# Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 16, 2020



# GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Mt 19:16-22 Tues: Mt 19:23-30 Wed: Mt 20:1-16 Thurs: Mt 22:1-14 Friday: Mt 22:34-40 First Reading: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Psalm 67; Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32; Gospel of Matthew 15:21-28

"O woman, great is your faith!"—Matthew 15:28

There's a saying: "Miracles don't bring about faith. It is faith that brings about miracles." We are people of faith. And so is the Canaanite mother in today's gospel. She is desperate and persistent. Her daughter is very ill. She approaches Jesus with a bold and amazing faith and cries out to him for help. She is certain that even though she is a foreigner that the Lord would bring healing and new life to her daughter. She doesn't give up. Through her faith, Jesus understand more deeply his mission. He tells the mother, "O woman, great is your faith!" "And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour." The Kingdom of God is universal—for all people!

Our faith today should be like that of the Canaanite woman and inspire others as she inspires Jesus. She risks without fear and reminds us of many courageous women in scripture—Deborah, Judith, Esther, and, of course the women at the cross. She reminds us that as Jesus' followers we are to be present and persistent in our world. We build bridges of love and compassionate service to all people. Our faith brings about miracles!

# Maintaining God's House: 7th Week of Construction

Excavation for the footings and foundation of the new hall and rear of church are complete. Construction of forms for concrete and necessary steel re-bar are well underway. We are now fully transitioned to construction from demolition.

We thank all of you for your prayerful and loving support of our special building renovation 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.

"The Eucharist is the sacrament of love. It signifies love, it produces love."—Saint Thomas Aquinas

### **Pope Francis and Implications of the Pandemic**

The coronavirus pandemic has shed light on other, "more widespread social diseases," particularly attacks on the God-given human dignity of every person, Pope Francis said. Taking seriously the dignity of each person and recognizing the God-given gift of creation should give rise to both a sense of responsibility and a sense of awe, Pope Francis said.

Pope Francis urged people to continue working to contain the virus and find a cure, but said that in the meantime, "faith exhorts us to commit ourselves seriously and actively to combating indifference in the face of violations of human dignity." A "culture of indifference," he said, "accompanies the throwaway culture: things that do not affect me, do not interest me," and Catholics must counter such attitudes.

—Catholic News Service

# **Hope's Pantry**

Now that the special program at the Middle School has ended, our Hope's Pantry ministry is taking place again on Wednesdays at 10:00 am. Please inform others who may be in need of assistance. Non-perishable food donations are appreciated and can be left in the office or the green box near the pantry doors.

#### 2020 Census

If you have not yet done so, your are encouraged to please respond online (2020CENSUS.GOV), by phone (844-330-2020) or by mail. All homes should have received a by mail census form earlier in the year. Our participation is very important so that our community receives the funds and services needed.

## **Hope's Boutique Request**

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

### **COVID-19 Testing**

Please consider being tested. Free testing is available on Abbott Street in Salinas. For those without any insurance, the State will cover the full cost of testing. Testing is by appointment—call: 1-888-634-1123.

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Confessions are available by appointment (659-2224) in our Saint Francis Prayer Garden.

### We Are Salt and Light

As Catholics, we have a long tradition of engagement in the political process as a means of putting our faith into action. We are called to bring the best of ourselves and our faith into the public square—and yet today, many shy away from such involvement because our national and local conversations are filled with vitriol and harsh language, often directed at people themselves. As Catholics, we must model a better way. You are invited to join the Civilize It campaign. Civilize It is about making room in our heart for those whom we disagree. We are called to recognize that each one of us is a beloved child of God. It is a non-partisan call to focus on the dignity of all people. Consider going to the website of the U.S. Bishops and make a pledge: www.wearesaltandlight.org/civilize-it

### 2020 Annual Ministry Appeal

A special thank you to parishioners who are supporting the Annual Diocesan Ministry Appeal. We have received 77 donations or pledges totaling \$33,673.

## Weekly Offertory Report 8/9/20

**Offertory: \$2,126**; Building Fund \$175; Other \$70; Total \$2,371.

### Mass Intentions August 16-21, 2020

Sun 10:00 am Victims of COVID-19 12:00 pm Jo Wheat - Health

Wed 12:00 pm Families of the Parish

Thur 12:00 pm Sick and Home Bound of the Parish

Fri 12:00 pm +Fr. Fabian Vela



### 20 Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Isaías 56:1, 6-7; Salmo 66; Romanos 11:13-15, 29-32 Evangelio de San Mateo 15:21-28

La mujer cananea representa a una comunidad extranjera que le pide a Dios ayuda. La aparente dureza de Jesús es provocada para que los discípulos descubrieran que Jesús vino a salvar a todos.

### **Primeras Confesiones**

El sábado próximo, 22 de agosto a las 10:00 am.

### **Primeras Comuniones**

El sábado, 29 de agosto a las 10:00 am.

!FELICIDADES A LOS NINOS Y A SUS FAMILIAS!

### **Oración durante COVID-19**

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 vulnerable. 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.

### Censo 2020—Responder al Censo es Importante

Los resultados del censo ayudan a determinar cómo miles de millones de dólares en fondos federales se distribuyen entre los estados y las comunidades cada año. Si su familia no lo ha participado, se puede hacerlo por medio de: **2020CENSUS.GOV** o **1-844-468-2020**.

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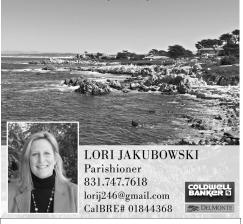
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**Catholic Church** 

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** 

**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

Manna Ministry: Joni Zabala

Homeless Hot Meal: Lori Jakubowski

**Stop Human Trafficking/Social Justice:** Lonni Trykowski **Why Catholic? Ministry:** Tess Arthur, Alondra Klemek

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Jim Rice

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Site Committee: Tom deRegt, Chair, Pat Dowd,

Brian Kelly, Adele Margolis

Kitchen & Hall: A.B. Introcaso

Website: Adalice Powers

Facebook: Lorraine Yglesias and Trudy Dowd

**Music Ministry:** 

Richard Carr (10:00 am, 12 Noon)

Lectors: Dede Woodhead

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

