First Sunday of Advent December 3, 2023



HOLY ROSARY MISSION

FATHER INNOCENT SUBIZA, PASTOR

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: Isaiah 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37



STRAW FOR THE MANGER

WHEN YOU DO A GOOD DEED DURING ADVENT, PLACE A PIECE OF STRAW IN OUR MANGER! The First Sunday of Advent

"In the days of Advent, the **Savior knocks on the door** of every soul, at times perceptibly, at times in a hidden way....He comes to ask if they **have room for him**, that he might be born in them....**Prepare to see Him be born in you** more beautiful, more radiant, stronger than you have ever



known Him...Open the doors to receive Him in his new coming....Make room for the celestial Child who wants to grow in you. The moment is near: may your heart therefore be aroused; watch and pray that he might not surprise you in sleep when He passes by."

~Dom Prosper Guéranger

We watch for the coming of Christ in the Incarnation and in his second coming at the end of the time when he returns in majesty.

First Candle of the Advent Wreath

Today we light the **first candle of the Advent Wreath.** It represents **Hope** and is called the **"Prophet's Candle."** The prophets of the Old Testament, especially Isiah, waited for the Messiah's arrival.

The **purple** color symbolizes royalty, repentance, and fasting.

~Laura Richie of Crosswalk.com



Advent Prayer

Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth at Christmas. Amen

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 2:

Josie Tejeda+, Elizabeth Murray+, Luis Silva+

Sunday, December 3 - First Sunday of Advent:

8:30 a.m.: Enrique Flores (health)

10:30 a.m.: Lynn White+ Tuesday, December 5:

Wednesday, December 6:

8:30 a.m.: Chuck Howes+

Antonio Guerra+

5:30 p.m.:

NO MASS

Thursday, December 7 - Memorial of St. Ambrose:

8:30 a.m.: Lawrence & Hazel

Martini+

Thursday, December 7 - Vigil
Mass for Immaculate

Conception: 5:30 p.m. at Holy

Family

Friday, December 8 - (Holy Day of Obligation) Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

8:30 a.m. Holy Family

Collection

November 26, 2023

Sunday: \$1,839.00

Online Giving: \$ 540.00

Total: \$2,379.00

Thank you for your generosity!



Community Supper

When: Wednesday December 13 Time: 6:00 p.m.

Where: Father Burns Hall Host: Holy Family Church

Meal provided by: Portola Rotary Club

Eucharistic Miracle of Ettiswil

In the Eucharistic miracle of Ettiswil, Switzerland in 1447, Ann Vögtli, a member of a satanic sect, was able to steal the pyx containing the large Host from the parochial church. The Host was found close to a fence in the middle of



some nettle bushes, lifted high up and surrounded by a vivid light, and was divided into seven Pieces which were joined together so that They looked like a flower. The Sections were kept in the church of Ettiswil and became a Sacred Object of great veneration by the inhabitants of the village and of foreigners. God performed many miracles there. Many Popes granted indulgences to the shrine's visitors. The great feast of the miracle's chapel takes place on "Laetare" Sunday and on the two following days.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

December 8 - Holy Day of Obligation

The Patroness of the United States has her feast day this Friday. "Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception!" from the Divine Praises said at Benediction. What better way to ask her help at this time of violence and racial hatred, than to attend Mass.

Salve Regina! Immaculate Virgin
Hear me implore, and thy pity bestow;
Wild waves of trouble around me are surging,
Light with thy smile the deep night of my woes.
Queen of the saints! Hear my earnest petition,
Mother of Jesus, conceived without sin,
Turn me aside from the road to perdition,
Let me the fold of thy love enter in.

~ American poet William H. C. Hosmer

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. 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

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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.

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Send submissions to:

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HANUKKAH

Our **Jewish brothers and sisters** celebrate Hanukkah this week, beginning on Dec. 7. **The Holy Family was Jewish**, so this was a celebration for them.

It commemorates the *rededication of the temple at Jerusalem* (where Jesus was lost, found and taught) after the victory in 165 BC over the Syrians who had defiled it. Sometimes it is called the *Feast of Lights*, because the wicks of the *menorah miraculously burned for eight days* even though where was only enough sacred oil for one day's lighting.



Poinsettia

Donations of Poinsettias for Christmas

Please consider donating a Poinsettia for Christmas!

Addies Floral Cottage 530-832-9933
Magnolia Mums 530-354-5510
Loyalton flowers will be delivered to
Holy Rosary directly.

Year of the Eucharist Revival

One single Holy Communion is enough to make one holy. It all depends on the inner dispositions, on preparation.

-St. Maximillian Kolbe

Jesus, the true light, have mercy on us.

Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Novena for Our Lady of Guadalupe starts on December 4th at 7pm at Holy Family. On Tuesday December 12th the rosary will start at 5:30 pm followed by Mass at 6:00 pm. Rosary is recited in Spanish, but everyone is invited to join us. We will have a potluck after Mass on December 12th in the church hall. Please bring your favorite dish.

Novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

La Novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe comenzó el 4 de diciembre a las 7pm en la Sagrada Familia. El martes 12 de diciembre el rosario comenzará a las 5:30 pm seguido por misa a las 6:00 pm. El Rosario se recita en español, pero todos están invitados a unirse a nosotros. Después de la misa los invitamos a cenar en el salón de la parroquia. Será de traje así que por favor trae contigo tu platillo favorito.

ROOF DAMAGE REPAIR









The new roof on the church and rectory have been completed. They uncovered serious damage along the way which caused the delay.

The Saints & The Eucharist

Our essential commitment in life is to persevere and advance constantly in Eucharistic life and Eucharistic piety and to grow spiritually in the climate of the Holy Eucharist.

~ Pope St. John Paul II