

# Third Sunday of Advent † December 17, 2023

Reflect, today, upon this calling from the desert and listen to the message God is speaking to you, personally. Abandon all worldly concerns, repent of sin, trust in Him and go out to meet Him so that you can more quickly and more easily come to a deeper faith in our Lord during this Advent season.

(Visit: [www.catholic-daily-reflections.com](http://www.catholic-daily-reflections.com) for more!)

## Saturday, December 16, 2023

### 8:00am Mass

Intention: Elmira Moitoso †

Requested by: Joe & Elmira Machado

### † 9:00am Rosary † Funeral

*Manuel Foste*

### 5:30pm Mass

Intention: Deceased Lourenco Family Members †

Requested by: José & Maria Lourenco

Intention: Frank Nogueira †

Requested by: Oscar & Luisana Drumonde

## Sunday, December 17, 2023

### *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent*

### 7:00am Mass

Intention: Dana Stavrianadakis †

Requested by: Family

### 8:30am Portuguese Mass

Intention: José A. Lemos, Domingos & Lurdes Berto †

Requested by: João & Maria Bertão

### 10:00am Mass

Intention: Anthony D. Barcellos †

Requested by: Wife & Family

### 5:00pm St. Mary's • Stevinson

Intention: Maria Lina Couto †

Requested by: Tony & Elisa Martins

### 6:30pm St. Mary's Spanish Mass

Intention: People of the Parish Community

## Tuesday, December 19, 2023

### 8:00am Mass

Intention: José & Clara Homen &

Emily Silveira †

Requested by: Manuel & Maria Silveira

Intention: Teresa Alves †

Requested by: Melanie Almada

## Wednesday, December 20, 2023

### 8:00 am Mass

Intention: João Sousa †

Requested by: Rosa T. Avila

## Thursday, December 21, 2023

### 8:00am Mass

Intention: Maria Lina Couto †

Requested by: Tony & Elisa Martins

Intention: Carolina Sousa †

Requested by: Frank & Manuela Enes

## Friday, December 22, 2023

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED at 12 noon**

### 8:00am Mass

Intention: Francisco & Delmida Mendonca †

Requested by: Virgil & Carmina Pacheco

Intention: Matthew Freitas †

Requested by: Parents

### *Friday's Adoration*

*until 5pm in the Mission Church*

5:00pm Confessions in New Church

## Saturday, December 23, 2023

### 2:00pm Wedding of

*Kristin Bello* ❤️ *Bandon Almeida*

### 5:30pm Mass

Intention: Cesar M. Machado †

Requested by: Alfredo & Eduarda Machado

Intention: Carolina Sousa †

Requested by: Frank & Maxine Correia

## Sunday, December 24, 2023

### *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent*

### 8:30am Portuguese Mass

Intention: Olgaria Agueda Silva †

Requested by: Antonio & Maria Silva

### 10:00am Mass

Intention: Antonio S. Caetano †

Requested by: Veber & Ana Caetano

Intention: Antonio Diniz †

Requested by: Tony & Diane Diniz

### 12:00pm St. Mary's Spanish Mass

Intention: People of the Parish Community

## Christmas Liturgy

### 3:30pm Mass St. Mary's • Stevinson

Intention: Manuel Cardoso †

Requested by: Manuel & Tina Cardoso

### 5:00pm Children's Vigil Mass

Intention: Children of the Parish

### 12 Midnight English/Portuguese Mass

Intention: People of the Parish

## Monday, December 25, 2023

### Christmas Day

### 8:30am Portuguese Mass

Intention: Julio Agueda †

Requested by: Marie Silva

Intention: Teresa B. Costa †

Requested by: Francisco Costa

### 10:00am Mass

Intention: David Ramos †

Requested by: Wife & Family

Intention: João F. DeSousa †

Requested by: Wife

### 12:00pm St. Mary's Spanish Mass

Intention: All Souls in Purgatory †

Requested by: Joe & Judy Souza

**Please Keep in Your Prayers:** Maura Almada, Maria Olivia Avila, Lilia Babelle, Carol & Sally Baggett, Odelta Cardoso, Dan & Shirley Coelho, Sarah Cox, Ann DePalma, Randy J. Edwards Jr., Gary Fernandes, Porter Fernandes, Richard Fernandes, MaryJo Fontes, Jared Germann, Alex Gonsalves, Doris Krikorian, Brian Lawrence, Sara Lindo, Mike Lopes, Edward Mendes Jr., Delores Mendes, Lewis Mendes, Nico Morasci, Maverik Nash, Christy Oliveira, Anthony Parreira, Jeanne Tristant, Zeb Parreira, Samantha Roberts, Kathleen Silva, Taylor Westcott and Lesley Zorra.

