



250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
CARMEL MISSION  
BASILICA

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

I hope that you and your loved ones are well. It's the Season of Lent once again and it's time to roll out our Annual Ministries Appeal.

Thanks to your amazing generosity, our beautiful Mission parish has once again contributed more than any other parish in our diocese towards the various diocesan ministries mentioned in the letter and information sent to you last year by our Bishop, Daniel Garcia.

You have probably already received a letter from Bishop Garcia regarding the 2024 AMA. The first \$71,000.00 that we raise goes to help our diocesan ministries.

Together with our Parish Finance Council, I have set a goal of raising \$300,000.00 this year. Your Finance Council and I have decided to dedicate the funds we raise to necessary improvements to our Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Our Blessed Sacrament Chapel has served our community well since it was constructed in 1947 under the direction of Sir Harry Downie, and dedicated on June 11th by Bishop Willinger.

It has always been a place of prayer and peace. It is the location for our weekday masses, the place where we pray the Holy Rosary for vocations, and offer Adoration to Our Savior in the Blessed Sacrament on First Fridays, the place where we confer God's mercy on those who come to Confession each Saturday. It truly is a place of prayer and peace.

It has been calling out for attention for some years. Recently we discovered some issues resulting from the very poor ventilation in the Chapel. Did you know that there is only one window that opens to let the air inside? Another issue that we hope to address through this 2024 AMA Campaign is accessibility. Many people find it difficult to climb the steps in order to enter the Chapel. We are seeking to construct a ramp at the entrance.

All of the above improvements require your generous assistance, and so I'm appealing to you to participate in our 2024 AMA Campaign:

**Blessed Sacrament Chapel - A Place of Prayer and Peace.**

I believe that it's particularly appropriate that we focus on our Blessed Sacrament Chapel during this year of Eucharistic Revival in the American Church.

We walk in the footsteps of our beloved founder, Saint Junipero, protecting our illustrious heritage and preserving it for future generations.

I thank you in advance for your generosity and I wish you and your loved ones blessings of good health and great happiness.

Fr. Paul

# BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL A PLACE OF PRAYER AND PEACE

## AMA 2024

Our Blessed Sacrament Chapel has served our community well since it was constructed in 1947 under the direction of Sir Harry Downie, and dedicated on June 11th by Bishop Willinger.



For this campaign we are turning our focus and your amazing support to our wonderful Blessed Sacrament Chapel, for years it has been calling for our attention.

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