



HOLY FAMILY

HOLY ROSARY MISSION

FATHER INNOCENT SUBIZA, PASTOR



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The wedding feast at Cana, the second luminous mystery

John's gospel is the only one to recount this story, probably because he was the one who took Mary in his home. **It must have been one of Mary's favorite stories.** St. Joseph is not mentioned as being in attendance, so he must have died sometime before Jesus begins his public ministry.

The fact that Jesus **delayed his three-year-long** ministry until he was thirty is very telling. It took him **ten times more time to prepare for it, as to accomplish it.**

Mary telling Jesus, "They have no wine" **is a prayer of great faith.** (She must have given him a "knowing look" far more eloquent than any words, the **kind only mothers can give.**) The fact that Jesus changes his plans to begin his public ministry because of Mary's gentle intercession should **give us immense confidence in Mary's prayer power.**

Jesus' first response is to test her faith: "That may be your problem, but it's not mine." Mary does not argue, she knows her son so well, she knows that she needs to change the minds of the waiter. **"Do whatever he tells you."** John records these words because he know that they are not just for the waiters, **but for all Christians, down to the end of time.**

-Peter Kreeft, Food for the Soul

Jubilee Event

This week, Wednesday, January 22. our diocese, along with the rest of America, will observe "as a particular **day of prayer** for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life **and of penance** for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through **acts of abortion.**" If you are unable to attend Mass, perhaps you could say an extra prayer, or do a **special penance** (give up that extra cup of coffee, eat no meat, etc.) to join the other Pilgrims of Hope in celebrating this jubilee year!



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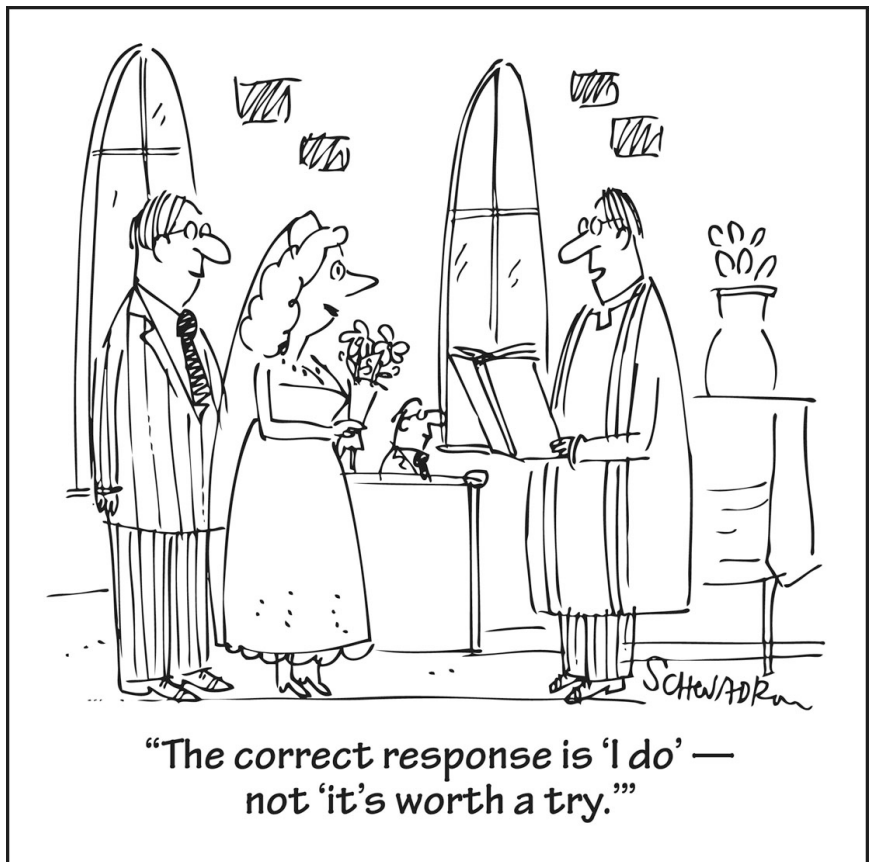
Check the new parish website! It is being updated regularly, and you will find **mass times, bulletins, special feast days**, and all information about Holy Family and Holy Rosary.

www.holyfamilyportola.org
Send submissions to:
granitebaymom@icloud.com

FYI

Near the end of a Jewish wedding ceremony, after the vows have been made, **wine is poured in a new glass** over which a blessing is recited by the rabbi. After the **couple drinks from the glass**, it is **placed on the ground and crushed by the groom's foot**. This symbolizes the destruction of the Holy Temple in Israel and reminds guests that **love is fragile**. Those gathered shout "mazel tov," and the couple kiss.

