one of them had ever!" Rebecca Younger, New Life Beginnings

REQUIEM FOR THE UNBORN, and CEREMONY OF LIGHT

Join with Cardinal Roger Mahony, Auxiliary Bishops, Priests and Faithful of the Archdiocese in a special Eucharistic Celebration of Life, Saturday, January 20th, 6:00pm, Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles. (a discounted parking rate of \$5 per car will be in effect for this event).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
 Wednesday: St. Anthony
 Thursday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
 Saturday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian;
 Blessed Virgin Mary;
 Muslim New Year 1428

