

Third Sunday of Advent December 11, 2016

From the loneliness of his prison cell John the Baptist asks of Jesus: "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" The weeks before Christmas offer much to be joyous about, celebrating with family and friends, the glitter of seasonal decorations, the excitement of gift giving and receiving. But in our midst there are the lonely and neglected, the poor, the hospitalized, the wayward, the shut-ins. There are those seemingly without hope. To whom should they look? Discipleship in the Lord includes being good stewards of others. Are there those in our family, our neighborhood, our community to whom we can reach out to show them a sign of Christ's presence in their midst?

Saturday, December 10, 2015

5:00 p.m.

Intention :Carol Oliveira †

Requested by: Orosco & Oliveira Families

Intention of: AnnaMarie, Manuel & Nelia Silveira & Family

Requested by: Mother

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

Intention: Albano DaPonte †

Requested by: Stephen & Zilda Brindeiro

Intention: Eduardo Anacleto †

Requested by: Family

Sunday, December 11, 2015

Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Kathleen Azevedo †

Requested by: Helen Morris

Intention: Gerald Martin †

Requested by: Manuel & Nelia Silveira

10:00 a.m.

Intention: People of the Parish

11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)

Intention: Jose & Maria Lourenco Sr. †

Requested by: Jose & Maria Lourenco

Intention: Antonio E. Vieira †

Requested by: Wife

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

Intention: Maria A. Silveira †

Requested by: Manuel & Leonette Andre

Monday, December 12, 2016

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, December 13, 2016

8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention: Leonel Mendonca †

Requested by: Greg & Shirley Vierra

Intention: Jeff Esteves †

Requested by :Wife

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention: Manuel M. & Nivia F. Cardoso †

Requested by: Luis & Liz Sousa

Intention: Frank J. Silveira †

Requested by: Wife

6-7 p.m. CONFESSIONS (Eng./Port.)

Thursday, December 15, 2016

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Louis F. Terra †

Requested by: Jorge & Bernadette Vieira

Intention of: Fr. Marc Valadao S.J.

Requested by: Roger & Gerri Pimentel

7-8 p.m. CONFESSIONS

Friday, December 16, 2016

8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention : Julia Silva †

Requested by: Dina Brindeiro & Nisa Cox families

Intention: All Souls in Purgatory †

Requested by: Joao & Maria Bertao

Saturday, December 17, 2015

1:00 p.m. Wedding of:

Alma Rangle & Luis Lara

5:00 p.m.

Intention :Maria E. Pacheco †

Requested by: Parish Community

Intention: Jose A. Santos †

Requested by: Elaine Vieira

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

Intention: Herculano M. Vieira †

Requested by: Antonio & Maria Silva

Sunday, December 18, 2015

Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m.

Intention: People of the Parish

10:00 a.m.

Intention of: Children & Grandchildren

Requested by: Frank & Maria Amarante

Intention: Arnold, Carlos & Joao Brasil †

Requested by: Family

11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)

Intention: Francisco & Serafina Costa †

Requested by: Francisco & Guilhermina Costa

Intention: All Deceased Family

Members †

Requested by: Christine Martins

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

Intention of: Avilla Family

Let us remember and pray for our beloved departed, especially **Dorothy Matheron** 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.

Please Keep in Your Prayers: Deana Abraham, Aurelio Alejandro, Maria de Jesus Alejandro, Priciliano Alejandro, Eliza Alves, Maria F. Amaral, Vasco Anacleto, Manuel Andrade, Dave Barcellos, Alex, Carroll, Sally and Scott Baggett, Joseph Belo, Jack Betschart, Violet Brasil, Dan Coelho, Donna & John Cardoza, 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, 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, Eduardina Silveira, Solario Family, Maria Solario, Lily Sousa, Amaro Souza, Manuel F. Souza, Manuel Souza Jr., Sylvia Souza, Mary Suarez, Judith Teixeira, Rui 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+

The Tradition of giving Advent & Christmas gifts during Mass continues. We are now accepting donations for those gifts in memory or honor of a loved one. The gifts will be labeled accordingly. If you would like to be a sponsor please call Dina at 632-7163. These gifts will be given to every child that is in attendance during the weekend Masses.

7th, 8th, 9th and 10th grades you have class for the month of **December 14th**. Please Note on December 14th Students are asked to arrive at 6:00pm to the CCD building. If you have not turned in your permission slip please do so by Monday, Dec. 12th.

