

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 4-5, 2021

“**Ephphatha!**” — that is, “**Be opened!**” — ” Mk 7, 34

1st Reading: Is 35: 4-7a Psalm 146; 2nd Reading: Jas 2: 1-5; Gospel Mk 7:31-37



The background of this story is undoubtedly Isaiah 35:5: "Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared." This verse exists as a kind of recurring subtext in Mark; it is referred to over and over in order to raise the question exactly who it is that really cannot hear and see. Is it people who simply cannot perceive sound, like the man in today's reading? Or is it those who lack understanding like the disciples, to whom Jesus cries out "Having eyes, do you not see? Having ears, do you not hear?" (Mk 8:18). In an oral culture, of course, the ability to hear and to speak occupies quite a different and more important place than it does in modern Western culture. In the intensely oral Mediterranean society, hearing mediated all interpretation, and the ability to speak represented the ability to be a member of society, which is why in popular literature of that time those who take a vow of silence generally moved out into the desert alone. This is not the story of a cure so much as it is the story of the restoration of a man to his community. The irony, for which Mark is so fittingly famous, is that at the end of this Jesus requires the crowd to be silent. They cannot of course: what has been witnessed cannot be unwitnessed. Mark reiterates Jesus' attitude that nothing good comes from astonishment over miracles, but the people cannot help singing the old song about the deaf hearing and the mute speaking.

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GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Lk. 6:6-11

Tues. Lk. 6: 12-19

Wed. Mt. 1: 1-16

Thurs. Lk. 5: 1-1

Fri. Lk. 6: 39-42

Sat. Lk. 6: 39-42

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Psalm 146

Happy Labor Day! Monday, September 6, 2021



In the Catholic tradition, work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continued participation in God's creative action. We pray for the men and women whose jobs have been impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic.

HELP

Next weekend we will have a second collection for the relief to the people of *Haiti*.

Coffee & Donuts are Back!!!

We are happy to announce the return of our Coffee & Donuts Ministry following the 9:00 & 11:15 am Masses next weekend! Please plan on staying a few extra minutes after



Mass to socialize with your OLMC family. We will be meeting in the Parish Hall. Thank you, Rosemary Ellis and your volunteers for making this important social outreach a reality.

Re-keying Our facilities

With our building project complete, we have taken an opportunity to improve security by **re-keying** the facility. Currently distributed keys will no longer function. So if you believe you need access to church, hall, or office to support your volunteer work, please contact the office to be issued the new appropriate key. Thank you for your understanding



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**Saint of the week: September 9
Saint Peter Claver**

1580–1654 Born in Spain, Peter was educated by Jesuits. He joined a Jesuit mission to the New World and arrived in what is now Colombia in 1610. He was ordained there and began a life-long ministry among African slaves. Peter felt it best to show by action the Christian spirit, so he brought the slaves food, medicine, and tobacco.

Later, he would convey with drawings that they were loved by God even though they were abused by man. He was said to have baptized more than 300,000 and is patron of missionary work among blacks. Canonized in 1888, St. Peter Claver is now considered the patron saint of human rights in Colombia. www.catholiccurrent.org



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San Pedro Claver**

1580–1654 Pedro nació en España y fue educado por los jesuitas. Él se unió a una misión jesuita que venía al Nuevo Mundo y llegó a lo que ahora es Colombia en 1610. Él fue ordenado allí y empezó un ministerio entre los esclavos africanos, labor que duró toda su vida. Pedro pensó que lo mejor sería mostrar el espíritu cristiano en todas sus

acciones y llevaba alimentos, medicinas y tabaco para los esclavos. Más adelante, por medio de dibujos, les mostraba que ellos eran amados por Dios aunque estuviesen sufriendo abusos por el hombre. Se dice que él bautizó a más de 300,000 y es el patrón de las labores misioneras entre las personas de raza negra. www.catholiccurrent.org

Weekly Offertory Report: Aug 28-29, 2021

General fund	\$ 1,611
Electronic Giving	\$ 312
Refund	\$ 93
2nd Collection for Missions	\$ 1,540

Total \$3,557

Thank you for your continued support of our parish community.

