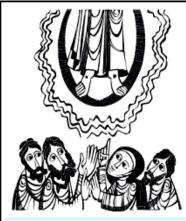
# The Ascension of the Lord

May 24, 2020



# SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER GOSPELS

Mon: John 16:29-33 Tuesday: John 17:1-11a

**Wed:** John 17:11b-19 **Thurs:** John 17:20-26

Friday: John 21:15-19

First Reading: Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Second Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23; Gospel of Matthew 28:16-20

"I am with you always, until the end of the age." — Matthew

It's very appropriate that we receive this Sunday the words of Jesus, "I am with you always." Our Lord's ascension into heaven is truly a reminder of his love for us and promise to always be present with us. From the very beginning of his coming among us, Jesus' very name proclaimed that *God is with us*—Emmanuel. And now as he ascends to the Father, we are reminded that he will **always** be with us. Jesus also tells us, "you will be my witnesses." He asks that we witness his presence by a faith filled life. Loving and serving, and sharing his mercy and peace with all of creation. The gifts and power of the Holy Spirit send us forth to live with gentleness and courage our faith.

Come, Holy Spirit, come! Fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Create us anew, O Spirit of Life. Fill us with faith, hope and love so that like the first disciples we may bring others to you and renew the face of the earth! Amen. Alleluia!

# **Project Update: Maintaining God's House**

Good news! We have been notified that we have received a permit fee waiver from the County of Monterey, as well as refunds of certain previously paid fees. In total, this represents close to \$35,000 of much needed funding towards actual construction, and should enable our permit to be issued very shortly. Our architect and contractor are also working to draft a construction contract acceptable to and for further review by the Diocese. Our Capital Campaign continues with 102 pledges and donations totaling \$702,361. We are very grateful for all of you who are participating in the campaign.

# 2020 Annual Ministry Appeal (AMA)

### **GROWING IN FAITH ROOTED IN LOVE**

We are grateful for all of you who have made a donation or pledge. As of this week, individuals and families have participated with 77 donations or pledges in the amount of \$33,673. Our participation goal is 200 individuals and our monetary goal is \$50,000.

**Pandemic Response Team:** We are grateful for Tess (596-5170) and Alondra (277-1294), as well as others serving our sisters and brother in need. For assistance or to help out, please contact Tess or Alondra.

# Prayer for the 5th Anniversary of Francis' Laudato Si

Loving God, Creator of heaven and earth and all that is in them. You created us in your image and made us stewards of all your creation, of our common home. You blessed us with the sun, water and bountiful land so that all might be nourished. Open our minds and touch our hearts, so that we may attend to your gift of creation.

Help us to be conscious that our common home belongs not only to us, but to all future generations, and that it is our responsibility to preserve it. May we help each person secure the food and resources that they need.

Be present to those in need in these trying times, especially the poorest and those most at risk of being left behind. Transform our fear, anxiety and feelings of isolation into hope so that we may experience a true conversion of heart.

Help us to show creative solidarity in addressing the consequences of this global pandemic. Make us courageous to embrace the changes that are needed in search of the common good. Now more than ever may we feel that we are all interconnected in our efforts to lift up the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Prayer in Celebration of the Ascension of our Lord

Jesus, Lord of all Creation, Servant of the Poor and Suffering,



We honor you on this celebration of your Ascension into heaven. We rejoice with all our hearts at the glory into which you entered to reign as King of heaven and earth. When the difficulties of this life are over, give us the grace to share Your joy and triumph in heaven for all eternity. We believe that you entered into Your Kingdom to prepare a place for us, for you promised to come again to take us to yourself.

Grant that we may seek only the joys of your friendship and love, so that we may deserve to be united with you in heaven. In the hour of our own homecoming, when we appear before our Father to give an account of our life on earth, have mercy on us. Jesus, in Your love for us you have brought us from evil to good and from misery to happiness. Give us the grace to rise above our human weakness. May your humanity give us courage in our weakness and free us from our sins.

Through your grace, give us the strength of perseverance for you have called us to love as servants of others. May we hold fast to the life you have given us and come to the eternal gifts you promised to those who follow you in service of our neighbor.

You love us, Jesus. Help us to love you in the poor and suffering of our day. By your unceasing care, guide our steps toward the life of glory you have prepared for those who love you. May we grow in holiness and thank you by a life faithful to you. Amen. Alleluia!

# **Resources for Sunday Masses and Prayer**

Diocese of Monterey: **dioceseofmonterey.org** U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops: **usccb.org** 

Vatican News: vaticannews.va Catholic Relief Services: crs.org

Franciscan Media: **franciscanmedia.org**Dynamic Catholic: **dynamiccatholic.com**Living with Christ: **livingwithchrist.us** 

"Go and teach all nations, says the Lord; I am with you always, until the end of the world."

-Matthew 28:19a, 20b

Weekly Offertory Report 5/17/20

**Offertory: \$4,505**; Other \$45; Total \$4,550.

# Mass Intentions May 23-29, 2020

Sat 4:30 pm Families of the Parish

Sun 9:00 am +Those who have died from COVID-19

11:15 am Those suffering from COVID-19

5:00 pm +Serafín Albarrán

Mon 7:00 am +Those who died in military service
Tues 7:00 am Sick and Homebound of the Parish

Wed 7:00 am +Kevin Ellis
Thur 7:00 am +Dorothy Broad

Fri 7:00 am Graduates of the Parish

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.



## LA ASCENSION DEL SEÑOR

"Sepan que yo estoy con ustedes todos los días, hasta el fin del mundo."—Mateo 28:20 Hechos 1:1-11; Salmo 46; Efesios 1:17-23 Evangelio de San Mateo 28:16-20

San Mateo nos camparte el momento de la Ascensión de Jesús y el envió de sus discípulos, dándoles la misión de hacer discípulos a todos los pueblos y compartir lo que El les enseñó.

**Oremos:** Concédenos, Dios Todopoderoso, rebosar de santa alegría y, gozosos, elevar a ti una cumplida acción de gracias, ya que la ascensión de Cristo, tu Hijo, es también nuestra victoria, pues a donde llegó él, que es nuestra cabeza, esperamos llegar también nosotros, que somos su cuerpo. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, el que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, un solo Dios por los siglos de los siglos. Amen.

**Recursos:** Misas y recursos del Obispo Daniel en la página diocesana del web: **dioceseofmonterey.org** 

Las lecturas diarias y dominicales para nuestra oración personal o leer en familia están disponibles en la pagina de web de los obispos de los E.U. Hay muchos otros recursos para fortalecer nuestra vida espiritual y seguir el camino del Señor Resucitado: usccb.org

Las paginas del web del vaticano tienen noticias y otros

recursos: vaticannews.va/es vatican.va

Revisen, por favor, la pagina de web de la parroquia para anuncios especiales: ourladycarmelvalley.org



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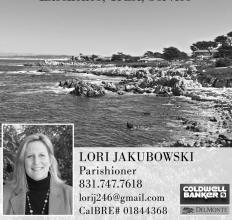
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## **Catholic Church**

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,

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:

Sam Klemek, David Warner

RCIA / Adult Faith Formation: John Condon, Brian Kelly

**Hope's Pantry:** Lydia Newton • Wed 10 am–12 pm **Hope's Boutique:** Janice Hawkins • Wed 10 am–12 pm

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**Music Ministry:** 

Richard Carr (4:30 pm, 9:00 am, 11:15 am)

Lectors: Dede Woodhead

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

