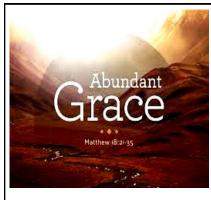
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 13, 2020



GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: John 3:13-17 Tues: John 19:25-27 Wed: Luke 7:31-35 Thurs: Luke 7:36-50 Friday: Luke 8:1-3 First Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:7; Psalm 103; Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9; Gospel of Matthew 18:21-35

"The Lord is kind and merciful."—Psalm 103

I can't help but remember this Sunday the example of Mahatma Gandhi, a Hindu. When he was shot three times by an assassin, he raised his hands in a gesture of forgiveness. His final words before he died were spoken to his assassin: "I forgive you, I love you, I bless you!" Without any conditions, Gandhi lavishly shared God's mercy with his assassin.

Sirach tells us, "Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven." To be people of God and Christians requires that we be merciful, compassionate and forgiving. Our readings this Sunday teach us that just as we joyfully receive God's abundant grace freeing us of our sins, we are also to act in the same way toward others.

In our Gospel, Peter asks Jesus, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" The Rabbinic teaching was three times. Jesus responds, "seventy-seven times"—meaning a limitless number of times. May the Father's abundant grace flow through us as we reach out to others with compassion and forgiveness.

Maintaining God's House 10th Week of Construction

With foundations now completed, framing our new parish hall has begun and is moving fast. Also, please read an important letter from Fr. Dennis and Alex Gray, Capital Committee chair, outlining the project financial situation and an exciting new memorial brick program and naming opportunities.

We thank all of you for your support of our 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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament is being celebrated by appointment (659-2224) in our Saint Francis Prayer Garden.

Welcome, Bishop Daniel Garcia

As announced, we are very pleased that our Bishop will be with us for a special bilingual celebration of the Eucharist **this Sunday, Sept. 13 at 10:00 am**. Please remember that our 12:00 Noon Mass will not take place this Sunday.

Webinar on Voting Your Catholic Conscience

Deacon Warren Hoy, Director of Family Life and Social Justice Ministries of the Diocese of Monterey will be hosting a webinar on what it means to "vote Catholic" and what we as Catholics should be looking for in this election as we decide how to cast our votes. This will be a discussion of Church teachings; it will NOT tell anyone who to vote for. The intent is to help people make faith-informed decisions about the candidates, parties and issues, including state ballot propositions. The webinar will take place on Monday, September 28 at 7:00 pm. You are invite to register at: HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/BLESSEDNATION

Hope's Pantry

Our Hope's Pantry assists individuals and families in need of food every



Wednesday at 10 am. Please inform others.

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Catholic Charities Wildfire Relief Services

Families with special needs at this time because of the fires are asked to use the following direct line: (831) 920-4764.

Prayer During COVID-19 Epidemic

Lord Jesus, Hear our pleas, our good shepherd and divine physician. We implore your mercy in the wake of this epidemic. Guide our efforts to prevent contagion and care for those most vulnerable. Assist all professionals and volunteers who work to eradicate the epidemic now spreading. May our actions be marked by your steadfast love and selfless service and never by panic or fear. Bestow your comfort and healing to the sick, sustain and strengthen them by your grace. May they know your closeness as they carry the cross of illness. And may all called from this life come to worship you eternally with all the saints as you grant consolation and peace to their mourners. Amen.

Confronting the Sin of Racism

The U.S. Bishops Pastoral Letter Against Racism *Open Wide Our Hearts, The Enduring Call to Love* is now available on our parish website.

God of mercy and love,

you offer all peoples the dignity of sharing in your life. By the example and prayers of Saint Peter Claver, strengthen us to overcome all racial hatred and to love each other as brothers and sisters. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. —**The Roman Missal**

National 2nd Collection for Emergency Disaster Fund

Prompted by the California Fires and Hurricane Laura, as well as future disasters, the U.S. Bishops are asking parishes throughout the U.S. to assist the Emergency Disaster Fund which supports efforts of Catholic Charities and other national organizations serving victims of the disasters. Our parish 2nd collection will take place during our masses on **Sunday, Sept. 27**. Red baskets will be place next to our regular Sunday parish offertory baskets. Thank you for your support.

Weekly Offertory Report 9/6

Offertory \$2,364; Building Fund \$75; Other \$95; Total \$2,534.

