October 25, 2026 † 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflect today on the inseparable bond between love of God and love of neighbor, and the eternal nature of these commandments. Does your life bear witness to these two great commands? Does your daily prayer arise from and lead to this twofold love? Hallow God's name not only with your lips, but also with your heart, soul, and mind. Allow that love to overflow to all people —especially those hardest to love —so that you show them the dignity and charity due to your neighbor, in anticipation of expressing that love forever in Heaven.

(Visit www.catholic-daily-reflections.com for more!)

Saturday, October 24, 2026

6:30pm Our Lady of the Rosary Bi-Lingual Mass followed by Procession
Intention: Manuel Matos, Julio Agueda, For All Deceased Family Members and for the Souls in Purgatory †
• Vice-Presidents: José & Gorete Matos

Sunday, October 25, 2026
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am Mass
Intention: João & Mariana Silveira † • Manuel & Ryan Silva
Intention of: Maria C Gonzalez • Maria Gonzalez

10:00am Bi-Lingual Festa Mass
Intention: Francisco & Idalina Costa, José Lopes da Costa, Maria Mendes and João Costa † • Presidents: Frank & Licia Costa

5:00pm English Mass at St. Mary's Church
Intention: Florinda Galhano † • Lourdes Pimentel

6:30pm Spanish Mass at St. Mary's Church
Intention: People of the Parish

Tuesday, October 27, 2026
8:00am Mass
Intention: Horacio & Gilda Fernandes † • Luis & Maria Cardoso

Wednesday, October 28, 2026
8:00am Mass
Intention: Living & Deceased Family Members † • Maria Vieira

6:45pm CCD Family Mass
Intention: Deceased Family Members † • Frank & Darlene Victoria

Thursday, October 29, 2026
8:00am Mass
Intention: Fr. Leonard Trindade † • Diana Raposo

Friday, October 30, 2026
8:00am Mass
Intention: Apolinio Valdez † • Family



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

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

Saturday, October 31, 2026

8:00am Mass
Intention: John A Mendonca † • Antonio Mendonca

5:30pm Mass
Intention of: Joe & Elmira Machado *"Happy 58th Anniversary!"* • Children
Intention: Francisco & Teresa B Costa † • Ana Silveira

Sunday, November 1, 2026
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00am Mass
Intention: Joe & Maria Lourenco and Erica Bivens Russell † • Angelique Cardoza

8:30am Portuguese Mass
Intention: João Lopes † • Madalena & Paulo Vitorino
Intention: José & Elvira Bertão & Family • Maria Rodrigues

10:00am Mass
Intention: Those Inscribed in the Legacy of Faith Book

5:00pm English Mass at St. Mary's Church
Intention: Finley Huff † Requested by: Manuel & Gina Rosa

6:30pm Spanish Mass at St. Mary's Church
Intention: People of the Parish

This Week's Parish Schedule

October 26, 2026 • Book Club at 6pm in MMMR
October 27, 2026 • Christmas Parade Float Planning Meeting at 6pm in Classroom #4

Upcoming Parish Events & Activities

November 2, 2026 • Book Club at 6pm in MMMR
November 3, 2026 • English Baptism Class at 6:30pm in MMMR
November 5, 2026 • Finance Council Meeting at 6pm
November 6, 2026 • Spanish Baptism Class at 6:30pm in MMMR
November 8, 2026 • Youth Group at 6:30pm in Parish Hall

*Msgr. Minhoto Meeting Room **

Lord of Heaven and earth, I thank You for Your holy commandments. I pray that I may live each one with full fidelity. Help me to hallow Your name in all things, to seek Your Kingdom above all, and to love all people with the love You have for them. May I see these commands, not as a burden, but the joy and direction of my life. Jesus, I trust in You.

