

# Holy Rosary C.C.D.

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*Hello to my CCD Families!*

*November is a time to remember our departed loved ones. There are many ways that we can celebrate the special people that God has blessed us with in our lives. Featuring someone during dinner by having a photo(s) of them available and sharing stories of this person and finishing off by saying some prayers for their soul. It is a wonderful opportunity to show our children how we are still connected through love & memories with our departed ones and never truly apart.*

*We will have a week off during the month of November as we celebrate Thanksgiving with family and friends. Make sure to check the CCD Calendar for dates.*

*As always, contact me should you have any questions or concerns!  
God bless you and yours!  
Annie*

## Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes will be available this week!



Shoeboxes will be available for pickup in the parish office, in the church entry and after CCD classes. If you choose to take a box, please make note that Collection Week for these boxes is November 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> at Hilmar Covenant Church.

Monday – Friday (14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>): 3pm to 5pm

Saturday & Sunday (19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>): 11am to 1pm

Monday (21<sup>st</sup>): 8am to 10am

If you have questions or need anything, please call Norma at (209)541-4345.

Instructions and box content ideas are inside each box. Thank you for your generosity! This is a special opportunity to include your children and show them how we can make a big impact on the life of someone across the world!



## Upcoming Events

### November 1

All Saints Day

### November 2

All Souls Day

Mass at 6pm

### November 6 -17

Parish Jerusalem Trip

### November 21 – 28

Thanksgiving CCD Break

## Service Hours Opportunities...

### YLI Linguica Dinner

November 3<sup>rd</sup>

3pm to 8pm

### Filhos Helpers

November 6<sup>th</sup>

1am to 5am

5am to 8am

**Service hours are doubled for this event!**

Sign-ups are available online on the CCD tab of the Holy Rosary Church website.

## **CCD Teacher Highlight: Stephanie Azevedo**

This week we are highlighting our Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Teacher: **Stephanie Azevedo!** Stephanie has been a parishioner at Holy Rosary for 26 years. She has been married to husband Mario for 19 years and is the mother of 3 beautiful daughters: Kherington, Felicity and Locklynn. She enjoys traveling, keeping physically fit, spending time on the family houseboat and creating beautiful braids with her daughters' hair. The classroom has always been a part of her adult life (she spent 11 years as a pre-school teacher) and makes it a goal for her CCD students to help them see all the good that God has done for us all especially through his son Jesus. Thank you, Stephanie, for being such a role model to not only your daughters but so many of our parish youth!



## **Advent Mission: Tim Staples**



Tim Staples is a **Catholic author, apologist, and lecturer.** He is the Director of Apologetics and Evangelization at Catholic Answers. He will be speaking at our church on December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. He will be speaking on: "The Trinity", "Why be Catholic?", "Now That We're Catholic", and "The Living Bread". **If you have a Confirmation candidate who needs to make up for absences, attendance to each night's events will make up for a missed class.**

## **Festa Costumes**

Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's festa. Those who participated in the Bodo de Leite, Rosary carriers and Angels and took costumes home, please return them with the bag/hanger they came in. Thank you!

## **Advent Season is approaching**

Advent will begin on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. With this season comes MANY activities and events! Please keep your eyes opened for more information as they approach.

- Advent Mission with Tim Staples
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation Weekend Retreat at Three Rivers
- Christmas Caroling
- Blanket Gathering for the elderly
- Christmas Ornaments donations for the needy
- Christmas Vigil Mass with the children
- Christmas Memorial Gifts

## **1<sup>st</sup> Communion & Confirmation...**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation**

Get ahead of the game by prayer testing now!

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation**

**Prayer Testing** needs to be completed as soon as possible. Please urge your candidates to finish up soon!

### **1<sup>st</sup> Communion**

Let's get started on Prayer Testing. 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Communion students need to be finished with their prayers by February 3<sup>rd</sup>