Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 23, 2020



DAILY GOSPEL READINGS THIS WEEK

Monday: Mark 9:14-29 Tuesday: Mark 9:30-37 Wed.: Matt 6:1-6, 16-18 Thursday: Luke 9:22-25 **Friday:** Matt 9:14-15

First Reading: Lv. 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps. 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; Second Reading: 1 Cor. 3:16-23; Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

"The wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God." 1 Cor. 3:19

Our readings this Sunday are challenging. The wisdom of God is truly different from the wisdom of the world. We are asked by Jesus to accept and live according to God's ways. God's word truly prepares us for our Lenten Season which begins this week on Ash Wednesday. The 40 days of Lent call us to change our hearts and embrace God's ways. In the Book of Leviticus, God tells, "Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy." In the words of Psalm 103, "The Lord is kind and merciful." And according to Paul, "The wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God."

Jesus asks us in our gospel to love without limits. To love even those who mistreat us; to love unconditionally. The love of Christ and the cross of Good Friday witness radically the Love of God. We, too, are called to allow our prayer and life in the Spirit to sustain and strengthen our love, even of our enemies. As Jesus tells us, "If you love those who love you, what recompense will you have?...So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Project Update: Maintaining God's House

The set of building plans submitted to Monterey County in December are under review by six separate county departments. Our architect is communicating regularly with each department to ensure good communication and a quick response to any questions. We are still hoping to receive approval this spring.

Our Capital Campaign progresses with 100 pledges and donations totaling 692,031. We are grateful for all of you who are participating in the campaign.

OLMC Parish Family Lenten Dinners — Join Us!

A third meeting took place on Wed., Feb. 19, to prepare for our Lenten dinners. We thank Alondra Klemek and Sally Carmenita for coordinating the dinners this year, as well as this years' chefs. We hope that all of our parishioners will support the dinners and join with us as a parish family. The menu for our dinner on Friday, Feb. 28: Fresh Grilled Fish Tacos with Roasted red pepper aioli, Caribbean Slaw, Spanish rice and Beans; and a variety of homemade salsas; and of course our famous dessert bar curated by our very own Nydia Maldonado. Please join us!

2020 Annual Ministry Appeal (AMA)

GROWING IN FAITH ROOTED AND GROUNDED IN LOVE - 2/23/20 Update

The support of the many diverse ministries of our Diocese offers us a special opportunity to serve God and our neighbor. The many ministries of the Diocese of Monterey serve all of us—our families, our parish, as well as the entire Church throughout our large Diocese! We are very thankful to those of you who have made a donation or pledge during these first two weeks of the Appeal. 25 individuals or families have participated with donations or pledges in the amount of \$8,280. Our participation goal is 200 individuals or families and our monetary goal is \$50,000. Please remember that whatever is donated beyond our \$10,000 parish commitment will be returned to help with the needs of our parish and building renovation project.

If you have not yet received a brochure and envelope for the Annual Ministry Appeal, they are available at the entrance of the church. A special video from Bishop Daniel is also available on our parish website: www.ourladycarmelvalley.org. Your participation in the AMA is deeply appreciated and a sign of our faithful service to the Gospel.



Ash Wednesday Masses - February 26, 2020

"Return to me with your whole heart." —Joel 2:12
"Conviértanse a mí de todo corazón."

7:00 am - English 12 Noon - English 6:00 pm - Spanish

"A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me."—Ps. 51

"Being a Christian isn't just following the commandments, but means being in Christ, thinking like him, acting like him, loving like him; it means letting him take possession of our lives and change them, transform them, free them from the darkness of evil and sin."—**Pope Francis**

Lenten Calendar and Way of the Cross

Please post our Lenten Calendar and use it to make the Lenten Season renewing for you and others. Our 5:00 pm Friday Way of the Cross, for example, is a beautiful and meaningful Lenten tradition.

Welcome, Richard Carr

We welcome to our Music Ministry, Richard Carr. Richard began serving God in his parish choir in the Midwest when he was only 13 years old. His gifts and years of experience are a blessing to our parish.

