MISSION STATEMENT
“As a family of many families, Holy Family Catholic Church nurtures our universal commitment to celebrate our faith, to love our families and to serve communities.”

DECLARACIÓN DE MISIÓN
“Como una familia de muchas familias, La Iglesia Católica de la Sagrada Familia nutre nuestro compromiso universal para celebrar nuestra fe, para amar a nuestras familias y para servir a las comunidades.”

MASS SCHEDULE
Monday–Friday ............ 8:00am
Saturday ..................... 5:30pm
Sunday
English ........................ 7:00am
Spanish (Chapel) ............ 8:00am
English ........................ 10:00am
Spanish ........................ 12:00pm

Children’s Liturgy is available during the Sunday 10:00am Mass.

BLESSED SACRAMENT EXPOSITION
Friday ............ 9:00am - 5:00pm

SACRAMENTS
Baptism: A pre-baptismal class is required. Call the Parish Office for more information.

Marriage: Couples intending to marry should contact the Parish Office six (6) months prior to the marriage date to begin the process of paperwork and pre-marriage preparation classes.

Reconciliation (Confession): Saturdays (Church) ............ 4:00pm

Pastor:
Rev. Fr. Juan Serna S.T.L.
Hospital Chaplain
Rev. Fr. Editho Mascardo
Deacon:
Rev. Mr. Felipe Vallejo

Holy Family Pastoral Staff
Parish Administrator
Ed Dyrd
Administrative Assistants
Vickie V. Gibson
Ann Tognetti

Religious Education
Roselia Vargas

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Phone #..................(209) 545-3553
Fax #...................(209) 545-3332
Email: holyfamilymo@yahoo.com
Website: holyfamilymodesto.org

Celebración de Quinceañeras
La joven o los familiares deberán contactar la parroquia con un mínimo de seis (6) meses para acordar una fecha según el calendario parroquial.
Christ is our true Light. He heals, rescues and helps those who dwell in ‘darkness’ and who are threatened by ‘the shadow of death’. He comes to bring hope to those who cannot see the true light - his very person. Today, we prepare again to be healed and rescued from the clutches of sin and all evil through the power of forgiveness. In fact, reconciliation with God and one another is the perfect way to live our Lenten experience “in the Light”. Only Christ can take away all of our personal, social and world blindness. We need Christ as our true healer and doctor to heal all of our ‘blind spots’. As the blind man was healed in the Gospel, let us allow ourselves to be ‘touched’ by Jesus and see Him as our only source of true and abundant Light. Remember to keep praying and to seek reconciliation. This is the perfect time to return to God, find forgiveness and true reconciliation. Blessings in the Lord.

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

**“Pastor’s Weekend Message”**

“Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning: exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast” Isaiah 66:10-11

Cristo es nuestra Luz verdadera. El sana, rescata y ayuda aquellos que aun están en las ‘tinieblas’ y son amenazados por ‘la sombra de la muerte’. El viene a traer esperanza a aquellos que no pueden ver la verdadera luz – Su propia persona. Por esta razón nos preparamos otra vez para ser sanados y rescatados de las garras del pecado y de todo mal por medio del poder del perdón. La reconciliación con Dios y los demás es el camino perfecto para vivir nuestra experiencia cuaresmal ‘en la Luz’. Solo Cristo nos puede quitar todo tipo de ceguera personal, social y mundana. Necesitamos a Cristo como verdadero sanador y médico para sanar todas nuestras áreas de ceguedad. Hagamos espacio para ser ‘tocados’ por Jesús como fue sanado el ciego en el Evangelio y ver a Jesús como la única fuente de Luz abundante en medio de ‘la oscuridad’. Cristo es la Luz. Recuerde de siempre orar y buscar la reconciliación. Bendiciones en el Señor.

**Padre Juan Serna S.T.L., Párroco de la Sagrada Familia**

“El Señor me puso lodo sobre los ojos; yo fui a lavarme. Ahora veo y creo en Dios” Juan 9,11

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**ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE IN MODESTO**

Please join our entire Catholic and Pro-Life community on Good Friday, April 14th at 8:00am. We will park and gather at Eastridge Community Church, on the corner of Oakdale and Briggsmore in Modesto. We will sing and pray as we walk 2 hours (4 miles) through Modesto, passing by the abortion clinic at 2030 Coffee Road. The walk will conclude at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church (located at1813 Oakdale Road). Please bring a rosary, pro-life sign, your family and friends. We will walk rain or shine!

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**BAUTISMOS**

¿Tienes o conoces un niño que necesita ser bautizado? Nuestra Parroquia celebra bautismos durante la mayor parte del año, excepto no tenemos bautismos durante Cuaresma. Hemos seleccionado las fechas para cada mes. Y si Usted está interesado o tiene alguna pregunta, favor de llamar a Vickie en la oficina (545-3553 ext. 4).

**PROXIMAS FECHAS DE BAUTISMOS**


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**BAPTISMS**

Do you have a child that needs to be Baptized? Our Parish celebrates Baptisms throughout most of the year except we do not have Baptisms during Lent. We have selected dates for each month. Take a look at the dates and if you are interested or have any questions, please call the office and ask for Vickie (ext. 4).

