

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 Christcentered community.

Sunday Readings

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Faith Studies

Catholic Study: Loyalton:

Tuesdays 6-8 pm, Social Hall Intro to the Catechism: Portola: 8 Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Father Burns Center



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God." Why?

Because they encountered Jesus Christ and found in him what they formerly had been looking for in sin. And that is what made it easy for them to leave behind their grasping ways and obey the one who himself became "obedient to the point of death." If someone "turns from wickedness and does what is right and just..."it means that that person bas found Jesus Christ who is infinitely more attractive than even the most powerful allure of evil.

-Magnificat

THE VIRTUE OF OBEDIENCE

Love is essential to Christian obedience. Christ obeyed the Will of the Father not because he had to, but, rather, because he wanted to. Love is what makes our obedience fully free. For the person who wants to follow Christ, the law is never a burden.

Christ obeyed out of love. This is the **Christian meaning of obedience:** that which **we owe to God**, that which **we give to the Church**, that which we **give to our parents** and **those in authority over us**.

- Fernandez, Francis-In Conversation with God

We shall not call injustice, justice; we shall not say that an offence against God is not an offence against God, or that evil is good. ~ St. J. Escrivá

Sunday Collection

September 24, 2023

Sunday: \$2,523.00 Online Giving: \$ 540.00 Total: \$3,063.00

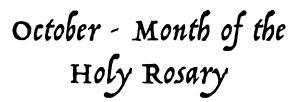
Priest Retirement Fund: \$1,115.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Community Supper

When: Wednesday October 25, at 6:00 p.m. Where: Father Burns Hall Host: Holy Family Church Meal provided by: New Life Christian Church

> The Bulletin editors wish to apologize for the omissions in last week's bulletin.



"The rosary is a spiritual weapon, a **heavenly sword**, fashioned by the hand of a Divine Craftsman. All swords take time and skill to



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made, but the heavenly sword required centuries to produce.

It is a weapon unlike any other. It has the power to slay dragons, convert sinners, and conquer hearts. The blade of this sword was forged in the fire of the living Word of God, shaped by the hammer of divine inspiration, and entrusted to the Queen of Heaven and her chosen servants.

When the weapon was finally battle-ready and the time set **the Virgin Mary revealed it to the world** and chose a zealous preacher (St. Dominic) to be its founder. She knighted him with the divine weapon and commissioned him to preach it far and wide.

~Donald H. Calloway, MIC in <u>Champions of the Rosary</u>



First Friday Adoration October 6 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Holy Family

**Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule to spend an hour with Jesus

NO DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK

108 Taylor Ave. Portola, CA 96122

Masses: Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m. Tuesday - Friday 8:30 a.m.

Adoration: Friday 7:30 a.m. First Fridays 5:00-7:00 p.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. www.holyfamilyportola.org Send submissions to: granitebaymom@icloud.com

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The Saints & The Eucharist Our Lord in the Blessed Sacramento has his hands full of graces,

and he is ready to bestow them on anyone who asks for them.

~ St. Pete of Alcantara

The Eucharistic Miracle of Scete



In the miracle of Scete, Egypt in the 3rd-5th Centuries a monk had doubts regarding the Real Presence of Jesus in the bread and wine consecrated at Mass. He said "Unless you can **show** me evidence, I will not change my mind".

"A week later, on Sunday, all went to the

church. At the consecration, in place of the Host, a Young Infant Boy was seen. When the priest raised the Eucharistic Bread an angel appeared with a sword and pierced the Boy and when the priest broke the Host, Blood ran into the chalice. At the Communion, the angel took Bloodied Particles from the Host and brought them to the monks to receive. At this the doubter cried out 'Lord, I believe that the Bread is Your Body, and that Your Blood is in the chalice.'

~www.http://www.miracolieucaristici.org

THE ORIGIN OF THE ROSARY

St. Gregory, at the **end of the fourth century**, spoke of such a method of devotion in veneration of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This pious bishop thought a wreath of spiritual roses would be more pleasing to the blessed Virgin than the natural roses with which the faithful adorned her altar. He selected, therefore, a **number of prayers**, in praise of the blessed Virgin, and **united them into a wreath. And this was the origin of the rosary**, woven by pious hands for the veneration of Mary, the mystical rose.

In the fifth century, St. Brigid urgently commended the devotion of the rosary, and she chose as its prayers the Our Father, the Hail Mary, and the Creed, and united them into a wreath of prayers. In order to count their recital she strung little beads of stone or wood and made a wreath of them.

This custom subsequently spread through all Christian lands, and through the centuries, to our own days.

The devotion of the rosary in its present form dates its origin from the thirteenth century, and St. Dominic was selected by God as the instrument of its introduction.

One day, while on his way from Toulouse, Dominic threw himself down on his knees and resolved not to cease praying until his prayers were heard. Then, so the legend tells us, the **glorious Queen of heaven appeared to him, spoke words of encouragement, and taught him how to pray the rosary, assuring him that this would be the right weapon to conquer error and sin**. With joy Dominic arose and returned to Toulouse, and began to spread the use of the rosary, as Mary had taught him and in the way we now recite it. He preached this devotion, explained it, and taught the people how to pray it.

~ The Excellence of the Rosary

Since the rosary was given to St. Pominic, O. P.

A Franciscan and Jesuit were debating which order was the greatest. So, they decided to ask for a sign from God. This is what they received falling down from heaven: "My sons, Please stop bickering about such trivial matters." God, O.P.