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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 11, 2009

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Mass Schedule	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9:30 a.m.
		at St. Mary's	11:15 a.m.
	Weekdays	at St. Cecilia's	8 a.m. (Mon. Wed. Fri.)
		at St. Mary's	8 a.m. (Thur.)
Confessions	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9 to 9:25 a.m.

Gospel: Matthew 1:7 - 11



Piero della Francesca was a 14th Century renowned Italian Painter who was blind. His painting of Christ's Baptism is considered a classic. He represents every detail visually to remind us what Baptism is. He has a tree to the left of painting with an axe alongside reminding all, should it be cut down or not, warning us of the responsibilities of Baptism. A man in the river struggles to take off his shirt as Jesus is being baptized showing us as Jesus is with us in Baptism, he is always alongside us in life as he is at his Baptism. The Dove is radiantly white above Jesus head expressing the supernatural. The event is solemn and serious, man being touched by God, God manifesting His Being to man.

Mass Intentions: Week of January 11, 2009

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	...	Pat White
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	...	Peace in the Middle East
Monday	8 a.m.	...	Agnes & James Boyle
Wednesday	8 a.m.	...	Souls in Purgatory
Thursday	8 a.m.	...	John Lawson
Friday	8 a.m.	...	Peace in the Middle East

From the Pew

Those interested in the Parish Trip to Big Sur (Hearst Castle), February 17th – February 19th, let Fr. O' know by January 18th.

2nd Collection next week is for Church in Latin America.

Fr. O' will take his Christmas Vacation, week of January 26th.

Kids Night, Saturday, January 17th at St. Cecilia's parish hall. The evening will be showing the movie "Peter Pan" with more funs and games. To sign up, call Margaret 488-0122. All are welcome.



Soups for Senior once a month. Contact Cia (St. Cecilia), or Kathy (St. Mary).

I saw a sign written on the front entrance gate to a house in San Francisco: "Help Your Dog Be Green as You. Go Feed the Tree. Waste Not His 'P' We'll All be Happy. Be You and Your Dog, and the Green Tree."

Immaculate Conception Academy (ICA)'s Annual Wine and Cheese with Silent Auction, Saturday, January 24th from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., ICA Auditorium, corner of 24th & Guerrero Sts. San Francisco. Admission \$25. For information 415-824-2052 ext 32.

The crime rate in the US continues to rise with almost every family knowing someone affected by acts of violence. Today, nearly 1% of the entire population of the United States is incarcerated in Federal, State or local correctional facilities, more than any other first world countries. The concern now being raised by lawyers, psychologists and churches is, are we more driven to caging people than rehabilitating offenders

Universal Church

The current lack of global arms regulation makes it easier to obtain weapons "than food, shelter and education." This is so sad and dangerous. Illicit arms trading has turned tensions into volatile armed conflicts because of the accessibility of weapons. It is the number one hindrance to resolving peaceful settlements to prolonged conflicts. Unfortunately the wealthiest of nations are in the business of Arms Production and Trading. Steps need to be taken to regulate the trade and transfer of Arms by the United Nations.



- Vatican City to U.N.

Last week's collections:

St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas	\$ 519.00
St. Mary's, Nicasio	\$ 337.75
Total:	\$ 856.75



"You only have to do a very few things right in your life so long as you don't do too many things wrong."