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## **Second Sunday of Easter April 19, 2020** *Or Sunday of Divine Mercy*

"Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

— *Jn 20:19-31*



Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

It is with great pleasure that I can report on the success of our Easter celebration with our "virtual community." Our Easter Sunday Mass has over one thousand views, and our online community continues to grow each day. As you know, we are reaching out in all possible ways, through the platforms of Facebook, Instagram and YouTube, as well as our own website, [carmelmission.org](http://carmelmission.org). We are amazed and thrilled that so many of you are connecting with us regularly through the Daily Prayers, weekend Masses, and Prayer Requests. Thank you for being with us in these strange and difficult times.

I also wish to thank you for your generous Easter Offerings. Many of you are moving to electronic giving, which is easier for you hopefully, and easier for us as well. Many more still made a special effort to contribute more than usual for their Easter Offering, and I am profoundly grateful. Your generous continued support ensures that we can continue to stay connected in ways old and new.

This Sunday, as we celebrate Divine Mercy, my mind turns especially to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Be assured that God's mercy is greater than we can ever comprehend. In this time when the Sacrament of Reconciliation is not available to us, God knows our hearts and God hears our prayers. He knows our desire to be reconciled to Him, and our ongoing need for His mercy and forgiveness. Wanting only good for us, our God will, through His boundless and mysterious mercy, supply us with all that we need. Please see [Bishop Danny Garcia's letter](#) regarding the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the time of COVID-19, available on our website.

In my Easter homily, I encouraged us all to "drive out the virus of fear by practicing the virtue of love." We see that idea in action in the Gospel today where we find the disciples living in fear, hiding in a locked room. Jesus comes among them, and rather than offer any criticism of their cowardice or their abandonment of Him during His Passion, He acts with complete love, offering instead the gift of His peace, and the consolation of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will give no less to all of us who love Him and come to Him as we can, however we can, in these challenging times.

I wish you and your loved ones continued Easter blessings of new hope and profound peace,

Fr. Paul

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## TODAY'S READING

**First Reading** They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. *(Acts 2:42-47)*

**Psalm** Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good his love is everlasting.  
*(Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24)*

**Second Reading** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope... *(1 Pt 1:3-9)*

**Gospel** "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." *(Jn 20:19-31)*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday, April 20

Acts 4:23-31  
Ps 2:1-3, 4-7A, 7B-9  
Jn 3:1-8

### Tuesday, April 21

Acts 4:32-37  
Ps 93:1AB, 1CD-2, 5  
Jn 3:7B-15

### Wednesday, April 22

Acts 5:17-26  
Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Jn 3:16-21

### Thursday, April 23

Acts 5:27-33  
Ps 34:2 & 9, 17-18, 19-20  
Jn 3:31-36

### Friday, April 24

Acts 5:34-42  
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14  
Jn 6:1-15

### Saturday, April 25 (Feast of St. Mark)

1 Pt 5:5B-14  
Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17  
Mk 16:15-20

### Sunday, April 26

Acts 2:14, 22-33  
Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11  
1 Pt 1:17-21  
Lk 24:13-35

## SCRIPTURE MESSAGE

Last week we celebrated the great triumph of our God, even death could not keep God from God's people. Love overwhelmed death, defeating it forever. This week we learn that though death has been vanquished, fear is keeping the disciples from Jesus. They are hiding in a locked room, fearful for their lives. Jesus appears among them and offers them peace. He does not chastise them for deserting him in his Passion, or for their present cowardly actions. He knows that they are not yet strong enough for the task he gives them, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." So he breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, and they are strengthened, encouraged and commissioned for the work of ministry.

Next we encounter Thomas, who was not with the other disciples, he is not ready to believe. The testimony of his friends is not enough, he desires and requires personal proof. We can perhaps relate to doubting Thomas. The despair and disappointment of the disciples in the face of Christ's death must have been devastating. Maybe Thomas could not bring himself to hope again, not out of obstinance, but out of fear. Fear of disappointment was keeping him from belief. While Jesus says, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" He also offers His wounded hands and side to Thomas so that he may "not be unbelieving but believe."

This our God; always seeking our best selves but accepting and loving who we are, and where we are in our faith journey. When we need encouragement, God is there. When we need consolation, God is there. When we need help to overcome our fear, our unbelief, our God is there, ready to offer His hands, His side, His boundless mercy and compassion.



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## Prayer Request

**04/05/20 - Fr. Paul's Message —  
Join Us in Prayer Daily**

**Please click the image to view  
A message from Father Paul inviting  
you to join us for our Daily Prayer.**

Please send your prayer requests

We want to hear from you.

We want to hear from you at this time when we cannot gather in person. Our prayer request email is a great way to let us know about your prayer requests, any special intentions you may have, and if you know of anyone in our parish family who is ill we ask that you share that with us so we may pray for them, and reach out to them or their family.

Please send your prayer requests and special intentions to Fr. Paul and Fr. Rodrigo by emailing them at:

**SEND PRAYER  
REQUEST**

## FR. PAUL'S DAILY PRAYERS; TRANSCRIBED

The Carmel Mission posts Prayers by Father Paul, Monday through Saturday at 7 AM and a weekly Mass on Sundays.

If there was a video that stood out to you, or if you would simply like to revisit last week's special prayers and follow along, this section has transcribed Fr. Paul's Daily Prayers for your enjoyment.

*In Jesus' passion we see reflected the sufferings of all humanity and we discover God's answer to the mystery of evil, suffering and death. We often feel horror because of the evil and pain around us and we ask 'Why does God allow this? It hurts deeply when we see suffering and death, especially when it involves the innocent. When we see children suffering, it wounds our hearts.*

*This week it will do good for us all to look to the crucifix, kissing the wounds of Jesus, kissing the crucifix. Out of love for us, Jesus freely walked the path of humiliation and self-abandonment for our salvation. He has taken upon himself the whole of human suffering.*

*God gives us his Son who dies humiliated, betrayed, abandoned and reviled, Yet God's victory shines forth in what appears, in human terms, to be failure and defeat.*

*Christ takes upon himself the power of evil in order to set us free: 'by his wounds we have been healed. This week, as we follow Jesus along the way of the cross, may we imitate his loving obedience to the will of the Father, especially in times of difficulty and humiliation, and open our hearts to his gifts of reconciliation, redemption and new life.*

— The Holy Father, Pope Francis

### **Monday, April 13 - The Easter Flower**

Far from this foreign Easter damp and chilly  
My soul steals to a pear-shaped plot of ground,  
Where gleamed the lilac-tinted Easter lily  
Soft-scented in the air for yards around;

Alone, without a hint of guardian leaf!  
Just like a fragile bell of silver rime,  
It burst the tomb for freedom sweet and brief  
In the young pregnant year at Eastertime;

And many thought it was a sacred sign,  
And some called it the resurrection flower;  
And I, a pagan, worshiped at its shrine,  
Yielding my heart unto its perfumed power.

—Claude McKay



### **Tuesday, April 14 - A Prayer to St. Mary Magdalene**

O lamp of the world and gleaming pearl, who by announcing Christ's resurrection merited to become the "Apostle of the Apostles," Mary Magdalen, be ever our loving advocate with God who has chosen you. Amen

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## DAILY PRAYERS (CONTINUED)

### Wednesday, April 15 - Easter Day

The silver trumpets rang across the Dome:  
The people knelt upon the ground with awe:  
And borne upon the necks of men I saw,  
Like some great God, the Holy Lord of Rome.

Priest-like, he wore a robe more white than foam,  
And, king-like, swathed himself in royal red,  
Three crowns of gold rose high upon his head:  
In splendour and in light the Pope passed home.

My heart stole back across wide wastes of years  
To One who wandered by a lonely sea,  
And sought in vain for any place of rest:  
'Foxes have holes, and every bird its nest,  
I, only I, must wander wearily,  
And bruise my feet, and drink wine salt with tears.

—Oscar Wilde

### Thursday, April 16 - St. Junipero, Pray for Us

God, the Father of Heaven, Have mercy on us.

God, the Son, Redeemer of the World,  
Have mercy on us.

God, the Holy Spirit, Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God, Have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us.

Mother of the Church, Pray for us.

Queen of the Angels, Pray for us.

Patroness of the Americas, Pray for us.

Saint Junipero Serra, Pray for us.

Who opens my eyes and heart to the challenges of today, Pray for us.

Prophet and penitent who saw the suffering Christ in the poor, Pray for us.

Admirer of all creation, the sea, the sky, and all the earth, Pray for us.

Model of priestly service and saintly son of St. Francis, Pray for us.

Beloved of God and of all those in need, Pray for us.

Peacemaker in the face of violence, Pray for us.

Teacher of perseverance and trust in prayer, Pray for us.

Apostolic missionary, Pastor, and Patron of the Californias, Pray for us.

Pathfinder for those seeking true direction in their lives, Pray for us.

God's fearless leader, Pray for us.

Who keeps my gratitude fresh each day, Pray for us.

Who accepts both success and suffering as gift, Pray for us.

Who bore his physical and emotional pain in imitation of the Crucified, Pray for us.



