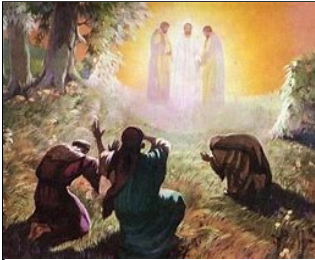


Second Sunday of Lent

February 25, 2018



First Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Psalm 116:10, 15-19;
Second Reading: Romans 8:31b-34; Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

“Listen to him.”

Jesus takes Peter, James and John and leads them on a journey up a high mountain. His appearance changes—he is transfigured before their eyes! Elijah and Moses appear! Peter, with fear, expresses his desire to build three tents. The request is interrupted by the appearance of a cloud and the voice of God: “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” Jesus is again alone and soon returns down the mountain with the disciples. What an amazing get away and lesson for Peter, James and John! And us!

We, too, are invited to experience the transfiguration of Jesus and the voice of God speaking to us through our discipleship and especially in every celebration of the Eucharist! The simple gifts of bread and wine are *transfigured* and become our crucified and risen Lord. Jesus becomes one with us and offers us the food that changes us. We receive him and never forget the message of the Father: “This is my beloved Son. LISTEN TO HIM.”

Weekday Readings Feb. 26-Mar. 2, 2018

Mon: Daniel 9:4b-10;
Luke 6:36-38

Tues: Isaiah 1:10, 16-20;
Matthew 23:1-12

Wed: Jer. 18:18-20;
Matthew 20:17-28

Thurs: Jer. 17:5-10;
Luke 16:19-31

Fri: Genesis 37:3-4,
12-13a, 17b-28a;
Mt. 21:33-43, 45-46,

Letter to Local, State and National Lawmakers

Last Tuesday evening 15 parishioners responded to the invitation extended at the conclusion of our Masses last weekend to meet for prayer and dialogue about gun violence in our nation. The dialogue was fruitful and led to the writing of the enclosed letter. You are invited to prayerfully consider the possibility of signing the letter next weekend. Parishioners who participated in the preparation of the letter will be in front of the church following our Masses. The letter will then be sent to local, state and national lawmakers.

The meeting last Tuesday began and ended with prayer and included a reading of the Beatitudes of Jesus (Mt. 5:1-12). Along with the letter, issues discussed included: a commitment to support the efforts of the students of Douglas High School in Parkland, as well as the efforts of our own students in Monterey County; mental health services; violence in movies, television and most especially video games; social media issues; families and parental guidance; moral values; and the desensitization to violence in society in general. We agreed that we are sad, tired and angry and hope that we can be moved to act with wisdom and compassion as people of God.

Friday Way of the Cross

We hope you join with us for prayer each Friday of Lent beginning at 5:00 pm, as we share in the very meaningful tradition of the Way of the Cross.

Lenten Dinners

Our third Lenten Dinner will take place this Friday, March 2, at 6 pm. The donation is \$15/plate. All proceeds will support our Parish Building Fund. Please join us for a delicious meal and fellowship as we journey in faith as followers of Christ during the very blessed Lenten Season.

Our menu for Friday, March 2:

Rice with Cilantro and Mango Sauce,
Fresh Salmon, Spinach Salad and Sesame Rolls

Eucharistic Adoration during Lent

You are invited each Wednesday during Lent to share in the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Please stop by anytime. There will be a final prayer and blessing with the Holy Eucharist at 5:30 pm. If you are able to offer an hour of prayer with our Lord, a sign up sheet is available on a clipboard at the entrance of the church. **The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available during Adoration from 4:00-5:00 pm.**



National Call-In Day to Protect Dreamers

The U.S. Bishops are urging Catholics to call Congress and request they act on behalf of “Dreamers,” undocumented immigrants who came to the U.S. as minors but have been allowed to stay under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. “We ask once again that members of Congress show the leadership necessary to find a just and humane solution for these young people, who daily face mounting anxiety and uncertainty,” the bishops said in their statement, announcing a national call-in day to protect the Dreamers on **Monday, Feb. 26**. The call comes after the Senate failed to pass a bill. “Our faith compels us to stand with the vulnerable, including our immigrant brothers and sisters,” the bishops said. Please participate in the National Call-In Day by calling **855-589-5698**.

