

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ♦ **A warm Welcome to all our guests.** We are so happy you are here to celebrate with us!! New to Our Catholic Church Parish? You will find forms at the back of the church, please Drop a form at the parish office with your information or call us at 575-374-8894 to register with us!
- ♦ **Annual Catholic Appeal 2025:** Our parish goal is \$10,500 — : If you did not receive a brochure or pledge card for the Archdiocese of Santa Fe Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA), they are available with Mrs. Rosie DeHerrera and at the back of the church. Prayerfully consider making a Pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal.
- ♦ **ALTAR SERVERS :** A great opportunity for children who have made their First Communion, High School Students, College Age and older parishioners to Serve at the Celebration of the Eucharist. Fr. Joji will give training for both boys and girls, please sign up on the sheet. Thanks.
- ♦ **Please Note:** The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, July 4th, in observance of the Independence Day holiday. Mass will be at 7:00 a.m.
- ♦ Let us come together as a parish family to honor and celebrate the gift of our senior members! Join us for a special Joyful Seniors Day (Elders Day) celebration on **Sunday, July 20, 2025.** The celebration will begin with Holy Mass at **10:30 a.m.**, followed by the Anointing of the Sick at **11:30 a.m.** The Ladies Altar Society will be providing the meal. We will also have Bingo at **2:00 p.m.** It will be \$20/Person. Cash and gift prizes will be awarded. **All are warmly welcome!!**
- ♦ A special welcome to the newly baptized Brody Zayne Archuleta. Congratulations to his Parents and Godparents! **(Folsom)**
- ♦ Fr. Joji would like to schedule family visits. He plans to spend time with each family and share a meal together. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church. Mass will be celebrated at **6:00 PM** on the first Wednesday of each month here at **St. Joseph Church, Folsom.**

Prayer for the Sick : O Heavenly Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In Jesus' name. Amen

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Parish Office Hours (CCD Building)

Monday: 10:00am—4:00pm
 Tuesday: 10:00am —2:00pm
 Wednesday: 1:00pm—5:00pm
 Thursday: 10:00am—4:00pm

St. Francis Xavier, Clayton

Saturday Mass 5pm & Sunday 10:30am

Weekday Mass: Monday 7am

Wednesday & Friday 12:10pm

Thursday 5:30pm & Adoration

Confession: Saturday 4 pm to 5pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Des Moines

Sunday Mass 8am (Oct 1 - May 31)

Confession: Sunday before 8am

St. Joseph, Folsom

Sunday Mass 8am (Jun 1 - Sept 30)

Confession: Sunday before 8am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: The Sacrament of Baptism classes are offered. Contact Fr. Joji.
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Couples must contact the parish office at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date. They must participate in a Weekend for Engaged Couples and attend an introductory class in Natural Family Planning.
SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: The Sacrament is administered upon request to those seriously ill, permanently handicapped, very elderly, and those undergoing major surgery.
HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: Holy Communion will be brought to the home. Please call the rectory or the priest when someone is ill and unable to come to church.

Gospel Reflections: Today, the One, Holy, Apostolic, and Catholic Church celebrates two famous icons of faith. We celebrate the feast of the princes of the apostles and the pillars of the church. What we celebrate today is faithfulness, courage, humility, and missionary zeal. These are the qualities that characterize these two iconic figures. The first reading of this Sunday narrates the story of how God himself mysteriously delivered Peter from prison. This is in line with Jesus’ promise to Peter that: “the kingdom of heaven shall not prevail against you.” Having chosen Peter as the rock, God never abandoned him. Once Peter made a heartfelt confession, the Lord ordained him the chief pastor of His whole Church. Christ also endowed him with authority. Peter remained faithful till his death.

In the second reading, we hear Paul’s testimony, “I have fought the good fight of faith to the end, I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now, is the crown of righteousness” Of course, he received that crown. Paul persecuted the church. However, after his encounter with Christ, he became an essential instrument in God’s hand. His greatest weakness automatically became his greatest strength.

In today’s gospel, after Peter professed the Lordship of Jesus Christ, Christ, in return, made him the head of the church. It was from this moment that Peter became the first bishop of Rome and Pope. Although Peter was made the first among equals, he remained humble, faithful, and courageously died as others did. So, as we consider and celebrate the outcome of the lives of these two pillars of our faith and church, let us imitate their good examples.

