

# Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 14, 2021



## GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon:** John 4:43-54

**Tues:** John 5:1-16

**Wed:** John 5:17-30

**Thurs:** John 5:31-47

**Fri:** Matt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

*“Let my tongue be  
silenced, if I ever forget  
you!”—Psalm 137*

First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; Psalm 137;  
Second Reading: Ephesians 2:4-10; Gospel of John 3:14-21

**“Whoever lives the truth comes to the light.”—John 3:21**

In his letter to the Ephesians, Paul tells us very beautifully, “God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ.” God is always eager to rescue us from sin. As John tells us in the Gospel, “God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.” We are God’s beloved “handiwork.” Each of us is loved by God. Our readings this Fourth Sunday of Lent call out to us to live in the light of faith and follow Jesus. Only by actively living our faith and following Jesus are we given a share in his death and resurrection.

Nicodemus, the Pharisee, met with the Lord in the darkness of the night. We can imagine him listening carefully to Jesus’ every word. The image of light and darkness that John uses, and that appear so often in Scripture, speak to Nicodemus and each of us. “Whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works may be clearly seen as done in God.” What would it mean for you to walk in the light this Lent and always?

## Maintaining God’s House 36th Week of Construction

As planned, we made good progress this week on finish electrical work, lighting in the new hall in particular. Laminate wall surfacing in the restrooms is also being installed. Unfortunately, flooring delivery and installation has been pushed out one week due to delays in finish electrical work and the delivery of some construction material. Next week we hope to complete most electrical and laminate installation, and expect finish sheet metal to begin.

## Prayer of Saint Patrick

May the strength of God guide us.  
May the power of God preserve us.  
May the wisdom of God instruct us.  
May the hand of God protect us.  
May the way of God direct us.  
May the shield of God defend us.  
May the angels of God guard us against the snares of the evil one.  
May Christ be with us! May Christ be before us!  
May Christ be in us, Christ be over all!  
May your grace, Lord, always be ours, this day, O Lord, and forever. Amen.



## We Remember St. Patrick and St. Joseph

The Feast Days of St. Patrick on Wednesday and St. Joseph on Friday, March 19, will be celebrated this week with 12 Noon Masses.



Pope Francis’ Apostolic Letter last December, titled “Patris corde” (With a Father’s Heart), Francis proclaimed a “Year of Saint Joseph” that will continue until December 8, 2021. The Holy Father said, “The aim of this Apostolic Letter is to increase our love for this great saint, to encourage us to implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and zeal.”

In Pope Francis’ words, “Each of us can discover in Joseph—the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet, and hidden presence—an intercessor, a support, and a guide in times of trouble. Saint Joseph reminds us that those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. A word of recognition and of gratitude is due to them all.” [Please go to [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) for the full Apostolic Letter as well as many other resources in honor of the Feast of St. Joseph.]

## Way of the Cross

Join us Fridays during Lent at 5:00 pm for the prayer of the Way of the Cross.



## Diocesan Annual Ministry Appeal 2021 - Thank You

“Building Our Family of Faith” is the theme of the Annual Appeal of our Diocese, which supports the programs and ministries of the Diocese. Our participation makes it possible for us to sustain the ministries and assist our parish with necessary funds to support our Building Project. **To date we have received \$23,635 or 67.5% of our goal from 39 parishioner donors.**

### Prayer Garden in Honor of the Victims of COVID-19

Our Prayer Garden in honor of those who have died from the pandemic is coming along well. Our 2020 Christmas tree and special plaque are now visible. You are all invited to stop by and check the progress. Our next step for our special project is to make the paths and construct two more benches. Any labor and/or plant donations would be appreciated. Please speak with Chip Powers, Tony Rivera or Father Dennis if you are available. Thank you for helping out as possible.

### Fratelli Tutti and Restorative Justice

The Diocese of Monterey and Restorative Partners present three free Tuesday zoom sessions: March 16 and 23 - 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm. Join us as we examine restorative justice practices through the lens of **FRATELLI TUTTI**, Pope Francis’ recent encyclical that focuses on the gospel call to a love that transcends the barriers of geography, culture and distance and declares that we are all brothers and sisters. Registration is required for each session. For this special series please go to: [www.rpeducation.org](http://www.rpeducation.org) and click on the word **REGISTER!**

### Hope’s Pantry

Food for families in need is available every Wednesday at 10 am or when convenient for you.



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

### Catholic Relief Services

Please visit the CRS website to put our faith into action this Lent and live these 40 days of prayer, fasting and giving or serving. The website is very meaningful and an excellent resource during Lent and throughout the year. The “Rice Bowls” with a daily calendar, activities and resources are available in our welcome tent.

### Weekly Offertory Report

**3/7/21 General Fund \$2,089; Building Fund \$65; Hope’s Pantry \$65; Mass Intention \$20; Total \$2,239.**

## Mass Intentions - March 14-19, 2021

Sun	10:00 am	+Betty Lois Rodergen
	12:00 pm	+Jerry Eppler
Wed	12:00 pm	Sick and Homebound of the Parish
Thur	12:00 pm	Deceased of the Parish
Fri	12:00 pm	Families of the Parish

### Cuarto Domingo de la Cuaresma



**2 Libro de las Crónicas 36:14-16, 19-23; Salmo 136; Efesios 2:4-10; Evangelio de San Juan 3:14-21**

*En su dialogo con Nicodemo, Jesús le hace ver que fue tanto el amor de Dios por el mundo, que le entregó a su Hijo único para que el mundo se salve por medio de él: “Así como Moisés levantó la serpiente en el desierto, así tiene que ser levantado el Hijo del hombre, para que todo el que crea en él tenga vida eterna.”*



**+ Viacrucis bilingüe — cada viernes de la cuaresma a las 5:00 pm. ¡Acompáñenos!**

Dispensa de Comida cada miércoles a las 10 am o cuando conveniente.



**Mensaje Cuaresmal de Papa Francisco:** En la pagina de web parroquial—[www.ourladycarmelvalley.org](http://www.ourladycarmelvalley.org)

### La Vacuna del COVID Virus

Esperamos que todos reciban la vacuna. Hay muchos mitos sobre el virus. Por favor, tomen algunos momentos para leer la información de nuestra pagina de web y compartirla con los demás: [ourladycarmelvalley.org](http://ourladycarmelvalley.org).

### Honrando las Víctimas

Iniciamos el proyecto para honrar a los fallecidos de COVID-19. Estamos usando el terreno entre la rectoría y el estacionamiento como un jardín especial. La placa esta puesto. Si nos puede ayudar con la construcción de las bancas o con plantas, por favor hable con P. Dennis.

**Servicios Católicos de Alivio (CRS)** - Poniendo nuestra fe en acción para ayudar a los mas necesitados. Vive los 40 días de cuaresma desde su hogar. Por ejemplo, Plato de Arroz de CRS nos ofrece un calendario con reflexiones diarias, actividades y recetas de platillos. La página de web ([crsespanol.org](http://crsespanol.org)) nos ayuda vivir la cuaresma y nuestra *oración, ayuno y ayudar*.

### Sacramento de Reconciliación (Confesiones)

Por medio de cita (659-2224) en el Jardín de Oración de San Francisco de Asís.

### Fiesta de San José, el viernes, 19 de marzo

La Carta Apostólico del Papa Francisco en honor de Año de San José esta disponible, además de otros recursos, en la pagina de web [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).



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# Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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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*,  
Dede Woodhead, *Vice Chair*, Jeff Hawkins, *Secretary*,  
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

**Manna Ministry:** Joni Zabala

**Homeless Hot Meal:** Lori Jakubowski

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Richard Carr (10:00 am, 12 Noon)

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