



# HOLY FAMILY

## HOLY ROSARY MISSION

### 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.

### Sunday Readings

**First Reading:** Sirach 15:15-20

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

**Second Reading:** I Corinthians 2:6-10

**Gospel:** Matthew 5:17-37

*Jesus, Joseph and Mary  
Pray for us*



### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**In Sirach**, the Lord says: If you choose you can keep the commandments. To whichever you choose: the fire of the Holy Spirit or the water of baptism, stretch forth your hand! God’s grace enables us to “observe his law and keep it with all our hearts.”

**In Psalm 119**, “Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!” is a long psalm telling of the benefits of keeping God’s law.

**In the second reading**, Paul tells us that “real wisdom is God’s” —hidden, mysterious, planned and prepared from the very beginning for the glory of those who love the Lord;

**In Matthew’s Gospel**, Jesus says he came not to abolish the law but to fulfill it. (This is the basis for the expression “to cross all the “Ts” and dot the “Is”.) He describes such fulfillment as a matter not of legal argumentation but of holiness, reconciliation and the obedience of faith.

### Lent Begins February 22, 2023

#### Kids / Teen Fasting Ideas

- Give up a favorite toy or game
- Fast from social media for a day
- Give up a favorite snack
- Go without headphones/air pods for a day

#### General Ideas for Lenten Sacrifices

- Give up coffee (or only brew it at home)
- Give up alcohol
- Give up certain social media sites, or limited them to certain days/time of day

- From *Hallow.com*

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, Feb. 11:**

**Sunday, Feb. 12:**

8:30 a.m. - All Parishioners

**Tuesday, Feb 14:**

**Wednesday, Feb 15:**

**Thursday, Feb 16:**

**Friday, Feb 17:**

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**RCIA Study**

**Date:** February 13, 2023

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

**Place:** Holy Family Church  
Father Burns Parish Hall

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**Sunday Collection**

**February 5, 2023**

**Regular:** \$2,816.00

*Thank you for your generosity!*

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**New Website**

Check the new parish website! It is being updated regularly, and you will find mass times, special feast days, and all information about Holy Family and Holy Rosary.

[www.holyrosaryportola.org](http://www.holyrosaryportola.org)

**Send submissions to:**

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*Who was Sirach?*

The Book of Sirach, or Ecclesiasticus, is one of the latter books of the old Testament. It was written by Jesus ben (son of) Sirach, who was a teacher, scholar, and poet in Jerusalem about one hundred eighty years before Jesus, the Messiah.

It was originally written in Hebrew and translated into Greek some fifty years later by his grandson. During these fifty years there had been a violent persecution of the Jews by the Seleucid kings in order to force them to adopt Greek religion and culture. It was to counteract this influence that his book was written—be faithful to following the law of the Lord.

VALENTINE'S DAY



St. Valentine is the Patron Saint of affianced couples, bee keepers, engaged couples, epilepsy, fainting, greetings, happy marriages, love, lovers, plague, travelers, and young people. He is represented in pictures with birds and roses and his feast day is celebrated on February 14.

*Who receives the most Valentine's cards?*

*If you ever wondered about this, the How You Know Big Book of Answers gives this answer: In order of popularity, the cards are sent to teachers, children, mothers, wives, and sweethearts. As well, 3 percent of all Valentine's cards are sent to pets. This was 2007 research.*

*Saint's Corner*

*When you really come to love God's Will you will never, even in the worst state of agitation, lose sight of the fact that our Father in Heaven is always close to you, very close, right next to you, with his everlasting Love and with his unbounded affection.*

*~ St. J. Escriva, The Forge*

**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 12:00 p.m.

**Adoration:** 1st Saturday 10:00 -  
10:00 Sunday

**Confession:** After Mass or by  
appointment

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**Ash Wednesday Masses  
February 22**

Portola: 8:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.  
Loyalton: 12:00 p.m.

**Bulletin**

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 **Annual Catholic Appeal**

*Come together in the charity of Christ to restore dignity and hope to others*

**25% comes back to our parish for our own outreach to those in need.**

On the weekend of February 18 we will have the opportunity to accompany those who are suffering through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, makes a difference in someone's life. Catholic Charities can respond to the greatest needs in our communities. Seminarians receive support as they prepare to serve our local parishes. Catholic schools in economically-challenged neighborhoods can provide tuition assistance. Prayerfully consider what you can give this year.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS WERE DONATED BY:

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*Thank you for your generosity!*



Please Bring Palms From Last Palm Sunday  
And Put In The Basket In The Vestibule To  
Use Their Ashes for Ash Wednesday