

Palm Sunday Lent April 9, 2017

We are at the doorsteps of Holy Week where we remember Christ's passion. Jesus humbled himself and let go of everything, emptying himself for us. During this time of Lent, how have we joined the Lord? Has our prayer, penitential practices and almsgiving moved us to humble ourselves before the Lord? Have we let go of things that keep us from being authentic stewards for Christ Jesus? How have we "emptied" ourselves so that when we do approach the table of the Lord, we can be nourished by His body and blood? As disciples of Christ and stewards of His gift of faith, it is time to evaluate our lives under the cross.

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

7:00 p.m. Rosary for Ralph Martinez

Monday, April 10, 2017

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass

**10:00 a.m. Funeral Mass for
Ralph Martinez**

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Gerald J. Martin †
Requested by: Parish Community
Intention: Louis N. Terra †
Requested by: Alan & Mary Olivera
CONFESIONS English/Portuguese
5:30 p.m. -6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Deceased Family Members †
Requested by: John & Ann Steffen

Thursday, April 13, 2017

7 p.m. Mass of the Last Supper

Intention: Albano Da Ponte †
Requested by: Parish Community
Intention: Manuel & Cecilia Raposo †
Requested by: Diane Raposo
Requested by:
Followed by Soup Supper
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
until Midnight

Good Friday, April 14, 2016

**2:30 p.m. Stations & Solemn Good
Friday Liturgy (English/Portuguese)**

Saturday, April 15, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Jose Maria Lourenco †
Requested by: Joe Lourenco Family

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

Intention: Joao, Mariana & Anselmo
Silveira †
Requested by: Manuel & Fatima Silva

Sunday, April 16, 2017

Easter Sunday

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Dorothy Matheron †
Requested by: Amaro Fernandes

8:45 a.m. (St. Mary's)

Intention: Herculano Vieira †
Requested by: Joe & Tina Silva

10:00 a.m.

Intention: Michael Pires †
Requested by: Mom, Dad & Siblings

11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)

Intention: Maria C. Pereira †
Requested by: Manuel & Mary
Oliveira
Intention: Francisco Gomes & Maria
Flores †
Requested by: Manuel & Maria
Gomes

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

Intention: People of the Parish

Let us remember and pray for our beloved departed, especially for **Ralph Martinez** 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 Martinez, Maria F. Melo, Riley Rhoads, Joe D. Rocha, Kaylene Rocha, Norman Silva, Eduardina Silveira, Lucy Silveira, **Manuel Souza**, 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 filled plastic 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. Please call Dina at 632-7163 if you can help.

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

We are 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 .

Children's Easter Mass practice will take place **Monday, April 10th at 5:30pm** in the new church. There are still a few parts left for readers, greeters, and ushers. Please contact Dina if your child is interested in participating.

VBS registration is taking place until **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.

Come and join BOLD this Sunday, after the 10AM Mass as preparations are being made for VBS all youth leaders should attend.

Special Collection On Good Friday, our parish will take up the annual **Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land**. Your financial contribution helps to support the struggling Christian community and to protect Christianity's holiest places. Please be as generous as you can! Thank you.

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

Have A New Baby??

Our next Pre-Baptismal class will be held **Thursday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m.** in the parish center. Please pre-register by filling out the registration forms. Forms may be picked up at the parish office or by logging on to www.hilmarholyroary.org.

A special thank you goes out to our office angels: Finney Cayer, Doris Krikorian, Mary Pires, Gerri Jones Prine also Luisiana Drumonde and Josephina Martins for helping us with the Easter mailing.

If you did not receive our Easter letter, please call the parish office to update your family information.

Our Lenten Soup Suppers enjoyed by all. We thank the **Y.L.I., S.P.R.S.I., C.P.I.D.E.S., P.F.S.A., & Y.M.I.** and their members for their generosity to provide the delicious meals. **We extend an invitation to everyone to join us for the soup supper on Holy Thursday.** We take this opportunity to thank those individuals who are planning and preparing the meal for all to enjoy! Thank you one and all for your time, talent and treasure.

Cases of Water needed for VBS!!

We are in need of 40 cases of the small water bottles for VBS. If you could donate a case we would greatly appreciate it. Water can be dropped off at the parish office or at the Church entrances. Thank you in advance for your donation.

Everyone Had Fish Friday Night!
We extend our gratitude to everyone who worked so hard to make the Annual Fish Dinner so successful. We especially thank all those who organized the many aspects of this important fund raiser. It is no easy task to prepare all those meals in a short period of time. We are truly blessed to have the time and talents of so many to make this and all of our fund raising efforts possible. The event numbers to follow.

Thank you to the Whist Card Party volunteers, and especially Mrs. Maria Martins and the family of Mary Vierra, even during this difficult time of loss. they honored her memory by helping with this event that she most loved. We also thank all those who supported the event by donating items, purchasing tickets and attending. **The event netted over \$10,842.00 for our New Church.** Your time, talent and treasure are truly appreciated.

Attention: Angels, next weekend we will resume our New Church second collection and piggy dumping weekend. Thank you in advance for your continued support. We will postpone the Bishops Appeal collection for next month.

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.

**Our offering collection for April 1 & 2 \$5,176.00
Last Year April 2 & 3 \$4,840.00
Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias**