

## September 27, 2026 † 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflect today on the first son, and humbly see yourself in him. In what ways do you find it difficult to say “Yes” to God’s will right away? It is not a sin to struggle with obedience. This struggle is part of our fallen human nature. Like the first son, we must allow grace to work within us, forming our conscience and compelling us to act in accordance with God’s will, especially in the areas where we resist. When we allow grace to move us beyond our initial hesitation, we grow in virtue and become more like our Blessed Mother and our Lord Jesus, who both said “Yes” to the Father and followed through completely. (Visit [www.catholic-daily-reflections.com](http://www.catholic-daily-reflections.com) for more!)

### Saturday, September 26, 2026

#### 8:00am Mass

Intention: Manuel & Maria Pereira †

Requested by: Laura Pereira

#### 5:30pm Mass

Intention: Antonio A Cabral †

Intention: John Mullins †

Macklin

Requested by: Oliveira Family

Requested by: Kathy

### Sunday, September 27, 2026

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#### 7:00am Mass

Intention: Richard Silva †

Intention: Tony Souza †

Requested by: Cabrillo Club #30

Requested by: David & Fatima Amaral

#### 8:30am Portuguese Mass

Intention: Antonio Diniz & Madalena Borges † Requested by: Lee & Dina Borges

Intention of: Antonio & Ana Barcelos “Happy 58<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!”

Requested by: Children

#### 10:00am Mass

Intention: All Deceased Members of the Martinez Family †

Requested by: Martinez Family

Intention: Maria Honoria Teixeira †

Requested by: Randy & Marie Edwards

#### 12:00pm Spanish Mass at St. Mary’s Church

Intention: Daniel Hernandez †

Requested by: Family

#### 5:00pm English Mass at St. Mary’s Church

Intention: Richard Avila †

Requested by: Melanie Almada & Family

#### 6:30pm Spanish Mass at St. Mary’s Church

Intention: People of the Parish

### Tuesday, September 29, 2026

#### 8:00am Mass

Intention: Mary Marson †

Requested by: Duane Marson

### Wednesday, September 30, 2026

#### 8:00am Mass

Intention: Joe M Oliveira †

Requested by: Oliveira Family

#### 6:45pm CCD Family Mass

Intention: Joe & Maria Lourenco and Erica Bivens Russell †

Requested by: Angelique Cardoza

### Thursday, October 1, 2026

#### 8:00am Mass

Intention: Joe Faria †

Requested by: Tony & Diane Diniz

### Friday, October 2, 2026

#### 8:00am Mass

Intention: William (Bill) Jones †

Requested by: Family

#### 1:00pm

#### Wedding of

Yanelli Ortiz ♥ Ulyses Jimenez

8:30am to 4:45pm Adoration in the Mission Church

5:00pm to 6:00pm Confessions in the New Church

### Saturday, October 3, 2026

#### 8:00am Mass

Intention: Antonio Rosa & Emily Silveira † Requested by: Manuel & Maria Silveira

#### 1:00pm

#### Wedding of

Lexi Cook ♥ Jonathan Ramos

#### 5:30pm Mass

Intention: Lionel & Beatriz Lopes †

Requested by: Luis & Maria Cardoso

Intention of: Amy Rocha Faria

Requested by: Manuel Faria

### Sunday, October 4, 2026

#### 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### 7:00am Mass

Intention: Celeste Drumonde †

Requested by: Manuel Drumonde

Intention: Humberto & Julia Silva †

Requested by: Cox & Brindeiro Families

#### 8:30am Portuguese Mass

Intention: João Almada †

Requested by: Diana Raposo

Intention: Paul Howard †

Requested by: Raymond & Gorette Oliveira

#### 10:00am Mass

Intention: Those Inscribed in the Legacy of Faith Book

#### 5:00pm English Mass at St. Mary’s Church

Intention: People of the Parish

#### 6:30pm Spanish Mass at St. Mary’s Church

Intention: Rosa Elenes

Requested by: Family

## This Week’s Parish Schedule

September 27, 2026 • Youth Group in Parish Hall at 6:30pm

September 27, 2026 • Cabrillo Club Drive-Thru BBQ

October 2, 2026 • Spanish Baptism Class at 6pm in MMMR\*

October 4, 2026 • Youth Group in Parish Hall at 6:30pm

October 5, 2026 • Safe Environment Parent’s Meeting at 6pm in Classroom #4

*Msgr. Minhoto Meeting Room \**

*My obedient Lord, You and Your Blessed Mother  
always responded with wholehearted fidelity to the  
Father’s will, both in word and in deed. Grant me the  
grace to imitate Your example and to share in the very  
obedience You lived in union with Your Mother. Root  
out my fallen tendencies toward selfishness, and make me  
generous in charity, living in full accord with and in  
obedience to the Father’s glorious will.  
Jesus, I trust in You.*

## Bulletin Notices

Requests must be received 10 days **PRIOR** to the weekend  
the announcement is to be published. Email your request to:  
[BulletinHolyRosary@gmail.com](mailto:BulletinHolyRosary@gmail.com)

## THIS WEEK ON FORMED



### Who Are the Archangels?

Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Elizabeth Klein discuss archangels and what role they have in our lives.

Renew yourself Spiritually and log onto purchased by the parish free to you, simple to use a lot of content. See it on the computer, smart tv or app on phones.

**Step 1** • Go to [formed.org](https://formed.org)

**Step 2** • Click "Formed for Parishes"

**Step 3** • Click "Find parish subscription" and enter Hilmar zip code 95324. Holy Rosary will appear.

**Step 4** • Enter first and last name & your email.  
*That's it, enjoy!*

## CHRISTmas Parade

### Holy Rosary will have a float at this year's Christmas parade! Will you be a part of this?

We will be having a planning meeting on September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in classroom #4. Let's work together to create fun memories for the children & families of our parish and community! Questions? Contact Annie Leandro



## CCD NEWS

### Join us for Wednesday Night Family Mass!

This year our Wednesday night Catechism sessions will begin with a family Mass starting at 6:45pm in the New Church. If your child(ren) attend Wednesday sessions, PLEASE join them at Mass! This is a wonderful opportunity to share in the faith as a family before your child(ren) head off to class. This Mass is open to EVERYONE!



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 AT 7:00 PM

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION  
2602 S. WALNUT ROAD  
TURLOCK, CA

- Learn more about the Catholic High School that opened in Turlock this fall!
- Award-Winning Integrated, Classical Curriculum Focused on Faith and Reason
- Daily Mass and Joyful Catholic Culture
- Affordable Tuition
- Minimalist Approach to Technology

Learn more about our school



## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Maura Almada, Addy Alvarez, Linda Andrade, Maria Olivia Avila, Sally Baggett, Maria L. Bettencourt, Laucia Bogacki, Arthur Carmo, Adolfo Cisneros, Shirley Coelho, Marren de Orta Cordeiro, Cathy Costa, Chasity Cox, Kelly Cox, Nisa Cox, Sarah Cox, Victor Cunha, Jennifer DeCoteau, Vinci Deleberto, Ann DePalma, Manuel Espinola, David Estrada, Bailey Fernandes, Gary Fernandes, Porter Fernandes, Carol Firestine, MaryJo Fontes, Jared Germann, Tobias Govea, Richard Huntley, **Rose Marie Huntley**, Austin Jones, **Angela Jorge**, Tiesha Kelley, Debbie Kidder, Steven LaMarre, Brian Lawrence, Nancy Lawrence, Philbert Lawrence, Henry Locke, Linda Lopes, Mike Lopes, Troy Lopes, José Lourenco, Maria Lourenco, Serra Lourenco, John Louro, Maria Odelta Luis, JoAnn Lundell, Joe Machado, John Machado, Brenda Mays, Sheila Smith McDonough, Mark Medeiros, Amelia Melo, Antonio Mendes, Kendra Mendes, Daniel Mendonca, Nico Morasci, Maverik Nash, Adeline Nelson, Beatriz Nunes, Maria Mercedes Nunes, Alan Oliveira, Anthony Parreira, Zeb Parreira, Delores Ramos, Guimar Reis, Lidia Rocha, Stephanie Rockwell, Samantha Roberts, Tony Rodrigues, Joe Sequeira, Manuel A. Sequeira, Matthew Shelton, Serafim Silva, Lucy Silveira, Manuel Silveira, Amaro Souza, Zelma Souza, Susie Totten, José Vieira, Mary José Vieira, Summer Vieira, Shirley Vierra, Sally Ann Thomas and Lesley Zorra

If you would like someone who is currently ill, or someone who will be having surgery, to be added to our bulletin prayer list, please contact the parish office at (209)667-8961 or email [bulletinholyrosary@gmail.com](mailto:bulletinholyrosary@gmail.com). Kindly advise us of any changes that need to be made to this list. Thank you!



We congratulate the newest members of our Catholic Faith Community who were recently baptized:

**Jesus Tadeo Perez-Cerna**  
son of Cristian & Veronica

We pray that they and their families will continue to grow in faith & in love of Jesus as they remain close to His Church.

## YOUTH GROUP

HOLY ROSARY YOUTH GROUP  
FOR HIGH SCHOOL  
PRESENTS

**BE BOLD**  
EVANGELIZATION:  
THE CHURCH'S MISSION

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH  
6:30PM-8:00PM  
PARISH HALL

## PARISH OFFERING & 2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION



Simply visit our website: [www.hilmarholyroary.org](http://www.hilmarholyroary.org)  
Click on the OSV online giving logo. Open an account.  
Choose: one time, weekly or monthly.  
It's that easy!!

September 19 & 20 ..... \$6,148  
Last weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection is for the  
**CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT** ..... \$1,684

*Many thanks to those who support our parish!*

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO NOTE YOUR PARISHIONER # ON CHECKS**



## AUGUST MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT

**REVENUES** (plate collections, rental fee, weddings & baptisms)

**Totaled** ..... \$39,125.21

**EXPENSES** (utilities, Diocesan & Education assessments, property taxes, repairs, maintenance, office & church expenses, payroll, payroll taxes & insurance)

**Totaled** ..... \$50,476.01

**Bottom Line** ..... -\$11,350.80



## CELEBRATING THIS WEEK...

*Happy Anniversary to...*

John ♥ Doralice Rocha – 62<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

Joe ♥ Fatinha Pires – 42<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

Larry ♥ Natalie Pires – 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

*Happy Birthday to...*

Teresa Azevedo • Marisa Borba • Braidyn Correia • Jim Eugler  
Anthony Gonzales • Fatima Machado • Priscilla Serafim  
Ronald Souza •

*Want your birthday/anniversary mentioned in the bulletin?  
Call the parish office to be added to our list.*

## CABRILLO CLUB

**Annual Drive-Thru Chicken BBQ**

½ Chicken, Beans, Apple Slices,  
Roll & Cookie.

Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>  
from 11am to 2pm

Tickets are \$25

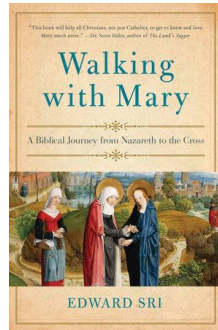
Please show your support!



## **PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEMBERS**

- Benjamin Holland – US Navy
- Adam Inderbitzen – US Navy
- Isaak Rodriguez – US Navy
- JD Souza – US Army
- James Michael Stroup – US Army
- Evangeline G Tilman - Airforce

Please let us know about our active service members! We want to pray that God grant them protection as they serve to protect our freedoms and liberties! To add your loved one to our prayer list, email: [BulletinHolyRosary@gmail.com](mailto:BulletinHolyRosary@gmail.com)



Starting October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Msgr. Minhoto Meeting Room, we will start our next book "Walking with Mary" by Edward Sri. Join us for fellowship as we come to know Mother Mary on a deeper level. We will begin by reviewing pages 1-34 of the book. Questions? Contact Annie Leandro.



## **Stand Together For Life – Join In Prayer**

### **Life Chain Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**

Each year Life Chains form in cities nationwide and in Canada to make a public, prayerful, peaceful stand for life. Join us & pray with thousands of pro-life individuals in honor of millions of babies whose lives have been lost to abortion. The goal of this prayer chain is to raise a cry to God for all the poor baby souls not given a chance for life, to show our community we stand united in opposition to abortion and to inform women there is hope and support so they can make the loving choice to have their babies. Together we'll make a difference.

Jesus, we trust in you!

Please keep a space of at least 6 feet between people, but keep little ones close to you! Water, chairs, umbrellas & strollers are welcome!

Bring your whole family – Rain or Shine!

