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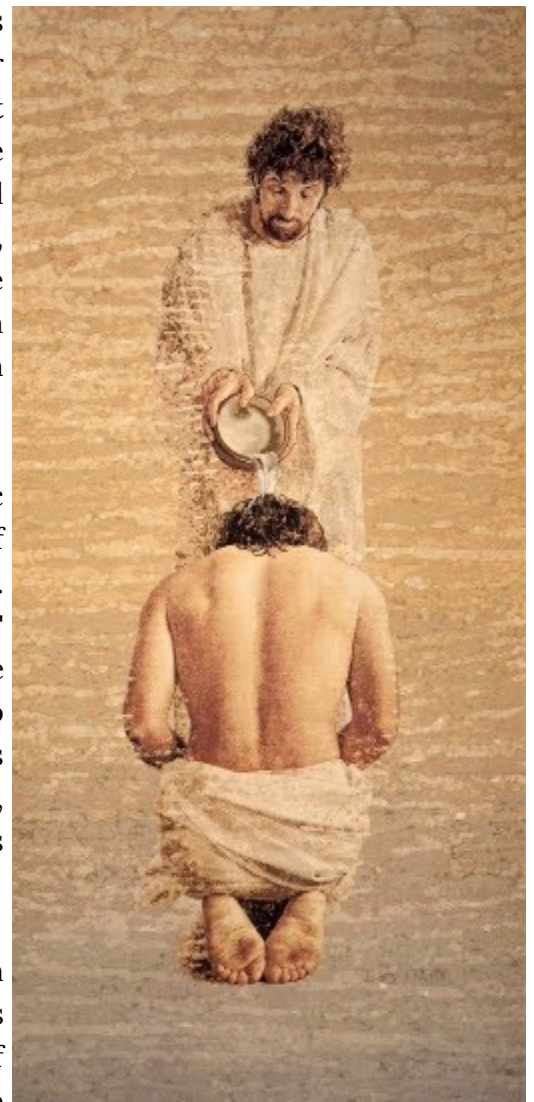


THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD—*JAN. 12TH, 2025* *JOHN SAID: ONE MIGHTIER THAN I IS COMING; HE WILL BAPTIZE YOU WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND WITH FIRE.*

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. The type of baptism that John performed was not yet a Christian Baptism; it was a preparation for Christian Baptism through which sins are forgiven and the gift of the Holy Spirit is received.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone. In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws regularly from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father.

The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifestation of God in Jesus, another “epiphany.” On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son. At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person, Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism.



MUSIC MINISTRY AT OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH.

"They who sing well, pray twice." St. Augustine

Music is a vital part of worship. We are fortunate to have of a group of talented musicians and faithful singers who are passionate about liturgical music, and are dedicated to inspiring our congregation to participate fully in the sacred liturgy. We have cantors at the 4:30 Saturday and 9AM Sunday Masses, and our choir sings at the 11AM Mass. Our Spanish choir sings at the Masses in Cachagua and at the monthly Spanish Mass here in church, as well joining the English choir for bilingual Masses for special occasions.

A recent blessing is the addition of our new choir director, Tamara Sommerville. Tamara had been searching for a new faith community and a setting to use her music background. She became acquainted with Fr. Jhonnatan at the CV Community Park while they were walking their dogs. Happily, he invited her to come sing with us.

Tamara, an experienced vocalist, has loved music all of her life. It is her passion. She remembers her sister asking her mom to "shut her up" because 7 year old Tamara was always singing. Tamara sang in the choir growing up in the Lutheran church, and for 20 years at her church in Salinas before moving to Carmel Valley. She has studied classical choral music, has sung in I Cantori di Carmel, and is currently part of the Carmel Bach Festival Chorus. Tamara looks forward to sharing the joy of worshiping through song. She is delighted to have found us and the feeling is mutual.

We are looking for more people who love to sing. If you'd like to join us, or have feedback about our music ministry, please contact us at music@ourladycarmelvalley.org



New choir director
Tamara Sommerville.



