

# Impression

*Others have said that the Filipinos received only a 'veneer of Christianity... - John Schumacher, SJ*

in  
this agora  
of violated  
amens  
everything  
seems more poignant  
than  
memory or  
word  
of mouth:

the traffic  
of  
worshippers  
& poseurs.  
the choir lilting  
another thankful  
benedictus.  
the jingle  
of coins  
in  
donation boxes.