

### Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Something a little different today: a meditation of the Responsorial Psalm - You are my inheritance, O Lord.

We do not inherit wages; we work for them and deserve them. We do not work for our inheritance; we receive it, and only through a death. Heaven is our inheritance, not our wage. No one deserves heaven. We receive it as a gift of grace. When your rich father dies, you inherit his



money—not the money you made by your work but the money *he* made by *his* work. What we inherit as Christians is infinitely more precious than money: it is eternal life, life as part of the Mystical Body of Christ. And **we inherit it through his death.** 

~Peter Kreeft Food for the Soul

The Gospel warns us that the end of the world is coming, and that **"only the Father" knows when.** Will we be able to receive our inheritance?

## Jesus's Coming in Glory

Though Jesus's Incarnation and Passion took place in historical time without any great splendor, his **Second Coming will astound the heavens and the earth**. He will come as the **Redeemer of the world, as King, Judge and Lord of the Universe.** The Fathers of the Church have taught us that he will not make a new judgment.

He will manifest his glory to his faithful servants and also to those who have denied him or persecuted his followers. All humanity will be there to see the Lord as He is: Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Philippians 2:9-11).

Then we shall fully understand the transcendental **importance of our daily struggle** to follow Christ. What a **treasure lies in those small details** of service that we perform day after day for God and our neighbor! Jesus will reward those who prove faithful to the end. *~In Conversation with God* 

# Trading Books (TB) Project

Some books have been donated. There are three books by Matt Kelly, two by Henry van Dyke: The Mansion and The Spirit of Christmas, a conversion story by Sally Read and some others.

**The Mansion** by Van Dyke, a very short, enjoyable allegoric al tale about heaven and **The Spirit of Christmas**, contains a story

about the Angel of Christmas and a heated discussion among the Archangels Michael, Uriel, Raphael on how to end the sorrows on earth.



Preparing for Advent

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

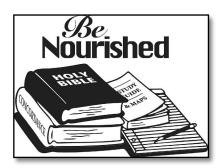
# On The fighter Side

When we arrive at the last minute, why do we say we got there just in "the nick of time"? A nick refers to a cut or notch made on a piece of wood. During medieval times long before punch-in clocks or other methods of modern tabulation, attendance, especially **at schools and church services,** was registered with a nick on a personalized stick of wood. If someone failed to show up on time, no nick was recorded, for which there would be suitable punishment.









#### **Mass Intentions**

Thursday November 21: 8:30 a.m.: Ron Bonta (Sp. Int.)

**Every Mass in Novembe**r: For the Holy Souls

### 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 **PILGRIM** activities through the year at the Pilgrimage Site - Sacred Heart Church in Susanville.

### THE CHURCH WORK DAY WAS WELL ATTENDED AND MUCH WAS ACCOMPLISHED:

TREES AND SHRUBS WERE TRIMMED, HALL WINDOWS WERE WASHED, HALL OUTSIDE WAS POWER WASHED, HALL FLOORS WERE MOPPED, TRASH WAS HAULED TO THE DUMP AND MORE! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CAME AND WORKED SO HARD!





JACKIE JOY, RICH MACHADO, CHRISTIE KROLL, ERIC KROLL

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#### 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 Phone: 530-832-5006 Email: holyfamilyholyrosary@gmail.com Website: www.holyfamilyportola.org

### **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 Remembering those we've lost by having Mass for them November 17, 2024

# Masses for the Dead

As Catholics, the first thing we do liturgically for a recentlydeceased soul–even before we bury the body–is offer a funeral Mass for them.

This is because the Holy Mass is the best and most efficacious way to speed the soul on its journey to heaven.

The Church does not offer Mass for a soul **only on the day of their funeral,** however. She does it **continually**. Family members and friends can go to a church at any time to request that a Mass be said for a deceased loved one. We very frequently hear from the pulpit, as the priest announces the intentions of the Mass: "This Mass is being offered for the soul of..."

Indeed, the Holy Mass is the **best gift** we can possibly give to the holy souls in purgatory.

We are not limited to remembering the dead only in Masses said specifically for them. In fact, the Church remembers them at every Mass–and we can remember our deceased loved ones every time we attend.

~Purgatory Cleansing Fire Series at good catholic.com

Prayer of St. Gertrude for the Holy Souls

Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen.