

# Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 4, 2016

At the conclusion of today's gospel, we hear Jesus tell a "great crowd" that "...anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." A few of Jesus' immediate disciples, such as Peter, John and James, did just that: They responded to Jesus' call, renouncing everything to follow him. How do modern disciples of Jesus respond when confronted with this apparently harsh command of Jesus? Surely the renunciation of possessions need not mean literally giving all one's possessions away, does it? Questions we might ponder this week though: Do our possessions keep us from encountering Christ at Mass? Do they distract us from our parish family? Do our possessions interfere with our relationships? Do they make us insensitive to those less fortunate?

## Saturday, September 3, 2016

**5:00 p.m.**

Intention: Manuel Brasil †

Requested by: Family

Intention: Arnold, Carlos R. & Joao Brasil

Requested by: Family

**7:00 p.m. (St. Mary's )**

Intention: For All Those Inscribed in the St. Mary's Memorial Book

## Sunday, September 4, 2016

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**7:30 a.m.**

Intention:Helen Morris

Requested by: Helen Morris

Intention: Albert Baptista †

Requested by: Manuel & Maria Almada

**10:00 a.m.**

Intention:People of the Parish

**11:30 a.m.(Bilingual)**

Intention: Maria P. Rosa †

Requested by: Husband

Intention: Adrian Rocha †

Requested by: Marcelino & Madalena Enes

**6:30 p.m. (Spanish/St. Mary's)**

Intention of:Avilla Family ☺

## Monday, September 5, 2016

**NO 8:00 a.m. Mass**

## Tuesday, September 6, 2016

**8:00 a.m. Mass**

Intention: Filomena Mendonca

Requested by: Maria May

## Wednesday, September 7, 2016

**8:00 a.m.**

Intention: Joao F. & Francisca Faria †

Requested by: Joao & Maria Faria

## Thursday, September 8, 2016

**8:00 a.m. Mass**

Intention :All Deceased Family Members †

Requested by: Mary Esteves

**11:00 a.m. Senior Day**

Intention: Matthew Martins †

Requested by: O.L. Miracles

Membership Society

## Friday, September 9, 2016

**8:00 a.m. Mass**

Intention: Jose C. Vieira †

Requested by: Wife

## Saturday, September 10, 2016

**5:00 p.m.**

Intention: Diodato Alves †

Requested by: Olivia Avila

Intention: Louis F. Terra †

Requested by: Jorge & Bernandette Vieira & Family

**7:00 p.m. (St. Mary's )**

Intention: Delores Rosa †

Requested by: Family

## Sunday, September 11, 2016

*Twenty-fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time*

**7:30 a.m.**

Intention: Antone, Maria B. & Joe Silva †

Requested by: Michael & Filomena Heilman

**10:00 a.m.**

Intention: People of the Parish

**11:30 a.m.(Bilingual)**

Intention: Antonio E. Vieira †

Requested by: Wife

**6:30 p.m. (Spanish/St. Mary's)**

Intention: All Souls in Purgatory †

Requested by: Raul & Apolinario

**A memorial Mass** will be celebrated in memory of Father Marcelinus' father **Ferdinand Ekenedo on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**

All are welcome to attend and support our Pastor, Fr. Marcelinus as he celebrates this special Mass for his beloved father.

**Please Keep in Your Prayers:** Deana Abraham, Aurelio Alejandre, Maria de Jesus Alejandre, Priciliano Alejandre, Eliza Alves, Maria F. Amaral, Vasco Anacleto, Manuel Andrade, Bob Arieas, Angelica Avelar, Dave Barcellos, Kari Boutte, Alex, Carroll, Sally and Scott Baggett, Joseph Belo, Jack Betschart, Violet Brasil, Linda Gomes Cody, Dan Coelho, Donna & John Cardoza, Janet Correia, Adelina Costa, Shelly Cunha, Cynthia Dawson, Jose Deniz, Jordan Devires, Romero Diaz, Kristen Droogh, Joyce Ebertowski, Manuel & Terry Espinola, Tom Firestine, Melissa Fitzgerald-Whalen, Elvira Freitas, Jared Germann, John & Sandra Gisla, Alex Gonsalves, Ruby Hernandez, Loraine Jones, Ricky Jorge, Fran Kowall, Deacon Ed Kull, Rosa LaPinia, Andrea Leal, Carrie Lourenco, Steven Lundell, Antonio Machado, Frank Machado, Ralph & Esther Martinez, Adam Mattos, Fatima Melo, Merrick McIntire, Carmen Mora, Robert Mora Jr., Helen Morris, Jim Nichols, Maria Nunes, Christine Olivera, Joey Pacheco, Maria Pereira, Maria Pires, Ray Piro, Riley Rhoads, Isabella Rodrigues, Rob Rosa, Jenó Sanchez, Patrick Shields, Theresa Sherman, Maria Silva, Solario Family, Maria Solario, Lily Sousa, Amaro Souza, Manuel F. Souza, Manuel Souza Jr., Sylvia Souza, **Mary Juarez**, Judith Teixeira, Rosa Teixeira, John Verissimo, Dave Vieira, Khloe Ann Maria Vieira, **Manuel Vieira**, Matthew Watkins, and Carmen Zorra. *We pray for God's healing power and grace. Please remember if you have an ill family member or friend that you would like to include on our prayer list or even a visit by the priest call the parish office at 667-8961.*

## Religious Education News+

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation + 1<sup>st</sup>

**Communion Students** now is the time to start prayer testing. Please make an appointment with Dina by calling 632-7163 in order to schedule an appointment.

