Fifth Sunday of Lent ~ March 18, 2018

"I will be their God and they shall be my people." - JEREMIAH 31:33

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our neighbors and the world, just as God cares for us.

<u>Saturday, March 17, 2018</u>

5:00 p.m. Intention: Francisco Feliciano Requested by: Wife & Family

7:00 p.m. (St. Mary's) Intention: MaryAnn Moles **†** Requested by: Calvin Tavares Family

<u>Sunday, March 18, 2018</u> Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Intention :Alberto Robledo ♥ Requested by: Family

10:00 a.m.

Intention : Hilary Brindeiro 🕈 Requested by: Finley Huff Family

11:30 a.m. (Portuguese) Intention:Ulberto Bettencourt Ramos ♥ Requested by: Wife

6:30 p.m. (Spanish/St. Mary's) Intention: People of the Parish <u>Monday, March 19, 2018</u> No 8:00 a.m. Mass

<u>Tuesday, March 20, 2018</u> 6:00 p.m. Intention: Jose Brasil Bento ₽ Requested by: Grandaughter & Family

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

8:00 a.m. Intention: Tony Garcia ♥ Requested by: Hazel Santos

Thursday, March 22, 2018

8:00 a.m. Intention: Manuel & Filomena Vieira ♥ Requested: Maria J. Vieira

Friday, March 23, 2018

NO 8 a.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Stations & Mass New Church

Intention: Zelia Azevedo 🕈 Requested by: Cremilde Fontes

<u>Saturday, March 24, 2018</u>

5:00 p.m. Intention: Al Gundersen ♥ Requested by: Kathy Macklin

7:00 p.m. (St. Mary's) Intention: Lisa Baptista ♥ Requested by: Family

<u>Sunday, March 25, 2018</u> Palm Sunday

7:30 a.m. Intention :People of the Parish

10:00 a.m. Intention : For All Those Inscribed in the Legacy of Faith Book

11:30 a.m. (Portuguese) Intention:Maria L. Nunes ♥ Requested by: Joe & Mary Monteiro

6:30 p.m. (Spanish/St. Mary's) Intention: Alice Amaral ₽ Requested by: Family

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Lent/Easter 2018

 Monday, March 19th 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. (Portuguese/English)

 Tuesday, March 20th
 7:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m. (English)

 Saturday, March 24th
 4:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m. (English)

 Saturday, March 24th
 (Stevinson)6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. (English)

HOLY THURSDAY ~March 29 English /Portuguese 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Last Supper Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY~ March 30th 2:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross followed by Solemn Good Friday Liturgy

<u>Please Keep in Your Prayers:</u> Joao Avelar, Eliza Alves, Violet Brazil, Maria F. Caetano, Jared Germann, Doris Krikorian, Josephina Martins, Esther Martinez, Gloria Jean Mendes, Carmen Moura, Jordan Ouse, Maria Rocha, Jeannie Tristant & Anthony Vierra. *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.*

Next Weekend the 2nd Collection will be taken for the Annual Bishops 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.

<u>+Religious Education News+</u> 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.

First Communion parents who missed the meeting on March 6th need to contact Dina at 632-7163.

Easter Bunny looking for assistant: We are in need of plastic filled

Easter eggs, and prizes for each age group. Prizes can be large chocolate bunnies, jump ropes, stuffed animals, etc. You Can drop off your donations at the Parish Center Mon-Thurs 8-12 & 1-3 p.m. or during CCD class times.

In need of empty paper towel and toilet paper rolls for VBS

Wednesday Night CCD Schedule for 7th, 8th \neq 1st Year Confirmation is as follows: March 21, and April 11th \Rightarrow 25th. 1st Year Confirmation Students Can set up appointment to prayer test before and after Class on these dates. Please Call the CCD Office at 632-7163 to set up an appointment.

CCD Students are selling Raffle tickets. Raffle will be held on Sunday, April 1^{st} , tickets will be sold after all Masses the weekend of March 25^{th} .

