

The DOs and DON'Ts of Poinsettia Care

- **DO** place your plant in indirect sunlight for at least six hours per day. If direct sun can't be avoided, diffuse the light with a shade or sheer curtain.
- **DO** provide room temperatures between 68 - 70° F. Generally speaking, if you are comfortable, so is your poinsettia.
- **DO** water your plant when the soil feels dry to the touch.
- **DO** use a large, roomy shopping bag to protect your plant when transporting it.
- **DO** fertilize your plant AFTER THE BLOOMING SEASON with a balanced, all-purpose fertilizer.
- **DON'T** place plants near cold drafts or excessive heat. Avoid placing plants near appliances, fireplaces or ventilating ducts.
- **DON'T** expose plants to temperatures below 50° F. Poinsettias are sensitive to cold, so avoid placing them outside during the winter months.
- **DON'T** overwater your plant, or allow it to sit in standing water. Always remove a plant from any decorative container before watering, and allow the water to drain completely.
- **DON'T** expose your plant to chilling winds when transporting it.
- **DON'T** fertilize your plant when it is in bloom.

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Legend of the Poinsettia— Flower of the Holy Night



Pepita, a poor Mexican girl, had no gift to present the Christ child at Christmas Eve services. As Pepita walked slowly to the chapel with her cousin, Pedro, her heart was filled with sadness rather than joy.

"I am sure, Pepita, that even the most humble gift, if given in love, will be acceptable in His eyes." said Pedro consolingly.

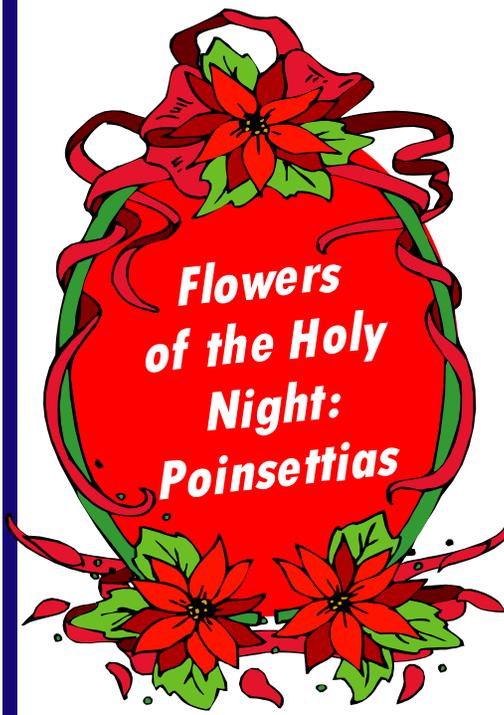
Not knowing what else to do, Pepita knelt by the roadside and gathered a handful of common weeds, fashioning them into a small bouquet. Looking at the scraggly bunch of weeds, she felt more saddened and embarrassed than ever by the humbleness of her offering. She fought back a tear as she entered the village chapel.

As she approached the altar, she remembered Pedro's kind words, "Even the most humble gift, if given in love, will be acceptable in His eyes." She felt her spirit lift as she knelt to lay the bouquet at the foot of the nativity scene.

Suddenly, the bouquet of weeds burst into blooms of brilliant red, and all who saw them were certain that they had witnessed a Christmas miracle right before their eyes.

From that day on, the bright red flowers were known as the Flores de Noche Buena, or Flowers of the Holy Night, for they bloomed each year during the Christmas season.

Today, the common name for this plant is the poinsettia!



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**Girls Basketball
Poinsettia Sale**

Order Due Date:
Monday, December 6

Distribution Date:
Friday, December 10



Poinsettia Sale

Support CC Girls Basketball by purchasing beautiful **Poinsettias** this Christmas season for only **\$10.00 each!** They make great gifts or decorations for your home or office!

The poinsettias will be 14-16" tall with 4-6 blooms per plant. Colors available are **Red, White, Burgundy or Ice Crystals.** The plants will arrive in a **6.5" pot with a decorative pot cover.**

Please fill out the "**Poinsettia Order Form**" and return it to the seller with your payment. (Payment is required when the order is placed.)

Orders forms must be returned to the seller for submission on **Monday, December 6th.** Plants will be delivered to the seller for distribution on **Friday, December 10.**

THANK YOU

for your support of the

Lafayette Catholic School System

through this athletic team sale.

Go Knights!

Red

Traditional, the most popular poinsettia color



White

A creamy white



Burgundy

A beautiful rich, burgundy color



Ice Crystals

Red margins and white along the center of the bracts



Poinsettia Order Form

(All plants come with decorative pot cover)

Seller's Name _____

Color	Quantity	Price	Sub Total
Red		\$10.00	
White		\$10.00	
Burgundy		\$10.00	
Ice Crystals		\$10.00	
Grand Totals			\$

Customer: _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone# _____

Special Instructions: _____

Method of Payment

(Payment is required with your order.)

Cash

Check # _____

Make Checks Payable to:
LCSS OR Central Catholic