

Nativity of the Lord ~ December 25, 2022

Gospel Reflection: Thinking about Jesus' birth in these theological and cosmological terms is particularly appropriate as we celebrate the Feast of Christmas in the darkness of winter. At this time, nature itself seems to remind us of the darkness of sin. Into this darkness, in the midst of our sinfulness, God comes to dwell among us. John's Gospel reminds us that through the Incarnation, God saves us from the darkness of sin and makes us his children.

Saturday, December 24, 2022 **Christmas Vigil**

5:00pm Mass St. Mary's

Intention: José & Celeste Avila †

Requested by: Orlanda Luis & daughter

5:00pm Mass

Intention: Luke Mancebo †

Requested by: Mother

Intention: Antonio S. Caetano †

Requested by: Veber & Ana Caetano

Midnight Mass

Intention: Antonio Diniz †

Requested by: Tony & Diane Diniz

Intention: Julio Agueda †

Requested by: Wife

Sunday, December 25, 2022 **The Nativity of the Lord**

8:30am Portuguese Mass

Intention: Joe O. Rocha †

Requested by: Hilary Borba

10:00am Mass

Intention: James Sheppa †

Requested by: Wife & Daughter

Intention: Antonio & Maria Santos †

Requested by: Elizabeth Oliveira Family

12 noon St. Mary's • Stevinson (Spanish)

Intention: All the People of the Parish

Please Note:

No Evening Masses

Monday, December 26, 2022 **Parish Office Closed**

Tuesday, December 27, 2022

8:00am Mass

Intention: Domingos & Lurdes Bertão †

Requested by: João & Maria Bertão

Intention: Augustino Azevedo †

Requested by: Armelino & Leonor Silveira

Wednesday, December 28, 2022

8:00am Mass

Intention: João, Mariana, Anselmo &

João P. Silveira †

Requested by: Manuel & Fatima Silva

Thursday, December 29, 2022

8:00am Mass

Intention: Joe Oliveira †

Requested by: Danny Agueda & Family

Intention: Manuel & Maria Sousa †

Requested by: Manuel & Amelia Lopes

Friday, December 30, 2022

8:00am Mass

Intention: Jacinto DaRosa †

Requested by: Wife

Intention: Lucy Costa †

Requested by: S.P.R.S.I.

Friday's Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 5pm in the Mission Church

5:00pm Confessions New Church

Saturday, December 31, 2022 **Christmas Vigil**

8:00 am Mass St. Mary's

Intention: Dave Barcellos †

Requested by: Randy & Marie Edwards

5:00pm Mass

Intention: Francisco, Angelina & Joe

Andrade †

Requested by: Manuel & Linda Andrade

Intention: Olive Bettencourt †

Requested by: T. Bettencourt

Sunday, January 1, 2023 **Solemnity of Mary**

7:00 pm Mass

Intention: Joe & Eduard Silveira †

Requested by: Genuino Silveria Family

8:30am Portuguese Mass

Intention: José Gomes †

Requested by: Manuel & Maria Gomes

10:00am Mass

Intention: For All Those Inscribed in the
Legacy of Faith Book

5:00 pm St. Mary's • Stevinson

Intention: Angelo & Elsie Spinelli †

Requested by: Joe & Janet Gomes

6:30 pm St. Mary's • Stevinson (Spanish)

Intention: All the People of the Parish

Please Keep in Your Prayers: Manuel Andrade, Christopher Amarante, Olivia Avila, George Azevedo, Rebecca Bennett, Jack Betschart, Isidro Bettencourt, Carl Boutte, Greg Boutte, Arlene Cardoso, Tina Carmo, River Cipponeri, Dan & Shirley Coelho, Nisa Cox, Ann Depalma, Celeste Drumonde, Joe Dutra, Randy Edwards, Jorge Espinoza, Gary Fernandes, Elvira Freitas, Frank & Anthony Freitas, Jared Germann, Andrew Godino, Jennifer Gonzales, Debbie Hutchins, R. J. Jefferson, Nayiree Kapeghian, Doris Krikorian, Pascal Labrousche, Brian Lawrence, John Lopes, Janice Louro, Joe Louro, Celina Nunes Mancebo, David Mardone, Mary Marson, Tony Martins, Tere Mason, Loretta McFaddin, Luis Melo, Malissa Mendes, Lewis Mendes, Margaret Mendes, Nelda Mendonca, Edward Meneses, Amaiya & Ameiya Michel, Jorge Oliveira, Anthony Parreira, Zeb Parreira, Maria Pessoa, Marina Pinkerton, Dave Ramos, Marie Reis, John Rocha, **MaryJo Rocha-Pires**, Maria Rosa, Joe Silva, Kathleen Silva, Violante Silva, Manuel Silva, Lucy Silveira, Sandra Smith, Carolina Sousa, Ida Sousa, Julia Sousa, Lilly Sousa, Judite Teixeira, 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.**

CCD NEWS...