Music Ministry People



Spencer Williams



Sophia Schulz



Justine Post



April Farley—Pat Ryan



Carlos Flores
Hispanic Choir

MASS INTENTIONS

January. 11th – 19th 2025

Sat. Jan. 4th 4:30: + **Debbie Davis**
Sun. Jan. 5th 9:00: + **Evelyn & Charles Morrill**
11:00: + **Seth Goldberg**
1pm (Spanish): + **Manuela Olivera**
Wed. Jan 15th 12:00: + **Gerry McKenna**
Thurs. Jan 16th 12:00: + **Raymundo Reyes**
Fri. Jan 17th 12:00: + **Donald LaRue**
Sat. Jan 18th Vigil 4:30: + **Mary Shannon**
Sun. Jan 19th 9:00: + **Vickie Sherard**
11:00: + **Rosa Palma Morales**

MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL
DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD,
REST IN PEACE. AMEN

WEEKLY COLLECTION

CHRISTMAS: \$

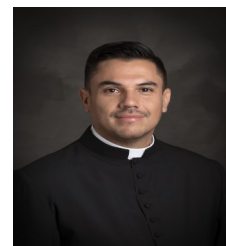
DECEMBER 21ST & 22ND \$

DECEMBER 28ST & 29ND \$

MARY MOTHER OF GOD \$

JANUARY 4TH & 5TH \$

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



Dear Parishioner and Friends of Our Lady
of Mount Carmel Parish.

I am looking forward to be back to beautiful Carmel Valle
Village next weekend and celebrate with you our Catholic Faith.
I would like to thank Fr. Roy for covering for me during this
few weeks.

Please take some time to read the article about Music Ministry
in our parish, and the improvements we are trying to make after
reading your comments in our parish survey. Shalom!

Fr. Jhonnatan F. Carmona.

SPAIN PILGRIMAGE

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DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!



EL BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR—ENE. 12TH, 2025

SE ABRIÓ EL CIELO Y RESONÓ LA VOZ DEL PADRE, QUE DECÍA:
“ÉSTE ES MI HIJO AMADO; ESCÚCHENLO”.

Hoy celebramos la fiesta del Bautismo del Señor. En el Evangelio de hoy, como en los otros relatos evangélicos sobre el bautismo de Jesús, escuchamos a Juan el Bautista abordar la confusión de la gente que pensaba que Juan podría ser el Mesías. En respuesta, Juan contrasta el bautismo que él realiza con el bautismo que Jesús inaugurará. Juan el Bautista dice que él ha bautizado con agua, pero que alguien vendrá y bautizará con el Espíritu Santo. El tipo de bautismo que Juan realizó todavía no era un bautismo cristiano; era una preparación para el bautismo cristiano a través del cual se perdonan los pecados y se recibe el don del Espíritu Santo.

El bautismo de Jesús se relata en cada uno de los tres Evangelios sinópticos: Mateo, Marcos y Lucas. Claramente, fue un evento de gran importancia para Jesús y para la comunidad cristiana primitiva. Los evangelistas Marcos y Lucas relatan la historia desde la perspectiva de Jesús; la voz del cielo se dirige a Jesús. Compárese esto con el Evangelio de Mateo en el que la voz del cielo habla a todos. En Lucas, sin embargo, el Espíritu Santo desciende sobre Jesús durante su tiempo de oración después de su bautismo. A través de su Evangelio, Lucas mostrará a Jesús como una persona de oración que se retira regularmente de las multitudes y de sus discípulos para orar a su Padre.

El bautismo de Jesús se considera una manifestación de Dios en Jesús, otra “epifanía”. En este, el último día de la temporada navideña, nuestro Evangelio nos revela la relación de Jesús con Dios: el hijo de María y José es también el propio Hijo de Dios. En el Evangelio de Lucas, los tres miembros de la Trinidad se manifiestan aquí: Dios el Padre en la voz, el Espíritu Santo que desciende y Jesús el Hijo. Al comienzo de su Evangelio, Lucas nos está comunicando información importante sobre la identidad de Jesús. En los versículos que siguen, Lucas enumera la genealogía de Jesús, rastreando la ascendencia de Jesús hasta la primera persona, Adán, quien también es identificado como el hijo de Dios. Nosotros, los hijos de Adán y Eva, somos nuevamente hechos hijos de Dios a través del Bautismo.



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Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English,

Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month

1:00 pm in the Church.

4th Saturday of the month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:

1:00 pm—3:00 pm.

Sundays: 10:00 am—11:00 am.

“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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