



HOLY FAMILY

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: Acts 2:42-47

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

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*O Queen
and Mother of mercy,
you dispense graces to all
who turn to you with so much
generosity,
because you are a queen,
and with so much love,
because you are our
most loving mother.
I entrust myself
to you this day.
Amen.*



Divine Mercy Sunday

St. Thomas Aquinas wrote: “Mercy consists in bringing a thing out of non-being into being.” The first reading today shows us this in the life of the early Church. The **believers** “devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the **breaking of bread and to prayers.**”

St. Peter wrote: “God in his **great mercy** gave us a new birth to a living hope through the **Resurrection** of Jesus Christ.”

St. Thomas expresses the unbelief of so many of us when he said: “**Unless I see** the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in to the nail marks and my hand into his side, I will **not believe.**”

St. Maria Faustina Kowalska wrote: “O soul, **whoever you may be** in this world, even if your sins were a **black as night, do not fear God**, weak child that you are, for **great is the power of God’s mercy.**

- The Magnificat

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 15:

Don Sandeen+
Stephen James+

Sunday, April 16:

Tuesday, April 18:

Wednesday, April 19:

Thursday, April 20

Friday, April 21

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Sunday Collection

April 9, 2023

Regular: \$7,908.22

Pontifical: \$327.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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Consider Online Giving

You can register and set up One-time or Recurring Giving. You can also give in different categories of:

- Sunday Collection
- Flower
- Building Fund

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/holy108254>

or Text (530) 414-7616

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THE WIDENESS OF GOD’S MERCY

*My son’s accident almost ten years ago—that left him totally disabled from a severe traumatic brain injury—has demonstrated the **Divine Mercy** is much, much greater than hoping that God will lessen the punishment due for my sins.*

*In the immediate aftermath of the accident, God poured his mercy out on us by totally protecting our hearts from any desire to cast blame on any one. That **gift** allowed us to **embrace the love and support our friends and neighbors** poured out without the poison of anger and suspicion to taint it.*

As we moved through the seemingly interminable journey from ICU to outpatient therapy, God poured his mercy on us by reconciling us to the extent of John’s disability. As we accepted that he would never walk or talk again, we saw that this demonstrated, as clearly as possible, that his dignity comes not from what he can do, but from who he is: a child of God, no matter how weak.

*As we experience the stress and anxiety of caring for him at home, God pours his mercy on us by opening our hearts to **embrace our reality** - that we now are recipients, rather than dispensers, of charity. This allowed us **to accept the freedom of humility**: we are not in control, but we are loved, and that is enough.”*

Kimberly Shankman, The Magnificat

RCIA Inquirer’s Class



Wednesday, May 3
6:30 p.m.
Father Burns
Social Hall, Portola

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic or if you just want to learn more about our Catholic faith, please come. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

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.
Coffession: 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 12:10 p.m.

Adoration: 1st Saturday 10:00 - 10:00 Sunday
Coffession: After Mass or by appointment

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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

Send submissions to:
granitebaymom@icloud.com

The Great Apostle of Divine Mercy

As a child, Helena Kowalska, **dressed in rags** and went from house to house in her village to **beg** for alms for the poor.

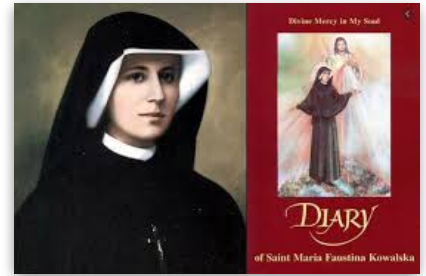
The other sisters in her religious congregation turned to Sr. Faustina for counsel about their problems so often they gave her the nickname “The Dump.”

Jesus revealed to her the Image of Divine Mercy in 1931 on the same day as the Eastern Catholic “Feast of the Triumph of the Holy Icons.”

Sr. Faustina was the first Catholic saint to be canonized in the third millennium.

When **John Paul II** canonized Sr. Faustina on April 30, 2000, he also, on the same day, surprised the entire world by **establishing Divine Mercy Sunday** as a feast day for the entire church.

St. Faustina was born Aug. 25, 1905, died Oct. 5, 1938.
From Marian Helper, Spring 2023



Why Is Today Orthodox Easter?

By the mid-sixteenth century the **Julian calendar** was out of whack with the lunar calendar by eleven full days. In 1582, Pope Gregory XIII made an eleven-day adjustment so that October 4 was followed by October 15. A system of leap years was designed to keep the calendar in line. **Catholics adopted the Gregorian calendar**, while the **Orthodox Church** continued using the **ancient Julian** calendar for celebrations of Christmas and Easter.

Eastern Orthodox churches continue to use the Julian calendar today. It is currently thirteen days later than the Gregorian calendar.

Since 1923, the Romanian Orthodox and Greek Orthodox churches have adopted the Gregorian calendar. However, they **continue to use the Julian calendar for Christmas and Easter calculations.**

Now You Know Big Book of Answers



Thank You
to everyone who generously donated Easter Lilies!

Saint's Corner

*Christ, the risen Lord,
is our companion and friend.*

*He is a companion whom
we can see only in the shadows –
but the fact that he is really there
fills our whole life
and makes us yearn to be with him forever.*

- St. J. Escrivá, Christ is Passing by, 116

What Are Mass Intentions?

Mass intentions refer to the particular purpose for which a specific Mass is offered. This may be to honor God or thank him for blessings received.

But technically a Mass intention means that the sacrifice is offered for some person(s) living or dead. Also called the application of a Mass, it pertains to the ministerial fruits of the Mass. These fruits are both extensively and intensively finite in virtue of the positive will of Christ. Other things being equal, the more often the sacrifice is offered the more benefit is conferred.

Mass Intentions for you or your loved ones may be arranged in the Parish Office.

Plenary Indulgence for Divine Mercy Sunday Conditions:

- *sacramental confession within 20 days before or after*
- *Eucharistic communion on the day, or the days before or after*
- *prayer for the intentions of the Pope*

A plenary indulgence is a particularly powerful way to obtain remission of punishment -- **on earth or in purgatory** – that would have resulted from sins that were **already forgiven**. It **covers all sins**, mortal or venial, that the recipient has committed up to that time, if the person sincerely repents, detests their sins and fulfills all requirements of the indulgence.