

# First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2020



## GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon:** Matt 4:18-22

**Tues:** Luke 10:21-24

**Wed:** Matt 15:29-37

**Thurs:** Matt 7:21, 24-27

**Friday:** Matt 9:27-31

***“Lord, make us turn to you;  
let us see your face and we  
shall be saved.”—Psalm 80***

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Psalm 80;  
Second Reading: 1 Cor. 1:3-9; Gospel of Mark 13:3-7

**“Be watchful! Be alert!”—Mark 13:33**

Today we begin our Advent journey. A journey of hope calling us to be alert and watchful! Pope Francis tells us very clearly, *“Advent is the time we are given to welcome the Lord who comes to encounter us, and also to verify our longing for God, to look forward and prepare ourselves for Christ’s return. He will return to us in the celebration of Christmas when we will remember his historic coming in the humility of the human condition; but he enters our heart each time we are willing to receive him; and he will come again at the end of time.”* Therefore, we must always be vigilant and await the Lord with generous love and hope! *“Be alert!”*

Psalm 80 is a prayer of a people that has experienced great pain and disaster. The psalm reminds us of our own experience in the darkness of the pandemic. Advent calls us to turn to God in our pain. Paul, too, assures us of God’s faithfulness and action in our lives. He speaks of a community that acts with love for others as a true witness to our Lord. May we, too, be alert with love as we await his return. *“Be watchful!”*

## Maintaining God’s House 21st Week of Construction

During a work week shortened by the Thanksgiving holiday, framing for the new windows and doors on the south wall of the old hall was completed along with the access ramp from church to hall. The new main electrical panel for the entire building was also installed and inspected by the county.

Thank you for your loving support of our parish and building project to Maintain God’s House.

***“Advent is a time of watching and waiting, of looking and seeking—hope-filled anticipation spread across four weeks. Jesus is coming. But until he comes, we wait, and watch, and wonder, and pray.”***

—Deacon Greg Kandra

## Online Advent Faith Sharing Groups



If you are interested in participating in an online Advent group, please contact Renew International: [www.renewintl.org](http://www.renewintl.org)

*“As we enter Advent time, we lament with our eyes wide open, asking to God of hope to awaken us to the comings of God into our lives and into our suffering world.”*

—Sister Terry Rickard, OP,  
Renew International

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

On the First Friday of December, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place from 9 am until before our 12 Noon Mass. You are invited for quiet, reflective Advent prayer and meditation with the Lord.

## Our New Outdoor Chapel

We now have a new outdoor chapel to help protect us from the rain and cold weather. If you are able to join us on Sundays, our Masses are at 10 am and 12 Noon. Our weekday Masses are at 12 Noon, Wed.-Friday.

## Winter Weather Advisory

- ✝ Check the weather report before coming to Mass.
- ✝ Dress accordingly.
- ✝ Consider bringing a blanket if it’s especially cold.
- ✝ Please don’t feel obligated to come to Mass if you have concerns. You will be missed, but it might be wise for you to watch a live streamed Mass.

## Hope’s Pantry

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



## Lectio Divina for the First Week of Advent

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### Prayer:

Keep us alert, we pray, O Lord our God, as we await the advent of Christ your Son, so that, when he comes and knocks, he may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in his praise. He who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

**Reading:** Read the following Scripture two or three times—**Mark 13:33-37**

**Meditation:** After the reading, take time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions: What word or words in this passage caught your attention? What in the passage comforted you? What in this passage challenged you?

**Prayer:** Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

**Contemplation:** Read the Scripture again, followed by this reflection—What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

**“Be watchful! Be alert!”** How can I become more attentive to the presence of God in my life? How can I be more attentive to the needs of those around me?

**“You do not know when the time will come.”**

How am I preparing to meet Christ when he comes again? Does the way I spend my time reflect the priority of Christ in my life?

After a period of silent reflection recite the Lord’s prayer and Psalm 80. Live the Word with generous love and hope this week.

### Christ Child Society Shower of Love!

You are invited to participate in a virtual gathering next Saturday, Dec. 5, 10 to 11am. The gathering benefits local under-resourced children and infants served through the **Christ Child Society of Monterey Bay**, WHERE LOVE LEADS TO ACTION! For a Zoom invitation to participate: [christchildmontereybay@outlook.com](mailto:christchildmontereybay@outlook.com).

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** - Available in our Saint Francis Prayer Garden by appointment at 659-2224.

### Weekly Offertory Report 11/22/20

**Offertory \$1,705.23**; Other \$70; Total \$1,775.23

## Mass Intentions - Nov. 29 – Dec. 4, 2020

Sun	10:00 am	+Herminio Martinez
	12:00 pm	+Rose Toscano
Wed	12:00 pm	Sick and Homebound of the Parish
Thurs	12:00 pm	Families of the Parish
Fri	12:00 pm	Victims of COVID-19



### PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO



**Isaías 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7; Salmo 79;**  
**1 Cor 1:3-9; Evangelio de San Marcos 13:33-37**

*“Velen y estén preparados, porque no saben cuando llegara el momento...No vaya a suceder que llegue de repente y los halle durmiendo. Lo que les digo a ustedes, lo digo para todos: permanezcan alerta.”*  
*Las lecturas especiales para iniciar el Adviento nos animan para que vivamos activamente nuestra esperanza. Nos dice San Pablo, “Dios es quien los ha llamado a la unión con su Hijo Jesucristo, y Dios es fiel.”*

### Oración para Pedir la Protección de María en Este Tiempo de la Pandemia

Oh María, tu resplandesces siempre en nuestro camino como signo de salvación y de esperanza. Nosotros nos confiamos a ti, Salud de los enfermos, que al pie de la cruz te asociaste al dolor de Jesús, manteniendo firme tu fe. Oh Madre amorosa, tu sabes lo que necesitamos y estamos seguros de que proveerás, como lo hiciste en Caná de Galilea. Intercede por nosotros ante tu Hijo Jesús, el Divino Medico, por aquellos que han enfermado, por quienes son mas vulnerables y por quienes han muerto. Intercede también por quienes cargan la responsabilidad de proteger la salud y seguridad de los demás y por quienes atienden al enfermo y buscan una cura. Ayúdanos, Madre del Divino Amor, a conformarnos a la voluntad del Padre y a hacer lo que nos dirá Jesús, quien ha tomado sobre si nuestros dolores para conducirnos, a través de la Cruz, a la alegría de la Resurrección. Amen.



**MISA DE LA FIESTA DE LA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE**  
**Sábado, 12 de dic. a las 3:30 pm ¡Acompáñenos!**

**Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento**, el 1° viernes de diciembre (4 de dic.) a las 9 am a 12 Mediodía.

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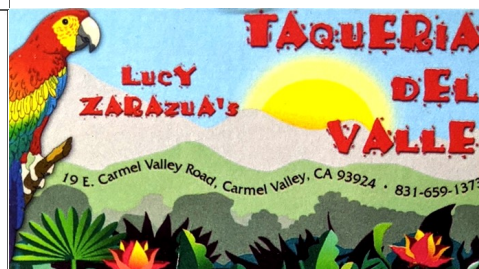
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*Our Lady of Mount Carmel is a warm and welcoming Catholic Community that serves the Gospel with deep faith, hope and love as a living and Spirit-filled witness to the Heart of Jesus present and alive in Carmel Valley.*

*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 Schedule

By appointment in the Parish Office

## Office Hours

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

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## Parish Ministries

**Pastoral Council:** Adele Margolis, *Chair*,  
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Tess Arthur, 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

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

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