



# HOLY FAMILY

## HOLY ROSARY MISSION

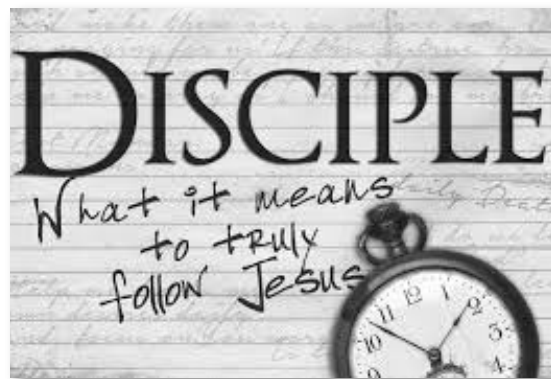
FATHER INNOCENT SUBIZA, PASTOR

### *Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

It's not easy being a disciple of Christ. Where the Gospel quotes Jesus as saying one must hate their family, he is **not talking about feelings**. To be a disciple of Christ means that **everything** - your life, death, sanity, happiness, hope for this life and the next, your body, mind, soul, feelings, your, freedom, rights, time - **comes second**.

Jesus tells us that we must take up our cross if we wish to be his disciple. Oftentimes these crosses are thrust upon us unexpectedly. This week we will once again remember the **terrible events of September 11, 2001**, a cross we took up that day and have carried ever since.

- Gerard Chiusano



### *Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, September 8*

Let Us Celebrate With Joy the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
for She Gave Birth to Christ, our God, the Sun of Justice

Mary's birth was **ordinary**. The Gospels don't mention it. She was born in Nazareth, a city in Galilee. **No extraordinary revelation occurred**. The world focused on other events that would soon fade. **God's joy was hidden from men, who often seek extraordinary things. Only in heaven was there rejoicing on Mary's birthday. It must have been a great celebration.**

The Blessed Virgin **spent many years in obscurity**. All Israel awaited the handmaid foretold in Sacred Scripture **without realizing her presence**. Judging from appearances, she was like others in the small town. She had free will and love, but her love was intense. **Her desires aligned with God's love.**

She learned to sew and cook, and grasped the relationship between the wonders she witnessed and the prophecies about the Redeemer. She remembered and connected events in her mind's eye. **She pondered these things in her heart.**

Her vivid imagination fueled her simple genius in serving others. She made life more pleasant, especially during sickness or misfortune. She rejoiced in her mundane duties, knowing God loved her while she carried them out.

Fernandez, Francis. *In Conversation with God*

## 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

Visit our 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, or by  
calling the church office.

## September 9-11th: NO DAILY MASS

**Tuesday, September 9th.:** Rosary in  
Spanish, 7:00pm Portola

**Saturday, September 20th.:** 7:00pm, Spanish Mass,  
Portola

**Wednesday, September 24th.:** Community Dinner,  
6:00 pm, Portola

## UPCOMING EVENTS



## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

TODAY, SUNDAY, IS NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY. DURING A BEAUTIFUL SPRING WALK BY THE CREEK, A GRANDMOTHER REMARKED, "I HEAR BIRDS SINGING, CARRIE. DO YOU WANT GRANDMA TO SING, TOO?"

"I'D RATHER YOU WOULDN'T," SHE REPLIED POLITELY. "THE BIRDS ARE DOING A GOOD ENOUGH JOB ON THEIR OWN."

~ FROM THE MOUTHS OF LITTLE SPROUTS

Please continue praying with the Bayly's for the healing of little Kieran Bayly.



## 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.

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## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, September 6th.:**

John Vasquez+,  
Phillip and Josie Tejada+

**Sunday, September 7th.:**

8:30 a.m.: Nancy Harding  
(sp.ln)

**Tuesday, September 9th.:**

**NO MASS**

**Wednesday, September 10th.:**

**NO MASS**

**Thursday, September 11th.:**

**NO MASS**

**Friday, September 12th:**

Ernesto and Albi Ibarra (sp.int.  
birthday),  
Dulce Gomez (sp.Int. birthday)

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## *The Following of Christ And Self-Knowledge*

In the Gospel of today's Mass our Lord speaks to us of the requirements for following him, and since He has called each one of us, **we must be attentive.** The supreme undertaking which we are called to as disciples of Christ is that of **following him faithfully in the midst of our daily activities.** To do this and to do it well, we must know what means are available to us, and also how to use them. We have to be aware of what is lacking in order to ask our Lord for it with confidence. We need to put effort as well into removing obstacles. **This is the purpose of the examination of conscience.** If we do it well, in depth, it will help us to know the truth with regard to our own life.

*Knowledge of self is the first step the soul must take in order to arrive at the knowledge of God. - St. John of the Cross.*

**It is love which** moves us to make the examination of conscience and which gives a particular keenness to the soul for detecting those aspects of our **behavior which are not pleasing to God. Let us make the resolution – one which we will try to keep every day of our life – of making the examination of conscience conscientiously.** We will see perhaps very quickly, how great a help it will be for us in making **our way along the road which leads to Christ.**

~ Fernandez, Francis. *In Conversation with God*

## MILLENNIAL SAINT: CARLOS ACUTIS

Saint Carlo Acutis was a remarkable young man who lived a life of faith, compassion, and joy. He is an inspiration to Catholics around the world and a reminder that **even the youngest among us** can make a difference in the world.

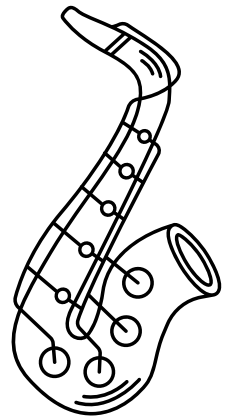
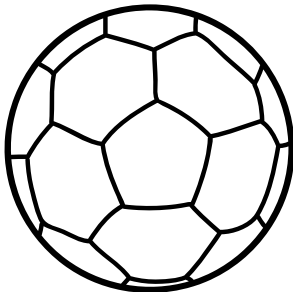
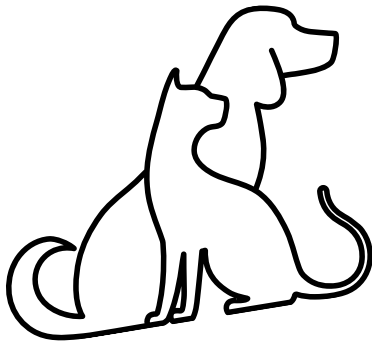
Carlo Acutis was diagnosed with leukemia at the age of 15 and died on October 12, 2006. However, his legacy lives on through his website and the example he set for others. Pope Francis beatified Carlo on October 10, 2020, and **he will be canonized on September 7th, 2025 by Pope Leo XIV.**

**SAINT CARLO ACUTIS, Pray for Us!**



# Saint Carlo Acutis

St. Carlo liked many things. He played video games, soccer, had pets, went to school, and played saxophone. But he always kept Jesus at the center of his life.



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