## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 26, 2020



## GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Matt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Matt 13:36-43
Wed: John 11:19-27
Thurs: Matt 13:47-53
Friday: Matt 13:54-58

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Psalm 119; Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30; Gospel of Matthew 13:44-52

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field..."

-Matthew 13:44

Imagine the joy and excitement of finding a buried treasure! You realize that what you found is worth more than anything else. You hide it and sell all that you have to buy the field so that the treasure will be yours! Life is filled with choices that reveal who we are and what is most valuable to us. If God is the priceless treasure that we have found, all of our decisions will begin to reflect God and God's will. We recognize God's love as our most precious gift and we are willing to give up everything else for it. Have you discovered the Lord as that priceless pearl or buried treasure? What has changed? What choices have you made because of it?

In 1 Kings, God tells Solomon, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." Young Solomon responds, "Give your servant an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong." Solomon recognizes the greatest of all treasures—a heart of understanding guided by God's immeasurable love and wisdom. God is our priceless treasure!

#### Maintaining God's House: 4th Week of Construction/Demolition

Removal of concrete in covered patio area and church structure is now essentially complete and installation of underground plumbing for the new bathrooms is in progress. Unfortunately, as demolition has exposed site conditions, our structural engineer is requiring considerable work to replace existing footings to support the new hall and improve drainage. This will likely add cost and slightly extend our construction timeframe. Clarity about this challenge should emerge next week.

We thank all of you for your prayerful support of our project to maintain God's house.

#### Let us pray:

All powerful and all merciful Father,
You have created all things and have made your Son
the unshakable foundation of your Kingdom. Through
the gift of your eternal wisdom, grant that our building
project give you glory, serve our own well-being, and
the needs of our parish ministries. May Our Blessed
Mother's Merciful and Miraculous Heart accompany
us daily and bring our project to successful completion
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Unbound families continue to experience hardship and loss of resources due to the pandemic. But, like members of our own Parish community, they continue to be resilient. Their focus on what matters (family, community, maintaining realistic optimism) is a guide for us. We have faith that daily works and prayer will guide us to better days. Learn more:

https://www.unbound.org/LiveYourFaith

"Faith in action is love, and love in action is service. By transforming that faith into living acts of love, we put ourselves in contact with God Himself, with Jesus our Lord." —Saint Teresa of Calcutta

#### **Pandemic Response Team**

The special service to assist individuals and families in need of help during the pandemic will conclude this Thursday. The Middle School will be need the school facilities beginning next week. The Food Bank will also be unable to serve at the same capacity. We will do what is possible to help those in need with Hope's Pantry.

We are very grateful for the leadership and dedication of Tess Arthur and Alondra Klemek over the past months. We are also very thankful for the help that many parishioners have offered through food and monetary donations. Thank you all.

#### **COVID-19 Testing**

Free testing is available in Salinas. For those without any insurance, the State will cover the full cost of testing. Testing is by appointment only—https://lhi.care/covidtesting or call: 1-888-634-1123.

#### Hope's Boutique Request

We are unable to receive donations at this time. We ask that you please take clothing and other donations to the Saint Vincent DePaul Thrift Shop on Fremont Street in Seaside. Thank you.

#### Welcome to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel!

If you are new to the Parish, please register as parishioners by contacting Fr. Dennis at 831-659-2224. We are very happy to have you with us.

#### 2020 Annual Ministry Appeal

A special thank you to our parishioners who have made a donation or pledge to the 2020 Appeal— *Growing in Faith Rooted in Love*. We have received 77 donations or pledges totaling \$33,673.

O Sweet Jesus! Pierce my heart so that my tears of penitence and love will be my bread day and night. May I be converted entirely to you, may my heart be your perpetual habitation, may my conversation be pleasing to you, and may the end of my life be so praiseworthy that I may merit heaven and there, with your saints, praise you forever. Amen.

—Saint Bridget of Sweden

#### Weekly Offertory Report 7/19/20

**Offertory: \$2,590**; Baptism \$100; Hope's Pantry/Social Outreach \$80; Other \$15; Total \$2,785.

#### Mass Intentions July 26-31, 2020

Sun 10:00 am +Tony Toscano

12:00 pm Victims of COVID-19

Wed 12:00 pm Children and Youth of the Parish Thur 12:00 pm Sick and Home bound of the Parish

Fri 12:00 pm Families of the Parish



#### 17 Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

1 Reyes 3:5-13; Salmo 118; Romanos 8:28-30 Evangelio de San Mateo 13:44-52

El Evangelio de hoy, a través de las parábolas del tesoro, la perla y la ved, nos enseña que el Reino de Dios tiene un valor incalculable y que quien lo descubre renuncia a todo con tal de poseerlo.

#### Misas durante el COVID-19:

Nuestras Misas al aire libre son a las **10 de la mañana y 12 de mediodía**. Favor de llegar temprano. Entren por medio de la carpa blanca de bienvenida. Avísenles a los demás. Gracias.

<u>Confesiones:</u> El jardín de San Francisco de Asís se usará para celebrar el Sacramento de Reconciliación. Favor de llamar al P. Dennis en la oficina para una cita.

#### Oración durante la epidemia:

Señor Jesús, Escucha nuestras súplicas, tú que eres nuestro buen pastor y médico divino. Imploramos tu misericordia tras el brote de esta seria enfermedad. Guía nuestros esfuerzos para evitar el contagio y para prepararnos para cuidar a los más vulnerables. Ayuda a los expertos y voluntarios que trabajan para erradicar la epidemia que ahora se propaga. Que nuestras acciones reflejen tu amor incondicional y no el pánico y el miedo. Concede tu consuelo y sanación a los enfermos, dales tu sustento y fortalécelos por tu gracia. Que experimenten tu cercanía mientras llevan la cruz de la enfermedad. Y que todos a los que has llamado de esta vida te alaben eternamente con los santos mientras que tú otorgas el consuelo y la paz a sus seres queridos. Amén.

Santa María, Salud de los enfermos, Ruega por nosotros. San José, Esperanza de los enfermos, Ruega por nosotros. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parishioner

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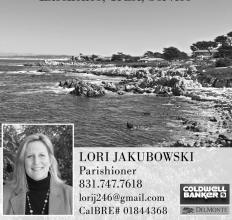
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Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo es una cálida y acogedora comunidad Católica que sirve el Evangelio con profunda fe, esperanza y amor como testigo vivo y lleno del Espíritu del Corazón de Jesús presente y vivo en el Valle del Carmel.

**Pastor: Father Dennis Gallo** 

**Special Mass Schedule** Sunday: 10 am and 12 Noon

Weekday Masses: Wednesday - Friday, 12 Noon

**Special Reconciliation Schedule**By appointment in the Parish Office

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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Richard Carr (10:00 am, 12 Noon)

**Lectors:** Dede Woodhead

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