Local locations:

Atwater • Merced • Livingston • Los Banos • Chowilla

**If you have questions,  
please call (209)617-3870**

**Lifecchain.org**

## **Action Over Words**



### **Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)**

*Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' He said in reply, 'I will not,' but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir,' but did not go. Which of the two did his father's will?"*

[Matthew 21:28-31](#)

This parable must have been difficult for the chief priests and elders to hear, especially since it was clearly directed at them. In fact, after Jesus tells them a second parable, not included in today's Gospel, we read, "although they were attempting to arrest him, they feared the crowds, for they regarded him as a prophet" ([Matthew 21:46](#)). It seems they dismissed Jesus' words and His rebuke, but fear of public backlash, rather than fear of God's judgment, kept them silent for a time.

In today's Gospel, the first son represents the tax collectors and prostitutes, those who initially violated God's law but later repented after hearing the preaching of John the Baptist and Jesus. The second son represents the chief priests and elders. After telling the parable, Jesus declares, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you."

Like the second son, the religious and civic leaders paid lip service to God's law, but their actions did not align with its intent. They were hypocrites, blind to their own rejection of God's saving Word, and they misled others by their outward piety and self-righteous attitudes.

Consider more carefully the reactions of the two sons. We might imagine that the second son, who said, "Yes, sir," represents all who put on a false appearance of holiness. In the sight of others, they say the right things, but behind closed doors they fail to act.

The first son is markedly different. Though he initially responds with defiance—"I will not"—his conscience eventually moves him to do what is right. Some may wonder why Jesus didn't include a third son, one who says "Yes, sir," and then follows through. But Jesus likely omits such a son because all of us fall into one of the two categories He presents. Only our Blessed Mother obeyed perfectly in both word and deed from the first moment of her Immaculate Conception.

The first son becomes our model because each of us, in some way, struggles to enter into perfect obedience to God's will. From childhood, we contend with what the Church calls concupiscence, the disordered tendency that arises from Original Sin. Though we are created good and in the image of God, our nature is wounded and inclined toward what is contrary to His will. The spiritual journey we undertake in this life is one in which grace slowly reorders our fallen inclinations and restores us to the obedience we are called to live.

**The 2026 Committee Members for  
Our Lady of the Rosary  
celebration:**

**Presidents**

*Frank & Licia Costa*

**Vice Presidents**

*José & Maria Gorette Matos*

**Secretary**

*Bettyjean Rocha*

**Treasurer**

*Mary Xavier*



*Our celebration is just around the corner **October 16<sup>th</sup> – October 25<sup>th</sup>***

*Please remember this celebration needs many hands and talents. Offer your time to honor our Blessed Mother by contacting any member of the committee to volunteer.*

**Bazaar & Auction Items**

Items are now being collected. You may drop off your items at the parish office. Please bring your items early to allow the volunteers an early start in setting up. This is a BIG task! We need helpers during the festa to work in the bazaar which is a busy spot during the weekend. Signups are available on the home page of the church website!

**Angels Needed**

We are in need of little girls & boys between the ages of 3-6 to be angels in the procession on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please contact Maria Almada at (209)346-6128.

**Attention Boys & Girls**

We need 10 girls ages 6-8 (dresses are provided) and 4 boys ages 8-10 (must wear white shirt and black slacks) to help carry the Rosary for the annual celebration of Our Lady of the Rosary Festa on Sunday, October 25. Please call Anna Cabral at (209)667-8961 if your child would like to participate in this special procession.

Also, any boys or girls who wish to participate in the Bodo de Leite (cow parade) on Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, in the morning, call Annie at (209)632-7163.

**Calling All Bakers!**

The snack bar (at the Festa) is looking for home baked goodies to sell: Bundt cakes, cupcakes, breads (banana, zucchini, pumpkin, etc). Please bring your fresh baked goodies to the Storage Building on Saturday morning, October 24<sup>th</sup>. For more information, call Rosa Fraga at (209)277-9082.

**Restaurant Helpers Needed**

Signups are available on the home page of the church website!

**Ticket Booth**

The ticket booth is looking for adult helpers for Thursday, October 22 thru Sunday October 25. If you would like to volunteer, please call Dina at (209)277-2487.

