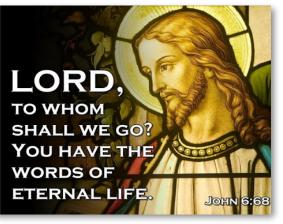
HOLY FAMILY

Portola





Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, we hear that many were murmuring, "This saying is hard; who can accept it?" [Jesus said what he meant and meant what he said about being the "living bread."] If we think of the Christian life without faith, and only from the perspective of our weaknesses and limitations, then we fail to see that Christ offers us "everlasting life." His grace makes it possible for us to love one another. It is in serving

the Lord that we "taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

Are we going to return to our former way of life as many disciples did, or do we go with St. Peter and say "To whom shall we go?" -Magnificat

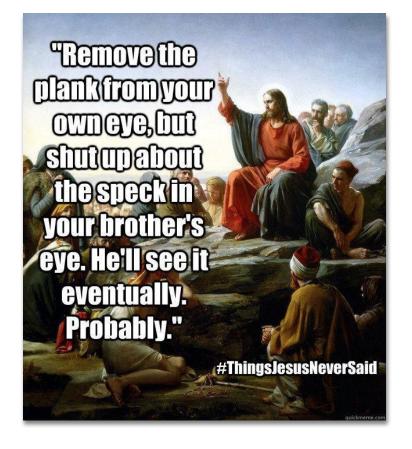
OUR FREEDOM IN FOLLOWING THE SIGNPOSTS ON THE ROAD

At all times and in all places there are many men and women who, having walked perhaps for a long time in darkness, **eventually find Jesus** and see the path that leads to heaven open and marked out before them. **So it has happened in our lives too**. We began to understand the surprisingly joyful character of the **freedom that chooses Jesus and draws us closer to him**, and rejects what separates us, because **by itself freedom is insufficient**: it needs a **guide**, a **pole-star. The North Pole of our freedom**, which points out at every moment **the direction we should take**, is **Our Lord**, **because to whom shall we go if not to him?** What would we do with these few short days of life that God has given us? What is there that is worth a straw without Him?

For many people, unfortunately, freedom means following one's impulses or instincts, allowing oneself to be carried along by one's passions or by whatever one feels like doing at the time. Many people think like this, and they forget that freedom is certainly an inalienable and basic human right, **but for 'the possibility of being able to choose the good in a responsible fashion'**, recognizing it and desiring it as such.

The Commandments of God, with the laws and the teaching of the Church, and with the advice we receive in spiritual direction or which we look for in difficult situations, are like signposts which in various ways guarantee our freedom, the free choice which we made to follow Christ and not explore other paths which lead to places where we don't want to go.

~ Fernandez, Francis. In Conversation with God



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Today's Responsorial Psalm is: "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord." There is a connection between Sunday and food.

In pious New England during the 1800s, the church [not Catholic] convinced local councils to **ban ice cream sodas on Sundays, because the enjoyment of the flavored treat overshadowed the reverence of the day.** The soda fountains' response was to simply **hold back the carbonated soda** from the syrup, fruit, nuts, and ice cream and change the name to **sundae**. The **spelling** was a clever way to **legally promote the dish without referring to the Lord's Day.**

~Now You Know BIG Book of Answers

Eucharistic Revival

We believe that as the bread and wine consecrated by Christ at the Last Supper were converted into his Body and his Blood, which were immediately offered for us on the Cross, thus also the bread and wine consecrated by the priest are converted into the Body and Blood of Christ, sitting gloriously in heaven; and we believe that the mysterious presence of Our Lord, under the appearance of those elements, which continue appearing to our senses in the same fashion as before, is a true, real and substantial presence. *Paul VI, The Creed of the People of God*

NO MORNING MASS TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK.



Father on Vacation - August 17 to September 17. Father Mathew Rappu will be presiding over masses during this time.

