

## Third Sunday of Easter April 30, 2017

As today's gospel reveals, the first meal shared with the risen Lord happened in a place called Emmaus. Perhaps there is no better time to reflect on this story than in those prayerful moments at Mass when we return to our place after receiving Holy Communion. Those few moments give us an opportunity to reflect on our stewardship of Christ's presence within us. We have a chance to practice hospitality by inviting Jesus into our hearts to walk and talk with us about our own Emmaus journey. We can relive once again the time when he broke bread for the disciples. And just as they did, we too can recognize Christ in this meal we have just shared with others.

### Saturday, April 29, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Anibal Luis †  
Requested by: Carlos & Luisa Luis  
Intention: Leontina Sousa †  
Requested by: Family

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

Intention: Rosemary Mendonca †  
Requested by: Greg & Shirley Vierra

### Sunday, April 30, 2017

#### Third Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m.

Intention: August Martins †  
Requested by: Maria Martins  
Intention of: Randy & Lisa Baptista ☺  
"Happy 25th Anniversary"  
Requested by: Mom & Dad

10:00 a.m.

Intention: All Those Inscribed in the  
Legacy of Faith Book

11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)

Intention: All Living & Deceased  
Members of the P.F.S.A.

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

Intention: People of the Parish

### Monday, May 1, 2017

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass

### Tuesday, May 2, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Francisco & Angelina  
Andrade †  
Requested by: Manuel & Linda  
Andrade

### Wednesday, May 3, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Antonio & Florinda Lopes †  
Requested by: Maria Galhandro

### Thursday, May 4, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Anibal Luis †  
Requested by: Wife & Family

### Friday, May 5, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: All Souls In Purgatory †  
Requested by: Natalie Sousa

**We wish the Shepherd of our  
Flock, Fr. Marcelinus a VERY  
HAPPY & BLESSED Birthday  
this weekend.**

### Saturday, May 6, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Arnold, Carlos & Joao  
Brasil †  
Requested by: Family  
Intention: Anibal Luis †  
Requested by: Carlos & Luisa Luis

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

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

### Sunday, May 7, 2017

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Anone & Maria B. Silva  
and all Deceased Family Members †  
Requested by: Clarence & Mary  
Rocha

10:00 a.m.

Intention: Mary Brindeiro †  
Requested by: Finley Huff Family

11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)

Intention: Committee Members &  
Benefactors of the Casa Dos Acores

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

Intention: People of the Parish

**Please Keep in Your Prayers:** Eliza Alves, Baby Quinten Caetano, Joseph Belo, Jack Betschart, **Maria Bettencourt**, Kari Boutte, Maria Esperanca Brasil, Dan Coelho, Sarah Cox, Tina Deniz, Elvira Freitas, Jared Germann, Alex Gonsalves, Ester Martinez, Maria F. Melo, Riley Rhoads, Joe D. Rocha, Kaylene Rocha, Norman S ilva, 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.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> collection: THIS WEEKEND.** Many dioceses right here in the United States do not have enough priests and trained lay ministers to serve their parishes. These dioceses are known as home missions. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place next weekend, and supports these dioceses by funding essential ministries, including seminary education, and lay ministry training. Please be as generous in this appeal and share your resources to strengthen the Church at home.

## Religious Education News

VBS will take place the week of June 5-9. **There are still 60 spots available for participants.** If you would like to participate turn in a Registration form by May 5<sup>th</sup> to ensure your spot and a T-Shirt.

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

**Come and join BOLD on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>** after the 10AM Mass as preparations are being made for VBS all youth leaders should attend.

**It's that time again, VBS is gathering supplies,** Check out the VBS display at the Church entrance, and be sure to grab a donation slip and help us out with our supplies for VBS.

**1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion will take place Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>** at 10, 2PM, 5PM and 7:00PM. Rehearsal times are as follows: Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> in Stevinson at 7:30pm and 6:00pm in Hilmar for the 5pm Children's Mass and Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the New Church for the 10AM Mass and at 7:30pm for for 2PM. Please note: All those who are participating in family style need to attend rehearsal or have substitutes in place. **Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers needed for 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion on May 13<sup>th</sup>, at 10, 2 and 5pm. If you can help out please call Dina at 632-7163.**

**Sunday CCD will conclude on May 7<sup>th</sup>** and help is needed is providing fruit, milk, and donuts for 60. If you can help out please call Dina at 632-7163.

**Tuesday CCD** will conclude on May 9<sup>th</sup> with a swim party at the Hilmar Pool. Permission slips for the pool must be turned in by May 5<sup>th</sup>. All sessions for grades K-6 are invited to the pool. Grades 1-3 will meet by the Elim Cafeteria and we will walk to the pool. Grades 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> will meet at the tables by their classrooms and then we will walk over. Parent help needed to walk kids over.

## **Keep Moving Forward**

**The Merced-Mariposa Vicariate** invites you to celebrate the **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Fresno and the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima** with Mass on **Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at 6 p.m.**

at the Bowles Ranch Soccer Field  
11609 Hereford Rd., Los Banos with  
Bishop Ochoa presiding.

*Parish organizations are invited to bring their flags/banners to this special Mass to be recognized.*

*For more information, please call the Parish Office.*

### **Our Parish is blessed by many.**

*We take this opportunity to especially thank Oscar Drumonde, Joe Silveira and the Y.M.I. for donating their time, talent and treasure to install the new floor in the Parish Office. After 22 years it had become an eyesore and hazard. This was a very labor intense job and we extend our whole hearted appreciation for a wonderful job well done.*

**The Casa dos Acores** will be holding their annual Festa on the grounds at Holy Rosary Parish next weekend May 6 & 7. We welcome them and wish Mr. & Mrs. Jaime Bettencourt and their respective committee much success with their celebration honoring the Holy Spirit.

**Our Pentecost celebration** is just around the corner (June 4th). A **planning meeting** will take place **Wednesday, May 3,** in the Parish Center. All those wishing to help in this special celebration in any way are asked to attend.

### **Remember Your Mother in a Special Way**

Fr. Marcelinus will be offering a novena of Masses for our Mothers beginning on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Envelopes will be available this weekend in the main church entrance. Simply fill out the small offering envelope and drop it in the basket in front of the Altar May 13 & 14. The card is yours to send to your special mom. Send a gift that lasts-send a *Spiritual Bouquet!*

**Speaking of Mothers, PRE-ORDERS** are now being taken by our local **Pro-Life organization** for beautiful **orchid corsages** for Mother's day. The suggested donation is \$5. Please contact Melissa Wood 535-6236 or Rosemary Ouse 634-1002 to reserve yours. We take this opportunity to thank these ladies for giving of their time and talent in helping with this important cause.

**Bosom Buddies Meeting** will take place **Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m.** in the Parish Center.

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

The committee is now accepting donations for this event. If you can donate items, please drop them off at the Parish Office by May 12<sup>th</sup>.

All proceeds benefit the New Church Building Fund.

**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.

### **Have you signed up for the eScrip Program for all SaveMart/Food Maxx Stores?**

If not please do so by logging on to:

[escrip.com/shares](http://escrip.com/shares)

Sign up for free with a phone number you use at checkout when you shop at Save Mart, or FoodMaxx Supermarkets.

It's never been easier to give back to our New Church with every purchase you make.

We thank all those who have loyally supported the new church by using their S.H.A.R.E.S. cards and we invite you to continue by signing up for the new eScrip program.

### **Our offering collection for April 22 & 23 \$4,848.94**

Last year April 23 & 24  
\$5,560.70

**Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias**