

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ February 4, 2018

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

Saturday, February 3, 2018

5:00 p.m.

Intention: Joe & Leotina Sousa †

Requested by: Manuel & Leonette
Andre

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

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

Sunday, February 4, 2018

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m.

Intention:Helen & Edmond Barrett †

Requested by: Christopher & Sandra
Freeberg

10:00 a.m.

Intention : Manuel Barros †

Requested by: Bernice Toste

Intention of: Ricardo Perez Cruz
Family

11:30 a.m. (Portuguese)

Intention : Celestino & Jose Borges †

Requested by: Family

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

Intention: People of the Parish

Monday, February 5, 2018

No 8:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Intention: Carlos C. Souza †

Requested by: Ida Souza

6:30 p.m. First Reconciliation
(New Church)

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Intention: Humberto Silva †

Requested by: Brindeiro & Cox
Families

Intention: Mark F. Brindeiro
"Happy Birthday"

Requested by: Luke & John Brindeiro

Thursday, February 8, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Intention:Antone & Maria B. Silva †

Requested: Clarence & Mary Rocha

11:30 a.m. Senior Day Mass

Intention: Manuel, Jose & Laurentino
Rocha

Requested by: Rosa Fagundes

Friday, February 9, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Intention:Jose Aguiar †

Requested by: Manuel & Arminda Silva

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

Sunday, February 11, 2018

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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, 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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

"Is anyone sick among you? Let them call for the elders of the church, and they should pray over the sick and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. This prayer made in faith will save the sick, and if they have committed any sins, they will be forgiven." Letter of James 5:14-15. This New Testament passage is the basis for our Sacrament of the *Anointing of the Sick*. It is clearly intended to be a prayer of the community for healing and forgiveness. For some centuries, it came to be seen as "last rites" only for those near death. However, in recent years, its original meaning has been appreciated once again. Anyone who is seriously ill, made infirm by age or is about to undergo surgery may request this sacrament. For those near death, the true "last rites" is the *Viaticum*, literally "food for the journey": the Holy Eucharist given to those near death to nourish them for eternal life. Please remember to advise the Parish office whenever the sacrament is needed for a loved one or friend.

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 6:30pm..

Snacks: If you have extra cups, napkins, punch, cookies or crackers the Religious Education program is always in need of these items. You can drop off at the parish office or the church entrances.

Wednesday Night CCD will be meeting on Feb. 7th from 6:30-8:40pm. The NET Team will be here to facilitate a mini retreat for the youth of our parish.

Thank You to the following people for helping with the Net Retreats. There are many aspects into putting on a retreat from hosting the group for the evening and day, to feeding, refreshments and help with setting up and clean up. Thank you to all the Jr. & Sr. High Teacher's , the Bold Facilitators, **John & MaryKay Leonardo, Odelta & Armelim Cardoso, Matt & Mary Beaman, Natalie & Josh Wilson, Joe & Judy Souza, John Souza, Lucy Silveira, Sylvia Vargas, Mike & Marlene Lisle, Shelly Jericoff, Antonio & Ana Barcellos** and an anonymous donor. Your help and support is greatly appreciated.

First Reconciliation will take place on Tuesday, Feb. 6th at 6:30pm in the New Church. Please be at the Church by 6:25 and seated in your pew. Children are asked to dress in there Sunday attire.

We thank Arminda Machado, and Luisiana Drumonde for helping out last weekend with the First Year Confirmation Retreat. Your time and talent was greatly appreciated.

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..

Altar Society will be selling hot delicious **Filhos this Sunday February 4th Super Bowl Sunday.** Please support the wonderful work that our Altar Society provides all year long by purchasing a dozen! Thank you for your support.

Hilmar Helping Hands...

thanks our parish community for helping the pantry by contributing to the monthly appeal. With your help they served over 6,172 people with over 2,506 boxes of food to people of our Hilmar and Stevinson community. As in the past we will begin our weekly Lenten food collection beginning on February 17 & 18. Thank you for helping with this important ministry.

It's that time of year when we reach out to you for the Annual Bishops Appeal.

The Bishops appeal began back in 2005, however our parish did not solicit our parishioners to participate as we had begun our own campaign to begin our NEW CHURCH, therefore the parish paid our goal from the parish savings each year. As we did last year, we are reaching out to you to help fulfill this obligation. Any amount received over our obligation will be given directly back to our parish to use for our needs. To help reach this goal we will replace the monthly second collection for the new church with the Bishop's Appeal. **50% of the Bishop's appeal is earmarked for Seminarian/Vocations. They are the future of the Church. The balance will be divided equally between Youth and Young Adult Ministry and Family Life Ministry.** We thank you in advance for your continued support and generosity to our parish and Diocese.

Annual Parish Portuguese Retreat is set for February 10 & 11. 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. 10th at 8:00 a.m. and Sunday Feb. 11th. We will close with Mass on both days. For more information please call Iria at 634-9653.

Attention Senior Citizens

Join us for our monthly gathering on **Thursday, February 8th beginning with the recitation of the Rosary at 11:00 a.m.** followed by a delicious luncheon & Bingo in the Parish Hall. Remember, this is open to ALL senior citizens free of charge

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.

NEXT WEEKEND February 10 & 11 Catholic Communications

Campaign special collection will be taken. This campaign connects people with Christ, here and around the world in developing countries, through the internet, television, radio and print media. And fifty percent of funds collected remain in our diocese to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message?

Bosom Buddies- Hilmar Cancer Support Group will meet on **Monday, February 5th** beginning at 6 p.m. at the Parish Center.

Our offering collection for January 27 & 28 \$4,167.00

Last year: January 28 & 29 \$3,966.00
2nd collection for our New Church was \$1,557.00

We take this opportunity to thank those parishioners who have re-evaluated their weekly contribution to the plate, and ask those who have not yet to please prayerfully consider it for this coming year of 2018. It makes a huge difference in our bottom line. Thank you for your continued support to your CHURCH.

Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias!