



# HOLY FAMILY

HOLY ROSARY MISSION

FATHER INNOCENT SUBIZA, PASTOR

## *Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

In today's Gospel, Jesus sat and observed. This is no small passing detail; it expresses the **fundamental truth that nothing escapes Jesus' notice.**

St. Aquinas explains: "Though the widow gave less, quantitatively speaking, she really gave more, considering her means, from which we infer a greater degree of charity on her part, (ten cents is 100% of ten cents; a million dollars is only 10% of ten million dollars.) ***It is charity that gives any corporal work of mercy its spiritual efficacy.***"



Jesus praises the widow because ***she gave absolutely everything.*** She had two coins. She could have put in one and kept the other, but instead she completely depletes her reserves, confident that God will take care of her. She is not afraid to be weak and small before God, and he delights in such childlike abandonments.

***"Sanctity consists in a disposition of the heart which makes us little and humble in God's arms."*** - St. Thérèse. *~ Magnificat*

## God Rewards Our Generosity Beyond All Telling

***Almsgiving is the shield of hope, the teacher of faith, the medicine for sin. It lies within the reach of every person who wants to practice it. Charity has its own grandeur, while at the same time being easy to accomplish. It brings no risk of persecution. It is the crown of peace and truth, the greatest gift from God. It is necessary for the weak and glorious for the strong. Through almsgiving the Christian attains grace, wins pardon from Christ our judge and makes God in some way a debtor.*** - St. Cyprian

God will reward our generosity **beyond all telling.** Whatever we have given away in time, energy, resources..., the Lord will **return to us a hundredfold.**

Let us ask Our Lady to give us a **generous heart.** We have to give things, but we also have to give ourselves. Let us not be miserly with our time, our wealth, our energy.

*~In Conversation with God*

# FAITH VS. FICTION - MYTHS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH SERIES

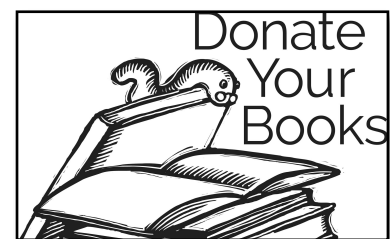
## Myth #10 - Pope Pius XII was Pro-Nazi

1. **The Catholic Church is fundamentally opposed to Nazi ideology**, which contradicts the Church's teachings on the inherent dignity and equality of all human beings.
2. Pope Pius XII did not support the Nazis. **He actively opposed the Nazis through diplomatic efforts and in his encyclicals.** In a 1935 public letter, he called the Nazis "false prophets with the pride of Lucifer." While serving under Pope Pius XI, he helped write the 1937 encyclical *Mit brennender Sorge* (With Burning Concern), which condemned Nazi ideology and its racial policies.
3. **The Vatican used its diplomatic network to facilitate the rescue and sheltering of Jews** and other persecuted individuals. Many Church buildings, such as monasteries and convents, were used as safe havens. The Vatican also issued false baptismal certificates and other documents to help Jews evade deportation.
4. **Hitler and his Nazi party hated Pope Pius XII.** Hitler formed plans to have the pontiff kidnapped and German reports and records show that the Nazis thought of Pope Pius XII as a threat to their ideology and in active opposition to their power.

~ goodcatholic.com, *Faith vs. Fiction Series*



## Trading Books (TB) Project



Do you have any Catholic books (Catholic theology, philosophy, apologetics, lives of saints, etc.) **that you no longer want?** Pack them up and bring them to church for the "Trading Books" (TB) Project.

Books will be available for anyone to **take to read at no charge, no signing out.**

Ida Larrieu and Lisa Smock, Parish Council members are heading up this project.



**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, November 9th:

4:30 p.m.:

Juan and Juanita Cervantes+  
Esperanza Cardenas Rivera+

Every Mass in November:

For the Holy Souls



*Preparing for Advent*

For the next two weekends, Holy Family Altar Society will be selling **Advent Calendars and replacement candles** for the wreaths sold last year.

**BRING PHOTOS OF YOUR DECEASED LOVED ONES TO PUT ON THE MEMORIAL TABLE**



**On The Lighter Side - Veteran's Day**

A young man and his friend were taking their physicals to be inducted into the Army. . . Both were not at all excited about looking forward to Army life.

The first young man came out of the exam room all smiles. "Four F," he told his friend. "It's my back brace, the doc said I couldn't get in the Army because of my bad back."

His friend asked if he could borrow the brace. After a quick trip to the restroom he entered the exam room ready to face the doctor. Several minutes later, he emerged crestfallen.

His friend asked him what had happened. "The doc said that anyone who could wear a brace like that **upside-down has to be in top physical shape.** 'Welcome to the Army, son!'"

*~John Grogan, Help, I've Fallen & Need a Good Laugh!*

**Jubilee Year 2025**

The Jubilee Year 2025 begins on December 24, 2024 and ends on December 24, 2025. The Theme of the year is **Pilgrims of Hope.** Our Deanery will have activities through the year at the Pilgrimage Site - Sacred Heart Church in Susanville.



**Community Dinner:** Wednesday, November 20, 6:00 p.m.  
Father 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.

**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.

www.holyfamilyportola.org

**Send submissions to:**  
granitebaymom@icloud.com

### Prayer Line

(530) 831-0050



## What Can We Do For The Holy Souls?

### 1. Arrange to have Masses said for the holy souls.

Requests from souls in purgatory have affirmed that the Mass is the most

powerful prayer that can be offered on their behalf.

a. In addition to this, the traditional practice of the **Gregorian Masses** is an immensely powerful gift for the poor souls. Contact your priest (or a priest elsewhere in the country) to arrange this month's-worth of Masses for the poor souls.

2. **Pray for the holy souls.** When someone dies, we should not assume that they are in heaven, even if they were "a very good person." We should commence praying them for them immediately.

3. **Offer sacrifices, alms, and mortifications.** Even the smallest hidden sacrifice benefits them immediately, according to the testimony of a soul in purgatory.

4. **Offer your ordinary daily work for the poor souls.** Unite your activities with the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which has been taught to be meritorious for the holy souls. Do your work cheerfully and well.

5. Seek **indulgences** for the holy souls.

### The Divine Mercy Chaplet

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is also a very powerful prayer for intercession for sinners. It calls down powerful graces for those who are in need of conversion on earth, as well as for those souls who—though already saved and forgiven—are suffering for their sins in the fires of purgatory.

*~Purgatory Cleansing Fire Series at good*

*catholic.com*