



Monday, December 8, 2025

- 7:30 AM The Homeless
- 12:30 PM Joao & Maria Barbosa
- 5:00 PM Rosa Branca & Adelino Cruz
- 7:30 PM Spanish Mass

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

- 7:30 AM John & Rose O'Brien
- 12:30 PM Zachariah & Rosamma

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

- 7:30 AM Eileen O'Brien
- 12:30 PM Rob & Cathy Mondello (Living)

Thursday, December 11, 2025

- 7:30 AM The Unborn Children
- 12:30 PM Benedict DeLorenzo

Friday, December 12, 2025

- 7:30 AM All Souls in Purgatory
- 12:30 PM Terry Hettinger
- 7:30 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturday, December 13, 2025

- 5:00 PM Olinda & Ernesto Marques
Vicencio Viegas
The Lima Family
Francisco & Rosa Pedro
Joaquim & Vicencia Martins
Jerry & June Giuliano
In honor of Our Lady of Fatima & Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, December 14, 2025

- 7:00 AM Domingos & Maria Alves
- 8:30 AM Portuguese Intentions
- 10:00 AM Mike Gordon
- 11:30 AM People of the Parish
- 5:00 PM Spanish Intention
- 7:00 PM Martin P. Kelly

PRIEST CELEBRANTS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 13, 2025

5:00 PM Fr. Yesudas

Sunday, December 14, 2025

7:00 AM Fr. Malcolm

8:30 AM Fr. Tomaz

10:00 AM Fr. Malcolm

11:30 AM Fr. Ken

5:00 PM Fr. Malcolm

7:00 PM Fr. Ken

(Schedule is subject to change)



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

- MATTHEW 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church or do you buy more things that go unused? Our Stewardship time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

November 23rd Actual Collections = \$10,262

November 23rd Mail-In Donations = \$2,157

November 23rd Electronic Donations = \$607

November 23rd Total Collection = \$13,026

Attendance = 1,423

Queen of Peace = \$504

CMA = \$3,728

November 30th Actual Collections = \$9,193

November 30th Mail-In Donations = \$644

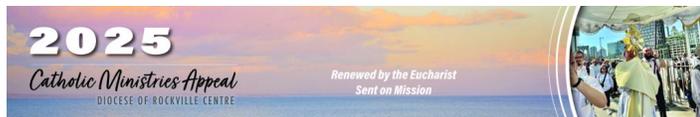
November 30th Electronic Donations = \$929

November 30th Total Collection =

Attendance = 1,377

Maintenance = \$4,093

Thanksgiving = \$3,446



CMA Numbers for 2025

Goal = \$95,900

Pledges = \$42,310

Donors = 160

Payments = \$42,040

Average = \$264

Thank you to all the families who already have made a sacrificial gift. Please consider a yearly offering.



*Please Pray For
The Deceased*



**Marisa DePalma Galindez, Margaret Rzezut
Maria Julia DeBarros**

Honoring Mother Mary during Advent



**Solemnity of the
Immaculate Conception**
(Holy day of Obligation this year)

**Mass Schedule
Monday, 8 December
7:30 AM, 12:30 PM, 5:00 PM &
7:30 PM (Spanish)**

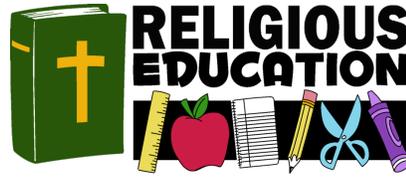
Honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe

**As a united community of faith let us rejoice
in celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe.**

**Friday, 12 December
7:30 PM (Spanish Mass)**

**With an outdoor procession to follow.
All are welcome!**





Sunday, Dec. 7, 2025

9:30 AM Gr. 5-6 (*Fitzgerald Hall*)

10:00 AM Class Mass

Monday, Dec. 8, 2025

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

4:00-5:00 PM Fitting and practice for “Journey to Bethlehem” (*church*)

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2025

Penance Workshop (*church*)

5:30 -6:30 PM

2A Mrs. Rosier

2B Mrs. Garcia

2C Ms. Henriques

Serves as class for the week.

Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2025

Penance Workshop (*church*)

5:30-6:30 PM

2D Mrs. Mercado/Ms. DaSilva

IC-2 and IC-3 Ms. Carmen

Serves as class for the week.

Sunday, Dec. 14, 2025

“Journey to Bethlehem”

10:00 AM Mass



Class 6B enjoyed working together on a Thanksgiving Blessing project with Mrs. Ludwig.

	Junior Lectors	10:00 AM Mass
Sunday, December 14, 2025	Delaney Moura and Brie Moura	
Sunday, December 21, 2025	Diana Lima and Alcina Lima	

Junior Lector Christmas Schedule		
Christmas Eve	4:00 PM	Robert Basel and Kylie Cunha
Christmas Day	10:00AM	Mark DaCosta
Solemnity of Mary	10:00 AM	Vivian Siracusa and Jane Siracusa
<i>(January 1, 2026)</i>		



CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

For many people, the holidays are extremely difficult. This year the Christmas season looks difficult for many. Hunger, poverty, unemployment, loss of a loved one prevent many people from experiencing the joy of the Christmas season. The Church of Corpus Christi helps bring the miracle of Christmas spiritually and materially to families that are in need through our Giving Tree. Please take an ornament off the tree and purchase the requested gift card which is inside the stocking and return the gift card to us by December 20th. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your wonderful kindness and generosity by making this Christmas season a little brighter for those in our community who are in need.

REMEMBERING YOU AT CHRISTMAS TIME

At this wonderful time of the year when we remember and celebrate our Savior's birth, we give thanks for the many gifts and blessings we have received. One way to give thanks is by remembering our friends and families by offering Christmas greetings, writing and sending Christmas cards. Once again, Parish Outreach is sponsoring our "Remembering You AT Christmas" program. Our outreach is simple and easy. When writing out your Christmas cards, write one extra Christmas card for a sick or homebound parishioner. These unseen and still important members of our parish won't be able to join us in person for our parish Christmas celebrations, but we want to let them know that they are still remembered in our hearts, thoughts and especially our prayers.



Bring the Christmas card with you to Mass during the weeks of December 8th, 15th & 22nd and drop it into the specially prepared mailbox in the lobby of the church or drop it off at the rectory during normal business hours. Don't worry about addressing it to a specific parishioner or sealing & stamping the card. Members of our Parish Outreach team will take care of that and deliver your joyful greetings to our homebound parishioners. Help spread the joy and peace of this holy season to those in need who can't be present with us at Christmas.

THANKSGIVING 2025 AT PARISH OUTREACH



YOU are abundantly Generous!!!! We are humbled, blessed and so grateful for all that **YOU** do to serve others so beautifully. We thank all of those who used our **Blessing Bags** this year and donated chickens, turkeys, hams, canned vegetables, soups, cranberry sauce, Stove Top stuffing, gravy, yams, apple sauce pancake and muffin mixes, maple syrup, oatmeal, cereal, paper goods, coffee, tea, hot chocolate and dessert mixes along with gift cards and cash to the Food Pantry so that those members of our community in need would be able to have a delicious Thanksgiving meal and leftovers. We put out over 350 Thanksgiving Blessing bags on the Cross this year and **YOU**, in **YOUR** spirit of living out one of the Corporal Works of Mercy, Feeding the Hungry, **YOU** took them all. Due to **YOUR** generosity, we were able to provide over 170 people with a bountiful Thanksgiving meal and leftovers.

A special word of gratitude to the Long Island Portuguese Lions Club, the Mineola Leos' Club, the Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus, Mineola High School and Mineola Memorial Library, who donated so much food through their generous food drives. This wonderful act of charity, compassion and service speaks well of the generosity of heart from this community.



Another word of thanks to Ceriello's Fine Foods in Williston Park for their generous donation of all of this year's Blessing Bags.

