

## Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 24, 2017

In today's Gospel reading we hear proclaimed the story of the Annunciation, when the angel of the Lord announced to Mary that she would give birth to Christ through the intercession of the Holy Spirit. Mary allowed God's messenger to speak to her. She was attentive, not afraid to enter into a dialogue, then unconditionally obedient. Mary's acceptance of this mystery is a stewardship model for us. Good stewards remain open to the incursions of divine life into the normal course of their daily lives. How open are we to the promptings of the Holy Spirit in our own lives? What might we do this last week of Advent to be more attentive to the Lord?

### Saturday, December 23, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Louis F. Terra †

Requested by: Jorge & Bernadette  
Vieira

Intention: Esperanca M. Brasil

Requested by: Brasil Family

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

Intention: Manuel I&Luisa A Brasil†

Requested by: Console Family

### Sunday, December 24, 2017

#### *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Antonio S. Caetano †

Requested by: Veber & Ana Caetano

10:00 a.m.

Intention :Filomena C Fontes †

Requested by: John Fontes Family

11:30 a.m. (Portuguese)

Intention: Alice Sabastiao †

Requested by: John Alves Family

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

Intention: People of the Parish



*Come Let  
Us Adore  
Him*

#### *5:00 p.m. Vigil of Christmas*

Intention: Joaquin Mancebo

Requested by: Wife

**Midnight Mass**

Intention: All Souls in Purgatory

Requested by: Maria F. Mello

### Monday, December 25, 2017

Nativity of the Lord

"Happy Birthday Jesus"

8:00 a.m. St. Mary's

Intention: Eduardina Silveira †

Requested by: Debie Montoya

10:00 a.m.

Intention: Manuel C. Souza †

Requested by: Family

### Tuesday, December 26, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Arnold, Carlos & Joao Brasil †

Requested by: Libania Brasil

Intention: Alice Sabastino †

Requested by: Teresa Jeneiro

### Wednesday, December 27, 2017

8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention: Domingos Bertao &

Maria L. Batista †

Requested by: Joao & Maria Bertao

Intention: Manuel L. Machado Jr. †

Requested by: Family

### Thursday, Thursday 28, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Alberto M. Dias †

Requested by: Louie & Julie Barroso

Intention: Filomena Vieira †

Requested by: Maria J. Vieira

### Friday, December 29, 2017

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Esperanca Brasil †

Requested by: Clarence Silveira Family

Intention: Deceased Family Members †

Requested by: Joaquin & Rosa Fraga

7:00 p.m. S.A.L.T.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### Saturday, December 30, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Joao DaRocha †

Requested by: Wife & Family

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

Intention: Joaquin Mancebo †

Requested by: Celina Mancebo

### Sunday, December 31, 2017

#### *Feast of the Holy Family*

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Adelino M. Dias †

Requested by: Gino & Debbie  
Almeida

10:00 a.m.

Intention :For All Those Inscribed in  
the Legacy of Faith Book

11:30 a.m. (Portuguese)

Intention: Antonio, Rosa &

Emily Silveira †

Requested by: Manuel & Maria  
Silveira

Intention: Carlos M. Dias †

Requested by: John & Fatima Dias

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

Intention: People of the Parish

**Please note: Beginning January 2, 2018 the Tuesday morning 8 a.m. Mass will be changed to 6 p.m. in the evening in the Mission Church. This gives those an opportunity to make a daily Mass in the evening if they are unable to make morning Mass due to work schedules.**

**Please Keep in Your Prayers:** Eliza Alves, Vasco & Dina Anacleto, Adrian & Grace Alejandre, Lisa Baptista, Joyce Ebertowski, Joseph Belo, Jack Betschart, Kari Boutte, Diana Brown, Gloria Casas, Jose & Maria Caetano, Dan Coelho, Vitalina Coelho, Sarah Cox, Mike Droter, Jessica Flynn, Elvira Freitas, Amelia Garcia, Jared Germann, Maria Gonsalves, Alex Gonsalves, Patrick Leyden, Frank Machado, Ester Martinez, Carmelia Mattas, Maria F. Melo, David Mendonca, Carmen Mora, Bob Morales, Matthew Morris, Greg Nunes, Jose Nunes, Maria Mercedes Nunes, Dan Ramos, Riley Rhoads, Joe D. Rocha, Cassie Ruben, Norman Silva, Antonio Soares, Lily Sousa, Sylvia Souza Mary Suarez, Jeanne Tristant, 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+

**1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation Students mark your calendars.** You and your sponsors have a retreat on **Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** from 8:30-4:30pm

***Walk For Life*** will take place on **Saturday January 27<sup>th</sup>**. We will be taking a bus. Watch the bulletin for more information.

***Children's Ministry*** takes places on Sunday's during the 10am Mass. **We are in need of leaders.** If you would like to lead this group, please call Dina at 632-7163.

