



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me." - Mt 5:11

Sacraments

weekend mass	Times
Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:30 am
	6:00 pm

1st Sunday Spanish 1:30 pm

Daily Mass Times

Mon. - Fri. 6:30 am 8:15 am

> Holy Day Mass Times 6:30 am 8:15 am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm

Reconciliation / Confession Saturday 3-4:30 pm 8 by appointment

& by appointment

All Other Sacraments Please call the office for information.

Clergy

Fr. Renier Siva Pastor Fr. Cleetus Karakkat Parochial Vicar William Goeke Jim McFadden Deacons Fr. Ignatius Haran Pastor Emeritus

Parish Office

Mon.- Fri. 8:30 am- 4:30 pm 307 Montrose Drive, Folsom Phone: 916-985-2065

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Bulletin

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Welcome to St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

We are a community where we welcome all as members of the Body of Christ. We are welcoming, faithful, passionate, joyful, authentic, sacramental, loving and charitable.

Today's Readings

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13 / Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (Matthew 5:3) / 1 Cor 1:26-31 / Mt 5:1-12a

"Blessed the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!" (Ps 146)

Gospel Meditation

By Father John Muir

In my parents' bedroom there were on the wall two photos of my mom and dad from their early adulthoods. The photo of my mother entranced me when I was a boy. I loved looking at it, even though I saw her in daily life. Something about that picture captured her perfectly. It was an image of the joy, wisdom, beauty, and strength that enveloped me from the start of my life. It was an icon of the woman who fed, taught, and encouraged me. I felt a deep pride that I came from such beauty.

The beatitudes of Jesus are a kind of self-portrait. But it is a strange picture. At first, the blessings of being poor, mourning, and hungering and thirsting for righteousness may seem bizarre or, worse, a religious delusion. Who wants to look like that? But if we look again, we begin to see the characteristics of Jesus' form. He becomes poor and fills it with his riches for us, he weeps and mourns for us, and fills it with his joy, he hungers and thirsts for us to be righteous, and so satisfies us. And so on. It's the way he appears on the cross.

Perhaps we should put on our bedroom room walls the words of the beatitudes next to a crucifix of the Lord Jesus. Then we can do what the beatitudes are designed for, to gaze at the joy, wisdom, beauty, and strength of the one who is our origin, and who is with us every day. And little by little, we'll start to look like him.

Scripture Reflections

First Reading

The prophet Zephaniah speaks of a "remnant of Israel" who will survive God's judgement and live as a humble and truthful people.

What other qualities (besides humility and integrity) make for a good community? **Second Reading:**

Paul offers us an interesting sketch of the members of the Corinthian community: foolish, weak, lowly, and despised. How would you describe your community of faith?

Gospel

Jesus begins his Sermon on the Mount with a list of eight "beatitudes" (blessings). Which of these beatitudes do you see in yourself?



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Knights of Columbus Join The Knights of Columbus Today Contact: SK Percy Park 916-936-6145 or dbk576@aol.com

Since 1882, membership in the Knights of Columbus has been open to men 18 years of age or older who are "practical" (that is, practicing) Catholics in union with the Holy See. Since that time, the Knights of Columbus has understood "practical Catholic" to mean a Catholic who accepts the teaching authority of the Catholic Church on matters of faith and morals, aspires to live in accord with the precepts of the Catholic Church, and is in good standing in the Catholic Church.

What It Means To Be A Knight of Columbus

We are catholic men to lead, serve, protect and defend. We share a desire to be better husbands, fathers, sons, neighbors and role models to put charity, Parish and community first.

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Together we are empowering men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work and in their community. Our goal is to help men, their families, and their parishes grow closer to Christ. Through our programs and resources, we provide opportunities to live and spread the Catholic faith.

Responding To Need Since Our Founding

Service and Charity are the heart of the Knights. Founded to meet the needs of immigrants, refugees and families suffering from the death of a breadwinner, the Knights began a small service organization and has grown into a worldwide financial and charitable organization.

Knights of Columbus Charities

Charity is the heart of our work and our faith--and it always has been. For the Knights of Columbus Charity means supporting a virtually boundless variety of projects.

Knights of Columbus Insurance

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal benefit society, which means we provide financial security to our members and their families, while turning premiums into charitable impact.

Faith in Action

Lead your parish and community in faith, family, service and life programs through your local Knights council.

Please see one of the ushers after Mass or Percy if you have any questions to join.

St. John Notre Dame School

TK and Kindergarten Open House January 29, Sunday sjnds.org/openhouse

RSVP today by calling 916-985-4129 or visiting our website for more information.

Diocese of Sacramento Family & Faith Formation

World Marriage Day 2023 February 11, 2023 9:30 - 11:30 am Good Shepherd Parish 9539 Racquet Ct. Elk Grove, CA 95758 Contact: Moises De Leon 916-733-0133, MDeleon@scd.org

Join us as we honor marriage and salute the beauty of faithfulness, sacrifice, and joy in married life. There will be a special blessing for sacramentally married couples and an opportunity for them to renew their marital commitment. After Mass, there will be an opportunity to receive a blessing and picture with Bishop Soto. Special certificates will be distributed at the reception honoring couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 50+) Mass will be also live-streamed. If you plan to attend, please register at: www.scd.org/wmd For more information contact Moises.



St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life. History has it that one day a group of hunters

stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



At St. John the Baptist Parish, time in conversation with our Lord is at the center of our lives.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 29th

7:30am Porfirio Mendoza+ 9:00am Emilia Alcordo+ 11:30am Oscar Sanchez (birthday) Dottie Romeo+ 6:00pm People of the Parish

Monday, January 30th 6:30am Ramiro Rojas+ 8:15am Sister Antonia Hesse+

Tuesday, January 31st 6:30am Rita Marie Adam+ 8:15am

Wednesday, February 1st 6:30am Elijah Ta (birthday) 8:15am Peace for Family

Thursday, February 2nd 6:30am 8:15am Purificacion Siruno+ Walfrido Galang+

Friday, February 3rd 6:30am 8:15am Mario Penmant

Saturday, February 4th 5:00pm People of the Parish

Observances We Celebrate This Week

Tuesday St. John Bosco Thursday The Presentation of the Lord, World Day for Consecrated Life Friday St. Blaise St. Ansgar

January is Dedicated to: The Holy Name of Jesus

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for January For educators

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

Intercessory Prayers Prayers for the Sick

We pray for our sick parishioners, family and friends, and those in need of healing of the body and soul.

- Alice Sulik Antonio Matos Bentley Cecile Drapeau Christina Martinez Cora Gonzales Danny Martinez David Ryan Gloria Marquez Griffon Koerber Hermogenes Beltran
- Jesse Diaz Jim Curry Jody Park Joy Bryla Kyle Pasterski Lance Alameda Mauricio Bracamonte Michael Ort Pat Koelfgen Sergio Rico

Prayers for Our Troops

We pray for our military personnel abroad and at home, and for their families. Michael Dalupan

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

We pray for the souls of all who have recently died, our family members, friends, and parishioners. May they rest in peace.

Angeles Montemayor Joseph Polson Apolonario Gocong Beverly Isaccs Billie Foli Daisy Edwards Dennis Brosterhous Irwan Harto Lie Janine Martin John P. Kurlinski

Katherine McLaughlin Monika Appel Oliver Morton Peter Van Derwood Shirley Dascallos Tristan Williams Yoshiko Johnson

Prayer Requests

Prayer requests for the sick, military or recently deceased may be made by calling our Parish Office. Names will appear for two months. Please visit the parish office for Mass Intentions.

O God, You raised up St. John the *Baptist to prepare a perfect* people for Christ. Fill Your people with the joy of possessing His grace, and direct the minds of all the faithful in the way of peace and salvation. Grant that as



St. John was martyred for truth and justice, so we may energetically profess our Faith in You, and lead others to the Way, the Truth, and Eternal Life. Ämen.



The Adoration Chapel

Chapel hours are: Mon-Thu 9am - 8pm, Sat 9am - 5pm and Sun 7am -11am Friday Adoration is in the church: 9am to 7pm

The Adoration Ministry has immediate need for dedicated adorers for these hours listed. To sign up please contact Veronica Thomas at thomas_vera@yahoo.com

Monday: 9 - 10 am 10-11 am 11-12pm 12-1pm 4-5pm 5-6pm 6-7pm 7 - 8 pm 10 - 11 am 11 - 12 pm 4 - 5 pm 5 - 6 pm Tuesday: 4 - 5 pm Wednesday: 12 - 1 pm 5 - 6 pm 6 - 7 pm 7 - 8 pm Thursday: 10 - 11 am 11 - 12 pm 3 - 4 pm 6 - 7 pm Friday: 6 - 7 pm 10 - 11 am 11 - 12 pm 12 - 1 pm 1 - 2 pm Saturday: 2-3 pm 3-4 pm 4-5 pm

Respect Life Ministry

"365" Days for Life Tues, Wed, Thurs, 8am-2pm Planned Parenthood, 201 29th St, SAC Contact: Joanne Dudgeon 916-607-2228

This ministry is on going because 4,000 babies are aborted **each day** in our country. We go to pray for these innocent "voiceless" human beings, offering alternatives to moms and dads. Many women have no idea just how many resources are out there for them.

Join us on Wednesdays to pray as there is a carpool from St Johns leaving at 10:30am and staying from 11:00am-1:00pm Contact Joanne.



Live the Liturgy Inspiration For the Week

Every day, God offers each of us countless opportunities to embody the Beatitudes. Blink and you might miss them. Where is God inviting you to poverty of spirit? Where does he beg you to hunger for righteousness? How does he ask you to make peace?



World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on Thursday, February 2, 2023 and in parishes over the weekend of February 4-5, 2023. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

Good and gracious God who calls every man and woman to live a life of holiness, we give you praise for those men and women we call brothers or sisters.

Grant them the wisdom to know and love you and to share that love with others.

Grant more vocations to the Church through consecration to religious life.

We ask all this in the name of Christ, your Son and our Lord.

Amen.





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Praise and Worship

February 8, Wednesday, 6:30 pm Garden Room Contact: David Brauer dabrauer@hotmail.com

Join us for an evening of inspiring music and powerful prayer with Praise and Worship! We hope you join us! Location to be announced.

Men's Retreat

Weekends of February 10 - 12, 17 - 19, or March 3 - 5 Christ the King Retreat Center Contact: Doug Heinz, 916-983-4516

Join the men of our parish for a weekend retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center. You'll be amazed how much the retreat will help you find how God is active in your daily life. To make sense of the last three years, the retreat we will look back at God's plan for our country, our church, and our own personal lives. The cost of \$250 includes a single room (two nights), 6 meals, and the retreat program. For more information, call Doug or the Retreat Center at (916) 725-4720 Ext. 307. You can also visit the Center and register for the retreat on line at: www.ChristTheKingRetreatCenter.org

Talleres de Oración y Vida

El viernes 10 de febrero, 7:15pm El Salón Guadalupe ¡Sin costo! Para información: David Chavez, 916-842-6828 Beatriz LeCam, 916-765-3569

Miles de personas han vivido un Taller de Oración y Vida. ¡Anímate también! Aprenderás a meditar en la Palabra de Dios, aprenderás a orar de diferentes maneras. Por este medio te ayudará a liberarte de ansiedades, miedos, heridas del pasado, complejos de culpa, problemas de perdón, y mucho más porque el AMOR de DIOS no tiene límites.

Te invitamos a vivir un Taller de Oración y Vida ¡Te esperamos! ¡No te lo pierdas!

