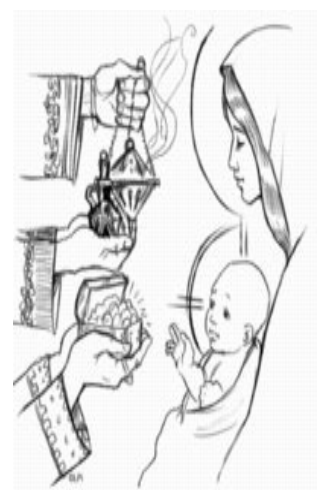




**JANUARY 8, 2012
THE EPIPHANY of OUR LORD**

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Lord's Epiphany. Epiphany is the manifestation/revelation of Jesus as the King/Savior not only of the Jews, but of all human beings. Today's feast reminds us that God loves all nations and cultures of the earth, and that He communicates with us in many, often unforeseen ways – through internal inspirations, through external events, through people, and through His Word . . . Many times these factors are combined in an interplay that becomes clear only in hindsight. The challenge is for us to “decipher” God's message and respond to it with **faith, persevering generosity and courage**, just as the Magi did.

As we assist at the Eucharistic celebration, let us include in our intention all the peoples of the world and all those who are working hard to bring about harmony and cooperation among all human beings.



LIGHT UP OUR STAR AGAIN!

In the dark night of human problems and tragedies, blessed are those who can direct the course of their life by the God-lit star of vision, courage, and faith. It shines brightly in their sky even when all else shakes, or crumbles, or vanishes into nothing. But even stars do disappear some nights, behind the black curtain of stormy clouds.

And so, for us, one day (one night!) may come when all the sky grows dark, and we feel lost, wandering aimlessly in an aimless life. Nor can we say how far down we shall keep tumbling from fall to fall – from sin . . . So far from the pearly sky lighting the peaks that used to be our home . . . Who can remove for us the dark cloud that hides our star? Or who can light for us a brand new star to lead us safe to our eternal home?

We surely can't. Lighting a star is not for us to do. But He who made the sun to shine and out of the dark chaos order, and light brought forth, He can fill our sky and lives with countless stars. “The Lord” is His name. “Love” is His badge.

And out of love, He can dispel the dark that chokes us. He alone is our light. He's our salvation. He can re-light in us the star of our vision, courage, and faith, and draw us out again from death to life. This, He alone can do. This will He do, for sure, For He loves us.

And then shall we, frail, bruised children, lost in the desert of a star-less world, feel the wounds heal, under the soothing radiance of our new-found star.

Then, shall we be like the Wise Men of old who, for a while, had lost sight of their bright guide. Then will our hearts throb with joy like theirs, upon seeing again, bright in the sky, the friendly light leading us with them to the brightest star of all – *Jesus, the Sun of life.*

Jess P. Balon



Offering Envelopes



YEAR 2012 ENVELOPES are now available for pick-up after each Mass. Please contact Mr. Raymundo Foz or the FCMM Office.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

**Please discard your remaining 2011 envelopes.*

**You have to fill up the necessary information (Name & Address) when using your new envelopes.*

WHAT IS A REASONABLE WEEKLY DONATION TO MY PARISH?

One suggestion that we make is to consider donating the equivalent of your "First Hour of Work" each week to the Lord.



SEÑOR STO. NIÑO – The Special Celebration of the Feast of the Sto. Niño will be held on Sunday, **January 22, 2012** at 11:30 a.m. There will be the recitation of the Novena Prayers, Blessing of Children and Blessing of Images after the Mass. Devotees who would like to sponsor the Mass are requested to contact Mrs. Susie Alejandro, Mrs. Luming Silverio or the FCMM Office.



A **pot-luck** reception and Fiesta Filipino Program will follow after at the Church Basement. Please contact Ms. Teresa Ambayec for Food Assignments.

'UNDECORATE' THE CHURCH! -

We will need your help on SATURDAY, **January 14** starting at 10:00 a.m. to "un-decorate" the church and prepare it for the big feast of the Sto. Niño. Remember that "Many hands make light work." If you can lend a hand, it will be deeply appreciated... even a few minutes would help. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH !!!**



Last Advent and during the Christmas Season, our Church Environment was beautifully enhanced by flowers, lights and other Christmas decorations. These came from the generosity of your hearts. We wish to acknowledge our donors and we ask you to pray for their intentions.



AS THANKSGIVING OFFERED BY :

- LITA and MAYETTE ACASIO CORA AFAN
- THE DAIT FAMILY FILIPINAS ESTRADA
- JULITA P. GABA THE LICERIO FAMILY
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- CONNIE SISON
- ED & BETH RUIZ and FAMILY
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- CARING, BUTCH, BABY LYNN and LAIZA
- WINNIE, RUBY & CARISSA DE MESA
- MR. & MRS. RICK DERIQUITO and FAMILY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

- PIOQUINTO, ROSITA and DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CALDITO-BALLARES FAMILY
- ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MIÑON and BAUTISTA FAMILIES
- VER MANGUBAT
- PRISCILLA & MARGARITA
- BENJAMIN NIEVA
- LORETO RUEDAS
- RAMON SARMIENTO SR.



