

## **28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Memorial Mass Father Aloysius Ellacuria, C.M.F.**



The next Anniversary Mass will fall on April 19<sup>th</sup>, Easter Saturday in 2010. The popular celebration at the grave of Father Aloysius Ellacura, CMF, at San Gabriel Mission has been going on for so long now that he will certainly continue to gather us there in his memory.

It was not easy for Father Charles Carpenter, MAP, to make it to Los Angeles this year from Mexico, but his inspiring message, very reminiscent of Father Aloysius' own, was a special blessing for the four concelebrating priests and more than 140 devotees who attended.

Everyone enjoyed the chance to share stories of Father Aloysius, following the ten o'clock Rosary, Mass and procession to Father's grave. Hope Leunis and Beverly Yelich served delicious refreshments with the help of Sue Lesniowski, Mary Hales, Mercy Facciani and others. One of Father's close companions, Father Kevin Manion of San Marcos, Texas, also made a surprise appearance.

A collection taken for the promotion of the Anniversary Mass realized more than \$500 to help cover the cost of postage, mailings, flyers, memorial cards, refreshments, the use of hall and church, transport and such. Marked envelopes and designated checks are counted as direct donations to the purpose named on them.

The chief concelebrants of the Mass were Father Charles Carpenter, MAP, of the Missionaries of Fatima, Ciudad Obregon, Sonora, and Father John Raab, CMF, of the Claretian Missionaries, San Gabriel, California.