Lectio Eucharist Bible Study

Starts February 2, 7pm, via Zoom Contact: Angela Reed 916-342-3368, recatechists60@gmail.com

The United States Conference of Bishops established a 3 year Eucharistic Revival last year! That's great and exciting news but what has it meant for you? Could this be your opportunity to deepen your relationship with Jesus? Is He drawing you near with this spotlight on the Holy Eucharist? Will you accept his prompting and turn towards Him? Will you accept his invitation to learn more about Him; to draw nearer to Him? If you choose to accept, your faith will not only be deepened, but you will know and love him in a way that you have never before. Your appreciation for the Holy Eucharist will kindle within you a fire of His love. You have everything to gain!

Come join us as we steep ourselves into Scripture and see what God had planned for us from the very beginning. Join us via Zoom in your living room, in your own comfortable surroundings! Invite friends and family from any part of the United States to join you. A beautiful workbook compliments this 10 week study. If you would like more information or if you would like to sign up for the study, please contact Angela.

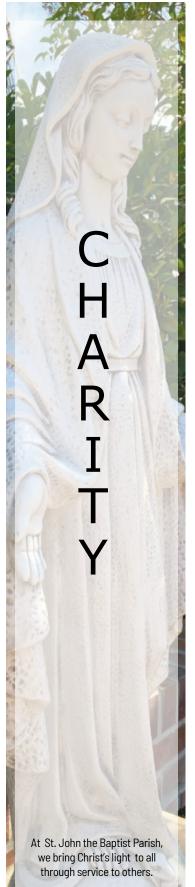
Spring Scripture Studies

Begins the week of February 13th Contact Lee or Teresa Weider 916-398-1116, laweider631@gmail.com

The new studies include :

- *Lectio Mary* (an 8 week study on the life and identity of Mary, the Mother of God)
- First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community (an 11 week study of St. Paul's letter)
- No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion (a 5 week Lenten study).

More information is available on the parish website as well as on flyers in the vestibule. Scripture Studies offer fellowship and an opportunity to learn more about our beautiful Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome! Please contact Lee or Teresa Weider if you need help.



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2nd Collection

This weekend is a fifth Sunday so the second collection will be for St. Vincent de Paul.

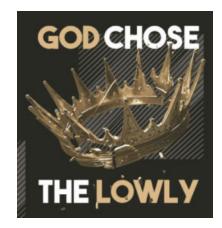
Knights of Columbus "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" Coats for Kids and Food for Families

Thank you to all of our St John Parish families, ministries and brother Knights,

Our Bishop Gallegos Council 6197, along with our St. Vincent de Paul ministry here at St. John's so far we have collected to date 458 Coats for Kids Program this year. 130 coats for teens; 128 coats for adults, and 200 coats for kids, along with sleeping bags, gloves, blankets, socks and winter hats. They have distributed 160 adults/teens and 130 child coats, to date. Our goal for this Columbian Year is 250 Coats for kids, teenagers and adults and we have almost doubled and surpassed our goal.

Our Council along with St Vincent de Paul have also collected "Food Items" weighing in at 837 pounds so far, our goal by January 8, 2023 was to collect at least 1,000 pounds. We missed our goal by 163 pounds, but still did very well.

The St. Vincent de Paul ministry plans to distribute the Coats for Kids and Food for Families items throughout the winter and holiday seasons on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 am to 12 noon for any and all needy and homeless here in Folsom including the surrounding cities and neighborhoods in need.



Stewardship of Treasure the Lord Has Entrusted to Us

Weekly goal: \$25,529.00 Weekly Offerings:

January 21/22

\$ 12,334

(Practicing) Catholic Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments The Humble of the Earth

When I think of the Beatitudes, I think of collectible coffee mugs emblazoned with the words Blessed are the peacemakers, with little pastel flowers stenciled in the white spaces of the lettering. I think of greeting cards and decorative wall hangings.

Why? These are the Beatitudes, for heaven's sake — revolutionary and radical. An uncompromising impeachment of worldly values. They are the opposite of banal.

