

Twenty-seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time October 8, 2017

Today's Gospel reading poses some challenging stewardship questions. When Christ returns, will we be found working diligently in the Lord's "vineyard;" converting our own hearts into a rich harvest of love and compassion? Calling those outside our vineyard to enter into the joy of the Lord? Or will we just be living, taking advantage of what the Lord has given us, but not doing our part in return? Jesus' parable suggests that if we aren't good stewards of the gifts we've been given then the gifts will be taken away, and we will be called to give an account for our failures. We have all we need for a bountiful harvest. What will our Lord find when He returns?

Saturday, October 7, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention : Jose & Maria Lourenco †

Requested by: Joe Lourenco Family

Intention: Maria Bettencourt †

Requested by: Manuel & Terry Espinola
& Luzia Bettencourt

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

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

Sunday, October 8, 2017

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Franklyn & Dorothy
Matheron †

Requested by: Duane Matheron Family

10:00 a.m.

Intention: Alvaro Gomes †

Requested by: Family

11:30 a.m. (Portuguese)

Intention: Joao Coelho Sr. †

Requested by: Vitalina Coelho Family

Intention of: Constantino & Lilly Sousa ☺

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

Intention: People of the Parish

Monday, October 9, 2017

NO 8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, October 10, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Jose C. Vieira †

Requested by: Maria J. Vieira

Wednesday, October 11, 2017

Intention: Jose I & Jose L. Borges †

Requested by: Madalena Borges

Thursday, October 12, 2017

Intention: Maria S. Machado †

Requested by: Maria E. Martins

Friday, October 13, 2017

8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention of: Josh & Natalie Wilson ☺

"Happy 10th Anniversary"

Requested by: Mom & Dad

Intention: Noemia Mancebo †

Requested: Jose & Nair Dinis

7:30 p.m. Novena Our Lady of the Rosary

Intentions: Past Presidents & their families, Luis Enes, Fatima Dinis, Jose Vieira, Jose Borba, Manuel & Virginia Leal, Otto Coelho & Maria Barros, Manuel Silveira & Manuel Nunes †

Saturday, October 14, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention : Gabriel Oliveira †

Requested by: Parish Community

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

Intention: Michael Pires

Requested by: Mom & Dad & Siblings

Saturday, October 14, 2017(cont.)

7:30 Novena Our Lady of the Rosary

Intention: Jose Pacheco †

Requested by: Tony Pacheco

Intention Maximino & Filomena

Martins & Jose Miguel †

Requested by: Joe & Filomena Pires

Intention: Jose & Gloria Dias, Manuel
& Adelino Enes †

Requested by: Frank & Manuela Enes

Sunday, October 15, 2017

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Louie Estrada †

Requested by: Parish Community

10:00 a.m.

Intention: Tony Santos †

Requested by: Santos Family

NO 11:30 a.m. (Bilingual) Mass due to the evening Novena of O.L.R.

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

Intention: People of the Parish

7:30 Novena Our Lady of the Rosary

Intention: Manuel Nunes, Alberto & Maria Monteiro †

Requested by: Joe & Fatima Monteiro

Intention: Antonio Vieira †

Requested by: Rita Vieira & Family

Intention: Antonio Gomes, Catia

Rocha, Paulo Miguel Borba †

Requested by: Norberto & Rosa Rocha

Please Keep in Your Prayers: Eliza Alves, Vasco & Dina Anacleto, Adrian & Grace Alejandre, Joyce Ebertowski, Joseph Belo, Jack Betschart, Maria Bettencourt, Kari Boutte, Diana Brown, Gloria Casas, Dan Coelho, Sarah Cox, Martin Cruz, , Anne DePalma, Mike Droter Jessica Flynn, Elvira Freitas, **Amelia Garcia**, Jared Germann, Alex Gonsalves, Patrick Leyden, Frank Machado, Ester Martinez, Carmelia Mattas, Maria F. Melo, David Mendonca, Carmen Mora, Matthew Morris, **Jose Nunes**, Maria Mercedes Nunes, **Dan Ramos**, Riley Rhoads, Joe D. Rocha, Kaylene Rocha, Norman Silva, Lucy Silveira, Lily Sousa, Sylvia Souza Mary Suarez, Jeanne Tristant, Marijane Troiani, Jose Rodrigues Vieira, Nora Villarreal 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+

It's time to start thinking about trunk or treat, which will be held on Tuesday, October 31st at Hilmar Covenant Church Grounds. The following items are needed: Candy, cases of water and soda, packages of hotdogs, hotdog buns, and packages of individual bags of chips and cupcakes. Any and donations greatly accepted. We will also need help running the snack bar, and someone to be in charge of the games. If you would like to help please call Dina 632-7163.