*Much help is needed for the upcoming Festa! Please go to our church website at [hilmarholynosary.org](http://hilmarholynosary.org) to sign up to help in the Restaurant and Bazaar or call any committee member to let them know you are interested in volunteering. The grounds set up will begin taking place on Tuesday with the tent. Reach out to any of our Committee Members to find out how you can help.*



**A very BIG Thank You to all the wonderful volunteers who have come to help with making of espee. Thank you to those who not only donated their time & talent but also to those who donated for the purchase of baking supplies.**

## FINANCE COUNCIL

*The Finance Council meets every two months and oversees the finances of the parish.*

### Current Members:

|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
| Pat Bivens      | Natalie Pires  |
| eWesley Caetano | Tima Seward    |
| Anthony Ortiz   | Shirley Vierra |

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

*The Pastoral Council meets monthly to discuss the needs of the parish. Our Council members are the eyes and ears of our parish. Please feel free to give them your input to be shared at the monthly meetings. This meeting is open to everyone.*

### Current Members:

|                     |                  |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Frank & Licia Costa | Lindsey Oliveira |
| Annie Leandro       | Betty Jean Rocha |
| Kevin Lindo         | Carlos Rocha     |
| Taylor Nylund       | Jorge Vieira     |

***Need to get in touch with one of our contacts?  
Call the parish office at (209) 667-8961***

## CONTACTS

**Altar Servers** • Veber Caetano

**Altar Society** • Carmel Caetano & Ines Vieira

### **Baptism Preparation**

Christopher & Monica Lopes – English Classes  
Roberto & Grettel Morera – Spanish Classes

**Cleaning Teams** • Carmel Caetano

**Eucharistic Ministers** • Veber Caetano

**Finance Council** • Tima Seward

**Lectors** • Laurette Locke

**Marriage Preparation** • Armelim & Odelta Cardoso

**OCIA** (*Order of Christian Initiation for Adults*) • Christopher Freeberg

**Our Lady of the Rosary Festa** • Frank & Licia Costa

**Pastoral Council** • Fr. Isaque Meneses

**Portuguese Prayer Group** • Iria Martins

**Raising Future Saints** • Anjelica Locke

**Religious Education** • 209-632-7163

Annie Leandro • HolyRosaryStMarysCCD@gmail.com  
Nicole Cozzitorto • HolyRosaryChurchConfirmation@gmail.com

**Right to Life** • Melissa Wood

**Safe Environment Training** • Annie Leandro

**Teams of Our Lady** • Frank & Annie Leandro

**Young Ladies' Institute** • Pam Real

**Young Men's Institute** • Duarte Monteiro

## WELCOME TO HOLY ROSARY † ST. MARY'S FAITH COMMUNITY

We welcome all visitors! Thank you for joining us in the Celebration of the Eucharist. We hope you will find ways to participate in and support our parish life and mission by sharing your time, talent and treasure.

If you have been attending services but are not registered or if you have just moved into the area, we invite you to join us as a member of our parish family, using the registration form below or stopping by the Parish Office. Your registration makes it possible for us to communicate with you and to plan and provide for your needs more effectively. Registration is required for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage and enrollment in our religious education programs.

***Register, Participate, and Share your Gifts and Talents!***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please circle all that apply:***

*New Parishioner • Update Information • Moving, please remove from directory*

## Receiving the Sacraments

**Anointing of the Sick:** This Sacrament of Healing is available to baptized Catholics who are seriously ill, facing major surgery or near death. Call the Parish Office to schedule.

**Confession:** Confessions are held every Friday in the New Church starting at 5pm. You may also call the parish office to schedule an individual confession with Father.

**Baptism:** Parental participation in a program to prepare parents & godparents is required. Contact the Parish Office at least three months in advance of your desired baptismal date to make the proper arrangements.

**Baptismal Prep Sessions in ENGLISH are the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in the Msgr. Minhoto Meeting Room.**

Contact - Christopher & Monica Lopes

**Baptismal Prep Sessions in SPANISH are the first Friday of each month at 6:30pm in the Msgr. Minhoto Meeting Room.**

Contact - Roberto & Grettel Morera

**Marriage:** Couples are asked not to set a date for their wedding until an initial meeting with the Pastor. Diocesan requirements mandate a minimum six-month period of preparation. Marriage classes (5 classes per session) are scheduled 2 times per year as needed. Contact – Armel & Odelta Cardoso

**OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults):** Classes will return September 2026. Registration forms are available in the parish office for those adults seeking the Sacraments of Initiation. Contact – Christopher Freeberg