Feast of the Holy Family December 29, 2019

We may not always be as successful as we would like, but as parents we try to create some stability for our children. It must have been hard for Mary and Joseph to bring their child into the world in such a hurried and rustic environment. Barely had the child been born and visited by the Magi, when the Holy Family made a late-night escape through unfamiliar territory to an even more unfamiliar land they would call home until Herod died. At the news of Herod's death, Joseph moved his young family back to Israel, but to a still different place from where he called home. The movement of our lives may not be as dramatic and life-threatening as that of the Holy Family, but it surely helps us to know that the presence of God is the one continuous thread that binds us together no matter where we are.

Saturday, December 28, 2019

4:30 p.m.

Intention: Joe V. Maria L. Lourenco **†** Requested by: Gregg Souza Family Intention: Eric Ouse **†** Requested by: Greg & Maria Ouse Intention: Hazel Santos **†** Requested by: Fernando & Mary Rodrigues Intention: Firmildo Espinola **†** Requested by: Wife & Family

NO 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary's Stevinson

Sunday, December 29, 2019 Feast of the Holy Family 7:30 a.m. Intention: People of the Parish 11:00 a.m. Intention: John Nunes Requested by: Family Intention: Frank A. & Mary M. Vierrat Requested by: Kevin Locke Family 12:30 p.m. Portuguese Intention: Jose Anacleto & Rosa Leonardo 🕈 Requested by: Wagner & Zelia Caetano Intention: Jose, Elvira & Jose G. Oliveti Bertao & All Souls 🕈 Requested by: Gabriela Rodrigues

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

<u>Tuesday, December 31, 2019</u> 10 a.m. Rosary/Funeral for John Faria

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

Solemnity of Mary

Happy 2020!

9:00 a.m. New Church Intention: Laurentina M. Raposo **‡**

Requested by: Ouse Family

Friday, January 3, 2020 8:00 a.m. Mass- New Church Intention: Joao Batista, Lurdes & Domingos Bertao ♥ Requested by: Joao & Maria Bertao Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5:00 p.m. New Church Chapel

<u>Confessions 5p.m. to 6:00 p.m.</u> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Come spend some quite time in the Presence of Our Lord Adoration takes place <u>every Friday</u> from 9 to 5. Please consider signing up for an hour of prayer every week.

<u>Saturday, January 4, 2020</u>

4:30 p.m. Intention:Frank A. & Mary M. Vierra ♥ Requested by:Kevin Locke Family

NO 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Mary's Stevinson

> <u>Sunday, January 5, 2020</u> Epiphany of the Lord

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

10:00 a.m. Intention: For All those Inscribed in the Legacy of Faith Book. Intention: Jose S. & Maria Machado♥ Requested by: Joe & Elmira Machado Intention:Hazel Santos♥ Requested by: Don & Mary Swanson

11:30 p.m. Portuguese
Intention: Joao & Matilde Martins ♥
Requested by: Maria S. Coelho
Intention: Frank Homen ♥
Requested by:Mike & Marlene Lisle

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

Let us remember and pray for our <u>beloved departed</u>, especially for John Faria that they may receive the abundant fruit of God's presence and also for their loved ones that they may receive God's consolation and peace at this difficult time.

<u>Please Keep in Your Prayers:</u> Roxy Abrams, Eliza Alves, Joao Avila, Olivia Avila, Maria Apolinario, Jim Baballe, Charles Bausano, Rui & Maria Belo, Isidoro Bettencourt, Rebecca Bennett, Maurice Brindeiro, Leonor Brasil, Barbara Cappel, Ann DePalma,Rose DePalma, Elizabeth de Sousa, Jose Dutra, Paul Dutra, Randy Edwards, Jr. Julia Elam, Rosa Fagundes, John Faria, Elvira Freitas, Manuel Freitas, Irma Garcia, Jared Germann, Samuel Gonzalez, Patrick Leyden, James K. Mann, Esther Martinez Gloria Jean Mendes, Manuel Mendes, Phyllis Mendes, Rosalinda Mouro, Felismina Noronha, Joe M. Oliveira, Maria J. Solorio, Lilly Sousa, Shaun Sousa, Fr. Leonard Trindade, Jeanne Tristant, Jose & Maria Vieira, Michael Vierra, Lincoln Voss, Katie Walter & Frank White. *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+

1st Year Confirmation Students mark your Calendars. You and your sponsors have a retreat on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>January 26th</u> from 8:15-5:00pm. The retreat will be put on by the Net team. <u>Housing will be needed for</u> the net group, if you are willing to help with housing or a group meal. Please Call Dina at 632-7163.

Walk For Life will take place on Saturday January 25^h. We will be taking a bus. Cost is \$20.00 per person and sign- ups are being taken in the parish office. All Parishioners are encouraged to participate. We will be attending Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral.

Net – National Evangelization Team will be here on Jan. 26th & Jan. 29. 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.

<u>Children's Ministry</u> takes places on Sunday's during the 11am Mass. <u>We</u> 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 5th.

We will resume regular sessions beginning on Sunday, January 5th. Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!! **Please note:** Beginning Sunday, January 5th CCD will resume at 8:30 -9:45 AM. Please note we are returning to the original CCD time.

Refreshments needed for the students after the Net nights on January. Cookies, brownies, punch, cups, napkins, ect....Can be homemade or store bought. If you would like to help out Call Dina at 632-7163.

1st Reconciliation will take place on Feb. 4th watch CCD news for more details. True Sense of Time & Talent We extend a special thank you to our wonderful members of Holy Rosary/St. Mary's Altar Society who work all year round to make our churches look beautiful for the liturgical seasons. And Christmas being no exception! We also thank those extra helpers who assisted to get some of the decorations in place. Thank you one and all for your time, talent, love and dedication for our parish.

EPIPHANY CELEBRATION will be held NEXT WEEKEND beginning with the 11:30 Mass. 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!

Attention Parish Organizations

All parish groups and organizations that customarily use the parish facilities are reminded that all events must be listed in the Facilities Use Book. Dates will be given on a first come basis. Please submit your requests in writing to the Parish center as soon as possible. <u>Note: dates and events</u> <u>are not carried over from prior year and</u> <u>must be confirmed by each individual</u> <u>organization.</u>

Reflection: PRAYER

The desire to improve our prayer life is with us all. We know it is the only way to a deeper, more intimate relationship with God. How does prayer fit into our daily agendas? Do we postpone prayer because we allow the duties of the day to claim priority? Can we pledge ourselves to place prayer at the top of our list of daily things to do? Let's make prayer as a resolution this year that we will keep.

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 mulitple intentions, we ask that one representative from each intention come up for the offertory by coming to the gift table where the ushers are. Thank you Angels for your generosity to Pennies from Angels and to all those who contributed to the Building Fund 2nd Collection.

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Mark Your Calendars for Parish Upcoming Events

Filhos Sale for Fish Dinner* Jan. 12, 2020 Parish Breakfast Jan. 19, 2020 Altar Society Filhos Sale Feb. 2, 2020 *Fish Dinner March 20, 2020 to Benefit the Building Fund Please help support these very important parish activities, if not with your time and talent, then with your treasure!

THANK YOU... From Fr. Isaque & 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!

Remember to pick-up your new 2020 Calendars. We take this opportunity to thank Allen's and Whitehurst Norton Dias Mortuaries for providing these for our parish community

Our offering collection for Dec. 21 & 22= \$4,823.00. Last Year December 22 & 23 \$5,280.50 Thank You, Obrigado & Gracias!



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