



HOLY FAMILY

HOLY ROSARY MISSION

FATHER INNOCENT SUBIZA, PASTOR



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The man in today's Gospel simply didn't have the ability to hear Jesus' preaching **because he was deaf**. Nor could he ask to be healed **because he was dumb**. **Others begged Jesus** on behalf of their friend. How often do we benefit from the intercession of others to receive a healing that we don't even know to ask for? (I think of my

children raised in the faith but no longer practicing. They are deaf and dumb too; I am the "other" begging Jesus for their healing.)

Jesus took the man off by himself away from the crowd. The deepest healing - conversion to God - occurs in the interior room where only the Father can see. Christ comes to lead us back into the **deep places of our own hearts**, and to remain there with us, **away from the crowd**.

Our ears need to be healed so that we can hear the word of God, and our tongue needs to be healed so that we can praise and thank God: "O Lord, open my lips, and my tongue shall proclaim your praise" (Ps 51:17).

"He has done all things well" recalls Genesis 1:31: "God looked at everything he had made, and found it very good." ~ Magnificat

When in the Presence of Religious Ignorance

There is a **deafness of soul** which is worse than that of the body, since no one is more deaf than **he who does not want to hear**. There are many who have their ears **closed to the Word of God**, and many, too, who become **more and more insensitive to the innumerable invitations of grace**. A Christian who is patient, tenacious, full of understanding, accompanied by prayer, will make **many of their friends hear the voice of God** and be themselves converted into new apostles who will speak of him everywhere. **This is one of the missions which we receive in Baptism**.

There are even **moments in which it would be unnatural** for a good Christian **not to say something supernatural**: the death of a loved one, a visit to a sick person the conversation that touches upon some slanderous story in the news ... what opportunities to give good doctrine! **People expect it of us and we cannot defraud them by remaining silent**.

~Fernandez, Francis. *In Conversation with God*



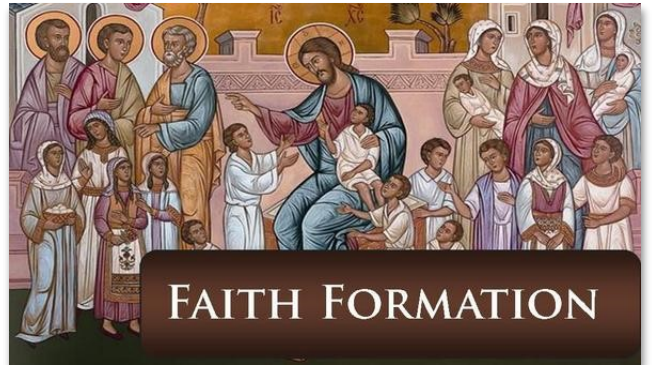
Second Annual Fundraiser Banquet

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



CFF Classes Starting Soon

Sign up for CFF classes in
both Portola and Loyalton
by contacting
**Anne Renteria at
(530) 249-5330.**



Have you heard the scripture, "I was hungry and you gave me food?, I was thirsty and you gave me drink?" If "Thank You" are the words that you would like to hear from Jesus.....This is the perfect opportunity to put your faith to work.

EPCAN "Eastern Plumas County Assistance Network" who manages and distributes food to our community through Portola's food bank is in need of volunteers. Many of our current volunteers have moved away and our food bank is in need of help. Volunteers can **work as little as 2 hours per month** or as many as you are able to donate. **If you are interested please call Cathy Churchill at (530) 836-1485.**

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, September 7th:

4:30 p.m.: Philip Tejada+,
Josie Tejada+

Sunday, September 8th:

8:30 a.m.: Rebecca Zamora+

Eucharistic Revival

There is in the Catholic Church no mystery more important, more consoling, more salutary, than this Sublime Mystery of the Altar.

If this truth were recognized correctly, we should certainly see a larger attendance at Mass...”

~Fr. Martin von Cochem



The Harvest Dinner is Back!

Save the Date for November 10!

At Holy Rosary Church Hall in Loyalton
MENU: lasagna, Caesar salad, garlic bread and potluck desserts. There will be door prizes, basket raffles, beer and wine. **Volunteers are needed:** contact James Richards.

Items Needed for the Craft Boutique

This is a parish project.

Crafters, hobbyist, artists we need you!



On the Lighter Side

The Rotary Fly-in Breakfast is today in Beckwourth. A man attending church in the mid-1800s heard the preacher say that one day people would fly through the air like birds. This upset the man so much that he stood to his feet in the middle of the assembly. He proclaimed in a loud voice that other than birds, **the only ones who would ever be able to fly were angels.** So distraught was he that he determined to leave the church. And so he did, taking his two young sons **Wilber and Orville** with him.