Children's Easter Mass practice will take place on Tuesday, March 20th at 5:20pm in the new Church. If any Child would like a reading part or to be an usher please attend this practice.

1st Holy Communion Banners are due back the week of <u>April 22-26.</u> <u>Last day to turn in banner is April</u> 26. Please join us for the remaining Stations of the Cross Friday March 23 at 6:00 p.m. followed by Mass in the New Church. A Soup Supper will be served by the S.P.R.S.I. following Mass.

We extend a Special Thank You to the 2017 Committee of Our Lady of the Rosary for their contribution of \$160,000.00 to the parish fund. We especially thank Jose Manuel & Iria Martins, their committee and all the volunteers for all their hard work in making this possible. We Congratulate the Our Lady of the Rosary 2018 Committee;

President: Tony and Cidalia Drumonde Vice President: Leroy & Arlene Vierra Secretary: Ines & Antonio Vieira Treasurer: Mary Xavier

We thank them in advance for their willingness to take part in this very special celebration honoring our Blessed Mother and wish them much success as they begin preparations for this year's Festa.

Hilmar Helping Hands takes this opportunity to thank the Parishioners of Holy Rosary/St. Mary's Parish for their continued generosity, especially during this Lenten season of alms giving. We are extremely grateful for ALL the donations. These much need staples will help us to restock our pantry shelves. Our monthly appeal will continue the last Sunday of each month.

Thank you again for helping the less fortunate families of our community.

Easter Lilies & Ferns....

will be available from the Altar Society if you would like to donate one in memory or honor of a family member or friend. The donation is \$10 for lilies & \$15 for ferns. The plants will help to beautify our churches during this Easter Season. Please call the parish office to reserve yours!

CONGRATULATIONS....

We congratulate

The Most Reverend Myron J. Cotta, D.D. as the Sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Stockton. His installation was officially celebrated March 15th at St. Stanislaus Church in Modesto. We wish him God's blessings as he begins this new journey in serving the people of God.

If anyone would like to sends cards, the address is as follows:

Most Rev. Myron J. Cotta Bishop of the Diocese of Stockton 212 N. San Joaquin St. Stockton, Ca 95202

Everyone Had Fish Friday Night!

We extend our gratitude to everyone who worked so hard to make the Annual Fish Dinner so successful. We especially thank all those who organized the many aspects of this important fund raiser. It is no easy task to prepare all those meals in a short period of time. We are truly blessed to have the time and talents of so many to make this and all of our fund raising efforts possible. The event numbers to follow.

Thank you to the Whist Card Party volunteers. We also thank all those who supported the event by donating items, purchasing tickets and attending. The event netted over \$8,039.00 for our New Church. Your time, talent and treasure are truly appreciated.

Attention Angels – Next weekend is piggy dumping weekend. Please remember to bring your piggy banks to Mass. We are blessed by your continued generosity.

SAVE THE DATES

Mark your calendar for the 10th Annual Bunco Event scheduled for Sunday, April 22, 2018.

The committee is now accepting donations for this event. If you can donate items, please drop them off at the Parish Office. All proceeds benefit the New Church Building Fund.

A Night in Nigeria

In place of the Luau, SALT will be hosting the fun Nigerian inspired event to benefit our Church, Friday, **July 27th** at the Vierra's. More information to follow.

Monthly Finance Report

Our Revenues for the month of February (plate collection, rental fee, weddings & Baptisms Totaled \$21,869.50 Our expenses for February (utilities, Diocesan & Education Assessments, Property Taxes, repairs, maintenance, office & church expense, payroll, payroll taxes & insurance Totaled \$30,790.31 Bottom Line \$-8,920.81

Our offering collection for March 10 & 11 \$4,888.50 Last year February 11 & 12 \$ 4,886.00 2nd **Collection \$980.00** *Thank you, Obrigado & Gracias!*