Our prayers of thanksgiving are endless; our neighbors in need have been served with love, respect and dignity. We couldn't do it without **YOU!!!!** Many Thanks-Many Blessing upon **YOU!!!!**

SAVE THE DATE:

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COLUMBIATTES AND THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS ARE INVITED TO THE Members CHRISTMAS PARTY

Knights of Columbus located on 186 Jericho Tpke in Mineola

Sunday, December 14th 12:30-3:30 pm



Come spend some time with friends and enjoy an assortment of food from Peter our great caterer and Rosa from Arditos. Christmas cookies and coffee and tea will be provided.

A choice of mimosa, beer, wine, juices, water and soda @ \$35. Under age 16 - \$10.00. Enjoy liquor drinks at reasonable Council prices.

Guest speakers from the Mineola Historical Society and other Mineola Services will present short discussions on the services they provide.

Questions: contact – Lou LiBrandi @646-841-3102/librandi@optonline.net



Knights of Columbus

Serving the Parishes of Corpus Christi and St. Aidan

CORPUS CHRISTI COUNCIL No. 2502

P.O. Box 243

Mineola, New York 11501

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What is a Knights of Columbus Knight ?

We are Catholic men building a bridge to our faith.

**Our lives, time, efforts and resources
are dedicated to these values:**

Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

We all come from different places, backgrounds and from all stages of life. The common thread is our Catholic Faith. We are Catholic men seeking to improve ourselves and our parishes. It's one thing to say who you are. It's another to live it. Put your values into practice.

**You are born a man
YOU BECOME A KNIGHT !**

Interested ? Please contact:

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Advent

Sunday November 30th is the beginning of Advent which lasts for four Sundays leading up to Christmas. The Advent season not only symbolizes the waiting for Christ's birth but also for his final return. Advent candles shine brightly in the midst of darkness, symbolizing and reminding us that Jesus came as Light into our dark world.



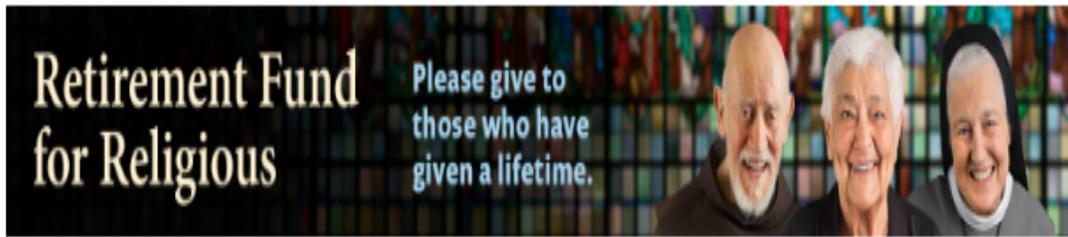
The first candle symbolizes **hope** and is called the "Prophet's Candle." The prophets of the Old Testament, especially Isaiah, waited in hope for the Messiah's arrival.

The second candle represents **faith** and is called "Bethlehem's Candle." Micah had foretold that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem, which is also the birthplace of King David.

The third candle symbolizes **joy** and is called the "Shepherd's Candle." To the shepherd's great joy, the angels announced that Jesus came for humble, unimportant people like them, too. In liturgy, the color rose signifies joy.

The fourth candle represents **peace** and is called the "Angel's Candle." The angels announced that Jesus came to bring peace--He came to bring people close to God and to each other again.

The (optional) fifth candle represents light and purity and is called "Christ's candle." It is placed in the middle and is lit on Christmas Day.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Pope Leo XIV has called on those serving the Church to be missionary disciples, actively sharing their faith and the love of Christ and the Gospel with others.

Our retired Religious Sisters and Brothers and Religious Priests have exemplified this call.

They have served the Lord, and through their vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience, have witnessed to the power, beauty, and joy of the Gospel. We have seen their example and have been the beneficiaries of their service and witness within our parishes, schools, and ministries.

Our Religious Sisters and Brothers and Religious Priests have done so much for us, and now, we called to do something for them.

May I ask that you remember them in your prayers, and may I also humbly ask that you make a gift to the Religious Retirement Fund to help care for them in their time of need?

Thank you for your time, generosity, and consideration in helping to support those who have given so much to our faith community.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend John O. Barres

Religious Retirement Collection

December 13th & 14th

The Religious Retirement Collection will take place in all parishes in the Diocese of Rockville Centre on the weekend of December 13/14. Our continued goal is to provide financial assistance for the challenges that our religious face because of the rising cost of healthcare. This collection helps to fund daily essentials like prescription medications and nursing care.