Mass Intentions - Sept. 13-18, 2020

Sun 10:00 am +Roman Selis +Pilar Paredes



Wed12:00 pm+Barney HulseThur12:00 pmSick and Home Bound of the ParishFri12:00 pmSick and Deceased from COVID-19



24 Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Sirácide 27:33-28:9; Sal 102; Romanos 14:7-9; Evangelio de San Mateo 18:21-35

Nuestras lecturas nos recuerdan de la compasión y perdón de nuestro misericordioso Dios. Cuando Pedro le pregunta a Jesús, "¿Si mi hermano me ofende, cuantas veces tengo que perdonarlo? ¿Hasta siete veces? Jesús le contestó: "No solo hasta siete veces, sino hasta setenta veces siete." O sea sin limites. Como el salmo nos dice, "El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso." Que su abundante gracia nos guíe.

Anuncios Especiales:

Misa Especial Bilingüe con nuestro Obispo Daniel García el domingo, 13 de sept., a las 10 am. No habrá misa de 12:00 mediodía solo este domingo.

Primeras Confesiones de los Niños -Sábado, 19 de septiembre a las 10:00 am.



Primera Comunión de los Niños -Sábado, 26 de septiembre a las 12:00 mediodía.

Enfrentando el Pecado del Racismo

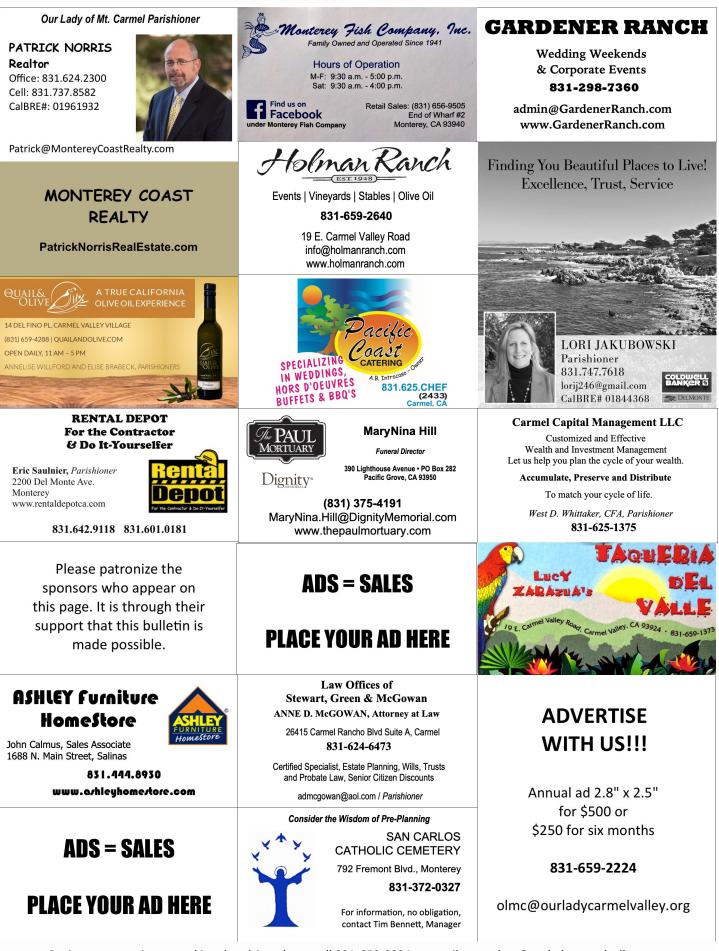
Abramos Nuestros Corazones El incesante llamado al amor—Carta Pastoral Contra el Racismo de los Obispos de los Estados Unidos. Esta disponible en ingles y español en la pagina de web parroquial: www.ourladycarmelvalley.org

Dispensa de Hope's Pantry - Individuos y familias con necesidad de comida están invitados a la dispensa parroquial cada miércoles a las 10:00 am.

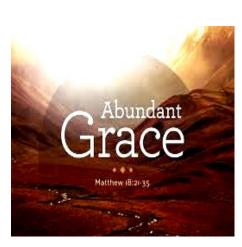


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Catholic Church

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

Weekday Masses: Wednesday - Friday, 12 Noon

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

Bereavement Ministry: Trudy Dowd • (831) 915-4619

Coffee Hospitality Ministry: Rosemary Ellis

Finance Council: Steve Zalan, *Chair*, Carol Duncan, *Secretary*, Catherine Norris, A.B. Introcaso, John Finn, Jim Rice

Accounting: Rebecca Bayless

Capital Campaign Committee: Alex Gray, *Chair*, Jack McAleer, *Vice Chair*, Mark Boitano, Steve Zalan

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



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