**CCD Begins the week of Sept. 13-18**, all children must be pre-registered in order to attend the first day of class!!

**Yard Duty** help is needed on Tuesday, from 3:30-4:00pm, Call Dina if you are able to help 632-7163.

### 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> year Confirmation

**Students** mark your calendar... You a retreat on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> retreat forms were due Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> if you didn't sign up please turn in your form ASAP there is still room.

**Catechetical Sunday will take place on Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> at the 10AM Mass. All Catechists are asked to attend this Mass and sit up front with your families.**

**Classroom set up times: Hilmar Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> from 1-6pm.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation parents** will have a meeting on **Wednesday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>** beginning at 7:00pm in the mission church.

**Teacher's aide** needed on Tuesday's from 2:30-3:45pm for the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade class. Please call Dina at 632-7163 for more information.

**Sunday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> the 3<sup>rd</sup> graders in Mrs. Drumonde's class** will be in charge of the 10:00AM Mass plan now on attending. Parts will be handed out the first week of CCD.

**Catechetical Sunday** will take place on Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> at 10AM. Help is needed to provide fellowship after the 10AM Mass on Sunday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>. This entails buying donuts and juice and being outside of Mass after the 10AM Mass. We are seeking 3 to 4 families to commit too provide the refreshments for this event. If you would like to help please call Dina at 632-7163 for more details.

*Let us remember and pray for our beloved departed, especially for **David Wood** (Clint's dad) and **Joe Mendes** that they may receive the abundant fruit of God's presence and also for their loved ones that they may receive God's consolation and peace at this difficult time.*

### The Annual Mission Appeal

Please welcome **Fr. Cletus Ikwuegbu, S.M.M.M.** who will be speaking at all Masses next weekend **September 10 & 11** for this year's appeal.

Founded in Africa, the Missionaries of the **Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy** Fathers and Brothers educate your people and work with those in need. He will speak to us about the mission in Nigeria, Cameroun and Kenya. Thank you in advance for your generosity to the second collection.

### Attention Senior Citizens

Join us for our monthly gathering on **Thursday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> beginning with the recitation of the Rosary at 11:00 a.m.** followed by a delicious luncheon & Bingo in the Parish Hall. Remember, this is open to **ALL** senior citizens free of charge.

**Bosom Buddies- Hilmar Breast Cancer Support Group** will meet on Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Parish Center.

**We Congratulate** the newest members of our **Catholic Faith Community** who are being baptized this weekend: **Sebastian Levi Alvizo** son of Rodrigo & Cindy, **Sander Manuel Guerra** son of Nestor & Melanie, **Luke Henry Harrison** son of Blake & Darlene and **Addison Ella Hart Paden** daughter of Patrick & Ashlee. We pray that they and their families will continue to grow in faith and in the love of Jesus as they remain close to His church.

**Help is needed on Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-4:00pm in the Parish Hall.** There will be an early release for all 1<sup>st</sup> -5<sup>th</sup> graders from Elim. Therefore the students will be in the parish hall until there regular CCD class begins. Come and sit and help us out supervising the children. If you would like to help, please call Dina 632-7163.

**Our offering collection for August 27 & 28 \$3,679.00**  
Last year August 29 & 30 \$3,644.50  
*Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias !*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for the New Church** last weekend was **\$2,321.00** Our Piggy Bank total up to date is **\$34,059.42**. Thank you for your continued support!!

**It's NOT too Late to Leave Your Mark & Pave the Way=** The second phase of the *Brick project* is on going. Reserve yours today by going on line to [www.engravedbricks.com/campaign/holyrosary](http://www.engravedbricks.com/campaign/holyrosary) or pick up a form available in the church bulletin racks or office. For more information call the parish office.

**Preserve Your Part of History** DVD's of the Dedication of Holy Rosary New Church are available. Call the Parish Office to order your copy. Donations accepted.

**Purchasing an Annual Memorial Candle in honor of a loved one or for a special intention is a wonderful way to remember your loved one while supporting the parish and beautifying the sacred space of our church.** Your memorial candle by our Lady of the Rosary or St. Joseph's statue will "burn" for one full year in honor of your loved one or your special intention.

A plaque displaying the name of your intention will be mounted in front of each candle. And will remain for one year. The annual offering for each candle is \$250.00.

For further information please pick up a form at the church entrance or call the parish at 667-8961.

### **PLEASE GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE IN HILMAR**

Sign up after all Masses this weekend in Hilmar to sign up for the upcoming **Blood Drive on Tuesday, September 13 from 3-7 p.m.** at the Grange Hall.

If the local blood drive numbers do not increase there is a chance that we will no longer be able to host the Drive here in Hilmar. Please sign up to keep this valuable service here. We thank the *Y.L.I.* & *Y.M.I.* for organizing this special service.