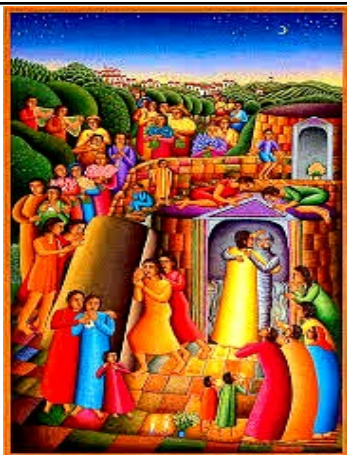


Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 29, 2020



DAILY GOSPEL

READINGS THIS WEEK

Monday: John 8:1-11

Tuesday: John 8:21-30

Wed: John 8:31-42

Thurs: John 8:51-59

Fri: John 10:31-42

First Reading: Ezequiel 37:12-14; Psalm 130:1-8;
Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11; Gospel of John 11:1-45

“See how he loved him.”—John 11:36

Our very touching readings this Sunday speak of the centrality of the Resurrection in our lives. Jesus tells Martha—and us—“I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.” This message of life is meant to give us, like Martha, hope and strength as we journey in faith. For those who believe, the love of Christ will always have power over death.

Jesus is saddened by the death of his friend Lazarus and sheds tears of love. He sheds tears of love for us today, too. The reality of the COVID-19 Pandemic touches the Heart of Jesus with the pain of all who suffer from the affects of the virus, the loss of loved ones, as well as the hardship of isolation and fear caused by the virus. The presence of Jesus will always be recognized, “See how he loved him.” Jesus is always with us in our acts of love as we reach out in prayer and kindness to comfort and help one another. Like Lazarus, we are his friends; he promises that we “will see the glory of God!”

Project Update: Maintaining God’s House

Building plans submitted to Monterey County continue to be under review. Communication with the departments is occurring to ensure good communication. We hope to receive approval by this Spring. **Our Capital Campaign progresses with 102 pledges and donations totaling \$697,261.** We are grateful for all of you who are participating in the campaign.

2020 Annual Ministry Appeal (AMA)

GROWING IN FAITH ROOTED AND GROUNDED IN LOVE



The AMA to support the many very important ministries of the Diocese serve all of us—our families, our parish, as well as the entire Church throughout our Diocese! We are very thankful to those of you who have made a donation or pledge during these first weeks of the Appeal. **As of this week, individuals and families have participated with 66 donations or pledges in the amount of \$30,688. 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. Thank you.

Resources for this 5th Sunday of Lent

Please review the many diverse resources available online for the 5th week of Lent and the special prayer opportunities during the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Catholic Current*, an excellent resource from the US Bishops, is available at: www.catholiccurrent.org



Bishop Garcia’s Sunday Mass as well as others are streamed on line. Please see the Diocesan website as well as other options online to share in the Eucharist through our spiritual communion as people of God. Please see the Diocesan Website: www.dioceseofmonterey.org

Consider taking some special time to read alone or with family the Sunday readings. Reflect upon them.



Pray over the Word. How do the readings speak to you personally? Are there specific words or phrases in the gospel that are especially meaningful to you? Why? How are they speaking to you in this moment of your life? The Sunday and weekday readings are available at: usccb.org

Pandemic Response Team: For assistance or to help out, contact Tess: 596-5170 or Alondra: 277-1294

A Prayer for Peace and Solidarity - COVID-19

Creator God,

We look to you during this time of illness, uncertainty and physical distancing from others. Be with us as we place our anxieties and fears in your hands. Free us from the illusion of invincibility, so that we might remember our actions affect others, especially the most vulnerable. Free us from the fear of scarcity, which leads to competition and hoarding. Free us from painful anxiety, so that it can be transformed into caring actions for ourselves and others.

Jesus, our brother,

As your ministry of healing brought physical wellness and connection and restored community, help us remember that we are not alone. As you mourned the death of your friend Lazarus, be with those who grieve the loss of loved ones. May they feel your presence and peace. As you experienced death, be with those who have died from the coronavirus. May they be in your eternal embrace. As you challenged your disciples to act for the common good, be with national and local leaders who have the power to ensure that the "least of these" have their basic needs met. Inspire them to have a global vision of solidarity, a consciousness and priority to provide healthcare to all.