## DAILY PRAYERS (CONTINUED)

Who spoke the truth openly and courageously against power and injustice, Pray for us.

Whose charity and humility endured a lifetime, Pray for us.

Who proclaimed the Gospel, fed the hungry, and clothed the naked, Pray for us.

Who was always faithful, zealous and loyal, Pray for us.

Who was close to the sick and dying, Pray for us.

Who is guide to my feet in following Christ, Pray for us

Who told us, "Always go forward and never turn back." Pray for us

O Christ, may your compassion shine forth from the depths of our hearts and embrace all we meet. Hear us, O Lord.

You who fills the emptiness in our life with your presence, Hear us, O Lord.

Tender-hearted and merciful God, Hear us, O Lord.

Christ hear us.

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Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.

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### Friday, April 17 - Easter Hymn

<p>If in that Syrian garden, ages slain,          You sleep, and know not you are dead in vain,          Nor even in dreams behold how dark and bright          Ascends in smoke and fire by day and night          The hate you died to quench and could but fan,          Sleep well and see no morning, son of man.</p>	<p>But if, the grave rent and the stone rolled by,          At the right hand of majesty on high          You sit, and sitting so remember yet          Your tears, your agony and bloody sweat,          Your cross and passion and the life you gave,          Bow hither out of heaven and see and save.</p>
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From "In the Breaking of the Bread" - Michael Ward

"But then we became afraid without him, in the darkened room we stayed without him, waiting for the one he said that he would send.

Then the Spirit of the Lord came down upon us, filling us, changing us, giving us the strength to say, we saw him, suddenly our eyes were opened and we knew he was alive.

We ran out into the street to tell them, everyone that we could meet to tell them. God has raised him up and we have seen the Lord.

We took bread as he had done and then we blessed it, broke it, offered it.

In the breaking of the bread, we saw him, there within our midst was Jesus, and we knew he was alive, in the breaking of the bread, he is here with us again, and we know he is alive."



## SICK IN THE PARISH

All the sick are prayed for during a general intercession at every mass. At this time we pray especially for:

John Calcagno, Madeleine Kepp, Mary Cea, Larry Fry, Knox Mellon, Richard Cruickshank, John Flynn, Charles Cardoza, Gwen Foster, Vivian Sweeney, Mercedes Ferrante, Frank Machalla, King Williams, Brandon Paulikas, Julieta Evangelista, Dan Ukestad, Nancy D'Angelo, Ruth Flynn, Phyllis Loyko, Missy Student, Lois Jones, Ed Soberanes, Marjorie Coleman, Jim Gill, Barry Long



## RECENTLY DECEASED IN OUR PARISH

Please pray for our brothers and sisters who have died, especially:

Jeanne Johnson, Judy Mollner, Ernie Bizzazero, Bob Condry, Mary Dills, Elinor Laiolo, Dr. Maria Gurney, Frank Crivello, Rose Green, Deane H. Hollenback, Luigi Uttaro, Anita Pender, Karen Lyon, Jean Neiman, Filomena Pacheco, Mary O'Shea

... that they may rejoice with the Risen Lord. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them; and may the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Keep in prayer our brave parishioners, relatives and friends of our parish family who are in service to their country in the Armed Forces abroad:

Michael Healy, Richard Brophy and Robert Maher

We ask the Lord to keep them safe from harm and pray for their families while they are far from home.

## PRAYER REQUESTS AND SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Don't forget if you know of anyone in our parish family who is ill we ask that you share that with us so we may pray for them, and reach out to them or their family.

Please send your prayer requests and special intentions to Fr. Paul and Fr. Rodrigo by emailing them at [PrayerRequest@carmelmission.org](mailto:PrayerRequest@carmelmission.org) or clicking the Prayer Request button on our website, [carmelmission.org](http://carmelmission.org).

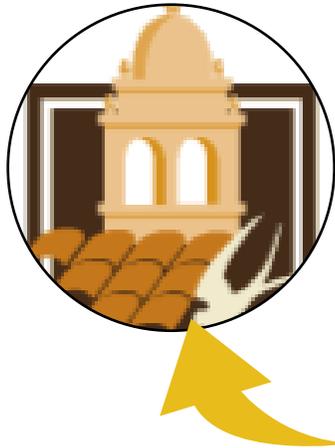




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## Carmel Mission is on YouTube



**Join Us for our weekly Streaming Mass and Daily Prayers.**

**Click the Mission logo to go to our YouTube channel.**

Once again, we have recieved a postive response for our Palm Sunday Mass and Daily Prayer videos..

We thank all our parishioners and staff for supporting our efforts to communicate and stay in touch with our amazing community.

