



Holy Ghost Brotherhood Mariense ***Centro Cultural de Santa Maria***

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The Holy Ghost Brotherhood Mariense organization will celebrate its fortieth annual feast of the Holy Ghost on July 25-27, 2025. This three-day event celebrates the Holy Ghost Feast in the tradition of Santa Maria, Azores. The feast activities will be as follows:

Friday, July 25:

The concession stands will open at 6:00 p.m. with a variety of delicious Portuguese and American food including doughboys. Performance by **Luís Neves** until Midnight.

Saturday, July 26:

The procession to transfer the crown to the Santa Maria Cultural Center will commence at 6:00 p.m. from Saint Francis Xavier's Rego Auditorium. We welcome all who wish to participate in the procession to meet at the Auditorium by 4:30 p.m. This tradition is highlighted by the Foliões leading the Crown and Imperadores transporting the Império to the Altar. We also expect the presence of João Bolarinho's Tarolas.

Upon arrival of the crown, all concession stands will open with a variety of delicious food including doughboys. Performances by **Anthony Moraes** until Midnight.

Sunday, July 27:

The all-day festivities will commence at 10:30 a.m. with the procession to Saint Francis Xavier Church for the Crowning Mass at 11:45 a.m. The Saint Anthony's Band from Fall River along with various Holy Ghost organizations from Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Connecticut will accompany the procession. Following the Mass the procession will proceed back to the Santa Maria Cultural Center where the Foliões will lead various ceremonies with improvised poetry regarding Holy Ghost themes of giving, sharing and community. A reality that is experienced by those that partake in the Holy Ghost meal that is served to all

Throughout the day all concession stands will be open with a variety of delicious Portuguese and American food. Other activities include entertainment for kids, a brief auction, performance by Rancho Folclórico **Danças e Cantares** do Club Juventude Lusitana, music by **DJ Underground Sound** and the **Carina Solange & Artur Aguiar** show until 10:00 p.m.

The Holy Ghost Brotherhood Mariense organization and the Feghali family take this opportunity to thank everyone in advance for their generosity and to invite the community at large to participate in the feast activities.

António Nunes, President

Sayed & Conceição Vargas-Feghali, Imperadores



Imperadores:

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