Please remember the sick in your daily prayers, including the following who have asked to be included in our list:

Connie Altvater, Aurora Antunes, Armandina Araujo, Evelyn Athas, Violeta Bernal, Anne Boland, Diane Bombardi, Erin Burke, Marie Byrnes, Jeanne Carroll, Jackson Carvalho, Michael Castalino, Frank de Carolis, Sue Citro, Emmanuel Colon, James Cunney, Kate Donovan, Laurie Fefta, Lilly Fuentes, Anne Gallagher, Kenneth Gallagher, Elba Garcia, Vanessa Gomes, Pat Kober, Diane LaBianca, Joseph LaBianca, Lorraine Liqury, Gus Lodato, Vincent Lodato, Thomas Lowe, Christine Lucivero, Augustus & Camella Lodato, Jason Lopes, Thomas Mitchell, Susan O'Brien, Mary O'Neal, Gabriel Palhete, Livia Pascoa Pereira, Linda Pires, Charles Procaccini, Dennis Radovic, Elizabeth Rose, JoAnn Russo, Mary Santucci, Robert Santucci, Ann Schwarz, Victoria Sheridan, Lisa Simeone, Lucy Elena Sivirichi, Paul Tubito, Lorraine Verdade, and any other members of our parish who are sick at this time.

Church Parking

With more people coming to Masses on weekends (Thank God), parking can be a challenge! In addition to parking on both sides of Garfield Avenue, please use our Church parking lot, our school lot, or the **large parking field** owned by the Chancery building on Willis Avenue across the street (thanks to their generosity!).



Recently, **no-parking/tow-away signs** have been posted on the small lot by the Red Cross north of us, as well as the small lot by the new Korean Baptist Church south of us. You may run the risk of having your vehicle towed during Mass (God forbid!). Please park properly, so that you can participate peacefully in the Eucharist.

Altar Server Schedule

Sat., Dec. 13	5:00 PM	G.Lamme-Damas/M.Trejos
Sun., Dec. 14	10:00 AM	L.Wasserman/C.Mahoney/E.Healy
	11:30 AM	A.Baker/C.Baker/A.Marcia

Church Donation Envelopes



Before giving your Church donation envelopes, please make sure that the amounts of your donations are written on the envelope. Please also avoid using tape to seal the envelopes.

The money counters, thank you very much.

KING KULLEN RECEIPTS



If you shop at the King Kullen in Garden City Park, please save your register receipts and place them in the white basket in the vestibule or in the collection basket or together with your donation in the stewardship envelope. 1% of your total

purchase gets donated to the Corpus Christi Religious Education Program.

Memorials Bread & Wine



Sunday, December 14th – 10:00am Mass
In Prayerful Memory of
Mike Gordon

Requested by John & Susan Anaischik

Español

II DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO



EVANGELIO DE SAN MATEO 3, 1-12

En aquel tiempo, comenzó Juan el Bautista a predicar en el desierto de Judea, diciendo: “Arrepiéntanse, porque el Reino de los cielos está cerca”. Juan es aquel de quien el profeta Isaías hablaba, cuando dijo: *Una voz clama en el desierto: Preparan el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos.* Juan usaba una túnica de pelo de camello, ceñida con un cinturón de cuero, y se alimentaba de saltamontes y de miel silvestre. Acudían a oírlo los habitantes de Jerusalén, de toda Judea y de toda la región cercana al Jordán; confesaban sus pecados y él los bautizaba en el río. Al ver que muchos fariseos y saduceos iban a que los bautizara, les dijo: “Raza de víboras, ¿quién les ha dicho que podrán escapar al castigo que les aguarda? Hagan ver con obras su conversión y no se hagan ilusiones pensando que tienen por padre a Abraham, porque yo les aseguro que hasta de estas piedras puede Dios sacar hijos de Abraham. Ya el hacha está puesta a la raíz de los árboles, y todo árbol que no dé fruto, será cortado y arrojado al fuego. Yo los bautizo con agua, en señal de que ustedes se han convertido; pero el que viene después de mí, es más fuerte que yo, y yo ni siquiera soy digno de quitarle las sandalias. Él los bautizará en el Espíritu Santo y en fuego. Él tiene el biello en su mano para separar el trigo de la paja. Guardará el trigo en su granero y quemará la paja en un fuego que no se extingue”.