Spirit of God, breath of life,

Thank you for the countless nurses, custodial staff, doctors, receptionists, therapists, healthcare providers, and all others who are working to care for those who are sick and suffering. As they live their vocations, may they be sustained by your Spirit. Open our eyes to see the devastating implications of economic and racial injustice during this crisis. Be with vulnerable populations who are unable to have "social distance" from others, thereby increasing their likelihood of contagion. Inspire our actions for equitable access to testing, treatment, and financial support for all affected by the coronavirus. We pray together that during this Lenten season and current pandemic, we can turn away from fear and be faithful to our sacred and civic responsibility for others. Amen. *This beautiful prayer was written by Michelle Sherman, Pax Christi USA* paxchristiusa.org

Friday Stations of the Cross from Catholic Relief Services: crs.org/stations

Mass Intentions March 28-April 3, 2020

Sat	4:30 pm	+Trevor Barroso
Sun	9:00 am	+Sick and Homebound of the Parish
	11:15 am	+Families of the Parish
		+Victims of the Coronavirus
	5:00 pm	+Nona Cabrera
		+Carlota y Rodrigo
		+Victoria Robledo
Wed	7:00 am	Families of the Parish
Thur	7:00 am	Sick and Homebound of the Parish
Fri	7:00 am	Victims of the Coronavirus

Fr. Dennis is celebrating Masses daily for these intentions as well as for our parishioners and those suffering from COVID-19. Let us all pray for one another.

ANUNCIOS ESPECIALES DE LA SEMANA

"De veras ¡Cuánto lo amaba!" —Juan 11:36
Ezequiel 37:12-14; Salmo 129; Carta de San Pablo a los Romanos 8:8-11; Evangelio de Juan 11:1-45
Con la resurrección de Lázaro, narrada en el evangelio de este domingo, Jesús anuncia su propia resurrección y la de todos aquellos que participan de la vida de Cristo por el bautismo y la comparten.

Misa y recursos del Obispo en la pagina del web diocesano el domingo: www.dioceseofmonterey.org

Recursos especiales de ingles y español de los obispos para la cuaresma y Pandemia COVID-19
www.catholiccurrent.org

Las lecturas del domingo para leer juntos como familia en casa están disponibles en ingles y español en la pagina de web de los obispos de los E.U.
www.usccb.org

Leer y reflexionar sobre las lecturas como familia compartiendo sus pensamientos sobre las lecturas y frases especialmente importantes. Que sea una ocasión de compartir su fe como familia.

Oración en preparación para la Semana Santa

Dios Santo, acompáñanos mientras meditamos sobre el camino de tu Hijo al Calvario. Ayúdanos a recordar que todavía, en la actualidad, muchos de tus hijos siguen caminando hacia el Calvario, llevando cruces pesadas y difíciles. Que seamos como Simón para aquellos cuyas cargas son demasiado pesadas para llevarlas solos. Que seamos como Verónica para aquellos que necesitan el toque de amor y consuelo. Y que nosotros, luchando con nuestras propias cruces, siempre recordemos tus promesas de justicia, misericordia y paz. Amén [Viacruz: crs.org]

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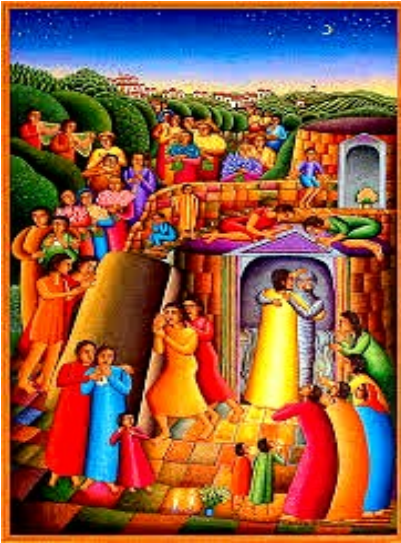
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Our Lady of Mount Carmel is a warm and welcoming Catholic Community that serves the Gospel with deep faith, hope and love as a living and Spirit-filled witness to the Heart of Jesus present and alive in Carmel Valley.

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*,
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Tess Arthur, Lori Jakubowski, Concepción Jara,
Alondra Klemek, Patricia Merrifield, Tom Rowland

Faith Formation:

First Communion:

Patricia Merrifield, Kim Hlasny

Confirmation:

Sam Klemek, David Warner

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Music Ministry:

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Liturgical Environment: Gail Quinnan

