

Altar Serving— February 2008

St. Stephen Church

Lent

You are all aware, I am sure, that Lent is upon us. And you all know that next Wednesday, February 6 is Ash Wednesday. And you know that Lent is a special time for a little notch up in our prayers, a time to do something extra as good deeds and, possibly, some sacrifice. By providing us with a special 12:10 weekday Mass, Father

Walsh, while straining the resources of his staff, provides us with an opportunity to accomplish all of the above; especially Altar Servers. As you exercise your privilege to serve our Lord “Up Close” please try to give a little extra thought to what is happening in front of you; the reenactment of the Last Supper, and the commemoration of His Passion and Death.



A New Beginning

As the Carpentier family wraps up our work as altar server coordinators, we want to thank each and every one of you for your growing attention to service and your kindness of spirit as we learn to go forward without Jack. I hope that anytime you are thinking “*Oh, it’s been a long week, I’m sure I can skip just this ONE mass*” that you might recall Jack’s words above, and remember you are not missing a mass, but missing a special opportunity to be closer to God. Here’s hoping that Lent gives a special incentive to all servers to clear up all those missing masses (and even add some extra masses?) before Easter.

Francis Kim—New Altar Server Coordinator

Effective in February, Francis Kim will be heading up your schedule and training information beginning with the March 2008 schedule. We hope you’ll give him all the cooperation and team spirit that Jack, John and I have treasured over this last year+.

I know you’ll enjoy working with him, and learning about his days as an altar server back in Korea. His contact info is: phone: 415 606-2525 or by email at kcjjige@yahoo.com.

All of our blessings on all of you,

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