### **CCD is on Christmas Break**

Till the week of January 7<sup>th</sup>. We will resume regular sessions beginning on Sunday January 7<sup>th</sup>. Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!

### **Children's Gift Donors**

We express our sincere appreciation to the following families who donated the Children's gifts in memory of their loved ones: Leroy & Arlene Vierra in loving memory of **Mary & Shauna Vierra**, Lucy Silveira in loving memory of **Manuel Silveira**, Shirley & Greg Vierra in loving memory of **Leonel & Rosemary Mendonca and John & Louise Vierra**, Delores Mendes in loving memory of **Joe L. Mendes Jr.**, and Frank & Frances Miguel in loving memory of **Frank & Emily Mello and Frank & Maria Miguel**.

Net – National Evangelization Team will be here on Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> & Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>. To facilitate mini retreats for the youth of our parish. We are in need of 6 families for each day to host young adults (2 per house). This includes feeding them dinner and breakfast. If you could help for one or both days your help would greatly be appreciated. Please call Dina 632-7163.

We thank the families who donated the beautiful Poinsettias to beautify our Churches for this Christmas season in memory/honor of their loved ones:

Gabriel Oliveira  
Manuel C. Souza  
Antone & Maria B. Silva(2)  
Lawrence & Adeline Rocha  
George, Dave & Ken Heilman  
Bill Cayer  
Manuel D. Silveira Jr.  
Manuel & Maria Silveira  
John & Dalia Toste  
Ben Pacheco  
John & Mary Rocha  
Joaquin & Albertina Ramos  
Raymond & Patricia Campbell  
Manuel Lima  
Frank A. & Mary M. Vierra (3)  
Joe L. Mendes  
Joe C. & Mary Mendes  
Joe V. & Mary B. Toste  
Stephen & Amelia Serpa  
Joe & Mamie Carvalho  
Tony Vaz  
Albert & Geraldine "Tiny" Baptista  
Joe & Evelyn Nicholas  
John & Anna Baptista  
Joe & Margaret Vaz  
Antonio Rocha

All Deceased family members of Dave & Tina Deniz (2)

Cleo Katsounakis (2)  
Thomas F. Locke (2)  
Manuel B. Cunha

Frank & Mary Brindeiro (2)  
Franklyn & Dorothy Matheron  
A.V. & Fritz Bettencourt  
John & Maria Vitoria

All Deceased family members of  
Frank & Darlene Victoria  
John Victoria

Maximino & Filomena Pires (2)  
Jeanette Pires

Jose Mariano Noronha  
Urbano Nascimento  
Joe & Aurora Coelho  
Joe & Josephine Fernandes  
Dominic Coelho & Dominic Jr.  
Karen Mott

Jose Galhandro  
Jose Pacheco

Deceased family members of  
Nelson & Celina Alves (2)

Harold DePalma  
Jose & Maria Borba  
John & Matilde Martins  
Luis & Eleanor Nunes

Clotilde Mendes  
Charles Martin Jr.  
Esperanca Brasil

All Deceased Family Members of  
Frank & Maria Amarante

Derek Rocha & All Deceased family Members of  
Carlos & Tina Rocha

Antonio & Olinda Enes  
Bill, John & Robert Cox (3)  
Jack & Florie Lathrop

Deceased Miguel & Melo Family Members  
~In Honor~

Ann DePalma  
Jose & Maria Lourenco Family  
Richard Ellington Family (5)  
Grandma & Grandpa Miguel

Godparents of Emily, Sawyer & Finlee Wilson

**Attention Angels young and older...** Next weekend is piggy dumping weekend and there will also be a second collection for the new church. We are truly thankful for your continued generosity.

**SALT** Young Adult group at Holy Rosary Church invites everyone to the **Eucharistic Adoration** last Friday December 29 at 7 p.m. in the New Church. Please come and join us as we spend an hour with the most Blessed Sacrament to give thanks for the blessings received this past year and to pray for peace this New Year. Open to everyone from different parishes and those of all ages.

**EPIPHANY CELEBRATION will be held January 7, 2018** beginning with the 11:30 Mass where children are asked to bring a gift to offer to Baby Jesus. These items will later be auctioned at the Parish Hall during an afternoon of fellowship and entertainment and delicious food. Please join us in this special celebration!

**THANK YOU...** From

Fr. Marcelinus & Staff to all those parishioners who remember us by bringing delicious goodies and thoughtful gifts as well as beautiful Christmas Cards. We enjoyed them throughout the busy days of preparation around the parish. Thank you one and all for your generosity!

Please pick up a copy of the **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Special Edition Central California Catholic Life magazine** available at all church entrances. As the anniversary celebration comes to a close, please continue to pray for our Diocese and all its ministries.

**Our offering collection for  
December 16 & 17 \$4,323.00  
December 17 & 18 \$4,221.50**

**Thank you, Obrigado &  
Gracias**