Through their exemplary lives, they teach us that conversion through repentance is a significant Christian step. Through their lives, they also teach us that unless we lay hold of salvation through continuous repentance, we have no hope of it from any other source. Though it is not easy to achieve all they achieved, let us ask God the same grace which Paul tells us “His grace is sufficient for us” (1 Cor 12:9). This grace will enable us to do our best because we “can do all things through Christ who strengthens us” (Phil 4, 13). May we all attain to this by the grace of the only begotten Son of God, to whom belongs all glory and honor.

<i>Masses offered June and July 2025</i> <i>+All the Departed Parishioners & Family Members</i> <i>SI Good Health & Well-Being of all Parishioners & Families</i>	
Sat, June 28	<i>SI</i> Buster Davis (Health) By Ross and Shelley Carter
Sun, June 29	+Ralph Martinez By Gloria Lucero & Family
Sat, July 5	<i>SI</i> Buster Davis (Health) By Ross and Shelley Carter
Sun, July 6 8:00 A.M.	+Maryann Marquez By Pat Gregory
Sun, July 6	+ Mary Helen Garcia By Gloria Lucero & Family

Quotable Saints “All the goods of this world cannot content the heart of the human person,who has been created to love God and can find no peace out
Readings For the Week 30 Mon <i>The First Martyrs of the Holy roman Church</i> Gn 18:16-33/Mt 8:18-22 1 Tue <i>USA: Saint Junipero Serra, Priest</i> Gn 19:15-29/Mt 8:23-27 2 Wed Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Mt 8:28-34 3 Thu Saint Thomas, Apostle <i>Feast</i> Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29 4 Fri <i>USA: Independence Day</i> Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Mt 9:9-13 5 Sat <i>Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; USA: Saint Elizabeth of Portugal; BVM</i> Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Mt 9:14-17 6 Sun Is 66:10-14c/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10: 1-12,17-20

July 3, Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle: St. Thomas the Apostle was one of the 12 original disciples of Jesus Christ. Mostly known for his doubt of Christ’s Resurrection, Thomas (also known as Didymus) represents the humanity we all share. Our faith is one of mystery, and we all have questions that we would like to ask Jesus. Once seeing the wounds on Christ’s resurrected body, Thomas’ faith was firmed, and he became a missionary. "Thomas' unbelief has benefited our faith more than the belief of the other disciples; it is because he attained faith through physical touch that we are confirmed in faith beyond all doubt.

Indeed, the Lord permitted the apostle to doubt after the resurrection; but He did not abandon him in doubt. By his doubt and by his touching the sacred wounds the apostle became a witness to the truth of the resurrection. Thomas touched and cried out: My Lord and my God! And Jesus said to him: Because you have seen Me, Thomas, you have believed. Now if Thomas saw and touched the Savior, why did Jesus say: Because you have seen Me, Thomas, you have believed? Because he saw something other than what he believed. For no mortal man can see divinity. Thomas saw the Man Christ and acknowledged His divinity with the words: My Lord and my God. Faith therefore followed upon seeing."

The mission and death of Thomas: It is believed he went to India and spent much time there converting the people. He is still revered in India today. According to Syrian Christian tradition, St. Thomas was martyred July 3, 72 AD, at St. Thomas Mount in Chennai, India. he is the patron of the blind, architects, carpenters and masons, geometricians, theologians and India. As we celebrate the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, this faith community is reminded of our role in building the Kingdom of God. We are on a mission to bring Jesus to all; to be a builder of faith.

June 21 and 22, 2025
St. Francis Xavier
Saturday/Sunday collection: \$1834.45
St. Joseph, Folsom
Sunday collection: \$408.00
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Saturday, June 28—Sammie Wood
Sunday, June 29—Ray Saccoccia
Saturday, July 5—Rosie DeHerrera
Sunday, July 6—Mike Diller

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Saturday, June 28—Shelley and Britt
Sunday, June 29—Rosie and Sophie
Saturday, July 5—Rosie and Andrea
Sunday, July 6—Kelley and Beverly

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Saturday, June 28
Jeremy Fisk & Gus Wood
Sunday, June 29
Robert Montoya & Maurilio Valdez
Saturday, July 5
Jeremy Fisk & Ross Carter
Sunday, July 6
Deano Arellano & Maurilio Valdez



Please have a safe Fourth of July Holiday Weekend and please keep America, our National Leaders, and those serving in our Armed Forces in your prayers. “Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD.” Psalm 33:12