Trunks needed for Trunk or treat. If you would like to decorate your trunk and hand out candy. Please sign up with Dina.

Bodo De Leite – The traditional cow parade will take place on **Saturday, Oct. 21st at 11:00AM.** We are in need of girls and boys to be in the Bodo De Leite to pass out sweet bread. If you are interested please sign up in the CCD office.

1st Year Confirmation Students please begin making your parent/student interview appointments. You can call the CCD office at 632-7163. All appointments need to be completed by November 15th.

2nd Year Confirmation Students please turn in your Sponsor forms by Wednesday, Oct. 11th.

5th Graders in Mrs. Gonzales' Tuesday class will be in charge of the 10AM Mass on Sunday, Oct. 29th. Parts will be going home this week. Please plan now on attending.

Help needed for the following dates to feed the homeless at the Gospel Mission and We Care: Oct. 25th, Nov. 8th, Dec. 13 and Dec. 27th. If you would like to commit to one of the above dates please call Lisa Betschart at 652-9611.

We also need paper plates, cups, utensils, and napkins for 60 people. Your help and support is greatly needed and appreciated.

We Congratulate the newest member of our Catholic Faith Community who is being baptized this weekend: **Emery Faye King** daughter of Anthony and Cynthia. We pray that she and her family will continue to grow in faith and in the love of Jesus as they remain close to His church.

The 2017 Committee Members for Our Lady of the Rosary upcoming celebration:

President: Jose Manuel & Iria Martins
Vice President: Tony & Cidalia Druomonde
Secretary: Ines Vieira
Treasurer: Mary Xavier

*Our celebration is just around the corner **October 13^h – October 22nd**. Please remember this celebration needs many hands and talents. Offer your time to honor our blessed Mother by contacting any member of the committee to volunteer. **Items are now being collected for the Bazaar & Auction.***

Attention Boys and Girls

We are in need of 12 girls ages 6-8 (dresses are provided) and 2 boys ages 8-10 (must wear white shirt and black slacks) to help carry the Rosary for the annual celebration of Our Lady of the Rosary Festa, **Sunday, Oct 22.** Please call Anna Cabral at 667-8961 if your child would like to participate in this special parade.

Angels Needed

We are in need of little girls ages 3-6 to be angels in the procession on **Sunday, Oct. 22.** For more information please contact Maria Almada at 346-6128.

Holy Rosary Altar Society would like to take this opportunity to thank the **Frank Miguel Family** for their years of service in participating on a cleaning team. We thank all of their members for their time and talent in helping to keep our church looking beautiful. **This now leaves a space open for anyone who would like this opportunity to serve in this special ministry.** A team can consist of 7 or more members who would be responsible to clean the new church every 2 months. If you would like to volunteer please call Carmel Caetano 668-0795.

For Your Information: If you have attended the 10 am Mass lately, you may have noticed someone new. We would like to welcome **Sue Lackey** and her Diabetic Alert Dog, Channing. Channing is a six year old black lab that is specially trained to help Sue in many ways including giving a trained signal to alert her to low or high blood sugar levels. Channing is not a pet and is on active duty while at Mass. Please welcome Sue who attends mass with her daughter Patricia and Patricia's mother-in-law Madeline.

We welcome Rev. Father Roberto Cabral of San Miguel, Azores who will be here to celebrate the Our Lady of the Rosary Novenas and Festa. Novenas will be celebrated in Portuguese all are welcome and encouraged to attend as we join together to honor our blessed Mother.

A Message from Bishop Ochoa
As we celebrate our 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Fresno, we are looking to examine how we as People of God are living and sharing the Gospel today. Our diocese is asking you to share your dreams, challenges, and lived realities through completing the SAPP survey or Siempre Adelante Pastoral Plan survey. This online survey is for everyone ages 13 and older and can be done on your computer or smart phone. Please take one card per family, go to the link and take the survey individually, and pass the card along to your friends and family to do the same. Your answers will remain anonymous. Thank you for sharing your time, talents and gifts to the greater church community. **Cards are available from any usher or at church entrances.**

Special Collection will be taken up Next weekend for World Mission Sunday for the Propagation of the faith. Your vital contributions to the Pontifical Mission Societies will support those young mission dioceses and communities who await the "Good News" of Jesus as their saving hope. Please be as generous as you can.

Our offering collection for September 30 & October 1st
\$4,481.00
Last year October 1 & 2 \$3,995.00

Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias
Please remember to use your contribution number on all donations made.