-Help, I've Fallen & Need A Good Laugh! John Grogan



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

Community Supper - Wednesday, September 25, 6:00 p.m., Fr. Burns Hall

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

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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.

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Send submissions to:

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Faith vs. Fiction - Myths About The Catholic Faith Series

Myth #2 - Missionaries Enslaved Natives & Destroyed Culture

- The Church is always incorporating culture, rather than destroying it, in her evangelization efforts.** This is most clearly shown in the variety of her liturgies. There is an entire Eastern wing of the Church which contains several different liturgical rites based on ancient eastern languages and traditions.
- The Church vocally condemned slavery from the beginning.** In 1435, long before the discovery of the New World, Pope Eugene IV, in the papal bull *Sicut Dudum*, condemned the Portuguese enslavement of the natives of the Canary Islands and commanded their liberation.
- Eugene’s bull was followed by **similar proclamations from several different popes throughout the following centuries**, prominently among them Paul III’s *Sublimis Deus* (1537).
- Queen Isabella of Spain explicitly forbade slavery.** Isabella reigned at the height of the Age of Exploration, in which Spain was a leading player, and funded Columbus’s trip across the ocean blue. She commanded that all natives be treated as Spanish subjects, with all the concomitant rights and liberties, and even enumerated these wishes in her will.
- The missionaries to the New World were among the most **fierce and adamant opponents** of slavery and strove to protect the natives from the abuses of the secular authorities.

Confession restores our relationship with God and increases grace

Confession purifies and removes the burden and weight of sin from you

Confession strengthens and prepares you for spiritual combat

Confession takes away pride and helps you grow in humility and virtue

Confession makes you aware of your weakness and helps you achieve greater self-control

Confession prevents your sin from turning into bad habits and also helps you overcome bad habits

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 HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

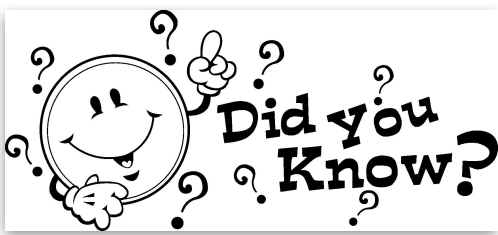
On April 1, 2024, The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sacramento aka Diocese of Sacramento filed a chapter 11 bankruptcy petition for protection under title 11 of the United States Code.

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim so as to be received by October 1, 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 if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before April 1, 2024.

DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

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



Why are the hot summer days called “dog days”? Because the ancient Romans believed that the six or eight hottest days of the summer were caused by the **Dog Star, Sirius** rising with the sun and adding its heat to the day. They called these days *cuniculares dies*—“Dog Days”. ~ *Why Do We Say It?*



From the Diocese:



Bulletin Insert – Children: The Unexpected Gift

There are few true surprises left in our instant-gratification world. We have unlimited information at our fingertips, constant communication, high speed internet, and same-day shipping. But there is still one thing that remains a mystery: welcoming a new child into our hearts and into our homes.

Every time a child enters the world, it is cause to celebrate the delivery of an unexpected gift. Sometimes children come before we are ready. Sometimes they arrive when we thought our family was complete. Sometimes a child comes exactly when we had planned, but they appear with unexpected needs, surprising qualities, or special abilities that demand our attention and care. Some children may come to us through adoption, fostering, or as godchildren. Sometimes they leave us too soon. And for some, no children appear at all, even though we may want them very much.

No matter how or when they arrive, children are always a true gift from God. From the first moment of their existence, each is a unique and unrepeatable person with an eternal destiny, chosen and called to become a son or daughter of God through Baptism. Welcoming and loving a child, helping that child to grow in wisdom and faith, is the greatest act of hope in the world. Arriving home for the first time with our new little one in tow, we come face-to-face with a whole new life, a new way of living for another.

Not all are called to become parents. But for the vast majority of us who are, parenting is the primary way we work out our salvation on earth. Each child entrusted to us is also counting on us to help him or her get to Heaven! When we embrace this call, our extraordinary act of hope has the power to transform us through selfless love, tender care, profound joy, and refashioned dreams to become ever more like the Father who created us. No wonder Jesus tells us, “Whoever shall receive a child such as this in my name, receives me.” Amen! Thank you, God!

“Children are a gift. Each one is unique and irreplaceable. We love our children because they are children, not because they are beautiful, or look or think as we do, or embody our dreams. We love them because they are children.” – Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia, 170.