The **SANCTUARY LAMP** this week is burning for the **GLORY OF GOD** with the **THANKSGIVING INTENTIONS** of *Mrs. Marcy Ellasus and Family*.



- ❖ To the **New Arrivals** from the Philippines
- ❖ To the **Visitors** from other places;
- ❖ To those who have **been away and are back**;

**IN ALL THINGS
GIVE THANKS**

❖ We join in the **Thanksgiving Intentions** of:

JEFFREY & MERCY BAUTISTA and FAMILY, CHRISJAN, LEIDA & ELIGIO ALEJANDRO, ANABELLE MANAOAT, MICHAEL VERA, MELANEE AFAN, MR. & MRS. NOEL ESCUETA and FAMILY, LORIE PALISOC, JOHN MEJIA, MR. & MRS. ROMEO REMEGIO, NIKKO CASTELLANO, THE SERASPE FAMILY, IMELDA ARALAR, WINIE, RUBY & CARISSA DE MESA, FELY MANGUBAT and FAMILY, BRENDA LICERIO, NELSON, SUSIE & MARY ANNE ALEJANDRO, CHANELLE BAUTISTA, GERALDINE TADEO-SILVERIO and FAMILY, ANNABELLE REOLO and FAMILY, THE VILLANUEVA FAMILY, THE LUPENA FAMILY, FELY DELORIA, DANTE & JULIE TABAMO, BOBBY, CHERRY, & CHRISTOPHER PERLAS, THE TUVIDA-ROBLES FAMILY, FLORA TADEO, PERLITA, BENITO MAGNO & FAMILY, ANJELICA JAYNE BELTRAN, MANNY & LINA LAGASCA, TONY, LINA & ALLEN TAN, MR. & MRS. JOSELITO CARRERA and FAMILY .



❖ Please join in lifting up to the Lord the **special intentions** of: **FRANCIS, THESS & AARON TUBON, RICARDO PAGADUAN, MR. & MRS. NELSON ALEJANDRO and FAMILY. TONY & NORMA FOZ and FAMILY, JAMES-OLIVER MARTINEZ.**

❖ Your prayers are humbly requested for all the **Sick and**

Suffering members of our Mission community and their loved ones especially: **FR. ROGER BEGIN pme, JESS ALCAIDE, SR. ELIZABETH RELACION mic, ELECITA ARACENA, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., FE PADERANGA, ANNIE MOJADO, WILFREDO QUIRAPAS, BALDOMERA AMBAYEC, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, DAWN DELA PAZ, CARMENCITA TRIVINIO, WILFREDO DARIO, TRANQUILINO BIGCAS, BERNARDINO FERNANDO,** . May God bring them healing and peace.

❖ Remember also all of our **Deceased Relatives and Friends**, especially **EDMUND GABA, ANITA CACHERO, SATURNINO QUIRAPAS, MICHAEL SAVELSON, IGNACIA BAUTISTA, PONCIANO, MARINA, & VALENTIN, ANTONINA GONZALES, OCTAVIO MACARAIG, ALEXANDER SANTOS JR., MARCELINO & ADELAIDA PALITIC, RITA MOLINA, CONCEPCION FLORES, GLORIA CALUMPIANO, PEDRO MEJIA, TINA SALAZAR OLDRICH, YVETTE BORBEAU, LUIS ALLANA, IGNACIA BAUTISTA, SATURNINO QUIRAPAS SR., CONSOLACION BACOSA, CONCORDIA LAZARO, ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY** and those dying everyday in battles and calamities around the world. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

The Sacrifice of the Mass contains within it all of the graces of God and all that man can do to worship God. Stop by or call the FCMM office (514 387 – 5292) during normal business hours and have a Mass offered for your intention.

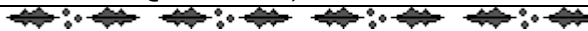


From The Editor

HELP KEEP OUR HOSPITALITY CORNER CURRENT

As we begin a New Year, it is imperative to up-date the bulletin's hospitality corner. Please contact the FCMM Office or the Bulletin

Editor if you would want to put a name on our prayer list.
(E-mail address [JHNARACENA @GMAIL.COM](mailto:JHNARACENA@GMAIL.COM))



STEWARDSHIP- The challenge of caring for this Church belongs to each one of us! Members of the FCMM are the "stewards" of our parish, our faith community. Christian stewards gratefully receive God's gifts, cherish and tend to them responsibly, share them justly and lovingly with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.



Your **OFFERINGS** for the weeks ending

*December 25, 2011 - \$ 5, 423. 50

*January 1, 2012 - \$ 3, 902. 50

THANK YOU for your continuing generosity.



CORRECTIONS TO THE BULLETIN
ADVERTISERS' PAGE

1. The **Saint** Family – remove t - becomes- The Sain Family
2. From: Rudy, Cristy, **Ryau**, - change u to n – becomes –Ryan