**Future English Baptism Dates:** April 22, April 29, May 6, June 3, June 24, July 8, August 5, September 2, October 7 and November 4.
Fourth Sunday of Lent

**Daily Mass Readings—Week of March 26th**

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**Holy Family Ministry of Prayer, Healing and Hope**

Please pray for the healing of our sick:
Monica Faraone Lobo & Family, Marie Faraone Otsuka & Family, Bernie Dyrrda, Desi Reno, Chris Misuraca, Sister Loretta Wiesner, Elaine Erwin, Natilly Patterson, Patty LeCount, Jose Martinez, Paul Graham, Nate McGue, Deana Landingham and Don Elder.

**Mass Intentions / Intenciones de Misa**

**March 25th & March 26th, 2017**

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<td>Ramon y Alicia Calderon (aniversario de 40 años y salud para toda la familia)</td>
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**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Come and join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent. The Stations of the Cross in English will begin at 6pm and the Spanish Stations of the Cross will begin at 7:00pm. See you there!

**Rachel’s Vineyard**

Rachel’s Vineyard weekends are a beautiful opportunity for anyone who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. It is an opportunity to heal repressed feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief in a safe and confidential environment. We offer help to all who have been affected by an abortion (fathers, grandparents, close friends, even medical personnel). Hope, healing and forgiveness are available. Future English retreat dates for 2017 are: April 28-30 and September 22-24. For more information or to register contact Kim at: (209) 465-5433.

**Lenten Penance Services**

Servicios de Penitencia de Cuaresma

March 28th (7:00pm) - Our Lady of Fatima (Modesto)
April 3rd (6:30pm) - St. Mary’s (Oakdale)
April 4th (6:30pm) - St. Frances of Rome (Riverbank)
April 5th (6:30pm) - Holy Family (Modesto)

Thank you to everyone who signed up to participate in the Glory to God Ministries, Do-It-Yourself Retreat “Consoling the Heart of Jesus”

**Weekely Offering**

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All bulletin requests must be submitted by the Tuesday before the weekend requested. All requests must be approved by Father. We reserve the right to edit any requests submitted for the bulletin.
LADIES AND FRIENDS SCHOLARSHIPS
Ladies and Friends will be offering two $750 scholarships for students entering college. The students must be active members of Holy Family Parish. Scholarship applications are available in the Parish Office. For more information, call Geri Azevedo at (209) 543-6794. The application deadline is April 24th.

A reminder that next week, we will have our Building Our Future Together second offering. This is an opportunity to fulfill your pledge and commitment. God bless you for your generosity.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LENTEN FISH FRY
Friday, April 7th in Nazareth Hall
Dine-In or Take-Out is available from 4:00-7:00pm. $10.00 for adults and $7.00 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased in the Parish Office.

CENA DE PESCADO FRITO
Los Caballeros de Colon tendran su ultima Cena de Pescado Frito en el Salon Nazaret viernes, 7 de abril de 4:00 a 7:00pm
El costo es: $10.00 para adultos y $7.00 para niños menos de 12 años. Pueden comprar sus boletos en la Oficina Parroquial.

DONATIONS FOR EASTER FLOWERS
Would you like to help with the beautification of the Church for Easter? We need to decorate the Church and the Chapel. Please bring your donation to the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity.

Donaciones para flores para Domingo de Pascua
Si le gustaría ayudar con una donación para las flores para domingo de Pascua, favor de llevar su donación a la Oficina Parroquial. Gracias por su generosidad.

Lenten Penance Service
Wednesday, April 5th at 6:30pm
Holy Family Church (4212 Dale Road)

Be a Good Steward of the Lenten Season
The Lenten season prepares us for the celebration of Easter. It is a time for Christians to embrace prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in a more concerted way. For some it is a time of healing, an opportunity to repair their spiritual brokenness. For others it is simply a good time to cultivate their spiritual lives in a more disciplined manner. The goal of Lenten practices is to prepare ourselves to enter into the paschal mystery of Holy Week with a more humble spirit and determination to follow Jesus Christ. This ancient triad of prayer, fasting and almsgiving offers wonderful spiritual benefits. Being a good steward of these gifts by planning ahead and following through is essential to having a fruitful Lenten experience.

PRAYER:
What greater gift could we give ourselves during Lent than the gift of prayer? The fruits of developing a disciplined time of prayer are bountiful. Make plans for a prayer time each day. Do not wait until you “find time” but make a time of prayer your priority. This will involve sacrifice on your part—perhaps giving up some television viewing time, using part of your lunch hour or getting up in the morning earlier than usual. Along the way, spend some time in extra prayer with the community: a weekday Mass, Stations of the Cross. What-ever you decide, resolve to spend more time with the Lord.

FASTING:
Christian stewards understand that all they receive, including the bountiful food and drink that is often taken for granted, ultimately comes from the Lord. By denying ourselves food for a time, we are reminded in physical and emotional ways of the Lord’s generosity. As we fast, thoughtlessness is replaced by gratitude and mindfulness of the needs of others. The ancient practice of fasting also conditions us for greater spiritual practices. Incorporate some aspect of fasting from food or drink into your Lenten practice, something in addition to the sacrifices we make on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

ALMSGIVING:
This spiritual discipline heightens our sense of generosity. Just as an increase in prayer and fasting leads us to be more grateful for the gifts we’ve received and promotes a greater awareness of others, almsgiving helps us to reach out to others in gratitude. Just as we don’t “squeeze in” time to pray during Lent, we also don’t scrutinize our checkbook when being generous with others. Again, make a plan and let a meaningful sense of sacrifice be your guide.

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