

## Holy Rosary † St. Mary's C.C.D.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**December 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Finals Week at School – **NO CCD CLASSES!** Make it a study night!!

**December 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Children's Christmas Vigil Mass  
Practice at 6:30pm  
(Mass on 12/24 at 5pm)

**December 22<sup>nd</sup> – January 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Christmas & New Year's Break • NO CLASSES!**

**January 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Epiphany

**January 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am**  
1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Confirmation  
Candidate & Sponsor Retreat

**January 25<sup>th</sup> at 10am Mass**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Children's Mass

*Hello to my CCD Families!*

*Can you believe that Christmas is just around the corner?!?! In all the hustle and bustle of the season, I pray that you will look around at all the "gifts" you have in your life...family, friends, and our faith! God is constantly blessing us with so many gifts. May our eyes be opened to them and may we remember to thank the giver of all!*

*This week will be our last before we break for the Christmas and New Year's holiday. We will be on break December 22<sup>nd</sup> through January 5<sup>th</sup>. Classes resume on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday season!!*

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

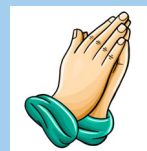
*God bless you and yours!  
Annie*



### Christmas & New Year's Break

There will be no CCD Classes from December 22<sup>nd</sup> through January 5<sup>th</sup>. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. I will be in and out of the office during that time. It is best to contact me via email or text as I can receive them on my mobile and will be able to respond in a timely manner.

## DECEMBER



*Prayer Focus...*

First Communion: 1<sup>st</sup> Year  
**Glory Be**

First Communion: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year  
**Glory Be & Grace Before Meals**

Confirmation: 1<sup>st</sup> Year  
**Apostles' Creed**

Confirmation: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year  
**Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel**

## 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 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Our Christmas Vigil Mass will be held at 5pm on December 24<sup>th</sup>

## 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 our 4<sup>th</sup> grade students who read this past week at the Children's Mass: Erica Avila, Carter Couto, Kensington Cozzitorto, Noah Mendonca, Amelia Miguel, Finnick Rhoads, Annalise Vieira and Dallas & Luke Zavala

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.

## Christmas Caroling & Cookie Decorating

We sure did have a fun time this Saturday as we rode around our neighboring streets bringing Christmas cheer to all! Hot chocolate and cookie decorating after in the hall. Thank you to everyone who helped and participated!



# HAPPY Birthday

Celebrating birthdays  
this week...

- **Kaelyn Machado**
- **Kenadie Machado**
- **Nathan Segura**
- **Cooper Soares**
- **Amelia Melo**
- **Gavin Bettencourt**
- **Alexia Saltos**
- **Shayleen Oliveira**
- **Joshua Valladares**
- **Austin Rocha**
- **Olivia Cortes**
- **Mackenzie Silveira**
- **Mia Does**
- **Nikita Mendonca**

## SERVICE HOURS

*opportunities!*

Make sure to go to the CCD tab at [www.hilmarholysrosary.org](http://www.hilmarholysrosary.org) to sign up for these and other opportunities!