

# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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You would enter into the wilderness, do not begin without a blessing.

Do not leave without hearing who you are: Beloved, named by the One who has traveled this path before you.

Do not go without letting it echo in your ears, and if you find it is hard to let it into your heart, do not despair. That is what this journey is for.

I cannot promise this blessing will free you from danger, from fear, from hunger or thirst, from the scorching of sun or the fall of the night. But I can tell you that on this path there will be help.

I can tell you that on this way there will be rest.

I can tell you that you will know the strange graces that come to our aid only on a road such as this. that fly to meet us bearing comfort and strength, that come alongside us for no other cause than to lean themselves toward our ear and with their curious insistence whisper our name:

> Beloved. Beloved.

- Jan Richarson, from the Circle of Grace.

Si quieres entrar en el desierto, no empieces sin una bendición.

No te vayas sin escuchar quién eres: Amad@, nombrado por Aquel que ha recorrido este camino antes que tú.

No te vayas sin dejar que resuene en tus oídos, y si encuentras que es difícil dejar que entre en tu corazón, no desesperes. Para eso es este viaje.

No puedo prometer que esta bendición te liberará del peligro, del miedo, del hambre o la sed, del sol abrasador o de la caída de la noche. Pero puedo decirte que en este camino habrá ayuda.

Puedo decirte que en este camino habrá descanso.

**Puedo decirte** que conocerás las gracias extrañas que vienen en nuestra ayuda sólo en un camino como éste, que vuelan a nuestro encuentro trayendo consuelo y fuerza, que vienen a nuestro lado sin otra causa que inclinarse hacia nuestro oído v con su curiosa insistencia susurrar nuestro nombre:

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### STORYTELLING TIME AT OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

At Our Lady of Mount Carmel, our parish community is strengthened by the dedication and enthusiasm of individuals who go above and beyond to keep our faith family connected. Among these are Sean Devine, Trudy Dowd, and Alondra Klemek—three individuals whose passion and experience bring vibrancy to our parish bulletin, making it a source of inspiration, information, and connection.

With nearly 40 years in digital publishing as an executive **Sean Devine** brings an expert eye to what it takes to keep the "presses going". His publishing experience included a recent joint venture with Higher Education publishers making their textbooks available in digital format for use on computers, tablets and other platforms. While not attending Mass or otherwise engaged with volunteer work at the Church, he enjoys travel, hiking, reading, gardening and golf. He and his wife Maureen recently celebrated their 50th anniversary. They enjoy the company of their two children and four grandchildren as they all live locally. Sean's Spanish speaking and reading skills are due to living abroad in Argentina.

**Trudy Dowd's** boundless dedication and enthusiasm for the OLMC Family is evident by the various ministries she stewards. The bulletin is among her latest endeavors. From the Parish survey results she heard loud and clear the desire for more community. Working closely with Father Jhonnatan, Trudy was one of the creative forces to repurpose a section of the bulletin to capture community life by way of the articles on page two. She



has touched many lives in big and small ways when she was active as a Marriage and Family Therapist and former School Counselor at Tularcitos and Captain Cooper Schools. She still runs into many of her former students. She and her husband Patrick enjoy the company of their four children and seven grandchildren, and while not busy hosting or

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**2025 AMA** Update, by Jack McAleer: we're now at 14 donors and **\$6,100**.

#### **FUNERAL MASS**

Our dear parishioner **Art Taylor** passed away peacefully on Sunday February 16. Prayers and our deepest condolences go to June and the Taylor family.



The Mass of Resurrection will be here this **Monday March 10 at 9AM** followed by a military burial at Ft. Ord Cemetery at 11AM. All of Art's OLMC parish family are welcome to attend both. visiting them she does activities that bring her joy: cooking, reading, gardening, taking photos, walking, and singing in the choir. In her words: "I love Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church"

Alondra Klemek is a voice for community and family. She has a deep and rich history in Carmel Valley having immigrated to the area from Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico when she was just months old. She is the oldest of nine siblings who, along with her, have lived in this area for the majority of their lives. In 2019, Alondra chose to become a US Citizen. She has established roots of her own with her husband of thirty years, Sam. They are proud parents of two children, both now Nurses at CHOMP. Our Lady of Mount Carmel is fortunate to have Alondra as a Parishioner for the past 25 years. She juggles community service with her work as a paralegal, a role she enjoys very much. When not busy with OLMC, or her work at Walker & Reed or hanging out with her very large family, you can find Alondra gardening, cooking and traveling.

