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In the cover story of this issue, *Catholic Herald* introduces you to Betsy Reifsnider of St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Sacramento, Lucy Silva-Thomas of St. Philomene Parish in Sacramento, Vincent Valdez of St. Robert Parish in Sacramento, and Herman Barahona of the diocese's Office of Catholic Charities and Social Concerns. Although they have widely differing backgrounds and experiences, they all are putting their Catholic faith into action working on a common goal: the belief that individuals and parish communities can be better stewards of creation.

Other stories in this issue include Bishop Jaime Soto's column on: "The Christmas mystery heralded the revelation of the eucharistic ministry "; how the St. Joseph School campus and community in Redding have been transformed for mission; how the Preciosa family of St. John the Baptist Parish in Chico discovers faith and holiness in the Church; a special report on Laudato Si', Pope Francis 2015 encyclical on ecology; how Julio Perez, grand knight (Knights of Columbus) of St. Rose Council 16475, a 29-year-old structural design technician, led his council to be the top council in California for membership growth during the first quarter of 2022; and a special report on "Faith and Finances." Columns in this issue focus on spiritual fitness ("Approaching the holidays: Can joy be present with sorrow?"), parenting ("Keeping Christ at the center of a busy week"), marriage matters, and corporal works of mercy ("Clothe the naked").

Bishop Jaime Soto is the publisher of *Catholic Herald* magazine, which is published six times each year and includes moving faith stories about Catholics in the diocese, as well as news and events of the local church. Individual faith stories are the cornerstone of the magazine and columns also explore the Catholic faith and education about church teachings. To donate \$15 per year to receive *Catholic Herald*, call 916-733-0266 or visit <https://www.scd.org/herald/donate>. To view the archive of past issues of *Catholic Herald* magazine, visit <https://www.scd.org/catholicherald>.