~Now You Know BIG Book of Answers



Thank you to everyone who donated poinsettias for Christmas! They made our church beautiful!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 18th.:

4:30 p.m.: Nancy Fregulia+

7:00 p.m.: Oscar Torres+

Friday, January 24th.:

8:30 a.m.: Oscar Torres+

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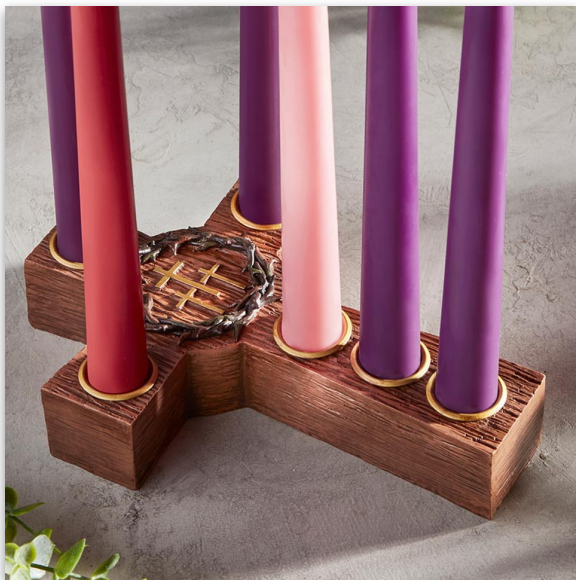
Harvest Dinner: a Huge Success

The Harvest Dinner was a huge success! **Thank you** to everyone who helped organize, serve and clean up! As well as everyone who donated items and those who attended!

\$5,000 will be donated towards the repaving of the Holy Rosary parking lot sometime later this year. The project is estimated at approximately \$55,000 to \$65,000 dollars!



Community Dinner: Wednesday, Jan. 29, 6:00pm Holy Family Social Hall



Getting Ready for Lent

I found in the Autom Catalog a **“new item”** for Lent. Reminiscent of the Advent Wreath, this is the **Lenten Cross**. The cross and six candles is **\$35.00 which includes tax, shipping and handling**. Altar Society will order a set for anyone who prepays.

We do not have a set to show you because they are on **back order until February**. Please fill our order below and return ASAP to **Ida Larrieu, Amanda Evens or Father, with a check for \$35.00 per set**.

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Name _____ Phone: _____

Check Number: _____ Date: _____
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How to keep Sundays holy

Besides Going to Mass

Are your Sundays being taken over by the rest of the week?

The modern, technology-driven life is so busy. The week is barely long enough for all the mundane activities that must be done.

Sometimes, the work week even encroaches upon ***Sunday's rights***: a morning slot is set aside for Mass while the rest of Sunday whirls past like the other days in the week.

How can we stop the busyness and truly focus on ***Sunday - the Lord's Day?*** How can we extend our God-oriented frame of mind beyond Sunday Mass? How can we "keep holy the Sabbath"?

Well, there are many ways of observing the Lord's Day in a fitting manner. We know what we shouldn't do; ***let's look at what we should.***

The Catechism says:

On Sundays and other holy days of obligation, the faithful are to refrain from engaging in work or activities that hinder the worship owed to God, the joy proper to the Lord's day, the performance of the works of mercy, and the appropriate relaxation of mind and body.

–***Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2185***

Now, this looks like a "don't" - **but look closer.** You'll see that this passage tells us what we can (and ought to) do on Sundays: **worship God, be joyful, perform works of mercy, and rest both mind and body.**

Don't Stay Away from Church . . .

- **Because you are poor . . .** There is no admission charge.
- **Because you are rich . . .** Money is not everything.
- **Because it rains . . .** You go to work and school in the rain.
- **Because it is cold . . .** It is warm and friendly inside.
- **Because it is hot.** So are fishing, attending ball games, and golfing.
- **Because no one invited you . . .** People go to a lot of places uninvited, and even pay to get in. (Consider this your invitation!)
- **Because of hypocrites . . .** We associate with them in the world every day.
- **Because of company . . .** Bring them along; they will admire you.
- **Because you have little children . . .** Jesus says, "Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me" (Matthew 19:14).
- **Because your clothes are not nice enough . . .** God looks on the heart (1 Samuel 16:7).
- **Because the church always wants money . . .** That is not true here.
- **Because you have plenty of time in the future** Are you sure? (James 4:13-17).