But I cringed from my head to my toes when I read my first draft of this reflection, a retelling of a time in my life when I decided to embrace humility and meekness. I realized that the Beatitudes aren't something I can tell you about. Poverty of spirit, the hunger for righteousness, the gladness God gives to the downtrodden — these are concepts that must be animated within us. They must be lived. So instead of telling you my story, I want you to tell yours.

I invite you to think of a time when you were vulnerable. When you were discouraged or humbled or felt like a failure. A time when you were cut low. The loss of a job, perhaps, or the rejection of a loved one. The abrupt end of some road that you felt sure would be long and prosperous.

Resentment, envy, and vengefulness flourish in moments like this. Did you experience those feelings? Did you embrace them? Did you want to?

What did the world tell you this moment should mean?

What does Christ tell you it should mean? Have you figured it out, or are you still working on it?

God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong. -1 Corinthians 1:27

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

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T^{igsir} Mission for the Week

God loves peacemakers. The next time you are tempted to argue with someone, think of ways to get along instead.



Dear God, help me love other people the way you want me to.



Mt 5:1-12a

God sees the loving things you do. When you show kindness to others, especially when they don't deserve it, your kindness will come back to you. When you see others fighting, and you help them get along, you show that you are God's child. When you are gentle, not bossy, you make God smile. Even when it is hard, keep on doing what's right. One day in heaven God will reward you for the good choices you make.

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Unscramble words from today's Gospel

blessed meek filled		mercy pure peace			kingdom reward heaven		
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mecyr							
hevena							
peur							

Our parish is enriched with many ministries, please consider learning about and engaging in one or more of our ministries. Call the contact listed .

Welcoming Ministries

New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry Joyce Starosciak, 916-740-4628 **Greeter Ministry**

Lori Hopper, 916-337-0139 **Ushers** Stanley Posis, 916-705-9192

Prayer Ministries

Companioned Prayer Dcn. Bill Goeke, 916-673-7996 **Divine Mercy Devotion/Cenacle** Leilani Badley, 703-855-6241 -Chaplet/Rosary/Morning Prayer -Divine Mercy Chaplet/Mass -Cenacle - Leilani Badley, 703-855-6241 -Cenacle-Spanish - Ana Haid, 916-956-1177 **Eucharistic Adoration** Veronica Thomas, thomas_vera@yahoo.com 1st Friday of the Month - 9am - 7pm (church), Sign Up for adorers is in the vestibule Marian Cenacle (Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle) -English – 1st Wednesday of the month, 10am Sally Gomez, 916-693-2411 -Spanish – Every Saturday Ana Haid, 916-956-1177 **Our Lady of Fatima**

Henry Altamirano, 925-899-7769

Spiritual Growth Ministries

Adult Scripture Study Lee & Teresa Weider, 916-398-1116 **Couples for Christ** Myrah Empleo, 661-993-4721

Lay Mission Project Laura Wicklman, 916-933-8471

Praise & Worship David Brauer, dabrauer@hotmail.com

Religious Education Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338 Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338 Theology on Tap Aaron Santos, 916-985-2065 WINGS (Women in Growth Spiritually)

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

Youth/Young Adults Ministries Aaron Santos, asantos@folsomcatholic.org

Parish Committees/Councils

Finance Council Joyce Starosciak, 916-740-4628 Liturgy Committee Barbara Bowden, 916-984-9476 **Pastoral Council** Shannon Frazier, 916-761-2912

Outreach/Charity Ministries

Bereavement Hospitality/Receptions Parish Office, 916-985-2065 **Catholics for Life** Kathy Baxter, 916-337-6824 **Gabriel Project** Debbie Sultan, 916-337-5786 **Grace Quilters Ministry** Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681 **Grupo Pastoral Hispano** Rommel Hernández, 530-387-1009 **Knights of Columbus** Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541 **Pastoral Care Ministry** Dan Dunne, 916-817-1675; Sunday Candice Ralston, 916-806-8090; Tuesday **Prayer Shawl Ministry** Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681 **Prison/Restorative Justice Ministry** -Folsom Prison - Fr. H. Gomez, 916-985-2561 x 4206 -CSP Sacramento - Greg Mellor, Catholic Chaplain, 916-985-8610 x6425 School Ministry (St. John Notre Dame) Keith Martin, Principal, 916-985-4129 **Senior Visitation** Charlene Agles, 916-984-9602 St. Vincent de Paul (311 Montrose Dr.) Mercy Knight, 916-985-4630

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541 **Children's Liturgy during Mass** Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338 **Extraord. Ministers of Holy Communion** Steve & Maryanne Ashley, 916-479-2214 Lectors Patti Midtlyng, 916-837-8322 Liturgical Environment Arlette Peterson, 916-220-5968 **Music -** See choir director after Mass. Additional Ministries **Children's Babysitting at Mass** Parish Office, 916-985-2065 **Family Fellowship** Rachel Marsh, 916-945-6992 Gift Shop Connie Aley, 916-984-9284 Women's Game Day Every Wednesday, Garden Room, 11am - 4:30pm. Roberta Puzio, 916-933-2561

"Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

Lighter Side

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How long did Cain hate his brother? As long as he was Abel.

What kind of man was Boaz before he married Ruth? He was Ruth-less.

Which area of Palestine was especially wealthy? The area around Jordan ... the banks were always overflowing.

Why didn't they play cards on the Ark? Because Noah was standing on the deck.

Going Down!!

As the storm raged, the captain realized his ship was sinking fast. He called out, "Anyone here know how to pray?"

One man stepped forward. "Aye, Captain, I know how to pray."

"Good," said the captain, "you pray while the rest of us put on our life jackets — we're one short.



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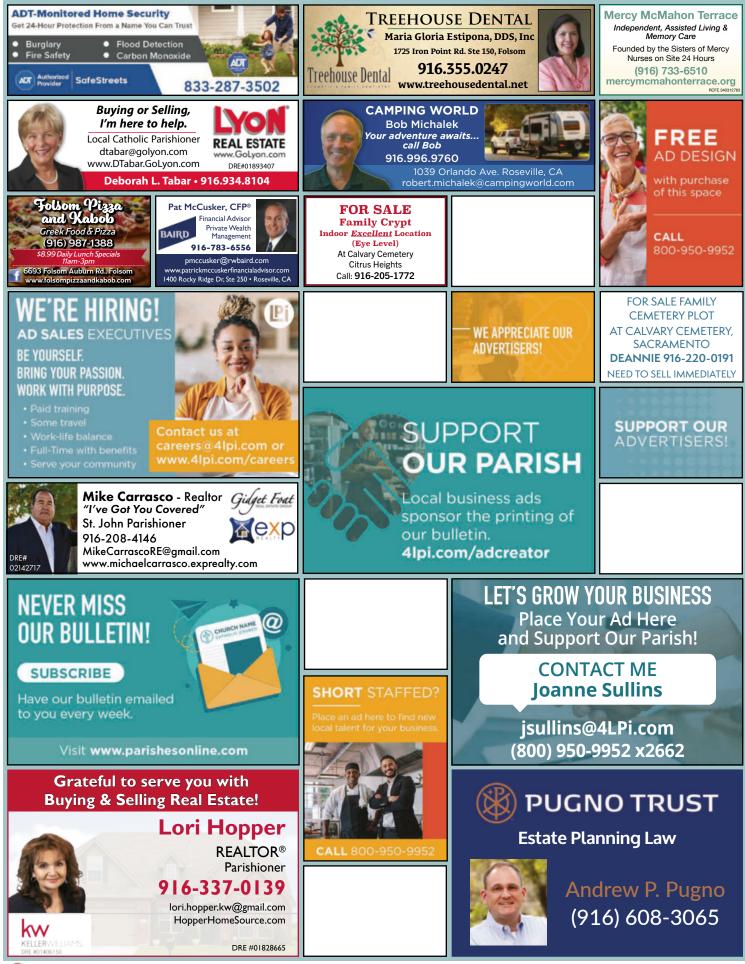
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