Memorial Gift Donations...

Many thanks to those who donated towards this year's Christmas Memorial Gifts. The children will be receiving their own Christmas ornaments in memory of:

- Antonio & Maria Caetano
- Valerie Krug
- Kinzley Sousa

Children's Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

Thank you to the following boys & girls who participated in this year's Christmas Eve Vigil Mass:

- Wyatt & Adrian Balvert
- Sofia Baltz
- Gianna Belerique
- Sierra Cabral
- Colt Cunha
- Alizaday Dompeling
- Allie, Grace & Lily Gerhart
- Emily Keas
- Emma, Leila & Amelia Miguel
- Naiara & Matt Oliveira
- Karagyn & Kason Pacheco
- Gianna, Anthony & David Pereira
- Emily & Lizzy Relva

CCD Christmas • New Year's Break

We will be on break from December 19th through January 9th. Classes will resume on January 10th.

Snack Donations Needed

Our snack levels are low. If you are able to donate some individually wrapped snacks, we will be greatly appreciative. You can scan the QR code below to go directly to our Amazon Wish List with lots of snack choices that can be delivered directly to the parish office. Thank you!



We thank the families who donated the beautiful Poinsettias to beautify our place of worship for this Christmas season in memory/honor of their loved ones:

Joe L. Mendes • Joe C & Mary R Mendes • Joe V & Mary B. Toste • Stephen & Amelia Serpa • Joe & Mamie Carvalho • Deceased Family Members of Maria Vieira • A.V. & Fritz Bettencourt • Franklyn & Dorothy Matheron • Jeanie Nelson • Aaron Parreira • Woody Jorritsma • Frank, Mary & Hilary Brindeiro • Frank Dutra • Joe Oliveira (2) • Valerie Krug (2) • Maria Goulart • Lucy Costa (2) • Tony Vaz • Geraldine "Tiny" Baptista • Joe & Evelyn Nicholas • John & Anna Baptista • Joe & Margaret Vaz • Antonio Rocha • Manuel B. & Laurinda Cunha (4) • Frank A. & Mary Vierra (2) • Thomas Locke (2) • Cleo Katsounakis (2) • Shauna Vierra • Lonnie Correia • Felismina Noronha & José Noronha • João Almada • Arlet Alves • Teresa Alves • Joe & Maria Borba • João & Matilde Martins • Deceased family members of José & Ana Vieira • Antone & Maria B. Silva (2) • Lawrence & Adeline Rocha • George & Carol Heilman • Manuel Silveira Jr. • Bel Castro • Msgr. Walter Minhoto • Ben Pacheco • Joe & Evangelina Pereira • Joseph Harden • Derek Rocha • Antonio & Maria C. Rocha • Harold DePalma • John & Annabelle Souza • Adeline Souza • José Galhandro • José Pacheco • Norbert & Lorraine Komos • Joseph & Hazelle Silva • Antonio & Agatha Silva • Antonio & Louisa Borba • Jay Ramer • Manuel S. Machado • Antonio E. Cabral • Manuel & Crystal Machado

IN HONOR

Children, Grandchildren, Son-in-law & Daughters-in-laws of Joe & Filomena Pires

❄️ 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!

Please remember to pick up your complimentary book "Holy Moments" by Matthew Kelly. We thank one of our parish families (who wish to remain anonymous) for this generous gift.

May the God of peace fill each of us with abounding hope and joy in believing, for this day a Son is born to us; today, lying in a manger, God is with us. Merry Christmas & a Blessed New Year filled with peace, health & happiness.

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

As you know we are looking to the future to build NEW CCD classrooms and, a Parish Hall.

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



CELEBRATION will be held Sunday, January 8, 2023 beginning with the **11:30 Mass (Portuguese)** where 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!

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Monthly Finance Report

Our Revenues for the month of November (*plate collection, rental fee, weddings & Baptisms*)

Totaled..... \$37,613.68

Our expenses for November (*utilities, Diocesan & Education Assessments, Property Taxes, repairs, maintenance, office & church expense, payroll, payroll taxes & insurance*)

Totaled..... \$33,927.23

Bottom Line..... \$3,686.45



Our offering collection for...

December 17 & 18..... \$5,358.00

2021 December 18 & 19..... \$4,444.00

2nd Collection for Religious Retired PLEASE REMEMBER TO USE your parish registration number

Thank You, Obrigado & Gracias!