Hope's Pantry and Boutique Ministry Need

We are in need of two volunteers to assist with our Wednesday morning service to those in need. If you are available, please speak with Fr. Dennis.

Parish Registration Form—Welcome!

New parishioners are invited to complete a yellow registration form available at the main doors of the church. We are very happy to have you with us!

Next 2nd Collection

Sunday, March 22: Catholic Relief Services

Weekly Offertory Report

2/16/2020 - Offertory \$2,208; Other \$303.48; Total \$2,511.48.

Mass Intentions February 22-28, 2020

Sat 4:30 pm	+Dan Dobberpuhl
Sun 9:00 am	+Fred Browe
11:15 am	+Ramon "Sam" Oriel
5:00 pm	+Maria de la Luz Hernandez Guevara,
	+Maurilio, +Margarita y +Maria de la
	Luz Reséndiz, +Alvaro Bonilla,
	+Fidelina Cabrera
Wed 7:00 am	Sick and Homebound of the Parish
12:00 pm	Deceased of the Parish
6:00 pm	Las Familias de la Parroquia
Thur 7:00 am	Harold Jackson - Health
Fri 7:00 am	Fred Rivera and Michael Ryan - Health

ANUNCIOS ESPECIALES DE LA SEMANA

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

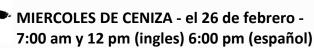
Bautismos, Bodas, Presentaciones y Quinceañeras: Favor de hablar con Padre Dennis (831-659-2224)

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

Coro: Todos están invitados a participar. El ensayo es cada domingo antes de la Misa de 5 pm a las 4:15 pm

Levítico 19:1-2, 17-18; Salmo 102; 1 Corintios 3:16-23; Evangelio Mateo 5:38-48

La vocación cristiana es vivir de modo diferente. Jesús nos pide "amar a los enemigos, hacer el bien a quien nos odia, rogar por quien nos calumnia..."



Que el día de ayuno, con el que iniciamos, Señor, esta Cuaresma, sea el principio de una verdadera conversión a ti, y que nuestros actos de penitencia nos ayuden a vencer el espíritu del mal. Por Jesucristo, Nuestro Señor. Amen.

VIACRUCIS - Cada viernes, empezando el viernes, 28 28 de febrero a las 5:00 pm. Por favor, acompáñenos para el viacrucis bilingüe.

CENA CUARESMAL - Todos están invitados cada viernes de la cuaresma a la 6:00 pm después del viacrucis. ¡Esta semana el menú incluye los tacos de pescado! ¡Avísenles a los demás!

Youth Corner (Matthew 5:38-48)

How can we love our enemies? Jesus seems to ask more than can be expected. But, actually, our faith **is demanding**. We are called by our Lord to live in His love. To except the Cross and witness our discipleship.

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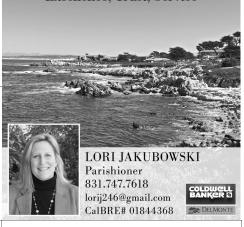
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Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo es una cálida y acogedora comunidad Católica que sirve el Evangelio con profunda fe, esperanza y amor como testigo vivo y lleno del Espíritu del Corazón de Jesús presente y vivo en el Valle del Carmel.

Pastor: Father Dennis Gallo

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm

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

Weekday Masses: Wednesday through Friday, 7 am;

First Friday of each month, 12 noon

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

Office Hours

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

Parish Ministries

Pastoral Council: Adele Margolis, Chair,

Dede Woodhead, *Vice Chair*, Jeff Hawkins, *Secretary*, Tess Arthur, Lori Jakubowski, Concepción Jara, Alondra Klemek, Patricia Merrifield, Tom Rowland

Faith Formation:

First Communion:

Patricia Merrifield, Kim Hlasny

Confirmation:

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Music Ministry:

Richard Carr (4:30 pm, 9:00 am) George Peterson, *Piano* (11:15 am)

Lectors: Dede Woodhead

Ministers of the Eucharist: Lorraine Ring Liturgical Environment: Gail Quinnan