El evangelio de San Mateo narra la predicación de Juan el Bautista en el desierto de Judea, anunciando la llegada del "reino de los cielos" y llamando al

arrepentimiento. Juan, vestido con pelo de camello, bautizaba a quienes confesaban sus pecados en el río Jordán. Se dirige enérgicamente a los fariseos y saduceos, exigiéndoles frutos de arrepentimiento en lugar de presunciones sobre su linaje y advirtiéndoles que el juicio inminente cortará al que no produzca buen fruto. Juan predice que alguien más poderoso vendrá después de él, quien no solo bautizará con agua sino también con "Espíritu Santo y fuego", y cuya misión será separar el trigo (los justos) de la paja (los pecadores) que será quemada en fuego inextinguible. Juan Bautista debió ser muy original. Mateo lo representa con los atributos externos propios de los profetas. Él va a ser, para el evangelista, el mismo profeta Elías que la tradición judía esperaba al final de los tiempos para traer al Mesías. Juan es duro, especialmente con los más hipócritas. No ofrece nada (al contrario de lo que hará Jesús), solo pide confesión de los pecados, conversión y bautismo. Dicho con otras palabras: coherencia de vida, autenticidad, sencillez y mirada a Dios. Su objetivo es preparar al pueblo para que la llegada del Mesías sea como la semilla que cae en buena tierra. Siguen siendo hoy muchos los profetas, también originales, que gritan por un mundo mejor, que quieren llamar a nuestras conciencias dormidas para invitarnos a construir una vida más plena. Adviento es buen momento para escuchar, sin juicios, su música y reconocer en ella el lenguaje de Dios. Nuestra fe no es una mera distracción o cumplimiento, sino un compromiso de vida que nos lleva a dar lo mejor de nosotros mismos. En este Adviento conviene que nos preguntemos si realmente necesitamos a Cristo para que nuestra vida adquiera más plenitud, para que hagamos de este mundo el Reino que Dios quiere.



Las lecturas de este II domingo del Adviento son una invitación a soñar un tiempo mejor. No es “ciencia ficción” o un triste optimismo que empieza y acaba en nosotros mismos. Es el tiempo de Dios que somos invitados a acoger como un compromiso y una opción de vida. No queremos que estas semanas pasen de manera rutinaria, sino asumirlas como oportunidad para cambiar nuestro día a día. Es el tiempo de Dios, es nuestro propio tiempo...