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

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What Catholics Believe About Halloween | All Saints, All Souls

Is Halloween really a pagan holiday—or is it deeply Christian? In this episode of What Catholics Believe, Dr. Ben Akers explains the Catholic roots of Halloween, its connection to All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, and how Catholics can celebrate it faithfully. Discover the history of trick-or-treating, the dangers of the occult, the meaning behind costumes, and even the Catholic perspective on vampires and zombies.

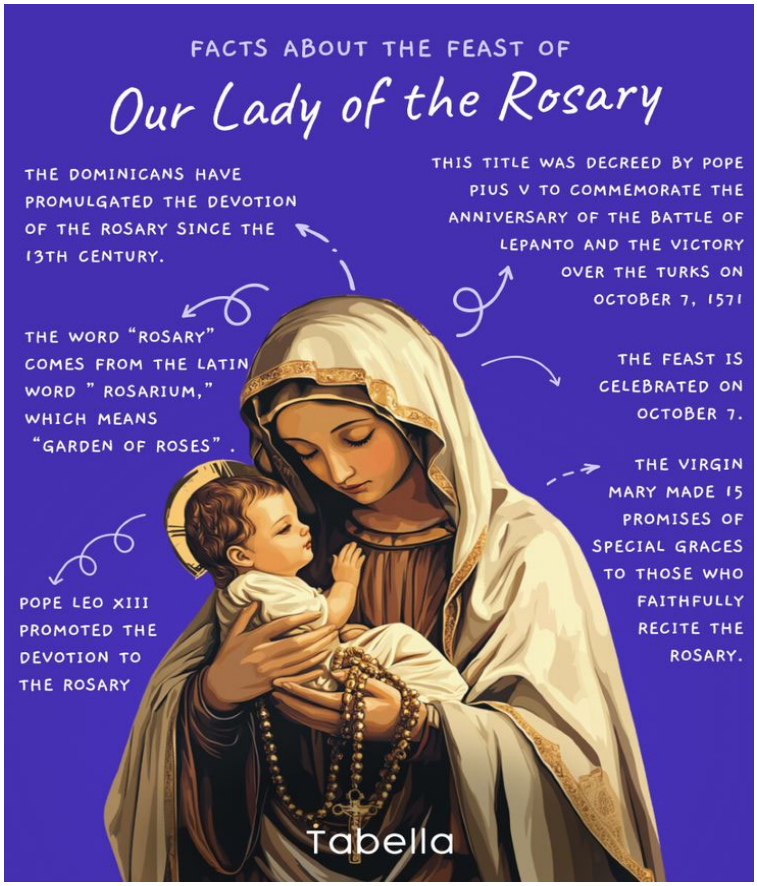
Renew yourself Spiritually and log onto *p*urchased by the parish free to you, simple to use a lot of content. See it on the computer, smart tv or app on phones.

Step 1 • Go to **formed.org**

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!



CCD NEWS

Operation Shoebox is coming soon!

Samaritan's Purse OPERATION Christmas Child — the power of a simple gift

We have a wonderful opportunity to share the love of God and the joy of Christmas with children from places in the world that do not get to hear the Word of God or open a gift on Christmas day. Boxes will be ready for pick up in the parish office, CCD office and the church entry after October 28th. Everything you need to know about this program will be inside each box.

YOUTH GROUP





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, **Logan Clayton**, 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, Daniel Mendonca, Nico Morasci, Maverik Nash, Adeline Nelson, Beatriz Nunes, Maria Mercedes Nunes, Alan Oliveira, Anthony Parreira, Zeb Parreira, Bernice Ramos, 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. Kindly advise us of any changes that need to be made to this list. Thank you!



November is a time to remember the faithful departed. During the month of November, we are called in a special way to remember our loved ones who have gone to their rest. The month of November especially All Soul's Day is a traditional time for visiting the graves of loved ones, as is the anniversary of their death. Let us remember the Souls in Purgatory in our prayers and they will surely intercede for us in union with our Blessed Mother and all the Saints.

Please join our parish community on November 2nd at 6:30pm as we remember our departed family members and friends. We will be giving special honor to our parishioners who passed away this past year.

† Cathy Lee Azevedo
† Donna Cardoza
† Maria Fatima Costa
† Leonard Allen King
† Marylou Locke
† João Manuel Lopes
† Celina Nunes Mancebo
† David Samuel Oliveira
† Ilidio Simas Pinheiro
† Derek John Santos
† Beverly Ann Sousa
† José F Tavares
† Manuel Firmino Barroso
† Francisco F Costa
† Maria Manuela Goulart
† Lucy Leonard
† James Victor Lopes
† Jerry Lourenco
† Melchor Nieto
† Anthony de Jesus Ortiz
† Maria Rocha Pires
† Susan Santos
† Tony Correia Souza
† Peter Javier Valladares

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**

PARISH OFFERING & 2ND COLLECTION

Online Giving from OurSundayVisitor

Simply visit our website: www.hilmarholyrosary.org
Click on the OSV online giving logo. Open an account.
Choose: one time, weekly or monthly.
It's that easy!!

October 17 & 18..... **$6,470**
2nd Collection is for **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY** **$1,615**

Many thanks to those who support our parish!
PLEASE REMEMBER TO NOTE YOUR PARISHIONER # ON CHECKS



CELEBRATING THIS WEEK...

Happy Birthday to...

Eric Azevedo • Jeanette Bray • David Cunha • Lucas Mendonca
Taylor Pires • Riley Rhoads • Matthew Sequeira
Juan Carlos Vazquez • Maria Vieira

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



We would like to give special honor to our parishioners who have served or are currently serving in the military. Please let us know who you are so that we can thank you for your service!
Email: BulletinHolyRosary@gmail.com

Holy Baptism

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

Lucia Eloisa Garcia
daughter of Rolando & Andrea

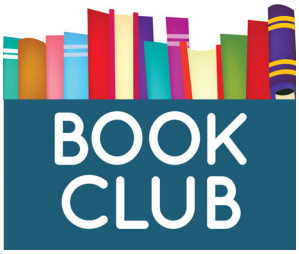
Deaken Bryan Rios
son of Dominic & Catlyn

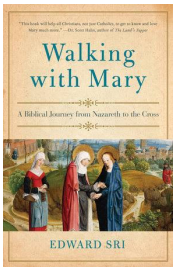
We pray that they and their families will continue to grow in faith & in love of Jesus as they remain close to His Church.

PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEMBERS

- **Benjamin Holland** – US Navy
- **Adam Inderbitzen** – US Navy
- **Dominic Readd** – US Navy
- **Isaak Rodgriguez** – 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





October 27th at 6pm in the Msgr. Minhoto Meeting Room, we will continue our book "Walking with Mary" by Edward Sri. Join us for fellowship as we come to know Mother Mary on a deeper level. We will cover Steps 3 & 4 this week. Questions? Contact Annie Leandro.



We currently have availability for Mass Intentions for the remainder of 2026 for those who have NOT yet requested Masses. Come to the parish office for more. Requests for 2027 will be out soon!

The Eternal Law of Love



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"
Matthew 22:34-36

The Law of Moses, found in the Torah—the first five books of our Old Testament—is traditionally said to contain 613 commandments: 248 positive ("dos") and 365 negative ("don'ts"). Among these laws, there was a longstanding debate among the rabbis about which commandment was the greatest. Therefore, though the Pharisee who posed this question to Jesus was testing Him, it was also likely a sincere inquiry.

Jesus certainly perceived the testing nature of the question, but He also recognized the genuine desire for truth. In response, He gently and directly offered a comprehensive answer, presenting a twofold summary that encompasses the entire Law and the prophets: "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind" and "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

These two commandments do more than summarize the Law and the prophets, they also encapsulate the essence of the petitions in the Lord's Prayer. Once we acknowledge God as our Father, we pray, "Hallowed be Thy name" and "Thy Kingdom come." These are the highest petitions we can make.

To hallow God's name is to give Him His due. God is thrice holy—holy, holy, holy. Our greatest duty is to hallow His name and His very being by magnifying and glorifying Him. This is the highest way to love Him with all our heart, soul, and mind.

In this life, we also turn to God in other ways. We ask for the grace to do His will, for His providential care, and for mercy and forgiveness. We pray to overcome trials and to be kept safe from the evil one. Each of these petitions, found in the Lord's Prayer, is essential and finds expression throughout the Torah and the New Testament. Yet in the end, every petition we make must ultimately lead to the highest commandment: to hallow God's name—to love Him with all we are—not merely because of what He does for us, but because of who He is. He is worthy of our love for His own sake, and it is our highest duty to offer Him that love.

In Heaven, many of the commandments and petitions we now make will cease. We will not ask for forgiveness, since we will be purified and sin no more. We will not pray for daily bread—pointing to the Sacraments and God's temporal care—because we will enter the eternal Banquet. Nor will we ask for strength to endure or receive protection from the evil one, because all trials will have been conquered in Christ. But we will eternally fulfill the greatest commandment and the first petition of the Lord's Prayer by forever hallowing God's name, crying out "holy, holy, holy," and loving Him with a purified and perfected love.

Likewise, the second greatest commandment will also be fulfilled in Heaven, just as the second petition of the Lord's Prayer—"Thy Kingdom come"—is fulfilled. The coming of God's Kingdom is our eternal participation in His glory and holiness, united with all our "neighbors"—the angels and saints. Our love of God will overflow into love of neighbor, and our love for one another will reflect and participate in our perfected love for God.

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

Schedule of Festivities

Saturday, October 24, 2026

10:30am
Bodo de Leite with the theme "Agricultural Carpentry". All farmers are invited to participate in the procession by bringing their decorated oxcarts.

12:30pm
Blessing of the Animals with the image of Saint Antão followed by the distribution of sweet bread, cheese & milk

1:00pm
Animal Auction outside and donated items in the storage building. Folklore dance groups.

6:00pm
Mass followed by Candlelight Procession concluding with a farewell to Our Lady and the blessing of the Blessed Sacrament

8:00pm
Cantoria with improvisers and players

9:00pm
Outdoor Dance with the band Sem Duvida

Sunday, October 25, 2026

10:00am
Solemn Mass presided by Bishop Joseph Brennan followed by the solemn procession of Our Lady of the Rosary.
After the procession, lunch will be served to all present.
During the afternoon there will be a concert by various philharmonics and auctions in the storage building.

6:30pm
Music Show with Monica Sintra and DNA Band.

Welcome
Rev. João Paulo



We warmly welcome Fr. João Paulo and thank him for leading us in this year's novena. May the Lord bless his ministry and make this time of prayer a source of grace for our parish community.

Welcome to our Parish Celebration!

This weekend we bring to a joyous conclusion our 34th Annual





We extend a very special **THANK YOU** to Rev. João Paulo who has led and inspired us through this very special spiritual journey with his messages. **THANK YOU** to Bishop Joseph Brennan who came to celebrate Mass with us!

This prayerful, faith-filled, community-building event is a real blessing to our parish. Our whole parish is grateful to the Festa Committee and the numerous people who assisted the Committee in many ways with their countless hours of hard work behind the scenes to bring it all together.

May our community grow closer together and closer to our loving God through His Mother as a result of our prayers and gathering during these holy days.

Pray for us, Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ!

FINANCE COUNCIL

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

Current Members:

Pat Bivens
Wesley Caetano
Anthony Ortiz
Natalie Pires
Tima Seward
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
Annie Leandro
Kevin Lindo
Taylor Nylund
Lindsey Oliveira
Betty Jean Rocha
Carlos Rocha
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

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Annie Leandro • HolyRosaryStMarysCCD@gmail.com
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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:

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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