

## Holy Rosary † St. Mary's C.C.D.

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*Nello to my CCD Families!*

*Welcome Back!! I hope that everyone enjoyed a beautiful Christmas and New Years with family and friends. I also pray that you were also able to have a few quiet moments to look back at 2023 and see all the blessings received.*

*You'll notice that in February we start to get busy with the events that lead up to the Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. If you have a child in a Sacramental year, please make sure to check the CCD newsletters, CCD website and your emails as I will be giving you lots of notices and updates regarding these important occasions in your child's life.*

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

*God bless you and yours!  
Annie*



### 1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation NET Ministries Retreat

Our 1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation Candidates will have their retreat on Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup> given by NET Ministries. **We will need to provide housing for 1 night only!** Will you be willing to host these young missionaries for one night? Give Annie a call if you are! Thank you!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**January 13-15<sup>th</sup>**  
Holiday Weekend

**January 28<sup>th</sup> at 10am**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Children's Mass

**February 4<sup>th</sup>**  
1<sup>st</sup> Year Confirmation NET  
Ministries Retreat

**February 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Last Night of 2<sup>nd</sup> Year  
Confirmation

**February 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**  
Confirmation Mass Practice  
MANDATORY for all Candidates  
and their Sponsors

**February 14<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**  
Ash Wednesday Mass – 1<sup>st</sup> Year  
Confirmation Candidates will be  
serving as Lectors, Ushers

**February 12<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>**  
NO CLASSES during HUSD School  
Break. Classes resume on  
Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>.

**February 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am**  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Children's Mass

## SERVICE HOURS

*opportunities!*

- Children's Liturgy Room Helper
  - Cleaning the Church
  - Cleaning the CCD Classrooms
  - Filhos Kitchen Helpers –
- LAST CHANCE THIS WEEKEND!!**

## 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. **PHOTOS OF OUR LOST ITEMS HAVE BEEN POSTED ON THE CCD TAB!**

## PRAYER *Champions*

Please encourage your children who are in First Holy Communion or Confirmation formation to visit Annie regularly to test on prayers!

**We are approaching deadlines for the upcoming Sacraments. 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation has a deadline for ALL requirements of January 31<sup>st</sup>. Our 2024 First Communion candidates have a deadline of April 30<sup>th</sup>.** 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!



Celebrating birthdays  
January 8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>

- Gabriela Souza
- Mariah Matos
- Annalise Salado
- Danica Maciel
- Kasyn Pacheco
- Kerrington Cozzitorto
- Michaela Lopes
- Christian Cervantes



### Is your child interested in participating in the Mass as an Altar Server? We are **ALWAYS**

looking for boys & girls who want to serve as Altar Servers for our Masses! This is a great opportunity to learn how fun and easy it is to serve! Children who have received their Sacrament of First Holy

Communion are eligible. If your child will be receiving their First Communion this May, ask them if they'd like to become an Altar Server. Let Annie know OR you can talk to Veber Caetano about signing up!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Mass

**3<sup>rd</sup> Graders will be serving at the 10am Mass on January 28<sup>th</sup>**



If you have a child in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade who would like to participate in the Mass, please let me know or have them tell their teacher. We will provide the readings beforehand and will have a practice so that the children feel comfortable in their roles. This is a great way to let them see how fun and easy it is to serve!

## January



### Prayer Focus...

First Communion: 1<sup>st</sup> Year  
Grace Before Meals

First Communion: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year  
Act of Contrition &  
Form of Confession

Confirmation: 1<sup>st</sup> Year  
Act of Contrition

Confirmation: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year  
Nicene Creed