

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ February 11, 2018

All three readings, today teach us that we are called to become pure and holy. But we don't become holy by some ritual observances. We become holy by confessing our sins to the God and offering our lives for God's glory by sharing God's love with everyone around us without discriminating against anyone on the basis of color, race, culture, religion, life style or social status.

Saturday, February 10, 2018

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Antonio & Olinda Enes & Derek Rocha †

Requested by: John & Fatima Dias

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

Intention: Jimmy Brindeiro †

Requested by: August & Bernice Short

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7:30 a.m.

Intention: George, Ken, & Dave Heilman †

Requested by: Michael & Filomena Heilman

10:00 a.m.

Intention : MaryAnn Moles †

Requested by: Maria Borba

11:30 a.m. (Portuguese)

Intention : Bernardo Nunes & Eduino Gomes †

Requested by: Manuel & Maria Gomes

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

Intention: People of the Parish

Monday, February 12, 2018

No 8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Intention: Derek Rocha †

Requested by: Parents

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Ash Wednesday

7:00 a.m. (New Church)

Intention: Filomena Avila †

Requested by: Maria May

5:30 p.m. St. Mary's

Intention: Joao L. & Teresa Bettencourt †

Requested by: Isidro Bettencourt

7:00 p.m. (New Church)

Intention: Louis N. & Louis F. Terra †

Requested by: Alan & Mary Oliveira

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption. The ashes are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented by exposure to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. His Divine mercy is of utmost importance during the season of Lent, and the Church calls on us to seek that mercy during the entire Lenten season with reflection, prayer and penance.

Thursday, February 15, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Manuel Barros †

Requested: Parish Community

Intention: Austin M. Cabral ☺

"Happy 21st Birthday"

Requested by: Family

Friday, February 16, 2018

NO 8 a.m. Mass

6:00 p.m. Stations & Mass

New Church

Intention: Humberta Fontes †

Requested by: Armelim & Leonor Silveira

Saturday, February 17, 2018

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Matthew Freitas †

Requested by: Family

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

Intention: Joaquin & Rose Borges †

Requested by: Greg & Shirley Vierra

Sunday, February 18, 2018

First Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m.

Intention: Antonio Moitoso †

Requested by: Joe & Elmira Machado

10:00 a.m.

Intention : Egidio Almeida †

Requested by: Family

11:30 a.m. (Portuguese)

Intention : Lucia Lopes †

Requested by: Amelia Lemos

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

Intention: People of the Parish

Attention Families who have designated Mass Intentions for weekend Masses, we ask that a representative from the family bring up the offertory during Mass. If there are multiple intentions, we ask that one representative from each intention come up for the offertory by coming to the gift table where the ushers are.

AS WE BEGIN THE NEW YEAR, WE WILL REFRESH OUR PRAYER LIST. PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE IF ADDITIONAL PRAYERS ARE NEEDED FOR THOSE WHO WERE LISTED AND WISH TO REMAIN ON THE LIST.

Please Keep in Your Prayers: Eliza Alves, Lisa Baptista, Maria F. Caetano, Jared Germann, Josephina Martins, Jordan Ouse, Maria Rocha & Jeannie Tristant. *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+

Shipwrecked rescued by Jesus is coming June 4-8, 2018, and concluding Mass on June 10th at 10AM. Mark your calendars and plan now on attending.

Confirmation will take place on Saturday, February 24th at 10AM and rehearsal is Thursday, Feb. 22nd at 6:30 p.m.

Raffle prizes needed for the CCD Raffle. Examples: Coffee pots, gift cards and gift baskets, toys, small electronics, T.V.'s, etc. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office. Thank you in advance for your support..

Due to the long presidents weekend there will be NOCCD Tuesday, Feb. 13th, Wednesday, Feb. 14th, Thursday, Feb. 15th and Sunday, Feb. 18th. CCD resumes the week of Feb. 20th.

The Tradition of giving Lent & Easter gifts during Mass continues. We are now accepting donations for those gifts in memory or honor of a loved one. The gifts will be labeled accordingly. If you would to be a sponsor please call Dina at 632-7163. These gifts will be given to every child that is in attendance during the weekend Masses.

We Thank, Celia Mancebo, Michelle Olson, Julia Silva, Sandy Smith and Arlene Vierra for helping out with 1st Reconciliation. Your help was greatly appreciated.

We Thank Holy Rosary's Y.M.I. and The Our Lady of the Rosary Celebration for helping sponsor the bus for Walk for Life. Thank you for your support.

First Communion parents meeting regarding the banners and first Holy Communion will take place **Tuesday, March 6th at 6:30pm** for parents only in the parish hall.

Altar Society thanks everyone who supported the Filhos sale this past weekend, by making donations, purchasing and especially all those who gave their time and talent to produce the delicious filhos for all to enjoy! The sale netted \$3,509.16

Lent Is Just Around the Corner

We will once again be having our traditional Lenten Soup Suppers in the Hall after the Stations of the Cross. We reach out to our parish organizations to help with these suppers. Please call Anna to sign up for a Friday of your choice. We thank our organization in advance for their time, talent and treasure.

We thank the ladies of the Y.L.I. who will be hosting Friday, February 16th.

RCIA Update:

Our Catechumen and Candidate for coming into Full Communion celebrate their next Rite this Sunday, ***Rite of Sending to Election***. On February 21 at 7:00 p.m. they will be at St. Patrick's in Merced for the ***Rite of Election*** with Bishop Ochoa. Our Parish prayers for them and their Sponsors are greatly needed and appreciated now and always. We are all one family in Christ.

Annual Parish Portuguese Retreat is set for February 17 & 18. Everyone is invited to participate and renew themselves spiritually and grow in faith. The theme is "*Why is my soul sad? Trust in God*". We welcome for the first time. **Fr. Evandro Marques Landri**, who will be leading this retreat (in Portuguese) along with **Paulino & Lucia Ribeiro**. The retreat will begin with Mass on Saturday, Feb. 17th at 8:00 a.m. and Sunday Feb. 18th. We will close with Mass on both days. For more information please call Iria at 634-9653.

Scripture Study will resume.....

Thursday February 22nd 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the CCD Classroom #2 All are welcome and encouraged to attend. We take this opportunity to thank Dave Barcellos for leading this important ministry.

Have A New Baby??

Our next Pre-Baptismal class will be held **Thursday, February 15th at 7:00 p.m.** in the parish center. Please pre-register by filling out the registration forms.

THIS WEEKEND February 10 & 11 we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio and print media. Half of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to support local efforts. Thank you for doing your part by supporting this campaign to spread the gospel message and support the collection today!

SAVE THE DATE

Fish Dinner and Auction on March 9th. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults. The delicious menu includes: deep fried marinated tuna (only available here), pan fried fish fillet, white and sweet potato, rice pudding, corn and white bread, salad and wine. Drive thru take outs served from 5:00 – 6:30pm and dinner will be served 7:00-9:00pm. **Tickets will be available after all Masses February 24 & 25 and March 3 & 4.** Please show your continued support by purchasing your tickets for this delicious meal available only once a year.

Volunteers Needed to help at Masses in the Audio/Video room.

We are looking for volunteers to operate the system for Masses. If you are interested in helping with this important ministry please call Michael Machado 410-2522 or Michelle Machado at 410-2557.

Our offering collection for February 3&4 \$4,624.50
Last year: February 4 & 5 \$5,090.50.

Contributions statements are now available by calling the parish office.

Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias!