

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." - Mt 5:16

Sacraments

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:30 an
	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 / ConfessionSaturday3 - 4:30 pm& 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

Website: FolsomCatholic.org Social Media: @FolsomCatholic

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

Is 58:7-10 / Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a) / 1 Cor 2:1-5 / Mt 5:13-16

"The just man is a light in darkness to the upright." (Ps 112)

Gospel Meditation

By Father John Muir

I recently decided to learn to cook. As I sit at the feet of various YouTube cooking masters, I notice how much of cooking is adding ingredients that don't provide any more nourishment, like herbs and other seasonings. But man! They make all the difference because they make the meal delightful to eat and share.

Jesus calls his disciples "salt of the world." No one eats just salt. So, Christians are not meant to replace or do away with the world. They are meant to be agents of preservation and glorification. Notice how often these days the Church seeks to preserve what is threatened: the goodness of marital and family love, the desires of young people for greatness, the value of honest work, healthy economics, and altruistic political engagement, the dignity of the poor and vulnerable. Over and over, we say to a world who wants to throw things out, "It's worth saving! We'll preserve it! We'll show you it's wonderful." If we can't engage the world like that, Jesus says we are the ones who get thrown out, because salt alone is worthless.

Jesus only asks us to do for others what he does for us. He is the "salt" of everything in our lives. Is there something in your life starting to rot a bit? Something tasting bland and boring? Let Jesus salt it and see if you like it better.

Scripture Reflections

First Reading

The prophet Isaiah spoke of God's desire for us to not only feed the hungry and take care of the afflicted but also to rid ourselves of malicious and accusatory speech. Which of these directives might you be able to do this week?

Second Reading:

Paul teaches the Corinthians to place their faith in the power of God more so than in human wisdom. What could be some good ways to make sure this becomes a regular spiritual exercise?

Gospel

Jesus calls his followers to be salt of the earth and light of the world. In other words, Jesus is calling his followers to have a positive influence on the world. In what ways can believers today do good in the world?



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Senior Visitation Ministry Who We Are

Contact: Charlene Agles charleneagles@gmail.com, 916-984-9602

We are a group of dedicated compassionate individuals, from St. John's Parish, who volunteer their time in visiting the homebound and elderly in our community who live alone or in an assisted living facility. During their visits they may offer:

- Spiritual and Emotional Support
- Companionship
- Socialization

Men, women, and couples are welcome to have visits from our Ministry.

If you are interested in having someone visit you, a relative, friend, acquaintance or may be aware of anyone that would benefit from our Ministry, please contact the Parish Office, go to the Parish website, or contact Charlene. There are brochures in the church vestibule.

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.

Contact Information

Please be sure that you have kept the Parish Office up to date with your phone numbers and current addresses; both email and home.

Knights of Columbus Scholarships

Contact: Dick Phelan dickphelan@comcast.net

The Knights of Columbus Bishop Gallegos Council 6197 is pleased to announce that scholarship applications are currently available for our area Catholic high schools for the Fall semester. An application is available for pickup at the SJND administrative office or at the Parish Office. To request an application by email contact Dick.

St. John's Sweetheart Dance

Elegant Buffet Dinner & Dancing Saturday, February 18, 5:30 -11pm Gallagher Hall Cocktail Attire

Happy Hour 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm (No-host: Full Bar, Beer, Wine, and Cosmopolitans)

> Dine & Dance 6: 30 pm – 11:00 pm

TICKETS: \$20 per person (Adults only) On Site Child Care w/ Dinner, \$8 per child Tickets on sale Feb 4-5 & 11-12 after the Masses, and in the Parish Office.

For more info, contact event organizers: Knights of Columbus Tim O'Neil, 916-985-4009 For childcare contact Rachel Marsh, 916-945-6992

> Let the light of Christ that we carry within us drive away the darkness of fear and sadness.