If you or anyone you know is missing out on our daily videos, please share the Carmel Mission channel with them.

## Follow us on social media!

The Carmel Mission has opened two new channels for you to communicate with us.

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## ***YOUR GENEROUS STEWARDSHIP APRIL 6 THROUGH APRIL 12!***

### **Report for week ending on April 12<sup>th</sup>.**

<b>Electronic Donations – Weekday:</b>	<b>\$2,674.59</b>
<b>Electronic Donations – Weekend:</b>	<b>\$5,004.12</b>
<b>Mail Donations:</b>	<b>\$28,945.00</b>
<b>Knights of Columbus:</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>
<b>Falge Farmworkers:</b>	<b>\$5,900.00</b>
<b>Total Collections:</b>	<b>\$47,523.71</b>

Thank you all for your continued support of the Carmel Mission.

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

So much has changed in the world in recent weeks, and also here at Carmel Mission. We have done much work to develop our communication on our website [carmelmission.org](http://carmelmission.org) to keep our community informed and to draw everyone closer together in these unsettling times.

Of course, none of this is possible without your continued support. I ask that you continue your generous support of the Carmel Mission, so we can weather these challenging times and continue to support you and our community through the services we do such as our streaming mass and daily prayer. You may contribute electronically via the DONATE button on the website or by mailing your offering to Carmel Mission, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel, CA 93923.

We are still on our Lenten journey, a journey we could hardly have imagined when Lent began. As we near the end of that journey and prepare to accompany our Savior through his Passion, Death, and triumphant Resurrection, I encourage you to turn your eyes, as Jesus did, towards Jerusalem, and journey onward, even into the unknown, with confidence that you will never walk alone.

May God continue to bless and protect you and your loved ones,

Fr. Paul

**I thank you for your sense of Stewardship and your great generosity.**

**— Fr. Paul**



# Annual Ministry Appeal 2020 Heavenly Sounds

Dear Friends of Carmel Mission,

I hope that you and your loved ones are well.

Each year at this time, parishes throughout the Diocese of Monterey are launching the Annual Ministries Appeal. By our participation in this appeal, we assist so many people to grow in faith.

In this AMA campaign letter we will provide you with some idea of the huge variety of diocesan ministries that benefit as a result of your generous support of this appeal.

Since I was appointed Pastor at our beautiful Mission, your support has seen us go from strength to strength. Last year, our Renew A Pew Campaign had more donors contribute than any other parish in our diocese. We also raised the largest amount and were able to renew our pews for the next generation. I hope that you find them comfortable.

The first \$50,000.00 raised goes to our diocese and any sum over that amount comes back to our Mission.

This year our parish campaign is called: Heavenly Sounds, and has as its objective, the enhancement of the sound in our Basilica.

We probably have the best music in the Diocese of Monterey. Our wonderful Choir, Cantors, and musicians add so much to our liturgies and help us raise our minds and hearts to God. We also have music events throughout the year, the Bach Festival being a prime example. It is our intention to develop our music ministry and to add to our musical calendar.

A major component of our music at the Mission is our wonderful Casavant organ. This beautiful instrument adds so much to our many liturgies. The time has come when our Casavant organ requires immediate attention, if we are to continue to use it. A portion of our Heavenly Sounds Campaign will be used to replace all the electrical and computer components, which are totally out of date. We will be providing you with more detailed information soon.

I know that once again I can rely on your generous support, so that we at Carmel Mission can continue to create those Heavenly Sounds.

Sincere thanks to all,  
Blessings,  
Fr. Paul  
Pastor at Carmel Mission



For more information, please visit our AMA page at [carmelmission.org/2020-annual-ministry-appeal/](http://carmelmission.org/2020-annual-ministry-appeal/)

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## Carmel Neighbors are Here To Help

**CARMEL NEIGHBORS** want you to know that they are Carmel residents, just like you. Carmel Neighbors began as a conversation among several Carmel citizens who wanted to make sure that no one fell through the cracks during this time of shelter-in-place and social distancing. Members of the founding committee are listed on their About Us page at [carmelneighbors.org/about-us/](http://carmelneighbors.org/about-us/).

If you need help with groceries, errands, prescription pick-up, or just regular welfare calls, if you know someone who does, or if you would like to volunteer to help, use the contact information below to get in touch with them. You can also visit their website at [carmelneighbors.org](http://carmelneighbors.org).

Thank you for everything you're doing to support your congregation during these troubled times, and do let them know if you are aware of anyone who needs help.