A very special thank you goes out to everyone who donated blankets and bath wash your support is greatly appreciated. Thanks again!!

Children's Christmas Mass practice for Holy Rosary will take place on **Tuesday, Dec. 13th at 4:15pm** in the New Church. Also anyone child who would like to sing, we will be having Choir practice starting 4:30pm in the New Church.

Stevinson Christmas Program will take place on Saturday, Dec. 17th after the 7pm Mass. Practice will take place Thursday, Dec. 15th at 3:30pm-4:15pm. **St. Mary's Children's Christmas Program** will take place **Saturday, Dec. 17th** at the 7:00pm Mass. **Everyone is invited to attend.** There will be a pot luck following the program. A –L Main Dish, M – Z Side Dishes.

2nd year Confirmation prayer deadline is Dec. 16th. Please make your appointments to be tested.

1st Year Confirmation Students mark your calendars. You and your sponsors have a retreat on **Saturday, January 28th** from 10-6pm.

SHARE IN THE CARE

Retired religious need your support. By 2019, it is projected that retired religious will outnumber wage earning religious by nearly four to one. Your gift to the **Retirement Fund for Religious** helps ensure that elderly Catholic sister, brother, and religious order priests receive the care they so richly deserve, now and in the future. Please give generously to **THIS weekend's second collection**

PLANNING MEETING for the upcoming **Epiphany celebration** January 8th will be held this **Sunday, December 11, after the 11:30** Mass at the new church. All those wishing to help in this special traditional celebration are asked to attend.

Musicians are needed. If you have been given a special gift/talent in providing music ministry please speak with Father Marcelinus or call the Parish Office to arrange a meeting. When we sing praises we pray twice!

Attention Senior Citizens

Join us for our monthly gathering on **Thursday, December 15th** beginning with the recitation of the Rosary at 11:00 a.m. , Mass and followed by a delicious luncheon & Bingo in the Parish Hall. Remember, this is open to ALL senior citizens free of charge.

Holy Rosary/St. Mary's Altar Society will have Poinsettias available if anyone would like to donate one in memory of or in honor of a family member or friend. These plants will be used to decorate our 3 churches. Minimum Donation is \$10 as we will be purchasing larger plants this year. Please call Anna at the Parish office to reserve yours.

Scripture Study has resumed..... Thursday 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center (except on Dec. 8th we will meet on Wednesday Dec. 7th). All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Attention: Church Cleaning Teams **Please remember to return cleaning cloths for the next teams use.** We thank you as always for your time and talent in helping to keep our churches looking beautiful for worship.

Have A New Baby??

Our next Pre-Baptismal class will be held **Thursday, December 15th at 7:00 p.m.** in the parish center. **Please pre-register** by filling out the registration forms available at the Parish Office or printing them out on line, www.hilmarholyroary.org.

Our offering collection for
December 3 & 4 \$4,613.00
Last year Dec. 5 & 6 \$4,268.00.
Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias !

Father Marcelinus and the Executive Committee extend our deepest sympathy to the **family of Dorothy Matheron.** We are truly grateful for their thoughtfulness and generosity in designating memorial gifts to the Holy Rosary New Church Building Fund. May the family receive God's healing grace through this difficult time and find comfort knowing Dorothy will forever be remembered through the Legacy of Faith Memorial Program.

Thank you to everyone who contributed in every way to the **New Church Filhos Sale** last weekend. The total benefit to be used for upcoming fish dinner for our New Church was **\$4,281.00**

Thank you to all those who helped with the dedication celebration reception by helping to set up, clean up provide delicious desserts and the beautiful flowers. It was an evening worth celebrating our accomplishment of our Beautiful Church to serve the many generations to come.

Still Need THAT special Christmas gift?

- Do your parents or other loved ones have material items galore?
- Is someone on your shopping list difficult to buy for?

Please remember Holy Rosary/St. Mary's Legacy of Faith can make your Christmas shopping meaningful and *so easy*. Gifts of any amount can be made in honor of a loved one. With a Legacy of Faith gift, your friends or loved ones will become beloved friends of our parish for years to come. Making a Legacy of Faith gift is as easy as making a phone call. For gifts that exceed \$50.00, Honorees will be inscribed in the Legacy of Faith Book. A Mass is offered once a month for all those inscribed in this special book. For more information contact the parish office at 667-8961. Thank you for your consideration.