

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY – December 20 - 21, 2008**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AFTER COMMUNION:**

1. Today's second collection is for the Retired Religious Fund. About 58% of women and men religious are past age 70; 7% are past age 90. Please give generously and with confidence that your donations benefit frail and elderly religious. Thank you.
2. All are invited to attend the remaining celebrations of the annual "Dawn Mass", a nine days novena morning masses in preparation for the coming of the Lord. Novena mass will continue daily at 6:00 in the morning up to December 24, 2008. Light breakfast will be served after each mass.
3. Share Christmas joy with a disadvantaged child or senior citizen by adding your gift to the Giving Tree in the church entrance. Please pick an ornament tag from the tree, obtain the listed item, firmly attach the tag to the unwrapped gift, and return it to the Giving Tree by December 21. Thank you for sharing the joy of Christ's birth. And don't forget that the St. Vincent de Paul Society needs food items throughout the year
4. The St. Elizabeth 2009 calendar are completed and available for you to pick up today in the church vestibule. Please take one per family. Thank you to our advertisers whose donations make it possible for parishioners to receive these beautiful calendars at no charge.
5. Also in the vestibule are special Christmas folders with prayers to use in your homes. They are available in both English and Spanish.
6. Registered parishioners received envelopes for your Christmas Offering and Christmas Flowers in the mail. There are extras in the back of the church for those who need them. Thank you for your generosity.
7. Get a jump on 2009 tax planning. Register as a parishioner and request weekly donation envelopes mailed to your home and you will receive a year-end donation report for tax reporting.
8. *SCRIP*: Please support your parish by buying Scrip after each mass in front of the church. They can be used for holiday shopping plus gift cards can make a lovely gift.
9. Please refer to the back page of our bulletin for our Christmas Mass schedule. There will be no 6 PM mass on Christmas day.
10. For more parish information and events, please take home and read our Tri-lingual Bulletin.

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