

## Religious Education News

December 12, 2009

**Today - Dec 12th, REPA Classroom Representatives will be making arrangements with parents for classroom Christmas parties.** The teachers are requesting small, simple snacks like cookies, cupcakes, chips and juice boxes. Your classroom Representative will have the sign-up list and further information when you pick up your children after class.

**December 19: R.E. Christmas Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the Church  
The whole family is invited!**

### Religious Education Christmas Community Outreach

Two ways in which our children can help other children in our local community:

1) Donate a gently used or new children's book to SOVA Community Food and Resource Center in Van Nuys. When needy families come to the food bank for groceries, children are encouraged to take home a book for their own library.

2) Donate a new unwrapped toy for a child from St. Didacus Religious Education Program in Sylmar. Approximately 70 children ages 3 – 14 from 30 families lost their homes and possessions in the Sylmar fires earlier this year. (Gift certificates are suggested for Jr. High age students).

**Book or toy donations will be collected during Mass. Thank you for your generous participation.**

- Class parties will follow the Mass in the School courtyard. Children will be signed out from the school courtyard at the end of class. (If it rains parties will be held in the classrooms.)

December 13 12:15 p.m. Procession in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe 12:30 p.m. Mariachi Mass After Mass the celebration will continue with food in the courtyard.
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**Thank you for making our Thanksgiving Potluck such a success, and for your generous support of the Thanksgiving food collection for needy families in our parish!**

Have a blessed Christmas! See you in the New Year!  
Classes resume January 9, 2010.