Annual Ministry Appeal 2018 Weekly Update

FAITH, FAMILY, FUTURE

We thank all of you who have participated in the 2018 Appeal to support the various ministries of the Diocese as well as our own Parish Building Fund. With **59** individuals or families participating (**54% of our Participation Goal**), we have now received donations or pledges for **\$32,618 (65% of our Financial Goal)**. We have met our responsibility to assist with the diverse ministries of the Diocese this year. Please remember that our Parish Financial Goal is \$50,000, with the Participation Goal of at least 110 individuals or families. If we meet this goal, **\$39,500** will then be added to our Building Fund.

It is not too late to make a donation or pledge to support the AMA. Envelopes continue to be available at the entrance of the church and can be completed and placed in the basket at the foot of the AMA Thermometer next to the candles. You can also make online donations from our website.

2nd Collection Next Sunday 3/4/18

Catholic Relief Services & Church in Latin America

Offertory Report 2/18/2018

Plate \$2,980; Building Fund \$335; 2nd Coll. Hope's Pantry/Social Outreach \$1,339; Ash Wed/Other: \$709; Total: \$5,363.

Mass Intentions Feb. 24-Mar. 2, 2018

Sat	4:30 pm	+Rene Velez
Sun	9:00 am	+Victims of the Shooting in Florida
Sun	11:15 am	+Louis Brizzolara
Sun	5:00 pm	Niños y jóvenes de la comunidad
Wed	7:00 am	Sick and homebound of the parish
Thu	7:00 am	Families of the parish
Fri	7:00 am	Children and youth of the parish

ANUNCIOS ESPECIALES

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

Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras:

Favor de hablar con Padre Dennis

Confesiones: Los sábados a las 3:30 pm y por cita.

Coro: Ensayos los domingos a las 4:15 pm

Acompañenos Durante la Cuaresma:

Viacrucis bilingüe—Cada viernes a las 5:00 pm.

Cena Cuaresmal—Cada viernes a las 6:00 pm.

Adoración del Santísimo—cada miércoles de 7:30am a las 5:30 pm con la bendición final.

Confesiones—Cada miércoles a las 4:00 pm y sábados a las 3:30 pm.

Ayuno y abstinencia de carne—El Viernes Santo.

Respetamos también la abstinencia de carne cada viernes de la cuaresma.

Favor de seguir nuestro calendario cuaresmal para mas información y eventos especiales.

Anuncio Especial: Por la causa del virus de la influenza, no estamos sirviendo la Preciosa Sangre de Cristo del cáliz hasta que el virus está controlado.

Reporte de la Petición Anual para Ministerios

Les agradecemos a todos que han participado en la Petición Anual de la Diócesis, que ayuda también nuestra propia parroquia. Hasta hoy con la participación de **59** individuos o familias (**54% de nuestra meta de participación**), tenemos ahora donaciones o compromisos de **\$32,618 (65% de nuestra meta financiera)**. No es tarde para participar. Los sobres bilingües están disponibles cerca de los boletines a la entrada del templo. Ante mano, muchas gracias por su ayuda y apoyo de los ministerios de la Diócesis y la parroquia.

Youth Corner (Mark 9:2-10)

Imagine going on a hike with Jesus and hearing the words of God: **“This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him.”** God wants more than anything for us to know Jesus, listen to him and share in his life forever!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parishioner

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Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9 am, 11:15 am, 5 pm (Spanish)

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

Pastoral Council:

Jeff Hawkins, *Chair*, Patrick Dowd, *Vice Chair*, Lori Jakubowski, *Secretary*, Tess Arthur, Concepción Jara, Alondra Klemek, Adele Margolis, Dede Woodhead

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