We invite your ideas for articles and/or submit articles that celebrate and unify the OLMC community. Please email us at <u>Bulletin@ourladycarmelvalley.org</u> for more information.

## MASS INTENTIONS March 8<sup>st</sup>—16<sup>th</sup> 2025

Sat. Mar. 8<sup>th</sup> 4:30: + Jospeh & Patricia Reinkemeyer Sun. Mar. 9<sup>th</sup> 9:00: + Joseph Ortman <u>11:00:</u> + Jim Luttrell Misa en Espanol:

<u>1:00pm:</u> + Adan & + Consuelo Solano + Maurilio Salinas.

Mon. Mar. 10<sup>th</sup> 9am: + Art Taylor (Funeral Mass)

 $\frac{\text{Wed. March 12}^{\text{th}} 12:00:}{\text{Thurs. Mar. 13}^{\text{th}} 12:00:} + \text{Greg Franks} \\ \frac{\text{Tri. March 14}^{\text{th}} 12:00:}{\text{Fri. March 14}^{\text{th}} 12:00:} + \text{Jill Swiess}$ 

Sat. Mar. 15<sup>th</sup> Vigil 4:30: - People of the Parish Sun. Mar. 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00: + Maureen Dalton <u>11:00:</u> + Christine Hallas

### WEEKLY COLLECTION MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> \$2,306.04 2<sup>ND</sup> MAINTENANCE \$ 1,566.00

THAK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

#### **LENTEN SEASON 2025**

Stations of the Cross Fridays: 5:30pm.

**Lenten Talk:** Sat. March 22nd at 5:30pm in the Church. Fr. Jim Nesbit. Why do we meditate on the Stations of the Cross?.

**Lenten Reconciliation Service.** Wed. April 9th at 6:30pm.

<u>Magnificat Lenten Companion Booklets</u>: English/Espanol. \$ 5 offering.

**2025 LENTEN DINNERS**—Tickets for sell this weekend. \$ 35

Friday March 14th at 6:00 pm Friday March 28th at 6:00 pm Friday April 11th at 6:00 pm

#### **HOLY WEEK, AND EASTER 2025**

#### **PALM SUNDAY**

Sat. April 12<sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm: Vigil Mass Sun. April 13<sup>th:</sup> 9 & 11am Masses. 1pm Misa en Espanol.

## FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...

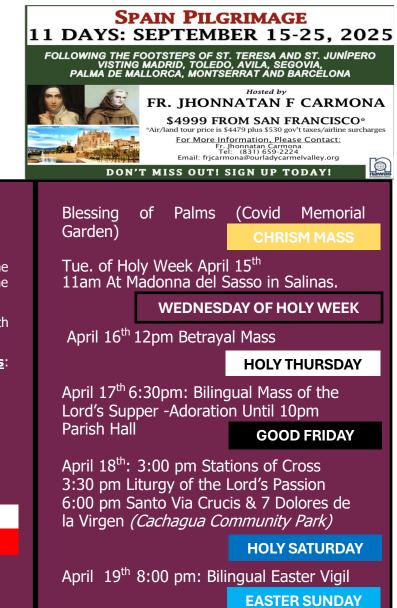


Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish,

On Friday I went to the Lenten day of

Prayer and Reflection for Priests and the talks gave me some insight for this weekend reflection about going into the desert with Jesus. I hope to see you at Mass, as we have begun the great retreat of Lent for the whole Church.

I invite you to read the article about Storytelling time at Our Lady of Mount Carmel to make our bulletin articles better. Also attached is the whole event calendar for Lent. Holy Week and Easter to help you plan ahead. Shalom! Fr. Jhonnatan.



April 20<sup>th</sup>: 9 & 11 am Easter Masses.

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# **SCHEDULE**

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

## PARISH MINISTRIES

Pastoral Council Finance Council Faith Formation Bereavement Ministry Manna Ministry Human Trafficking Music Ministry Parish Hall & Kitchen Rental Social Media Website Eucharistic Ministers Coffee Hospitality Sacristans Lectors Ushers

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