**Email:** [support@carmelneighbors.org](mailto:support@carmelneighbors.org)

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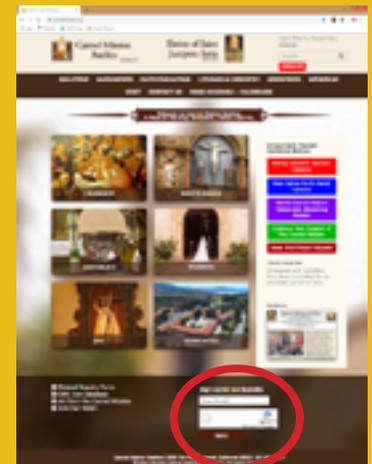
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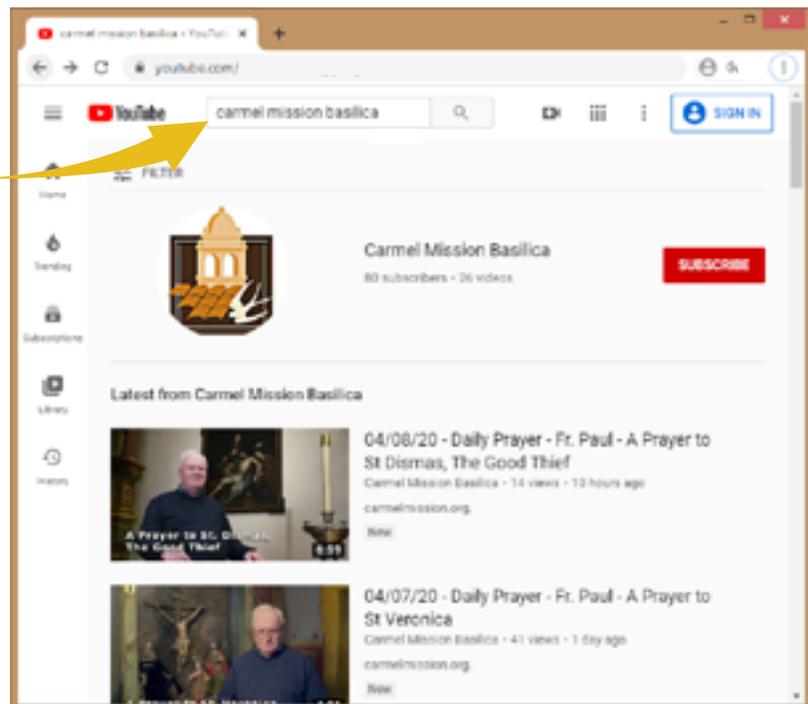
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### Follow us on YouTube to watch all our streaming Masses and Daily Prayers.

To find our Channel navigate to [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and search for Carmel Mission Basilica Channel in the search bar at the top.

Click on the Carmel Mission Basilica channel to find all our videos.

If you would like to be notified when we post new videos, be sure to click the red Subscribe button.

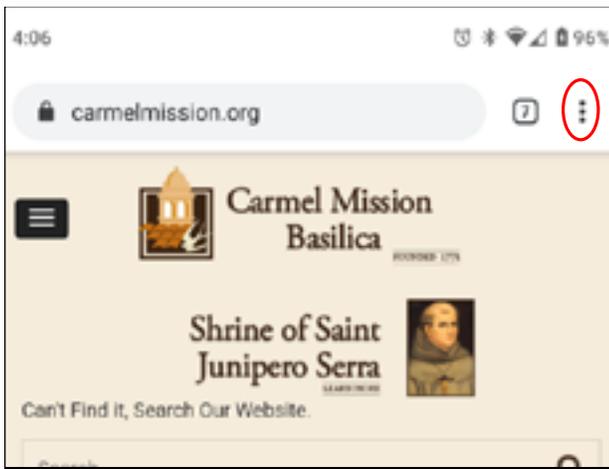


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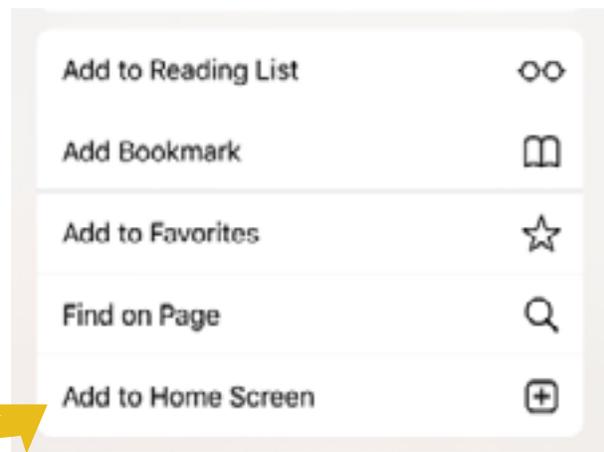


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