

Holy Family Table

“I was hungry and you gave me to eat.” (Matthew 25:35)

Dear Friends & Supporters:

HAPPY NEW YEAR! Our regular indoor breakfast service resumed on **November 1--All Saints Day!** Those who come to eat each morning are grateful to be back inside the building with the advantages of eating at tables, hot food, hot coffee, bathrooms, and warmth.

Much gratitude to all who donated to the collections for HFT at St. Joachim’s during **Thanksgiving week**. Special thanks to the speakers who encouraged such generosity: Jon Barsotti, Martha Cardona, Esperanza Cuevas, Johnny Deniz, Rachel Donatelli, Raul Hurtado, and Imelda Puentes. The total collected was one of our best ever: \$17,469!

Holy Family Table again participated in the annual **Rotary Trees for Charity** event on December 10. Our tree was beautifully decorated by Victoria Perez of Affairs to Remember. It was purchased by Meagan & Dana Lenneman for \$1,250. They donated the tree to the Star Center. Consortium donations coordinated by Jan Zitek brought in an additional \$3,750. The total earned through this project: was \$5,000.

Many thanks to **groups that have continued to support** the Table with donations of money and food. Our appreciation to the Italian Catholic Federation (\$400), Sal’s Mexican Restaurant (\$200) and to the many stores and businesses that donate food: Catholic Charities, Costco, Delmonte’s in Modesto, Madera Food Bank, McDonalds in Chowchilla and on Toser Street, Carneceria y Taqueria Mexico, SaveMart, and many others for continued donations of food..

The chart usually found at the bottom of the Newsletter that shows the monthly numbers of meals served will reappear in the next quarterly issue. Number of people served over the last three months were: October: 8,520 (meals to go), November: 5,522 (eat in), December 5,623 (eat in). **Total for 2022: 80,389**

The green **T-Shirts** with the Holy Family Table logo are again available in all sizes. Wearing one is a nice way to remind the community of our presence. All sizes have the same price; \$10. If you wish to buy one, please contact Gail Baker (232-0088).

WE STILL NEED PEOPLE FOR THE COOKING CREWS ON WEDNESDAYS AND THURSDAYS! Contact Armando (975-5371) if you are willing to help in this way. Also, any volunteers in general would be helpful on Sundays when we always seem to be short.

Editor’s note: I have been writing the HFT Newsletter since Mary Kascht and I began it in 2006. Over the past 16 years, the Newsletter has served both as a means of communication and as a way to preserve the history of the Table. My thanks to Rosana Suarez & Tammy Sterling who each provided *years* of patient computer expertise, to Maria Vasquez and the ladies at the Rectory office for uncounted kinds of help, and to the loyal “**willing workers**” who placed labels & stickers on *thousands and thousands* of Newsletters thru the 15 plus years when all of that had to be done by hand!

Claire and Tim Hawkins (673-5429) have consented to be the new editors/writers. They will be great!
Betty Scalise

Contact any of the following if you can help!

Coordinator: Samuel 559 536 8306

Sunday crew	Mayorga family	
Monday crew	Bea & Frank Olvera	871-2220
Tuesday crew	Miri Gutierrez	975-0315
Wednesday crew	HELP NEEDED!	
Thursday crew	HELP NEEDED!	
Friday crew	Teresa Mercado	673-5371
Saturday crew	Danny Grimaldo	871-6741
Fundraising	Betty Scalise	674-5239
	Angie Milam	706-3046

Please continue to **PRAY** for the **HOLY FAMILY TABLE**
— for those who serve and for those who come to eat.