## Holy Rosary † St. Mary's C.C.D.

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Hello to my C.C.D. Families!
Our first week of C.C.D. was a great success! I cannot tell you enough how much I enjoy all the boys and girls!
I sure did miss them this summer! They are each so special in their own way. Having conversations with them and especially listening to them as they say their prayers is my absolute favorite part of my job!
I thank everyone who has volunteered to help with the upcoming activities involving C.C.D. and our parish this upcoming season and look forward to working together with all of you!
God bless you and yours!

## **Monthly Prayer Focus...**

Annie

For the children who are preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion or Confirmation, there are prayers that must be learned before receiving the sacrament. This can be a bit overwhelming when thinking of having to learn them all. We are going to have a monthly focus on certain prayers so that it simplifies the process. (What's the best way to eat an elephant? One bite at a time!) The prayer(s) for the month will be noted on each weekly CCD News as well as the monthly CCD calendar. Prayer sheets are located on the CCD tab of the church website. Please encourage your children to take the time to read over their prayers daily. Please join them! This will make for special time during the day where you pray together as a family... a beautiful habit to create!!!

## St. Francis Feast Day - Blessing of the

**Animals** will take place on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm near the parish BBQ area. Bring your cherished pets for a blessing!



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### October 3rd

Safe Environment Parent's Meeting • Classroom #4

#### October 4th

Blessing of the Animals

#### October 10-15th

Safe Environment Classroom Presentations

#### October 12th

Christmas Caroling Planning Meeting • Classroom #4

#### October 21st - 22nd

Our Lady of the Rosary Festa

## **SEPTEMBER**



Prayer Focus...

First Communion: 1st Year
Sign of the Cross

First Communion: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Sign of the Cross

Confirmation: 1st Year
Sign of the Cross
Our Father

Confirmation: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Mysteries of the Rosary

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## PRAYER Champions Wall

Congratulations to the first two students who completed all their prayers for the year BEFORE we even started the CCD season! They are the first two to get their pictures up on our new Prayer Champions Wall! Congratulations to **Penley Oliveira** and **Aubree Lindo!!** Great job ladies!!!

### Children's Liturgy begins this weekend!

We will begin a new season of Children's Liturgy this coming Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup>. This ministry is for children ages 3-6 years old (although everyone is welcome!). Do you have a Confirmation Candidate who needs service hours? This is a fun and easy way to get some! Are you willing and able to lead one weekend... or two? It's quite simple and you will be given the materials needed. If you're interested, but not sure how it all works, give Annie a call OR shadow a leader one weekend to see how fun and easy it is!

# Our Lady of the Rosary Festa is coming soon!



Our annual festa is coming the weekend of October 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. If you have a little one who is interested in participating in the Bode de Leite and need a costume, we have lots of girl costumes. Boys are invited to wear black pants and white shirts (and a vest!). Please, let Annie know that you plan to participate. Costumes will be available for pickup the week of October 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure to contact Annie during this time as the parish staff (all 3 of us!) will be quite busy during the festa week!!

We will also have lots of service/volunteer opportunities for anyone who wants to help with the BAZAAR, RESTAURANT, BODE DE LEITE, etc. Many hands make for lighter work! It is a great opportunity to be a part of our parish's biggest event of the year!

## **Christmas Caroling Planning Meeting**

Last year I waited too long to get started on planning a fun night of community Christmas Caroling for the kiddos. I'm getting an earlier start this year and have a planning meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Please plan on attending this meeting. Christmas will be here before we know it and I sure would love to create a fun experience for kids AND adults. I'll need your help to make this happen!!

#### Riddle of the Week...

What kind of colorful weapon did Noah use? A rain-bow!



Celebrating birthdays this week...

- Bryant Elias
- Gracie Ellington
- AJ Ruezga
- Bryan Berbereia
- Finnick Rhoads
- Sofia Gaytan
- Sawyer Wilson
- Cristiano Cota
- Adelyn Estrada

## SERVICE HOURS opportunities!

- Children's Liturgy Room Helper
- Cleaning the Church
- Our Lady of the Rosary Festa
  - Handing out Festa flyers
  - Festa Bazaar
  - Festa Restaurant
- YLI Linguica Dinner
- Filhos Kitchen Helpers
- Christmas Caroling
- Christmas Vigil Mass Helpers

Sign-ups will be updated & available on the CCD tab of the Holy Rosary website by the end of this month!

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