



**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:** 1 Kings 19;9, 11-13

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

### **Faith Studies**

#### **Bible Study: Portola:**

"Unlocking the Mysteries of the Bible" Thursdays 6-8 pm, Fr. Burns Hall

**Catholic Study: Loyalton:** Tuesday 6-8 pm, Social Hall

## 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The deeper meaning of this Biblical scene. Jesus going up the mountain to pray has been interpreted as Jesus going to the right hand of the Father after



**his earthly ministry** in order to intercede for his Church here below.

The disciples gathered together in the boat is a symbol of the Church, in this case journeying across the sea represents the passage of the followers of Jesus through time. The boat being tossed about by the waves – the Church facing the many storms throughout history.

Jesus coming toward them is the divine power that sustains the Church even during its greatest challenges. That is why Jesus calls to Peter, the leader, to walk on the water with him. When the Church trusts in the Lord, it finds stability, when it attends more to the storm than the Master, it begins to sink as Peter did when he took his eyes off Jesus.

When **Jesus enters the boat**, the winds die down, and the disciples confess Him to be Son of God. This **symbolizes the culmination of the Church's life in heaven**, when we are beyond the storms of this life and can give ourselves utterly to the praise of God.

~ Bishop Robert Barron in Magnificat

Gear of the Eucharist Revival

Christ often comes in ways that "underwhelm" us. He comes in simple ways, seen only with the eyes of faith: the pouring of water over an infant's head; a whispered conversation within a confessional; bread and wine consecrated in the middle of the day as the world rushes on. How wonderful!

Sunday, August 13: 8:30 a.m.: Charles P Machado Jr.+

**10:30 a.m.:** Jose Guadalupe Plazola+ Peter Lanpam+ Steven Family

Monday, August 14: Vigil Mass for The Assumption of the Blessed Mother at 5:30 p.m. in Portola

Tuesday, August 15: 8:30 a.m.: *Mass of Assumption of the Blessed Mother* in Portola

5:30 p.m.: *Mass of The Assumption of the Blessed Mother* in Loyalton Allan Yunk (surgery)

Wednesday, August 16: Daniel & Susan Blackstone+

Friday, August 18: Troy & Susan Banks

## **Sunday Collection**

August 6, 2023

Sunday: \$4,882.00 Online Giving: \$574.22 Total: **\$5,456.22** 

## Thank you for your generosity!

Lord. I believe in you: increase my faith. I trust in you: strengthen my trust. I love you: let me love you more and more.



# God Always Helps

In moments of weakness, of fatigue, in the most difficult situations, Jesus shows himself and tells us: **it is I**, **do not fear.** He never fails his friends.

If we have no other goal in life

but to seek his friendship and serve him, how could He ever abandon us when the winds of temptation, of fatigue, of difficulties in the apostolate go against us? He will not pass us by and go on his way. What could we possibly lack if we are his friends in the middle of the world, if we want to follow him day after day among all those others who abandon him?

~ In Conversation with God

## SOS - A Distress Signal

SOS doesn't stand for Save Our Ship or Save our Souls, as has been commonly believed. It was chosen as a distress signal at an international conference in 1906 because, as nine keystrokes—three dots, three dashes, three dots --- it was thought to be the easiest combination to transmit. -Now You Know BIG Book of Answers

I think it interesting that three is so important that a non-religious group would come up with three dots (The Father), three dashes (God the Son), three dots (The Holy Spirit) equals one international signal (One God of all) as the easiest combination to transmit. Save Our Souls is a prayerful way to remember it, too!



Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

August 14: <u>5:30 p.m.</u> Vigil Mass at Holy Family August 15: <u>8:30 a.m.</u> Mass at Holy Family <u>5:30 p.m.</u> Mass at Holy Rosary

### **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.

**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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## **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. <u>www.holyfamilyportola.org</u> **Send submissions to:** granitebaymom@icloud.com

## The Eucharistic Miracle of Canosio



The miracle of **Canosio,** 

**Italy, in 1630** features a pastor, Father Antonio Reinardi, whose deep faith in the Eucharist was responsible for saving the village of Canosio from the torrential floods of the Maira River with a blessing of the Blessed Sacrament. He assembled the townspeople with the ringing of the church bells and exhorted them to pray that the Lord would stop the flood. *He processed towards the raging flood with the Blessed Sacrament in a monstrance with some of the faithful as they all recited the "Miserere" Psalm 51.* After he blessed the raging waters, the rain stopped at once and the flood waters peaked and returned to their normal level

There were many conversions among those who witnessed the miracle and to this day the townspeople of Canosio celebrate a feast during the Octave of Corpus Christi to commemorate the miracle.

- www.http://www.miracolieucaristici.org

Adoration - New Time Added

\* NEW - Beginning on October 6 -First Fridays from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule. We need to have good attendance to continue this time.

- \* Every Friday except First Friday at 7:30 a.m. before 8:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Family
- *\* Every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. before* 5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Rosary

# HOW TO STAY FOCUSED AT MASS

#### 1. Turn off the car radio on the way to Mass.

Try spending your drive time in *silence*.

### 2. Get to Mass at least ten minutes early.

Spending at least a few minutes in *quiet prayer* before Mass begins, bringing to mind that you are now in the presence of God and that you are about to receive Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, and thank Him for this gift of grace.

### 3. Sit close to the front.

If all that is in front of you is the *altar*, it is much easier to stay focused on what is happening there.

### 4. Keep your hands folded in prayer.

Let your *body remind you* of what your heart and mind should be doing by keeping your hands reverently folded.

### 5. Fully Participate in the Mass.

Say all the *prayers and sing* all the songs. If it helps, follow along with each part of the Mass using a *Missal*.

### 6. Bring back those wandering thoughts.

Mass is the place where *heaven meets earth*. Each time you are distracted, always bring your mind back to where you are, even if you have to do this 100 times from start to finish.

### 7. Intentionally add your intentions and sacrifices to the prayers of the Mass.

Two things that you can bring with you to every Mass are the *special intentions* that you're praying for, and the *personal sacrifices* that you're uniting to Christ's one great sacrifice.

### 8. Memorize the Anima Christi Prayer

This is a beautiful Communion prayer dating to the middle ages. Pray the *words very slowly* as a meditation to keep your mind focused on *what Christ is doing in your soul* at your reception of every Holy Communion.

### 9. Ask for help.

Simply and humbly ask your *guardian angel*, who is adoring Christ in the eternal Mass along with you, to assist you in praying well and staying attentive.

- Gretchen Filz - The Catholic Company Magazine

## The Eucharist

Jesus has remained in the Blessed Eucharist. In this memorable Sacrament there is contained, really, truly and substantially, his Body and Blood together with his Soul and Divinity and, consequently, the whole Christ. The presence of Christ in the Blessed Eucharist is real and permanent, because once Mass is over, Our Lord remains in each one of the consecrated hosts that has not been consumed. ~ Council of Trent, Canon 4 On the Eucharist, Dz 886

