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Wello to my OCD Families!

Happy New Year!!! Sounds kind of funny to be saying this at the beginning of Becember. Should I say Happy New Liturgical Year! Advent beings a new year and a new season. This is a special season where we eagerly anticipate the arrival of our Lord Yesus.

Last week, you received an Advent Calendar. I hope that you and your family will make use of it and participate in the activities and readings it suggests.

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

God bless you and yours!



BORN. ENTER THROUGH THE CITY GATES, VISIT AND BUY FROM THE MARKETS, ENCOUNTER ROMAN SOLDIERS, AND THE TAX COLLECTOR. FIND YOURSELF IMMERSED IN THE BEAUTY OF THE NIGHT AND FIND JOSEPH AND MARY IN THE MANGER.



UPCOMING EVENTS

December 9th at 12:30pm in the Parish Hall

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

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

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A Journey Though the Mass

This Wednesday, December 6th, we begin a 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
- Session 2 December 13th The Introductory Rites
- Session 3 January 10th The Liturgy of the Word
- Session 4 January 17th The Liturgy of the Eucharist
- Session 5 January 24th The Liturgy of the Eucharist &

The Concluding Rites

Lost & Not Yet Found....

I have several sweatshirts and miscellaneous items in our Lost & Found. Please feel free to come and look through the items to see if they belong to your household.

PRAYER Champions

We have a new addition to our wall! Congratulations to **Annalise Salado** on finishing her 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.

stmas 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. Signups are now available online at the CCD tab of our church website!

"Everything is habit-forming, so make sure what you do is what you want to be doing." - Wilt Chamberlain



Celebrating birthdays December 4 - 11

- Kryshtyan Brum
- Mattheu Brum
- Yuri Rodrigues
- Morgan Pimentel
- Nicholas Baballe
- Samuel Azevedo
- Westin Pires
- Kassidy Mancebo

SERVICE HOURS opportunities!

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

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