Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 30, 2017

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Responsorial Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30; Gospel: Matthew 13:44-46

HEARTS FILLED WITH JOY!



With joy the person who finds a treasure buried in a field sells all that he has to buy that field. In the same way, the merchant finds a precious pearl and sells all that he has to purchase it. We, too, are invited to experience the same joy—a radical joy that changes everything. The joy of the treasure of God's reign does not come from a calculated effort, but rather is a gift—a most sacred and precious gift—that we receive from God's love alone. All else is placed in relation to it or even left behind because of it. The grace and wisdom of

God's reign of love is a gift that we cannot earn, but receive from God alone to be at the service of others. A most precious gift offered to each of us!

We experience beautiful and touching responses to the priceless gift of God's love in the wisdom of Solomon and Paul today. Solomon, invited by God to ask for anything and told that it will be given to him, offers instead himself as God's servant, wishing only the grace to distinguish right from wrong, or good and evil. Similarly, Paul proclaims: "We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." Like Solomon and Paul, we are gifted and called with the opportunity to serve God and to choose the joy of the kingdom of heaven—God's most precious love! Our choice changes everything! Today and forever!

2017 Updated Parish Registration

Dear New and Current Parishioners,

I invite you to please take a few brief moments to complete or update your parish registration. I am very grateful to those of you who did so last week. We have found that our current data base has errors and in many circumstances is out of date. This has affected our ability as a parish to serve as effectively as we would like the diverse needs of our parish community.

The 2017 Updated Parish Registration, when completed, can be placed in the basket in front of the altar, dropped off or sent to the parish office. An online version is also available on our website at: www.ourladycarmelvalley.org.

Thank you for your faithfulness and loving commitment to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Dennis

Parish Site Committee Update

Our Parish Site Committee is making every effort to respond to the recommendations from the January 2017 survey. We are very grateful for the heartfelt suggestions that you offered.

Most recently we have been working with our architect, Allen Robinson, The Sienna Company, Inc., with the goal of addressing the overwhelming preference to maintain the current worship space of our beloved church, while focusing our plans on sufficient ministry and multi-purpose space, larger kitchen facilities, new bathrooms, a vestibule at the entrance of the church, and parish office and storage space.

We are pleased with the progress and look forward to presenting a more complete update and design for your input in September. Thank you for your prayerful support and participation in this important process for our parish.

Parish Faith Formation—Catechists Needed

We are now planning for our 2017-2018 Faith Formation Classes for children, youth, and adults of our Parish. We are in the need of additional Catechists. Please consider sharing your faith by serving our Lord and OLMC as a Catechist. Training will be offered. Please contact Fr. Dennis in the Parish Office.

Bereavement Ministry

An outreach to our parishioners who have lost a loved one.
Interested in helping?
Call or email Trudy Dowd
(831) 915-4619 or trudydowd@comcast.net.

"Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted." Matthew 5:4

Fence Replacement — Update

As announced in the past, the fence project has been delayed indefinitely. We are requesting bids from other contractors for the project and hope to be able to move forward on the project as soon as possible. When we have more information we will let you know. Thank you for your patience.

Annual Mission Cooperative Appeal Saturday and Sunday, August 12 and 13

This year Fr. Bill Boteler, Maryknoll Missionary, has been assigned to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel for the annual Mission Cooperative Appeal.

Maryknoll's mission is to witness God's Word among the peoples and cultures of foreign lands. Maryknollers share the Gospel, not in words alone, but in practical and concrete actions: by feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, giving shelter to the homeless...(Mt. 25).

2nd Collection—This Sat. & Sun., July 29 & 30

Parish Grounds and Building Maintenance

Offertory Report 7/23/2017

Plate collection: \$2,193; Hope's Pantry: \$60; Grounds & Maintenance: \$320; other: \$211.

Total deposit: \$2,784.

Mass Intentions July 29-Aug. 4, 2017



Sat., 4:30 pm +Tony Toscano Sun., 9:00 am +Dan Callinan Sun., 11:15 am +Gloria Condon

Sun., 5:00 pm +Manuela Cabrera Ramirez

+María Anita Rojo

Wed., 7:00 am +Orvella Andrade Thurs., 7:00 am +Joan Hentges

Fri., 7:00 am +Dolores McGlochlin

NOTICIAS ESPECIALES

Misa en Español - Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm.

Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras - Favor de hablar con P. Dennis.

Confesiones - Cada sábado, 3:30 pm y por cita.

Músicos - Si toca guitara u otro instrumento, favor de participar en nuestro coro. Los ensayos son a las 4:15 pm antes de la Misa Dominical.

Catequistas - ¡Favor de servir como Catequista! ¡Hay necesidad especial en Español!

Registro - ¡Favor de llenar la forma con el boletín.

¿Por Qué Ser Católico? - Empezando en el otoño, nuestra parroquia participará en el proceso especial para profundizar y vivir la alegría de nuestra fe Católica que se llama ¿Por Qué Ser Católico? Las 6 semanas dos veces por año nos ofrecerán la oportunidad de crecer personalmente y juntos como comunidad parroquial. ¡Habrá mas información muy pronto!

Ministerio de Duelo - Para extendernos a nuestros parroquianos que han perdido un ser querido. ¿Tiene interés en ayudar? Favor de llamar o enviar un correo electrónico a Trudy Dowd (831) 915-4619 o trudydowd@comcast.net "Dichosos los que lloran porque serán consolados." Mateo 5:4

Youth Corner

Take a moment to read Matthew 13:44-46.

How might we experience a life transformed as we find and choose a priceless treasure?

The kingdom of heaven—God's amazing love—is the most precious gift we could ever receive!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parishioner

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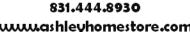
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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9 am & 11:15 am Spanish Mass: Sunday at 5 pm

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday through Friday 7 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday through Friday 9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

Ministries / Contacts

Pastoral Council: Jeff Hawkins, Chair, Patrick Dowd, Vice Chair, Lori Jakubowski, Secretary,

Tess Arthur, Alondra Klemek, Adele Margolis, María Ortiz, José Resendiz,

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Faith Formation: First Communion Year 1 and 2: Margaret Lopez

Confirmation Year 1: Patricia Gray

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RCIA / Becoming Catholic: John Condon, John O'Keefe

Hope's Pantry: Lydia Newton • Wednesday 10 am–12 noon **Hope's Boutique:** Deborah Kimes • Wednesday 10 am–12 noon

Manna Ministry: Joni Zabala • joni@thegrid.net

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