*Father God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen*

Please call our office if you have an ill family member or friend that you would like to include on our prayer list or request a visit by the priest.

(209)667-8961.

# CCD NEWS...

## Christmas Memorial Gifts...

We are now accepting donations for those gifts in memory of loved ones. The gifts will be labeled accordingly. These gifts will be given to every child in attendance during the Christmas weekend Masses.

## Join us for... A Journey Though the Mass

This Wednesday evening at 7pm in the new church, we will cover "The Liturgy of the Word".

If you're interested in learning the meaning behind the prayers and rites of our Catholic Mass, then please join us!

## Children's Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

We will have a practice on Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm. If you child(ren) are participating in this special Mass, please be there!!

## Christmas • New

**Year's Break** We will be on break December 22<sup>nd</sup> through January 6<sup>th</sup>. We wish ALL our CCD families a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!!

Visit our CCD page on the Holy Rosary Church website!  
[www.hilmarholyroary.org](http://www.hilmarholyroary.org)

Holy Rosary † St. Mary's Altar Society will have Poinsettias available if anyone would like to donate towards one in memory of or in honor of a family member or friend. These plants will be used to decorate our 3 churches. Minimum donation is \$15 as we will be purchasing larger plants this year. Please call Anna at the Parish office to reserve yours.

## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

### Confessions

Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>

5:00pm-7:00pm

Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

5:00pm-7:00pm

Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

9am-10am & 5:00pm -7:00pm

Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>

9am-10am & 5:00pm-7:00pm

### Christmas Liturgy

**Christmas Eve Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**

3:30pm Mass St. Mary's ~ Stevinson

5:00pm Children's Vigil Mass

12:00 Midnight Portuguese/English Mass

**Christmas Day, Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:30am – Portuguese Mass

10:00am Mass (English)

12 noon St. Mary's Spanish Mass

### 2024 New Year's Masses

**Monday, January 1, 2024**

10:00am English Mass

11:30am Portuguese Mass



### PARISH CHRISTMAS LETTERS

were mailed out last week, if your family did not receive one, it is because we do not have a registration form for you or you have moved and have not updated your information. Please call the parish office if you would like to register. There are no obligations only benefits.

**Bulletin Advertiser renewals** have gone out. We take this opportunity to THANK our current advertisers for their support in helping to defray the cost of our weekly bulletin. We have advertising space available if anyone is interested, please call the parish office.

### SHARE IN THE CARE

Your gift to the *Retirement Fund for Religious* helps ensure that elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests receive the care they so richly deserve, now and in the future. Please give generously to **This weekend's second collection.**

## STILL NEED THAT SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT?

- Do your parents or other loved ones have material items galore?
- Is someone on your shopping list difficult to buy for?

Please remember Holy Rosary † St. Mary's *Legacy of Faith* can make your Christmas shopping meaningful and so *easy*. Gifts of any amount can be made in honor of a loved one.

With a *Legacy of Faith* gift, your friends or loved ones will become beloved friends of our parish for years to come. Making a *Legacy of Faith* gift is as easy as making a phone call. For gifts that exceed \$50.00, Honorees will be inscribed in the *Legacy of Faith* Book. A Mass is offered once a month for all those inscribed in this special book. For more information contact the parish office at 667-8961 Thank you for your consideration.



Set up your weekly contributions by simply visiting our website:

[www.hilmarholyroary.org](http://www.hilmarholyroary.org)

Click on the OSV online logo, open an account Choose: one time, weekly or monthly. It's that easy...

**December 9 & 10.....\$6,735.00**  
2022 December 10 & 11 \$6,409.00

Thank You, Obrigado & Gracias

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO Use your envelope number**



Let us remember and pray for our *beloved departed*, especially for *Maria Fernanda Silva* and *Dionisio Espinola*, 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.