

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church

First Sunday of Advent. Cycle C. Nov. 27-28 2021

1st Reading: Jer 33: 14-16 Psalm 25; 2nd Reading: 1 Thes 3: 12-4:2 Gospel Lk 21: 25-28, 34-36

“Be vigilant at all times”



GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Mt. 8:5-11
Tues. Mt. 4: 18-22
Wed. Mt. 15: 29-37
Thurs. Mt. 7: 21, 24-27
Fri. Mt. 9: 27-31

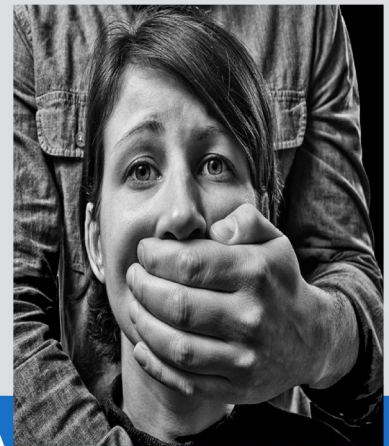
The first part of the season of Advent focuses our attention on being prepared to meet Jesus as the Son of Man, either at the end of our lives or when he comes again in glory for salvation at the end of time. That coming will be preceded by cosmic signs (“in the sun, moon, and stars”) and worldwide disturbances (“roaring of the sea and the waves”). So intense will be these cosmic upheavals that people will die in fright of what is coming upon the world. But then they will see Jesus as the Son of Man coming in a cloud with a power and great glory over all of these cosmic disturbances. When such cosmic signs occur, it is the signal for us to be ready (“stand erect and raise your heads”) for the final salvation of the world. We are

not to be so preoccupied with either the celebrations or anxieties of daily living that we are not prepared for “that day”—either the last day of our lives or the last day of the world. None of us can escape “that day,” as it will assault all who live on earth. But are we vigilant and prayerful enough to escape the cosmic, worldwide tribulations to come and stand ready for our salvation from Jesus as the Son of Man? . By John Paul Heil, 2003 OCP.

Advent Begins!

November 28 – December 24 Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas. From the earliest days of the Church, people have been fascinated by Jesus' promise to come back. But the scripture readings during Advent tell us not to waste our time with predictions. Advent is not about speculation. Our Advent readings call us to be alert and ready, not weighted down and distracted by the cares of this world (Lk 21:34-36). Like Lent, the liturgical color for Advent is purple since both are seasons that prepare us for great feast days. Advent also includes an element of penance in the sense of preparing, quieting, and disciplining our hearts for the full joy of Christmas. As we prepare for Christmas, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal notes some differences to the Mass that should be observed during the season. For instance, the priest will wear violet or purple during Advent, except for the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) when rose is worn (GIRM, no. 316). Aside from what the priest wears, other aesthetic changes in the Church can include a more modestly decorated altar. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, we focus on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord at Christmas. In particular, the "O" Antiphons are sung during this period and have been by the Church since at least the eighth century. They are a magnificent theology that uses ancient biblical imagery drawn from the messianic hopes of the Old Testament to proclaim the coming of Christ as the fulfillment not only of Old Testament hopes, but of present ones as well. Advent devotions including the Advent wreath, remind us of the meaning of the season. Our Advent calendar above can help you fully enter into the season with daily activity and prayer suggestions to prepare you spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ.

