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ABSTRACT

The researcher had conducted this study entitled: A DESCRIPTIVE STUDY OF THE DYNAMICS OF THE CHILDREN'S MASS. The reason for conducting this study, the researcher has thought of research questions that he aimed to answer. The research questions are: WHAT ARE THE ACTIVITIES BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER, THAT DIFFERENTIATE THE CHILDREN'S MASS FROM ADULT / REGULAR MASSES? Secondly, WHAT ASPECTS OF COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT ARE CONSIDERED IN THE PLANNING OF A CHILDREN'S MASS? and lastly, WHAT CHANGES HAVE BEEN OBSERVED IN THE ATTITUDES AND BEHAVIORS OF CHILDREN WHO PARTICIPATE IN THE CHILDREN'S MASS?

It is the San Antonio Parish in Paranaque that the researcher conducted his study since in this parish celebrates masses for children.

With the Observation Guide and the Interview Guide that the researcher provided so to enable him to derive for the answers to the research questions.

In the results, a description of the activities done before, during and after the masses for children and the adults are done. The results of the activities done before the mass starts between the children's and the



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adults masses are markedly different. Only in the celebration of the masses in the children's and adults was found to have no differences at all but it is just that the mass is adjusted to the children's level.

Activities done here are a good means to motivate the children, and making them as a good person deriving from imitating and following their models (the catechists, and the brothers). And at the same time having such religious knowledge.

It is to conclude that the children's mass in San Antonio Parish is not really a mass for children since there has been no much of a difference in the activities done during the mass proper, so to say, the adults mass is only adjusted to the children to enable the children to understand, learn and to adapt God's words. The good thing here is that the children really learn something good and even apply in their daily lives that even their parents are glad and happy to have their children joined in this Sunday Activity Mass.

