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Hello to my CCD Families!

I hope that you're having a wonderful season of Advent. Our already full schedules get packed with even more events and to-dos. Am I the only feeling overwhelmed? Advent is the season where we eagerly await the coming of our Savior Jesus Christ. Do you remember the excitement you felt as your due date neared? We should feel the same way about Christmas Day and celebrating the birth of the most precious baby ever born - Jesus. Let us joyfully bring Jesus into our homes and our hearts!

God bless you and yours!
Annie

Our Lady of Guadalupe Tilma Makers!

We got to learn about and make tilmas honoring her visit to Saint Juan Diego! Great job Hector Antunez, Renata Flores, Melissa Mendonza, Livier Ortega, Yeztael Vasquez!



UPCOMING EVENTS

December 9th

Children's Mass at 4pm in Mission Church

December 12th

Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 13th

Christmas Caroling at 5:30pm! Make sure to SIGN UP online!

December 17th

Finals Week at School - **NO CCD CLASSES!** Make it a study night!!

December 18th

Children's Christmas Vigil Mass Practice at 6:30pm
(Mass on 12/24 at 5pm)

December 22nd – January 5th
Christmas & New Year's Break • NO CLASSES!

DECEMBER



Prayer Focus...

First Communion: 1st Year
Glory Be

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

Confirmation: 1st Year
Apostles' Creed

Confirmation: 2nd Year
Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

PRAYER *Champions*

We are now in the month of December with new prayers to focus on! Let's make sure that we continue to encourage them to practice their prayers and to test on them throughout the month. Lost your prayer sheet? That's okay! They're available on the CCD tab of the church website

Children's Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

The Children's Christmas Eve Vigil Mass will include the children reenacting the Gospel reading the Nativity of our Lord. If you have a child that would like to participate in the Mass, we will be needing readers, gift collectors and children to participate in the actual nativity play: Mary, Joseph, Shepherds, Angels, Animals, etc. I will also need parent participation to "cue" the kids during the Gospel reading so that things can go as smoothly as possible.



We will hold a practice on Thursday, December 18th at 6:30pm. Our Christmas Vigil Mass will be held at 5pm on December 24th

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.

Children's Mass Readers...



Thank you go our 2nd grade students who read this past week at the Children's Mass: **Daniel Avila, Kristen Davis, Saige Hutchins, Aubrey Nunes, Grayson Silva and Cody Soares!**

Our children are learning the importance of being reverent during Mass.

This past week we incorporated prayer sheets so that the kids can learn the Mass responses.

Parents, please remember that you are invited to join the children during Mass. It would be a GREAT help to have more adults sitting among the children to "coach" them during Mass and help us celebrate the Eucharist as a parish family.



Celebrating birthdays this week...

- **Westin Pires**
- **Kassidy Mancebo**

SERVICE HOURS

opportunities!

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

Make sure to go to the CCD tab at www.hilmarholysrosary.org to sign up for these and other opportunities!

Congratulations to November's Candy Jar Raffle Winner... **Valeria Gonzalez**



72 prayers were passed in November!