



# HOLY FAMILY

## HOLY ROSARY MISSION

FATHER INNOCENT SUBIZA, PASTOR

### 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.

#### Spanish Mass:

3rd. Saturday 7:00 p.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 12:10 p.m.

#### Adoration:

Wednesday after Mass

**Confession:** After Mass or by  
appointment

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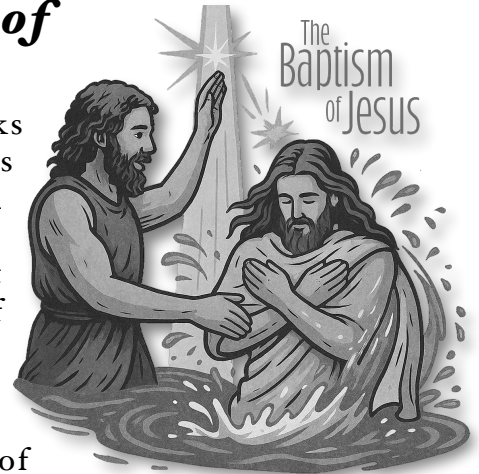
## The Baptism of the Lord

The Lord's baptism marks the beginning of His public life. It was **small and mysterious**: small because it took place not in Rome, the capital of the world, or Jerusalem, the capital of Israel, but the Jordan River outside a little backwoods town of Nazareth; mysterious because the sinless **Jesus did not need to be baptized**, he had no sin.

Jesus humbled himself and became not only a human being but a slave, a servant.

When we are baptized, God uses physical water to spiritually cleanse our souls. But when Jesus was baptized by John, the water did not change him, but he [Jesus] changed the water. He made it the instrument of salvation in the sacrament of Baptism, which changes our souls in two ways: **it subtracts original sin and adds the Holy Spirit.**

~ Peter Kreeft in *Food for the Soul*



Our upcoming weekends are **February 13-15, 2026 in Sacramento, CA., March 6th -8th 2026 in Danville, CA. and April 10-12, 2026 at Zephyr Point**

**Conference Center in South Lake Tahoe.** The weekend is presented by three couples and a priest. This is a time to Restore, Rekindle and Renew your relationship with your spouse. As we say "**not everyone needs a weekend, they DESERVE a weekend**". To register, go to [sacramentowwme.org](http://sacramentowwme.org). or [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) if you would like more information. If you have any questions, please contact Janet and Terry Doane at 916-489-3464.

## 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.

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, January 10th:**

4:30 p.m.: Sally Grey+

**Sunday, January 11th:**

8:30 a.m.: Sylvia Pearson+,  
Juan Jimenez Fierro+

**Wednesday, January 14th:**

Rossy Blankenship+



*Kieran Bayly - Leukemia*

*Liz Smock Kuhn - Leukemia*

*Miguel Ruiz - Leukemia*

*Hilda Machado - Memory and health*

*Alonso Sanchez - Cancer*

*Roberto Martin - Cancer*

*Luisa Palzola - Back Pain and Depression*

*Dennis Price - Double Pneumonia*

*Michael Peters- Heart Failure*

*(Please contact the office to add someone chronically ill  
to our prayer list)*



## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Saturday, January 17th:**

Spanish Mass at 7:00 p.m.,  
Portola

**Wednesday, January 28th:**

Community Dinner, 6:00 p.m., Parish Hall, Portola

## FYI—Why do Catholics baptize babies?

Catholics baptize infants because **Christian Baptism takes away original sin**, the sinfulness in our very nature, the human nature that we inherit from our parents and ancestors. **Infants** can't exercise their free will yet to commit any actual sins, but they have the same human nature that adults have: they **are born infected with original sin**, which blocks our entrance to heaven. That's why we baptize infants. It puts God's very life into our souls.



## FYI—Can unbaptized persons go to heaven?

Yes, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says that "God can also work outside his sacraments". The Church teaches that in addition to the baptism of water, there is also "baptism of blood", martyrdom, and "baptism of desire," which is the desire for baptism, which could be implicit as well as explicit.

In other words, there may be **back door entrances to heaven**, but the front door is Christian Baptism.

~ Peter Kreeft