First Sunday of Lent ~ March 6, 2022

Our busy, demanding world exposes us to a cacophony of loud, conflicting voices. Many of these voices wear away at us and our fidelity to the God we love. They threaten the core identity we so proudly proclaimed with a smudge of ash at the beginning of our Lenten journey. This lent, which of these voices can you silence? Which can you reject?

Saturday, March 5, 2022

5:30 p.m. Mass

Intention: Jean Tristant The Requested by: Jeanne Tristant Family Intention: Joe V. & Mary B. Toste The Requested by: Delores Mendes

Sunday, March 6, 2022 First Sunday of Lent

7:00am Mass

Intention:Elias Barcelos Requested by:Family
8:30am Mass (Portuguese)
Intention:Antonio E. Vieira Requested by:Rita Vieira Family
10:00am Mass

Intention: All Those Inscribed in the Legacy of Faith Book

Intention of: Annelise Cabral "Happy 18th Birthday"

Requested by: Family Intention: Bill R. Sousa Requested by: Wife

5:00pm Mass (St. Mary's)

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

6:30pm (St. Mary's~ Spanish) Intention: People of the Parish

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention: All Deceased Family

Members

Requested by: Frank & Darlene

Victoria

Intention: Manuel & Adelino Enes **P**Requested by: Adelina Enes
7:00 p.m. Rite of Election -St.
Patrick's Parish Merced

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention: Joe D. Rocha, Antonio & Olinda Enes 🕈

Requested by: Celina Rocha Family

<u>Thursday, March 10, 2022</u> 8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention: Maria L. Leonardo Requested by: Robert Leonardo Intention: Hilary Brindeiro Requested by: Finley Huff Family

10:00 a.m. Rosary/Funeral Mass for Maria Apolinario

Friday, March 11, 2022

8:00 a.m. Mass

Intention : All Deceased Family

Members

Requested by: Joe & Maria Rosa Intention: Francisco, Maria & Jose

Estrela 🕏

Requested by: Francisco & Maria

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Friday, March 11, 2022 Continued

6 p.m. Stations of the Cross

New Church

Friday's Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament until 5 p.m. in the

New Church

Saturday, March 12, 2022

5:30 p.m. Mass

Intention: Frank & Gesuina Deniz Requested by: David & Tina Deniz Intention: Manuel Cunha

Requested by: Family

Intention: Frank A. Vierra

Requested by: Kevin & Laurette Locke

Sunday, March 13, 2022 Second Sunday of Lent

7:00am Mass

Intention:Fr. A. J. Heffernan Requested by:Parish Community 8:30am Mass (Portuguese)
Intention:Jose Avelino Correia

Requested by:Luis Correia Family
Intention:Joao & Senhorinha Abreu

Requested by: Maria Abreu Intention: Hermindo Gomes †

Requested by: Manuel & Maria Gomes

10:00am Mass

Intention: Jacinto DaRosa† Requested by: Family Intention: Iracema Pires † Requested by: S.P.R.S.I. 5:00pm Mass (St. Mary's)

Intention: Mike Vierra **†** Requested by: Family

6:30pm (St. Mary's~ Spanish) Intention: People of the Parish

Let us remember and pray for our <u>beloved departed</u>, especially for Maria Apolinario 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.

Please Keep in Your Prayers: Manuel Andrade, Eliza Alves, Christopher Amarante, Olivia Avila, Jack Betschart, Isidro Bettencourt, Carl Boutte, Greg Boutte, Tina Carmo, Dan Coelho, Ann Depalma, Rosa Diniz, Joe Dutra, Randy Edwards, Elvira Freitas, Frank Anthony Freitas Jared Germann, Andrew Godino, Jennifer Gonzales, Debbie Hutchins, R. J. Jefferson, Doris Krikorian, Janice Louro, Joe Louro, Tere Mason, Patrick McSweeney, Loretta McFaddin, Luis Melo, Gloria Mendes, Edward Meneses, Malissa Mendes, Nelda Mendonca, Jorge Oliveira, Maria Pessoa, Dave Ramos, John Rocha, Maria Rosa, Florentino Santos, Kathleen Silva, Manuel Silva, Lucy Silveira, Sandra Smith, Carolina Sousa, Julia Sousa, Lilly Sousa, Piper Sousa, Joe Silva, Violante Silva, Mary Sozinho, Luciano Terra, Jeanne Tristant, & Maria Vieira .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...

