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UPCOMING EVENTS

December 1st

1st Year Confirmation Sponsor
Verification forms due

December 9th

2nd Year Confirmation
Candidate/Sponsor Mini Retreat

December 16th at 6pm

Christmas Caroling

December 18th

Christmas Memorial Gift deadline

December 21st at 6pm

Christmas Eve Vigil Mass
Rehearsal

December 24th at 5pm

Christmas Eve Vigil Children's
Mass

December 22nd – January 6th

Christmas • New Year's Break

NO CCD CLASSES

Hello to my CCD Families!

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday! We are now in the Advent Season and are preparing for the coming of Jesus! We know that this is a very hectic time of year for everyone. I pray that you and your families have a blessed Advent and Christmas seasons.

This is also a time of lots of activities at our Holy Rosary parish. I'll do my best to keep you updated via the weekly CCD Newsletter but encourage you to check the church website for current updates.

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As always, contact me should you have any questions or concerns!

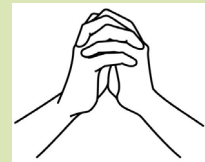
*God bless you and yours!
Annie*

A Journey Though the Mass

We will soon begin a 4-session series on the Mass. This is open to everyone! These will take place on Wednesday evenings at 7pm in the new church. Each session will last anywhere between 30-45 minutes. If you're interested in learning the meaning behind the prayers and rites of our Catholic Mass, then please join us!

- Session 1 – December 6th – Biblical Foundations for the Mass & The Introductory Rites
- Session 2 – December 13th – The Liturgy of the Word
- Session 3 – January 10th – The Liturgy of the Eucharist
- Session 4 – January 17th – The Liturgy of the Eucharist & The Concluding Rites

DECEMBER



Prayer Focus...

First Communion: 1st Year
Glory Be

First Communion: 2nd Year
Glory Be • Grace Before Meals

Confirmation: 1st Year
Guardian Angel

Confirmation: 2nd Year
St. Michael Prayer

PRAYER *Champions*

We have two new additions to our wall! Congratulations to **Matt Oliveira** and **Andrew Salado** on finishing their prayers for this year! Please encourage your children who are in First Holy Communion or Confirmation formation to visit Annie regularly to test on prayers! We may be concentrating on certain prayers each month, but the children are more than welcome to test on ALL the prayers that they know!

Christmas Eve Vigil Children's Mass



We have begin to prepare for the upcoming Christmas Eve Vigil Children's Mass. What does this mean? It means that we're going to need helpers to sort out costumes, children to participate in the mass as readers, characters, etc. If you're interested in helping with this event or would like to sign up your child to participate in the Mass, let Annie know. Our Christmas Eve Vigil Mass will be on Sunday, December 24th at 5pm. Thank you!

Christmas Caroling!



Our Family Night of Christmas Caroling is scheduled for Saturday, December 16th at 6pm. Families are invited to join us as we spread Christmas joy throughout several of our Hilmar neighborhoods. We will have walking routes as well as hayride routes. Sign ups will be available online at the CCD tab of our church website. We will also have in person sign ups available after the 10am Mass on Sunday, December 3rd. You can also contact Annie direct to sign up for a route.

Confirmation Families... Please see these important dates and deadlines!

- December 1st – 1st Year Confirmation Candidates: Sponsor Verification Forms due **(I have several 2nd Year Confirmation Candidates who still have not turned these in. These are past due!)**
- December 9th at 12:30pm – 2nd Year Confirmation Candidate & Sponsor mini-retreat
- January 7th – 2nd Year Confirmation Retreat for Candidates only
- January 31st – 2nd Year Confirmation Prayer Testing Deadline
- January 31st – 2nd Year Confirmation Letter of Intent Deadline
- January 31st – 2nd Year Confirmation Confessions (mandatory to be received BEFORE receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation)
- February 4th – 1st Year Confirmation NET Ministries Retreat (candidates only)
- February 7th – Last night for 2nd Year Confirmation Candidates
- February 8th at 6pm – Confirmation Rehearsal
- February 10th at 10am – Sacrament of Confirmation Mass
- February 14th at 6pm – 1st Year Confirmation Candidates serving at Ash Wednesday Mass



Celebrating birthdays
November 27-December 3

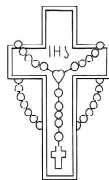
- **Kayla Gomes**
- **Parker Oliveira**
- **James Avila**
- **Alexander Nuñez**
- **Kryshtyan Brum**
- **Mattheu Brum**

SERVICE HOURS

opportunities!

- Children's Liturgy Room Helper
- Cleaning the Church
- Filhos Kitchen Helpers
- Christmas Caroling
- Christmas Vigil Mass Helpers

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Religious Education Department

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
December					1 1st Year Confirmation Sponsor Verification Forms DUE!	2
3 <i>Happy 1st week of Advent!</i>  K-6 th Grades: 8:30am-9:45am	4	5 K-3 rd Grades: 2:30pm-3:45pm 4 th -6 th , Sac Prep: 4:00-5:15pm	6 Journey Through the Mass Session #1 7pm in the New Church 7 th -10 th Grades: 6:45pm-8:30pm	7 Stevinson 2:15pm-3:30pm	8 	9 2nd Year Confirmation Candidate/Sponsor RETREAT 12:30pm-6:30pm
10  Second Sunday of Advent K-6 th Grades: 8:30am-9:45am	11	12 K-3 rd Grades: 2:30pm-3:45pm 4 th -6 th , Sac Prep: 4:00-5:15pm	13 Journey Through the Mass Session #2 7pm in the New Church 7 th -10 th Grades: 6:45pm-8:30pm	14 Stevinson 2:15pm-3:30pm	15	16  Christmas Caroling 6pm
17  Third Sunday of Advent K-6 th Grades: 8:30am-9:45am	18 Last Day for Christmas Memorial Gift Sign up	19 Advent Confessions for CCD Classes K-3 rd Grades: 2:30pm-3:45pm 4 th -6 th , Sac Prep: 4:00-5:15pm	20 2nd Year Confirmation Saint Essay DUE! 7 th -10 th Grades: 6:45pm-8:30pm	21 Children's Christmas Vigil Mass Practice at 6pm Stevinson 2:15pm-3:30pm	22	23
24  Fourth Sunday of Advent Children's Christmas Vigil Mass at 5:00pm	25 	26	27	28	29	30
31 	PRAYERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER <div> <u>1st Year First Holy Communion:</u> Glory Be <u>2nd Year First Holy Communion:</u> Glory Be • Grace Before Meals <u>1st Year Confirmation:</u> Prayer to One's Guardian Angel <u>2nd Year Confirmation:</u> St. Michael Prayer </div>					