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5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER— MAY 18, 2025 “LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I LOVE YOU”

Today we hear words spoken by Jesus before his death and Resurrection. Jesus is teaching at the Last Supper. Immediately after, Jesus predicts his betrayal by Judas. Today's Gospel follows that prediction. It begins with the announcement that this is the moment when the Son of Man will be glorified. This theme continues throughout John's Passion. Jesus will be glorified in his death on the cross and in his Resurrection, and the disciples will glorify Jesus in the love they show. John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice.

It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another. This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: “See how they love one another.” Christian love is



the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others. *Loyola Press*

“AMENSE LOS UNOS A LOS OTROS, COMO YO LOS HE AMADO”

Hoy escuchamos las palabras de Jesús antes de su muerte y resurrección. Jesús enseña en la Última Cena. Inmediatamente después, predice su traición a manos de Judas. El Evangelio de hoy sigue esa predicción. Comienza con el anuncio de que este es el momento en que el Hijo del Hombre será glorificado. Este tema continúa a lo largo de la Pasión de Juan. Jesús será glorificado en su muerte en la cruz y en su Resurrección, y los discípulos glorificarán a Jesús con su amor. El Evangelio de Juan no presenta una visión sentimental del amor. Este es un tipo de amor que se manifiesta en el servicio y el sacrificio. Es difícil elegir amar cuando se enfrenta al odio y la ira. Jesús les dice a sus discípulos que todos sabrán que son sus discípulos por el amor que se demuestran unos a otros. Esta descripción de la comunidad cristiana primitiva se repetirá en los Hechos de los Apóstoles: «Miren cómo se aman». El amor cristiano es el sello distintivo del cristianismo. Lo vemos vivido en el testimonio de los mártires. Lo vemos en el ejemplo de la vida de los santos. Lo vemos en las santas mujeres y hombres que viven y aman a diario, haciendo pequeños y grandes sacrificios por los demás.

TWO POPES: A LEGACY OF SERVICE CONTINUES

In his last address on Easter Sunday to Catholics everywhere and to the entire world, Pope Francis said: “I would like all of us to hope anew and to revive our trust in others, including those who are different than ourselves, or who come from distant lands, bringing unfamiliar customs, ways of life, and ideas! For all of us are children of God! I would like us to renew our hope that peace is possible!” During his life of following in Jesus’ steps and teachings, he lived a life of service, humility and grace, refraining from the trappings of power or wealth, and instead choosing a simpler, more modest lifestyle. With Pope Francis’ passing, despite our loss, we have been blessed with another likeminded spiritual leader in Pope Leo XIV. Born in the United States and also a citizen of Peru, Pope Leo XIV spent two decades living there. As such, many prefer to refer to him not just as the **Pope from America, but as the Pope from the Americas**—an important distinction that reflects his broader cultural and spiritual heritage. We pray that he will guide us and especially our youth forward through the challenges that face our church and our world.



DOS PAPAS: UN LEGADO DE SERVICIO CONTINÚA

En su último discurso del Domingo de Pascua a los católicos de todo el mundo, el Papa Francisco dijo:

"¡Quisiera que todos nosotros renováramos la esperanza y reaviváramos nuestra confianza en los demás, también en aquellos que son diferentes de nosotros, o que vienen de tierras lejanas, trayendo costumbres, formas de vida e ideas desconocidas! Porque todos somos hijos de Dios. Quisiera que renováramos nuestra esperanza de que la paz es posible". Durante su vida de seguimiento de los pasos y enseñanzas de Jesús, vivió una vida de servicio, humildad y gracia, absteniéndose de las trampas del poder o la riqueza, y eligiendo en su lugar un estilo de vida más sencillo y modesto. Con la muerte del Papa Francisco, a pesar de nuestra pérdida, hemos sido bendecidos



con otro líder espiritual de ideas afines, el Papa León XIV. Nacido en Estados Unidos y ciudadano de Perú, León XIV vivió allí durante dos décadas. Por ello, muchos prefieren referirse a él no sólo como el **Papa de América, sino como el Papa de las Américas**, una distinción importante que refleja su amplia herencia cultural y espiritual. Rezamos para que nos guíe, y especialmente a nuestros jóvenes, a través de los desafíos a los que se enfrentan nuestra Iglesia y nuestro mundo.

We invite our Parish members to send ideas for stories or if you want to write stories that will unite our community: bulletin@ourladycarmelvalley.org

MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 17TH – MAY 25TH 2025

Sat. May 17th 4:30 Vigil: **Health & Healing of Naava**

Sun. May 18th 9:00: + Evelyn Morrill
11:00: **Health & Healing of Sue Morris**

Wed. May 21st 12:00: + Art Taylor

Thurs. May 22nd 12:00: + Joann McIntyre

Fri. May 23rd 12:00: **Health & Healing of Antoinette**

Sat. May 24th 4:30 Vigil: + Carlos Alberto Montoya

Sun. May 25th 9:00: + Gladys & Alfonse Scarpitto
11:00: + Lyle Cavin III

*May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen*

WEEKLY COLLECTION
MAY 10 & 11 \$2,609.91

Thank you for your generosity to our parish community.

- Fr. Jhonnatan's 10-year anniversary of ordination is coming up on May 22nd. We will be having a little celebration after all the Sunday Masses on **May 25**. You are all invited!
- We are pleased to report the '**God Incident**' book sale raised \$320.00 for our Faith Formation programs. Thank you for supporting this effort. If you missed out on buying one of the books, they are still available by contacting Tom Lukes at ShareGodIncidents@gmail.com.
- Additional funds raised will go directly to OLMC. Thank you!"

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



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

Many people have tried to define what is love; but when I think about a definition of love, I think about Jesus "Love one another as I love you", there is nothing new in this definition; but Jesus said **as I love you**; that is what makes it new. I hope to see you at the weekend Masses so we can really meditate on what love is.

SPAIN PILGRIMAGE

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AMA UPDATE:

*61 donors have contributed a total of \$64,705 to this year's AMA. This amount constitutes **129% of our parish financial goal of \$50,000**, and it exceeds the donations of last year and the year before. We are blessed to have so many generous parishioners!*

Of this year's total, approximately \$11,000 will go to the diocese to support its many ministries. The remainder-- about \$54,000-- will be divided between operating fund and building fund.

*We'll close the appeal at the end of this month and while we have met our financial goal, **we encourage our parishioners to participate so we can achieve our goal of 100 donors.** Every dollar counts and we welcome any amount.*

Until then you'll find the brochures and envelopes at the back of the church as you leave. Thanks again!

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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 7:00 PM 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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Bereavement Ministry

Human Trafficking

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Parish Hall & Kitchen Rental

Social Media

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Eucharistic Ministers

Coffee Hospitality

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