

**This coming Sunday, we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord.** Gospels from Luke 3:15-16,21-22. This coming Sunday we celebrate the second of three key moments in which Jesus is revealed. The first was last week's Epiphany with the visit of the Magi, and this week we jump ahead some 30 years to Jesus' Baptism. This scene takes place at the Jordan River. The reading opens by letting us know the emotional state of the crowd there: They are filled with expectation and wonder if John might be the Christ. Christ is the Greek word for Messiah, the title of the savior the Jews have been waiting for. Clearly John has made an impression, and he makes it clear that the Messiah is much greater than himself. In fact, the Messiah would baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire instead of water. After the Baptism, Jesus is revealed as being more than a mere human. **Prayer: Dear Holy Trinity, thank you for loving us so much that you reveal yourselves to us as Persons we can know. Help us to embrace the relationship with each of you that we received when we were baptized. Let our love for you grow so that we may live more deeply our baptismal promises. Amen In your name we pray...Amen**

## January & CCD Class Schedule

Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> – Class

Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> – Class

Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> Class

**Feb 5<sup>th</sup> Reconciliation 6:00PM**

Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> –Class

Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> – No Class

Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> - Class

Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> - Class

Confirmation will take place on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at 10AM and Rehearsal for Candidates and Sponsors will be Friday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.

## **Marriage Prep Program ...**

is getting ready to begin new sessions. If you are engaged and need to complete the marriage prep requirement, it is not too late to register.

Engaged couples meet with a mentor couple for five sessions. Sessions will begin on **Sunday, January 13th at 11:15a.m.** For more information contact, Odelta Cardoso 648-4956.

## **Attention Members of the Y.L.I. & Y.M.I.**

please join your brothers & sisters for the annual joint installation beginning at 6:00 p.m. on **Saturday, Jan 12<sup>th</sup>** in the Parish Hall.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation will take place on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the New Church. Watch CCD news for more details.**

## **Join Us January 20<sup>st</sup> for the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Breakfast**

8 a.m.-12noon. All proceeds help to maintain our parish facilities especially the hall.

Please help to make this breakfast a success by purchasing your tickets. All registered parishioners will soon be receiving their tickets in the mail.

**Remember to invite family & friends and make it an annual tradition! Volunteers needed. Please call Lucy Silveira at 632-3452 to sign up for the various shifts.**

**Children's Ministry** takes places on Sunday's during the 10am Mass. We are in need of leaders. If you would like to lead this group, please call Dina at 632-7163.

**Refreshments needed** for the students after the Net nights on January 23<sup>rd</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. Cookies, brownies, punch, cups, napkins, ect....Can be homemade or store bought. If you would like to help out call Dina at 632-7163.

Do you need ministry hours? See Dina there are many events taking place in the next 3 weeks. Filhos Sale 1/13, Parish Breakfast 1/20, and Altar Society Filhos Sale 2/3. Sign up in the CCD office or call Dina at 632-7163.

**Walk For Life** will take place on Saturday January 26<sup>th</sup>. We will be taking a bus. Families are encouraged to participate in this event. We will be attending Mass as a group at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. Cost is \$20.00 per person. If you would like to attend, please contact Dina at 632-7163, to get your name on the list. There are a total of 40 spots on the bus left permission slips need to be turned in by next Wednesday, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Net** – National Evangelization Team will be here on **Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> & Jan. 30.** To facilitate mini retreats for the youth of our parish. We are in need of 6 families for each day to host young adults (2 per house). This includes feeding them dinner and breakfast. If you could help for one or both days your help would greatly be appreciated. Please call Dina 632-7163.

**1<sup>st</sup> Communion parent** – If you did not attend the 1<sup>st</sup> communion parent meeting for 2<sup>nd</sup> year students that was held Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, please contact Dina ASAP at 632-7163, leave a message if no answer. Meeting must be completed by Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>.

**1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation Students mark your calendars.** You and your sponsors have a retreat on **Sunday, January 13<sup>th</sup>** from 8:15-4:30pm. **Cost is \$25.00 per person.** John Sablan will be the guest speaker. **At the Retreat.**