Mass Intentions - Sep. 4–10 2021

Sat. Sep. 4th: 4:30 pm + Orvella Andrade

Sun. Sep 5th: 9:00 am + People of the Parish

11:15 am + Debbie Davis

5:00 pm + Celia Gaytan

Wed. Sep. 8th 12:00 pm + Kiara Hinze

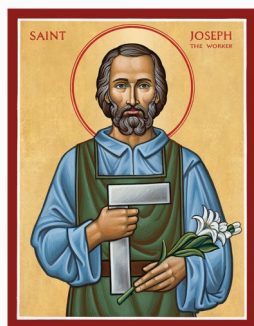
Thu. Sep. 9th: 12:00pm - Healing of Cynthia Williams

Fri. Sep. 10th: 12:00pm + Teresa Schruben

St. Joseph the Worker

Collect Prayer

Oh God, Creator of all things who laid down for the human race the law of work, graciously grant that by the example of St. Joseph and under his patronage we may complete the work you set us to do and attain the rewards you promise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unite of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



Finance Council Meeting:
Wed. Sep 15th @ 4:30pm

Pastoral Council meeting:
Thurs. Sep 16th @ 5:30 pm.

At the Conference Room

XXIII Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

1er Lectura: Is 35, 4-7a. 6-8; **Salmo:** 145;

2nd Lectura: Sant 2, 1-5; **Evangelio:** Mc 7, 31-37

“¡Effetá!” (que quiere decir “¡Abrete!”) Mc. 7, 34

El trasfondo de relato del Evangelio es sin duda Isaías 35: 5: "Se iluminarán entonces los ojos de los ciegos y los oídos de los sordos se abrirán". Este versículo existe como una especie de subtexto recurrente en Marcos; en el que se hace referencia una y otra vez para plantear la cuestión de quién es exactamente el que realmente no puede oír ni ver. ¿Son personas que simplemente no pueden percibir el sonido, como el hombre de la lectura de hoy? ¿O son los que carecen de entendimiento como los discípulos, a quienes Jesús grita: "¿Teniendo ojos, no ves? ¿Teniendo oídos, no oyes?" (Mc 8, 18). En una cultura oral, por supuesto, la capacidad de oír y hablar ocupa un lugar bastante diferente y más importante que en la cultura occidental moderna. En la sociedad mediterránea intensamente oral, la audición mediaba toda interpretación, y la capacidad de hablar representaba la capacidad de ser miembro de la sociedad, razón por la cual en la literatura popular de esa época quienes hacen voto de silencio generalmente se trasladan solos al desierto. Esta no es tanto la historia de una curación sino más bien la restauración de un hombre a su comunidad. La ironía, por la que Marcos es tan famoso, es que al final de esto Jesús pide a la multitud que guarde silencio. Por supuesto que no pueden: lo que se ha presenciado no se puede dejar de ser testigo. Marcos reitera la actitud de Jesús de que nada bueno proviene del asombro por los milagros, pero la gente no puede evitar profecía sobre los sordos oírán y los mudos que hablarán. © 2003, OCP. Reservados todos los derechos.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

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.

Fr: Jhonnatan Flórez Carmona, Parochial Administrator.

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Mass Schedule

Week Days:

Wed-Fri: 12 noon.

Weekend

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:15 am
5:00 pm Spanish

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturday: 3:30 pm and by Appointment

Office Hours

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

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:

Alondra Klemek

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

Stop Human Trafficking/Social Justice: Brendan Cook

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

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Accounting: Rebecca Bayless

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

Kitchen & Hall: A.B. Introcaso

Website: Adalice Powers

Social Media: Lorraine Yglesias and Trudy Dowd

Music Ministry:

Richard Carr (Sat. 4:30pm Sun. 9:00 & 11:15am).

Lectors: Dede Woodhead

Ministers of the Eucharist: Lorraine Ring

Liturgical Environment: Gail Quinnan

Coffee Hospitality Ministry: Rosemary Ellis

PERSONAL PRAYER

The church is open Wednesday-Sunday 9am-400 pm.

At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service. St. Teresa of Avila



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church



Sun. Sep. 19th @ 6pm.

Mexican Independence Day Party. (Bilingual)

Monday Oct. 4th 12 noon

Blessing of the Animals (St. Francis Garden)

Fri. Nov. 12th @ 6pm.

Talk: Introduction to Luke's Gospel. By. Fr. Jhonnatan

Dec. 3rd @ 5:30pm.

Natale Christmas Dinner (its back!!!)

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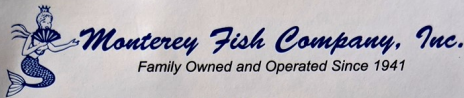
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