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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION –“C” APRIL 13TH 2025 “THE MASTER HAS NEED OF IT”

The passion account portrays Jesus offering mercy and compassion even as he endures His own suffering and death. At His arrest, Jesus’ disciples turn to violence, one of them cutting off the ear of the high priest’s servant. Jesus admonishes them to put away their weapons and heals the man’s ear. At the start of His own passion, Jesus offers God’s healing to one who is an instrument of His suffering. As He is raised upon the cross, Jesus begs God to forgive those who are crucifying Him. Unlike Mark and Matthew, Luke narrates that one of the criminals crucified with Jesus acknowledges his own guilt and somehow recognizes Jesus as a prophet of divine mercy. Jesus responds to him: “today you will be with me in Paradise” (Lk 23:43).

The centurion’s statement that “This man was innocent” (Lk 23:47) returns to the theme of the suffering righteous (or innocent) one of Isaiah. Even in death, God’s saving power is at work, and Jesus, God’s obedient servant, is acknowledged innocent as He awaits God’s ultimate vindication.

SourceBook

DOMINGO DE RAMOS DE LA PASIÓN DEL SEÑOR ABRIL 13TH 2025 ‘EL SEÑOR LO NECESITA’

El relato de la pasión retrata a Jesús ofreciendo misericordia y compasión incluso mientras soporta su propio sufrimiento y muerte. En su arresto, los discípulos de Jesús recurren a la violencia, uno de ellos le corta la oreja al siervo del sumo sacerdote. Jesús les

advierte que guarden sus armas y cura la oreja del hombre. Al comienzo de su propia pasión, Jesús ofrece la curación de Dios a quien es instrumento de su sufrimiento. Al ser resucitado en la cruz, Jesús le ruega a Dios que perdone a quienes lo están crucificando. A diferencia de Marcos y Mateo, Lucas narra que uno de los criminales crucificados con Jesús reconoce su propia culpa y de alguna manera reconoce a Jesús como profeta de la misericordia divina. Jesús le responde: “Hoy estarás conmigo en el Paraíso” (Lc 23,43).

La afirmación del centurión de que “Este hombre era inocente” (Lc 23,47) vuelve al tema del justo sufriente (o inocente) de Isaías. Incluso en la muerte, el poder salvador de Dios está obrando, y Jesús, el siervo obediente de Dios, es reconocido inocente mientras espera la vindicación final de Dios.



SERVING THE COMMUNITY THROUGH MANNA MINISTRY

In the Bible, "manna" refers to the miraculous food God provided to the Israelites during their 40-year journey through the desert, described as tasting like wafers made with honey and appearing with the dew every morning. In the New Testament, Jesus refers to himself as the "true bread from heaven," and manna is sometimes seen as a symbol of Jesus and the Eucharist.

Manna Ministry at Our Lady of Mount Carmel began in early 2009. Joni Zabala was OLMC's Manna coordinator, shopping at the Food Bank weekly & creating the distribution list. Each Saturday morning a team was assigned to bag & distribute the bags of food to Rippling River & the Cachagua Community Park to serve those in need. Over the next 11 years the bags expanded to include fresh produce, meat, & dairy, when available, bread & non-perishable items. The cost of food provided was paid for by collections & donations from OLMC parishioners & purchased through the Monterey Food Bank.

Manna took a pause in 2020 due to COVID. In 2021, Janice & Jeff Hawkins restarted & expanded Manna Ministry. It was decided that those folks at Rippling River were receiving these benefits through many organizations, so OLMC's focus was to serve those in Cachagua twice a month, with 3 teams rotating once every 6 weeks to bag & deliver. When Janice & Jeff left the parish, Alondra Valdez-Klemek took over management of the ministry.

The Manna Ministry delivers food bags on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. This regular schedule provides stability and reliability for those we serve, enabling them to plan their meals accordingly.

The Manna Ministry has significantly impacted the area over the past 12 years. By providing essential nourishment, we have helped alleviate hunger and improve the overall well-being of countless individuals. Our efforts have fostered a sense of community and support, demonstrating the power of collective action rooted in compassion.