At St. John the Baptist Parish,

time in conversation with our

Lord is at the center of

our lives.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 5th

7:30am Ben Diaz+ 9:00am Parish Council & Parishioner Volunteers 11:30am Maria Hanh Nguyen+ 1:30pm Jose Alfredo Aspera Graciano+ 6:00pm Theresa Chi Tran & Child+

Monday, February 6th

6:30am Francisco Pinedo+ 8:15am Oscar Masari, Fr. (birthday) Oscar Masari, Jr. (birthday)

Tuesday, February 7th 6:30am Maria Hanh Nguyen+ Luis Silva+ 8:15am Emily Gocong+ Apolonario Gocong+

Wednesday, February 8th 6:30am Ron Fry+ 8:15am Scott Anthony McEvoy+

Thursday, February 9th 6:30am Barney Hays Kathleen Hays+ 8:15am Eric Kinsey+

Friday, February 10th 6:30am Gabriel Ta (birthday) Escolastica Aquino+ 8:15am

Saturday, February 11th 5:00pm Laura Asay+

Observances We Celebrate This Week

Monday St. Paul Miki and Companions Wednesdav St. Jerome Emiliani St. Josephine Bakhita Friday St. Scholastica Saturday Our Lady of Lourdes

February is Dedicated to: The Holy Family

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for February For parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

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 Geraldine Giapazzi Gloria Marquez Griffon Koerber
- Hermogenes Beltran Jesse Diaz Jim Curry 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.





February 11

Because you are the smile of God, the reflection of the light of Christ, the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit, Because you chose Bernadette in her lowliness, because you are the morning star, the gate of heaven and the first creature to experience the resurrection, *Our Lady of Lourdes, with our brothers* and sisters whose hearts and bodies are in pain, we pray to you! ~Pope Benedict XVI



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 10 - 11 am 11 - 12 pm 3 - 4 pm 6 - 7 pm Thursday: Friday: 6 - 7 pm 10 - 11 am 11 - 12 pm 12 - 1 pm 1 - 2 pm 2-3 pm 3-4 pm 4-5 pm Saturday:

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.

Companioned Prayer

Fridays, 1:30pm (approx. 1-1.5hrs) Music Room (in the church) Contact: Dcn Bill Goeke deaconbill@folsomcatholic.org

Companioned Prayer offers a powerful doorway to the mystery of God. The prayer is uniquely designed to allow our prayer partner to gently help us be open to the presence of God within us. This gift of God's presence is felt and known intimately and personally, in tender love and divine grace.



O Lord, I humbly come to you, praying to you as the Great Physician. I know that in the end all healing comes through you.

Bless me with a sense of patience as I wait for answers regarding an illness. Grant me peace as I struggle with an unwelcome prognosis.

Help me find joy again as I mourn the ever-present changes from the body of my youth. Fill me with the courage to endure the challenges that this illness presents.

Most of all, open my heart to seeing your love for me. May I rest in the knowledge that this love is constant and never changing.

> May your love for me be a source of hope that heals me deep in my soul. Amen

> > www.nacc.org

Live the Liturgy Inspiration For the Week

It's hard to shine the light of truth in a world that so often prefers darkness. But God has built his city on a hill, not a valley. His glory, by definition, exists to be proclaimed, as salt exists to give flavor.



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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! Please note we will be in the Garden Room this month.

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!

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).

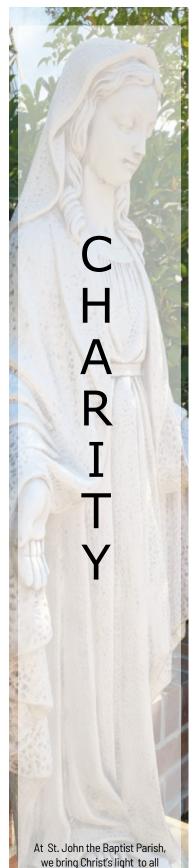
More information is available on the parish website as well as on flyers in the vestibule. Scripture Studies offer fellowship and an opportunity to learn more about our beautiful Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome! Please contact Lee or Teresa Weider if you need help.