Community Supper - Wednesday, August 28, 6:00 p.m., Fr. Burns Hall

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mission Statement

We at Holy Family-Holy Rosary parish with the guidance of the Holy Spirit are committed to nurture the spiritual growth of our members, to welcome strangers, to be good stewards of God-given gifts, to provide a safe environment for our youth, to treat everyone with dignity and respect, to provide for the needy and to foster a Christ-centered community.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 24th:

4:30 p.m.: Rhonda Valenton (Sp. Int.) Sunday, August 25th: 8:30 a.m.: Guadalupe Plazola+

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Aug. 29 6-7:00 p.m.

RCIA

Vere so glad YOU'RE HERE! August 25, 2024

Our Parish no longer has a maintenance person on staff. any repairs are needed, please contact: Fr. Innocent, Joe Smock for Holy Family, or Tom Rowson for Holy Rosary, by leaving a message at the office.

We are always appreciative of parishioners who can **volunteer to make necessary repairs.** If you are available to help, **please contact the office.**



Second Annual

Fundraiser Banquet

Thursday, October 3rd. From 5-8pm at Father Burns Hall in Portola.

Tickets are sold for a table seating of eight, with limited tables reserved for individual purchases.

For more information contact Tom or Kathy Rowson (530) 251-7772 or (530) 251-6831

"Are you saved?"

The Catholic should reply: "As the Bible says, I am already saved (Rom. 8:24, Eph. 2:5–8), but I'm also being saved (1 Cor. 1:18, 2 Cor. 2:15, Phil. 2:12), and I have the hope that I will be saved (Rom. 5:9–10, 1 Cor. 3:12–15). Like the apostle Paul I am working out my salvation in fear and trembling (Phil. 2:12), with hopeful confidence in the promises of Christ (Rom. 5:2, 2 Tim. 2:11–13)."

Holy Family Church

108 Taylor Ave. Portola, CA 96122 **Masses:** Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m. Tuesday - Friday 8:30 a.m.

Spanish Mass:

3rd. Saturday 7:00 p.m. **Adoration:** Friday 7:30 a.m. **Confession:** Saturday 4:00 p.m. or by appointment

Holy Rosary Mission Church

614 4th. St. Loyalton, CA 96118 Masses: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Wednesday 5:30 p.m. Adoration: Wednesday 4:30 p.m. Confession: After Mass or by appointment Phone: 530-832-5006 Email: holyfamilyholyrosary@gmail.com Website: www.holyfamilyportola.org

Bulletin Submissions

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Website

Check the new parish website! It is being updated regularly, and you will find **mass times, bulletins, special feast days**, and all information about Holy Family and Holy Rosary. www.holyfamilyportola.org **Send submissions to:** granitebaymom@icloud.com



- 1. Which prayer precedes the Liturgy of the Word?
- 2. On which date does the Church celebrate the World Day of Peace?
- 3. The Feast of the Transfiguration is celebrated during which month?
- 4. What is the name for the square white linen cloth on which the chalice and paten are placed at Mass?
- 5. What is the response from the congregation to the words from a priest at Mass, "The Lord be with you"?
 - 5. August 4. Corporal 7. Darw With your 8. Spirit."

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In re: The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento, Case No. 24-21326

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of California

Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: October 1, 2024

YOU MAY HAVEA SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

On April 1, 2024, The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento aka Diocese of Sacramento filed a chapter 11 bankruptcy petition for protection under title 11 of the United Stated Code.

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim so as to be received by October1, 2024, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Diocese.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Diocese that occurred before April 1, 2024, must be filed on or before October 1, 2024, even is such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before April 1, 2024.



For more information on how to file a claim, or about the bankruptcy, please visit: <u>https://www.donlinrecano.com/</u> <u>rcbsacramento</u>, or contact the Debtor's claims agent Donlin, Recano, & Company, Inc. via email at <u>rcbsacramentoinfo@drc.equiniti.com</u> or by phone at 1-866-714-7301; or visit the Debtor's website at <u>https://scd.org</u> and follow the links for Chapter 11 filing.