Volunteering with the Manna Ministry is a rewarding experience that offers the opportunity to make a tangible difference in the lives of others. Our volunteers come from diverse backgrounds, united by a common goal of serving those in need. The sense of fulfillment and camaraderie among our team members is invaluable, creating a supportive and uplifting environment.

We invite you to join our efforts in serving the community through the Manna Ministry. Whether through volunteering, donations, or spreading awareness, your contribution can make a significant impact. Together, we can continue to nourish the less fortunate and embody the spirit of compassion and solidarity.

For more information on how to get involved, please contact Alondra Valdez-Klemek or the Parish Office. We look forward to welcoming you to our team and working together to make a difference.



MASS INTENTIONS

April 12th — 20th 2025

Sat. April 12th Vigil 4:30: + Beverly Kordsmeier

Palm Sunday: April 13th 9:00: + Baby Francis

11:00: + Joann McIntyre

Misa en Espanol 1:00 pm: + Rosa Ramirez &

Graciela Salinas

Wed. April 16th 12:00: + Colleen Caufield

Thurs. Ap. 17th Holy Thursday 6:30pm (Bilingual)

Fri. April 18th Good Friday 3pm: Stations of the Cross

3:45: Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

(Collection for the Holy Sites)

Sat. Ap. 19th 8:00pm Easter Vigil (Bilingual)

Sun. April. 20th 9:00: + Anna Conroy

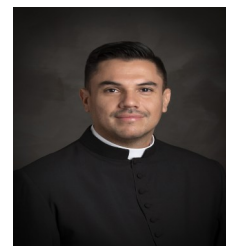
11:00: - Health of Anita Nolls

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

APRIL 5TH & 6TH \$4,650.15

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



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

During the whole Civil Year, we have 52 weeks.

Only one is called Holy Week and it starts this weekend with Palm Sunday. Let us keep this Holy Time, as it must be kept: "Holy".

Also, during the Holy Week, we have the celebration of the Holy Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Saturday. It is one celebration divided into three days. I hope you can join us; as we celebrate the Passion, Death and Resurrection of our Lord.

I invite you to read the article about Manna Ministry and how we serve the needy in our community and you can be part of this wonderful ministry. Shalom! Fr. Jhonnatan.

SPAIN PILGRIMAGE

11 DAYS: SEPTEMBER 15-25, 2025

*FOLLOWING THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. TERESA AND ST. JUNIPERO
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DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMA 2025: 38 donors have given \$37,750, which is 76% of the goal.

We will be needing **lilies and flowers of all kinds and colors** to adorn our altar for Easter. Please bring your flower donations (cut or potted) between Wednesday, April 16th and Saturday, April 19th when we will be decorating the altar from 9-11 am.

HOLY WEEK, AND EASTER 2025

PALM SUNDAY

Sat. April 12th 4:30pm: Vigil Mass

Sun. April 13th: 9 & 11am Masses.

1pm Misa en Espanol.

Blessing of Palms (Covid Memorial Garden)

"Weather permitting"

CHRISM MASS

Tue. of Holy Week April 15th

11am At Madonna del Sasso in Salinas.

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

April 16th 12pm Betrayal Mass

HOLY THURSDAY

April 17th 6:30pm: Bilingual Mass of the Lord's Supper -Adoration Until 10pm
Parish Hall

GOOD FRIDAY

April 18th: 3:00 pm Stations of Cross
3:45 pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
6:00 pm Santo Via Crucis & 7 Dolores de la Virgen (*Cachagua Community Park*)

HOLY SATURDAY

April 19th 8:00 pm: Bilingual Easter Vigil
Blessing of Fire (Covid Memorial Garden)

"Weather permitting"


EASTER SUNDAY

April 20th: 9 & 11am Easter English Masses.

NOTE: The office will be closed and there will be no weekday Masses the week after Easter, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday April 23, 24 & 25. (We will be shampooing our carpets).

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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

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Bereavement Ministry	Coffee Hospitality
Manna Ministry	Sacristans
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