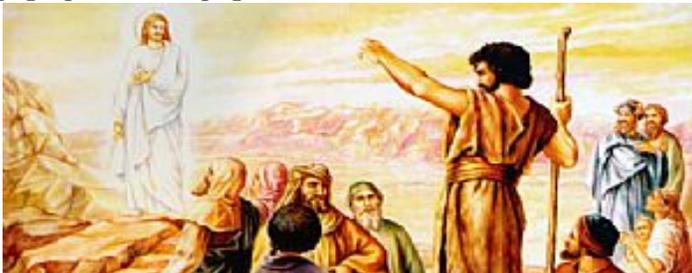
Português

DOMINGO II DO ADVENTO



EVANGELHO DE SÃO MATEUS 3, 1-12

Naqueles dias, apareceu João Baptista a pregar no deserto da Judeia, dizendo: «Arrependei-vos, porque está perto o reino dos Céus». Foi dele que o profeta Isaías falou, ao dizer: «Uma voz clama no deserto: ‘Preparai o caminho do Senhor, endireitai as suas veredas’». João tinha uma veste tecida com pelos de camelo e uma cintura de cabedal à volta dos rins. O seu alimento eram gafanhotos e mel silvestre. Acorria a ele gente de Jerusalém, de toda a Judeia e de toda a região do Jordão; e eram batizados por ele no rio Jordão, confessando os seus pecados. Ao ver muitos fariseus e saduceus que vinham ao seu batismo, disse-lhes: «Raça de víboras, quem vos ensinou a fugir da ira que está para vir? Praticai ações que se conformem ao arrependimento que manifestais. Não penseis que basta dizer: ‘Abraão é o nosso pai’, porque eu vos digo: Deus pode suscitar, destas pedras, filhos de Abraão. O machado já está posto à raiz das árvores. Por isso, toda a árvore que não dá fruto será cortada e lançada ao fogo. Eu batizo-vos com água, para vos levar ao arrependimento. Mas Aquele que vem depois de mim é mais forte do que eu e não sou digno de levar as suas sandálias. Ele batizar-vos-á no Espírito Santo e no fogo. Tem a pá na sua mão: há de limpar a eira e recolher o trigo no celeiro. Mas a palha, queimá-la-á num fogo que não se apaga».

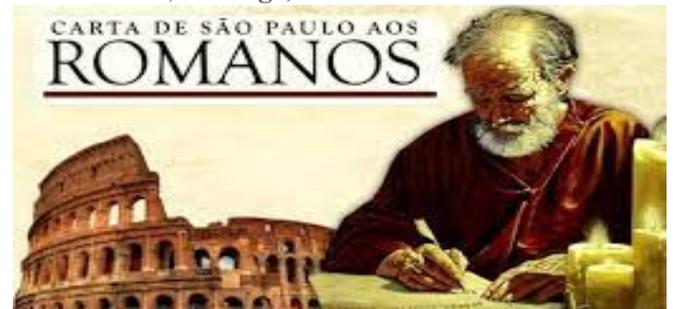


A mensagem de João Batista é resumida pelo evangelista numa simples frase: Arrependei-vos, porque está perto o Reino dos Céus. A mensagem central é que a conversão não é apenas um estado mental, mas deve ser demonstrada através de frutos de uma vida transformada. A passagem deste evangelho também alerta para a urgência da conversão e o julgamento final,

representado pela imagem do machado na raiz da árvore, e a promessa de um batismo com o Espírito Santo e fogo por Jesus. O trecho traz a imagem do juízo final, onde o trigo (os justos) será separado da palha (os ímpios) e a palha é queimada. João Batista se declara indigno de sequer desamarrear as sandálias de Jesus, reconhecendo sua inferioridade diante do Messias que está para vir, que é muito mais forte e poderoso.



Na primeira leitura, o profeta Isaías propõe, com a linguagem de um poeta e a convicção de um profeta, o projeto que Deus se propõe realizar em favor do Seu povo: no tempo oportuno irá chegar um “ungido” de Javé, nascido da família do rei David, que inaugurará um reino de justiça e de paz sem fim. Nesse mundo belo e harmonioso que então nascerá, “o lobo viverá com o cordeiro e a pantera dormirá com o cabrito; o bezerro e o leãozinho andarão juntos e um menino os poderá conduzir. A vitela e a urso pastarão juntamente; e o leão comerá feno como o boi. A criança de leite brincará junto ao ninho da cobra e o menino meterá a mão na toca da víbora”. Esta janela de sonho permite-nos entrever, ao longe, o Menino de Belém.



Na segunda leitura o apóstolo Paulo, dirigindo-se aos cristãos de Roma, lembra-lhes algumas das exigências que resultam do compromisso que assumiram com Cristo. Sendo, junto dos seus concidadãos, o rosto visível de Cristo, eles devem dar testemunho de união, de harmonia, de fraternidade, acolhendo e ajudando os irmãos mais débeis e sendo sinais desse mundo novo que Cristo veio inaugurar.

INTENÇÕES PARA O DIA 14 DE DEZEMBRO

+João Paulo Cunha + Dorinda e Henrique de Oliveira
 +Alice Tavares de Jesus + Domingos e Teresa Cardoso
 +Domingos Lage Cardoso + Francisco José da Silva
 +Alice Adão + António e Julia Morais + José e Cândida Martinho + Helena e António da Costa
 + Maria de Lurdes Lima + Rosa e Adélio Martins