Born Carlo Gaetano Samuel Mazzuchelli on November 4, 1806, in Milan, Italy, he was the 16th of 17 children in his family! When



he was only 17 years old, he entered the Dominican order and changed his name to Friar Samuel. Answering a recruitment call by his order to serve in the new, missionary Diocese of Cincinnati in America, he was ordained a priest by Bishop Edward Fenwick, first Bishop of Cincinnati, in 1830.

Venerable Father Mazzuchelli was one of the first Catholic missionaries to the Great Lakes region traveling the vast area via horseback, canoes, and on foot. He traveled and served communities from the Great Lakes region to the Mississippi and beyond. He worked alongside new immigrant settlers and native tribes. He designed and built over 24 churches and other buildings, many local parishes remaining to this day! He started the Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa and was described by those that knew him as a sensitive warm man full of mercy, truth and virtue, boldness and zeal. On July 6, 1993, Pope John Paul II allowed Fr. Mazzuchelli's Cause for sainthood. His path toward Beatification and Canonization continues.



through service to others.

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Annual Catholic Appeal Come together in the charity of Christ to restore dignity and hope to others

25% comes back to our parish for our own outreach to those in need. On the weekend of **February 18** we will have the opportunity to accompany those who are suffering through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Each of our gifts, no matter the amount, makes a difference in someone's life. Catholic Charities can respond to the greatest needs in our communities. Seminarians receive support as they prepare to serve our local parishes. Catholic schools in economically-challenged neighborhoods can provide tuition assistance. Prayerfully consider what you can give this year.



The saints are more than lovely pictures on a holy card. If we dig a little deeper, their lives can challenge and transform our own. On February 8th, the Church celebrates St. Josephine Bakhita. As a young girl, St. Josephine was

kidnapped from her family in Darfur and sold into slavery at age nine. She was introduced to Catholicism as an adolescent and experienced a profound love for Jesus Christ. St. Josephine eventually gained legal freedom and entered religious life. Though she bore over one hundred scars beneath her habit, St. Josephine forgave her enemies and became known in the convent for her humility and joyful spirit.

Author Fr. Jeff Kirby writes, "Saint Josephine gives us all a scarred and human face to the evils of human trafficking, racial tension, and of the brutality found in the peripheries. Her life demands a response." As we approach the season of Lent, let us recall our own call to conversion and an active concern for those who suffer.

Stewardship of Treasure the Lord Has Entrusted to Us

Weekly goal: \$25,529.00 Weekly Offerings:

January 28/29 \$ 17,122

2nd Collection

Thank you for your donations to last weekend's second collection for St. Vincent de Paul. Together we collected \$3780.

This weekend our second collection is for our RE program and SJND.

(Practicing) Catholic Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments If ...

It's a surprising little word — if. For such a short word, it holds an abundance of excuses.

Personally, I could buy a new car if I had a dollar for every time I used the word "if" to explain away my own flaws. "If I wasn't so tired. If we had more money. If the kids weren't always on my last nerve. If I had more talent. If life wasn't so hard."

If, if, if.

I don't always feel like being the salt of the earth. Can't someone else season the dish? Sometimes it's more than I want to give, more than I want to do, more than I want to be. Sharing my bread, sheltering the oppressed, clothing the naked, and accompanying my neighbor — doing these things in the literal or figurative sense can be completely exhausting. Mediocrity is so easy. It's so comfortable.

But if. It looms again, that short but powerful word.

"If" can be deep with excuses, but it can also be wide with possibility. If I bring it all to God. If I stop relying on my own abilities. If I prayed more than I talked. If I make my heart firm. If my faith does not rest on human wisdom.

If not me, who? If not now, when?

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." — Matthew 5:14

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



Mt 5:13-16

When you love God, and you follow his example, it will show. You will be loving, patient, and kind. You will be honest and always do your best. You will work hard and share what you have. When you live for God, you make the world a better place.