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**Saint of the week: December 4th
St. Francis Xavier, Priest**

(1506-1552) Known as the Apostle to the Indies and to Japan, Francis was born in Spanish Navarre, the youngest in a large family. He studied at the University of Paris, where he met St. Ignatius of Loyola, and was among the first seven Jesuits who vowed to be spiritual soldiers for Christ. They were ordained as a group in 1537. For 11 years, from 1541 until his untimely death after only two weeks on the Chinese coast, Francis evangelized in the East Indies, Mozambique, India, Malaysia, Sri Lanka, Indonesia and Japan. A missionary prone to seasickness who had trouble learning foreign languages, Francis is the patron saint of missionaries, Borneo, the East Indies, India, Pakistan, Japan and Outer Mongolia © United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Washington, DC. All rights reserved



**Santo de la semana: Diciembre 4
San Francisco Javier**

(1506-1552) Francisco, conocido como el Apóstol de las Indias y de Japón, nació en la Navarra española y era el más joven de una extensa familia. Él estudió en la Universidad de Paris donde conoció a san Ignacio de Loyola y fue uno de los siete primeros jesuitas que hicieron votos para ser los soldados espirituales de Cristo y, en 1537, fueron ordenados en grupo. A lo largo de 11 años, desde 1541 hasta su fallecimiento que ocurrió solo a las dos semanas de haber llegado a las costas de China, Francisco había evangelizado en las Indias Orientales, Mozambique, India, Malasia, Sri Lanka, Indonesia y Japón. Francisco, que era un misionero propenso al mareo y que tenía dificultad para aprender idiomas extranjeros, es el santo patrón de los misioneros, de Borneo, de las Indias Orientales, India, Pakistán, Japón y Mongolia Exterior. Copyright © United States Conference of Catholic Bishops,

Primer Domingo de Adviento, Ciclo C

1era. Lectura: Jer 33, 14-16; **Salmo:** 25; **2da. Lectura:** 1 Thes 3: 12-4:2;
Evangelio: Lk 21; 25-28, 34-36

Estén Alerta

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Mass Intentions: Nov. 27th- Dec 3rd

- Sat. Nov. 27th: 4:30 –Ints. of Dalton Family
- Sun. Nov. 28th: 9:00 am—People of the Parish
11:15 am + Doris Desmond
- 5:00 pm Ints. Efrain Cabrera & Lorena Gallegos
- Wed. Dec 1st: 12:00pm + Greg Franks.
- Thurs. Dec. 2nd 12:00pm—Healing of baby McKenna Torkeson.

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

**Mass at 12 noon.
Eucharistic Adoration
from 12:30-6:00 pm**

**6:00 pm Rosario
6:20 pm Blessing with the Blessed
Sacrament
6:30 pm Misa en Español**

**CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY
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Join the Christ Child Society of Monterey Bay in giving local babies a loving start this Christmas. Come to our Shower of Love on Saturday, Dec. 4, 10:00 a.m.-noon at Carmel Mission's MacMahon Center, 3080 Rio Rd., Carmel.

Help us create 250 bundles of essential items for delivery to under-resourced infants by our partners Natividad Medical Center, Catholic Charities, and Siena House in 2022. Learn to knit baby hats or crochet a baby blanket or donate new board books, onesies, swaddles, receiving blankets and newborn diapers and wipes. Plus, learn more about our work to help local children in need. Unable to attend? We also welcome monetary donations for our baby bundles. For more information please visit our website at

www.christchildmontereybay.org

*Christmas
Open House
Fr. Jhonnatan's
Rectory House
Fri. Dec. 17th
3 - 6pm.*

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel



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Fr: Jhonnatan Flórez Carmona, Parochial Administrator. E-mail: frjcarmona@ourladycarmelvalley.org

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
10 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

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PERSONAL PRAYER

The church is open Wednesday-Sunday 10am-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



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Fri. Dec. 3rd @ 5:30pm.

Natale Christmas Dinner **CANCELED**

Fri. Dec. 17th @ 3-6pm

Christmas Open House Fr. Jhonnatan's Rectory House

Thu. Dec. 23rd @ 6:30pm

Posada @ Parish Hall

Fri. Dec. 24th @ 4:30pm

Christmas Eve Bilingual Mass.

Sat. Dec. 25th @ 9 & 11:15

Christmas Day Masses

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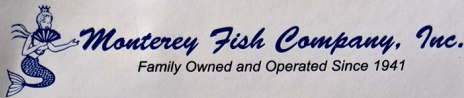
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