First Communion PARENTS

Meeting will be held Tuesday, March 8th at 6pm in the parish hall. This is for parents only and will cover the logistics of First Communion Day and the making of First Communion banners.

The tradition of giving Lenten & Easter gifts during mass

continues. We are now accepting donations for those gifts in memory of loved ones. The gifts will be labeled accordingly. If you would like to be a sponsor, call Annie at 209-632-7163. These gifts will be given to every child that is in attendance during the weekend masses.

Planning for our upcoming Vacation Bible School are under way!

Do your children attend this fun and interactive event? Are you able to help with this year's VBS? Many hands make for lighter work! Contact Annie if you're able to help in any way!

We are looking for folks who would like to be on our Easter Egg Hunt committee!

Do you love watching the kiddos as they search for Easter Eggs? Our church is fortunate enough to provide this wonderful event to the Hilmar Community. It takes **EVERYONE** to make it a success. Since this is my first year with this event, I would really appreciate the help of the parish to make this a memorable time for everyone! Thank you for your support!

Please direct ALL related calls to Annie at 632-7163. Leave a detailed message if I am not available to answer. I will return your call.

This weekend's 10:00AM Mass is dedicated to those honored and memorialized through our Legacy of Faith program.

We thank all those who have supported the Legacy of Faith Book by their contributions to this lasting gift made in honor or remembrance. The following individuals have recently been inscribed in our Legacy of Faith book: Jan Peters, Marcolina Lima, Lina Jorge, Jose Jorge, Luís Jorge, Cynthía M. Gonsalves, Michael Vierra, Luís Miguel Silveira, Feliciano Dores, Germano Augusto Miranda & María De Lourdes Pessoa

RCIA Update:

Our Catechumen Candidates for coming into Full Communion celebrate their next Rite this Sunday, *Rite of Sending to Election*. On Tuesday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. they will be at St. Patrick's in Merced for the *Rite of Election* with Bishop Brennan. Our Parish prayers for *Dakota Harkrader and Ashely Seawell* and their Sponsors are greatly needed and appreciated now and always. We are all one family in Christ.

Our Lenten journey has begun with the Stations of the Cross....

Join us every **Friday 6:00 p.m.** during the Lenten Season in the New Church. We will once again be having our traditional Lenten Soup Suppers in the Hall except on **March 25** (Fish Dinner).

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 organizations & families in advance for their time, talent and treasure.

March 11~ PFSA March18~ C.P.I.D.E.S. April 1~ Cabral, Machado & Pereira Families

April 8 \sim T.B.A.

ALMS GIVING During this season of Lent please remember the less fortunate families of our community by bringing nonperishable food items every Sunday during Lent for our local pantry Hilmar Helping Hands.

March 6th- Jam & Jelly March 13th -Cereal March 20th - Pasta & Sauce March 17th -Boxed or Canned Meals April 3rd- Soup.

Of course any and all items are gratefully accepted. Please place all items in barrels at church each Sunday. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

THIS WEEKEND will be the SECOND COLLECTION for the BUILDING FUND.

We also, remind our Angels to bring their piggy banks for the monthly piggy dumping. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Tickets Selling Fast... **Building Fund Fish Dinner on** Friday, March 25th. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE at the Parish Office.. Tickets are \$30.00 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 only from 4:00 - 7:00p.m. Please show your continued support by purchasing your tickets for this delicious meal available only once a year. We SOLD OUT last year! Be

Holy Rosary Y.M.I. #44 announces its Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner Thursday, March 17th 3-6 p.m. drive through. Tickets \$20 and are available from any YMI member or the Parish Office.

sure to purchase yours soon.



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Our offering collection for February 26 & 27= \$5,160.00 Last Year February 27 & 28 = \$5,385.00

Thank You,
Obrigado & Gracias!