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"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

Do a taste-test with boiled eggs. Eat one bit plain. Eat the rest seasoned with salt. The salt makes a big difference. Your love for God should make a big difference in the world, too.



God, help me to make a difference in the





Unscramble words from today's Gospel

salt earth light	city hill lamp	shine good praise
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lpam		
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sihen		

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 *Fridays*, 1:30pm. Music Room

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 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

ISTRIES

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

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What is the "Miraculous Medal" and why is it called that?

The medal of the Immaculate Conception that has come to be called simply the "Miraculous Medal" dates back to an apparition of Mary to Saint Catherine Laboure, who was then a novice sister with the Daughters of Charity.

On November 27, 1830, Our Lady appeared to her standing on a globe, with shafts of light streaming from her hands and the words, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee," surrounding the image. In the same vision, Catherine saw a capital "M" with a cross above it and below two hearts. Catherine seemed to hear a voice telling her to have what she saw struck as a medal and a promise that those who wore the medal would have the protection and intercession of the Mother of God. The first 1,500 of medals were distributed in 1832. Many miraculous favors were attributed to the use of the medal.

Saint Catherine's "Miraculous Medal" is among the recognizable and popular symbols of modern Catholicism. Reflecting on its widespread use, the 2001 Vatican document, "Directory on Popular Piety and Liturgy," observes that the medal "recalls the mystery of Redemption, the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and of the Sorrowful Heart of Mary. It signifies the mediatory role of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mystery of the Church, the relationship between Heaven and earth, this life and eternal life."



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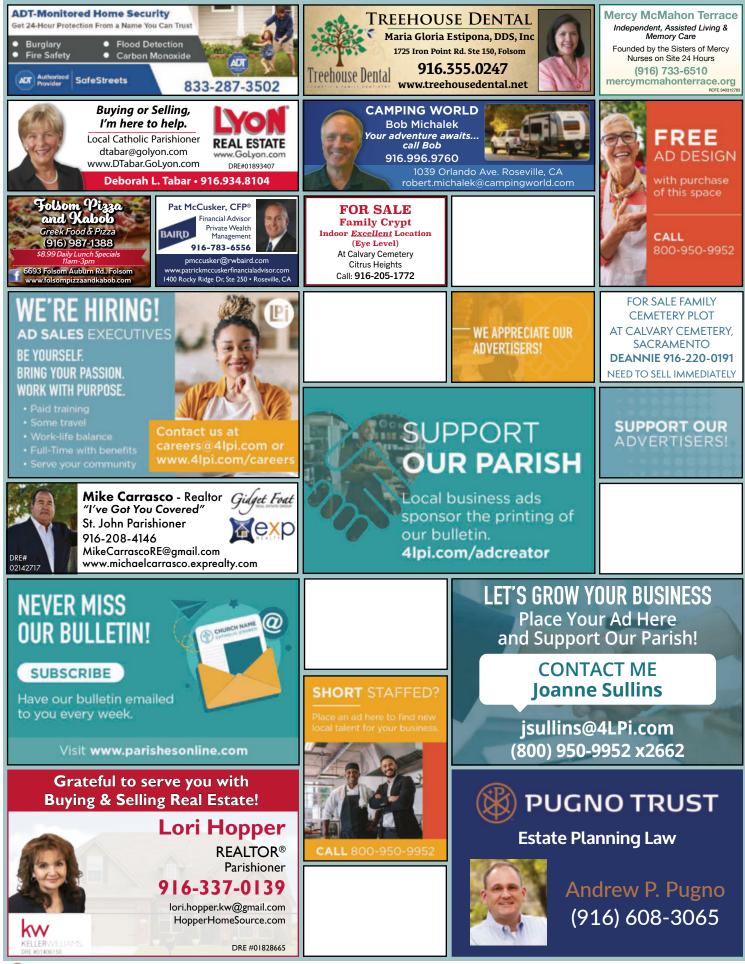
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