Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8, 2020



GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: John 2:13-22 Tues: Luke 17:7-10 Wed: Luke 17:11-19 Thurs: Luke 17:20-25 Friday: Luke 17:26-37

"My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God."

-Psalm 63

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalm 63; Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Gospel of Matthew 25:1-13

"Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!" Mt. 25:6

The month of November is celebrated by our Church as Stewardship Month. It is a time to remember God's many blessings and the virtue of living life with gratitude and generosity. Our parable reminds us that each of us must be accountable for his or her good deeds, or lack of them, in order to enter the wedding feast of heaven. We recall the words of Jesus earlier in Matthew's Gospel, "Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

The five wise and prudent young women in the parable were prepared for the bridegroom's arrival. Their lamps were lit and their flasks of oil, representing their good deeds, were prepared for his coming. We, too, must be vigilant and ready for our Lord, the Bridegroom. He hopes to welcome us into the joy of the eternal wedding feast. May we pray with our psalmist, "My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God." And like the young women, may we be prepared with oil of loving and generous works so to hear the words, "Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!"

Maintaining God's House 18th Week of Construction

It has been a very busy week for our construction project. Restroom rough plumbing is now complete, and progress has been made on construction of the ramp and steps from the church sanctuary to the new hall. Importantly, the roofing for the church entrance and new hall should be very close to complete this week, just in time for potential rain this weekend. In addition, color match of the new roof shingles to the existing shingles is good.

Our **commemorative brick program** has been underway for several weeks with an enthusiastic response. The final day to drop off a memorial brick form will be Tuesday. They can also be left in one of our collection baskets on Sunday. Thank you for your loving support of our parish and building project to Maintain God's House.

Hope's Pantry

Our Hope's Pantry assists individuals and families in need of food every Wednesday at 10:00 am.

What changes might I need to make to be a better steward of God's gifts to me?

November—Catholic Stewardship Month The Spirituality of Being a Christian Steward

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."

-1 Peter 4:10

What identifies a steward? Safeguarding material and human resources and using them responsibly are one answer; so is generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. But being a Christian steward means more. As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

Disciples as Stewards

Let us begin with being a disciple—a follower of our Lord Jesus Christ. As members of the Church, Jesus calls us to be disciples. This has astonishing implications:

- Mature disciples make a conscious decision to follow Jesus, no matter what the cost.
- Christian disciples experience conversion—life shaping changes of mind and heart—and commit their very selves to the Lord.

The entire document is available on our parish website: www.ourladycarmelvalley.org

Prayer After an Election

God of all nations,
Father of the human family,
we give you thanks for the freedom we exercise
and the many blessings of democracy we enjoy
in these United States of America.

We ask for your protection and guidance for all who devote themselves to the common good, working for justice and peace at home and around the world.

We lift up our duly elected leaders and public servants, those who will serve as president, as legislators and judges, those in the military and law enforcement. Heal us from our differences and unite us, O Lord, with a common purpose, dedication, and commitment to achieve liberty and justice in the years ahead for all people, and especially those who are most vulnerable in our midst. Amen.

The Spirituality of Nonviolence and Peacemaking

Grounded in the Gospel and Catholic social teaching, Pax Christi USA promotes
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A very meaningful post-Election Day message by Bishop John Stowe, OFM Conv is included on the Pax Christi USA website at this time.

Lord,

welcome into your calm and peaceful kingdom those who have departed out of this present life to be with you. Grant them rest and a place with the spirits of the just; and give them the life that knows no age, the reward that passes not away, through Christ our Lord. Amen. —St. Ignatius Loyola

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Weekly Offertory Report 11/1/20

Offertory \$2,308; Hope's/Social Outreach \$105; Other \$55;Total \$2,468.

Mass Intentions - November 8-13, 2020

12:00 pm Victims of COVID-19

Fri



Sun	10:00 am	+Herminio Martinez
	12:00 pm	Unity and healing in our Nation
Wed	12:00 pm	Families of the Parish
Thur	12:00 pm	Sick and Homebound of the Parish

32 Domingo en el Tiempo Ordinario Sabiduría 6:12-16; Salmo 62; 1 Tesalonicenses 4:13-18; Evangelio de San Mateo 25:1-13

El evangelio nos pide vigilancia para cumplir con la misión encomendada. A las jóvenes necias del evangelio se les encomendó acompañar al novio en el cortejo de la boda y fallaron. No llevaron suficiente aceite para llenar las lámparas de nuevo. Es muy posible que el aceite simboliza las buenas obras y la preparación necesaria para recibir nuestro Señor cuando venga.

Oración Después de un Día de Elecciones

Dios de todas las naciones, Padre de la familia humana,

te damos gracias por la libertad que ejercemos y las muchas bendiciones de la democracia que gozamos en estos Estados Unidos de América.

Pedimos tu protección y orientación para todos los que se dedican al bien común, trabajando por la justicia y la paz aquí y en todo el mundo.

Elevamos a todos nuestros lideres y servidores públicos debidamente elegidos, a aquellos que nos servirán como presidente, como legisladores y jueces, a los miembros de las fuerzas armadas y las fuerzas del orden.

Cúranos de nuestras diferencias y únenos, oh Señor, con un propósito, dedicación y compromiso comunes de lograr la libertad y la justicia en los años venideros para todas las personas, y especialmente los mas vulnerables entre nosotros.

Amen.

Despensa Parroquial de Hope's Pantry Abierta cada miércoles a las 10:00 am.

Sacramento de Reconciliación/Confesiones

Favor de llamar al P. Dennis para una cita: 659-2224.

"Radiante e incorruptible es la sabiduría; con facilidad la contemplan quienes la aman y ella se deja encontrar por quienes la buscan y se anticipa a darse a conocer a los que la desean." —Sabiduría 6:12

"Señor, mi alma tiene sed de ti."—Salmo 62

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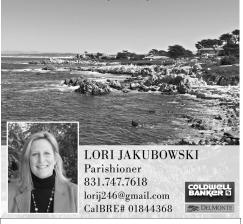
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Our Lady of Mount Carmel is a warm and welcoming Catholic Community that serves the Gospel with deep faith, hope and love as a living and Spirit-filled witness to the Heart of Jesus present and alive in Carmel Valley.

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

Special Mass Schedule Sunday: 10 am and 12 Noon

Weekday Masses: Wednesday - Friday, 12 Noon

Special Reconciliation ScheduleBy appointment in the Parish Office

Office Hours
Wednesday through Friday
9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

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Patricia Merrifield, Tom Rowland

Faith Formation:

First Communion:

Patricia Merrifield, Kim Hlasny

Confirmation:

Sam Klemek, David Warner

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