

Fifth Sunday Lent April 2, 2017

Jesus called to his friend from the dead, "Lazarus, come out!" It is the same call our Lord makes to us unceasingly: "Come out!" Jesus calls us from our tomb of doubt and unbelief, from the darkness of our fear and anxieties; from the depths of our weaknesses and lack of hope. Christian stewards pray for an open heart, so that they may hear the voice of the Lord, heed the continuous call to come away from their former way of living and reprioritize their lives in the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Do we believe Christ has the power to transform our lives? Do we take time to listen for his call?

Saturday, April 1, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention : Gabriel Oliveira †

Requested by: Manuel & Ida Souza

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

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

Sunday, April 2, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Filomena Borges †

Requested by: Lee Borges Family

10:00 a.m.

Intention: Bill, John & Robert Cox †

Requested by: Kelly Cox Family

11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)

Intention: Aliveti Bertao, Tony Lourenco

& All Souls in Purgatory †

Requested by: Maria G. Rodrigues

Intention: Mary Vierra, Committee

Members & Benefactors of the Annual

Fish Dinner and Card Party

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

Intention: People of the Parish

Monday, April 3, 2017

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass

7:00 p.m. Memorial Mass for

Melany Reis Abernathy

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Eliseu & Ermalinda

Mendonca †

Requested by: Virgil & Carmina Pacheco

Intention: John Santos †

Requested by: Wife & Family

Confessions St. Mary's 6-7 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Rosary for Mary Vierra

Wednesday, April 5, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Jose L. Borges †

Requested by: Mother

10:00 a.m. Funeral Mass for Mary Vierra

Confessions (Eng) 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 6, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Communion Service

Friday, April 7, 2017

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross/Mass

New Church

Intention: Maria L. Lourenco †

Requested by: Parish Community

Intention: All Deceased Family Members

Requested by: Fatima Melo

Saturday, April 8, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Joao & Theresa

Bettencourt †

Requested by: Isidro Bettencourt

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

Intention: Belarminio Agueda †

Requested by: Joe & Maria Oliveira

Sunday, April 9, 2017

Palm Sunday

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Antone, Maria B. Silva,

George, Dave & Ken Heilman †

Requested by: Michael & Filomena

Heilman

10:00 a.m.

Intention: Hilary Brindeiro †

Requested by: Finely Huff Family

Intention: Joe V & Maria L

Lourenco †

Requested by: Pat & Connie Bivens

11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)

Intention: All Deceased Family

Members †

Requested by: Joe & Mary Monteiro

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

Intention: People of the Parish

Let us remember and pray for our beloved departed, especially for **Melany Reis Abernathy and Mary Vierra** 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: Eliza Alves, Baby Quinten Caetano, Joseph Belo, Jack Betschart, Kari Boutte, Maria Esperanca Brasil, Dan Coelho, **Sarah Cox**, Jared Germann, Alex Gonsalves, Ester & Ralph Martinez, Maria F. Melo, Riley Rhoads, Joe D. Rocha, Kaylene Rocha, Norman Silva, Eduardina Silveira, Lucy Silveira, Mary Suarez, Jose Rodrigues Vieira, Lloyd Virgo, and Matthew Westcott . *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 have a visit by the priest call the parish office at 667-8961.*

Religious Education News+

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Sunday, April 16th after the 10 a.m. Mass. We are in need of plastic filled Easter eggs, and prizes for each age group. Prizes can be large chocolate bunnies, jump ropes, stuffed animals, etc. You can drop off your donations at the Parish Center Mon-Thurs 8-12 & 1-3 p.m. or during CCD class times.

ALSO, help is needed to set up the field and assist the Easter Bunny in hiding the eggs. Call Dina if you can help. Please call Dina at 632-7163.

Confirmation pictures and certificates are ready for pick up in the parish office.

1st Holy Communion Banners are due back the week of April 23-27

In need of a 1st grade, CCD teacher for the upcoming Religious Education Year 2017-2018. If you are interested in teaching please call Dina at 632-7163. 1st grade meet from 2:30-3:45pm on Tuesday's.

There will be a practice on Tuesday, April 4th at 5:30pm in classroom #4 to hand out the parts for the Children's Easter Mass. All those who would like a part should attend. Parts include readers, greeters, and ushers.

VBS registration is taking place till April 24th. VBS is for children ages 3 to entering 6th grade. Pick up a registration form at the entrances of the church or at the parish office.

VBS Adult Helpers needed if you would like to help with VBS please contact Natalie Wilson at 535-0577.

Please join us for the remaining Stations of the Cross Friday April 7th at 6:00 p.m. followed by Mass in the New Church.

A Soup Supper will be served by the Y.M.I. following Mass.

Hilmar Helping Hands takes this opportunity to thank the Parishioners of Holy Rosary/St.

Mary's Parish for their continued generosity, especially during this Lenten season of alms giving. We are extremely grateful for ALL the donations. These much need staples will help us to restock our pantry shelves. Our monthly appeal will continue the last Sunday of each month.

Thank you again for helping the less fortunate families of our community.

Easter Lilies & Ferns....

will be available from the Altar Society if you would like to donate one in memory or honor of a family member or friend. The donation is \$10 for lilies & \$15 for ferns. The plants will help to beautify our churches during this Easter Season. Please call the parish office to reserve yours!

Hilmar Unified School District Announces Coach Franky Silveira Teen Heart Screening event SUNDAY, APRIL 9th FROM 9AM-

3PM. This valuable event is open to all 12-25 year olds. Registration is now open until Friday April 7th and is limited to 750 students. It is estimated 1 in 500 school-aged children suffer and undiagnosed heart defect, which can lead to sudden cardiac arrest and death. This screening is non-invasive and will take between 60-90 minutes and is completely FREE!

For more information please contact Michelle Komos H.U.S.D. School Nurse at 604-5257.

SALT Young Adult Group invites everyone on Good Friday to relive Jesus' passion, crucifixion and death on Friday, April 14th at

7p.m. at the New Church. As part of the bible study they will be watching "The Passion of the Christ" so children under 17 must be accompanied by a parent or adult guarding.

"We are the SALT of the Earth" Matthew 5:13

Bosom Buddies- Hilmar Breast Cancer Support Group will meet on Monday April 3, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Parish Center.

Father Marcelinues and the Executive Committee extend our deepest sympathy to the **family of Mary Vierra**. We are truly grateful for their thoughtfulness and generosity in designating memorial gifts to the *Holy Rosary New Church Building Fund*. Mary was a co-chair of the annual Card Party fund raiser that helped to build our church. She believed and helped to make our dream a reality with her time, talent and treasure even in her time of illness. May the family receive God's healing grace through this difficult time and find comfort knowing Mary will forever be remembered through the Legacy of Faith Memorial Program.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, April 2nd for Annual Card Party to benefit our New Church.

Mark your calendar for the 9th Annual Bunco Event scheduled for Sunday, May 21, 2017.

It is not too late to get involved with this fun event!

The **next committee meeting** will take place on **Thursday, April 27th** in classroom #4.

Our parish could use your time and talent. All proceeds benefit the New Church Building Fund.

It's been almost a year since Save Mart

eScrip program began (formally S.H.A.R.E.S)

We thank all those who loyally supported the new church by using the eScrip program and we encourage those who have not yet signed up to please do so, by calling the parish office for more information.

Every shopping trip makes a difference!

Our offering collection for March 25 & 26 \$4,917.50

Last Year Easter Sunday 2nd Collection for Bishop's Appeal \$1,883.00

Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias