



Carmel Mission Basilica

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Founded 1771 by St. Junípero Serra



We will be filming Mass each weekend and streaming it on our website for our parishioners and friends to join us online.

Fourth Sunday of Lent - Laetare Sunday March 22, 2020

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

— Ps 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TODAY'S READING

Monday: IS 65:17-21
PS 30:2 AND 4, 5-6, 11-12A
AND 13B
JN 4:43-54

Tuesday: EZ 47:1-9, 12
PS 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9
JN 5:1-16

Wednesday: IS 7:10-14; 8:10
PS 40:7-8A, 8B-9, 10, 11
HEB 10:4-10
LK 1:26-38

Thursday: EX 32:7-14
PS 106:19-20, 21-22, 23
JN 5:31-47

Friday: WIS 2:1A, 12-22
PS 34:17-18, 19-20, 21
AND 23
JN 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: JER 11:18-20
PS 7:2-3, 9BC-10, 11-12
JN 7:40-53

Sunday: EZ 37:12-14
PS 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
ROM 8:8-11
JN 11:1-45

First Reading "There—anoint him, for this is the one!"... and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David. (*1 SM 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A*)

Psalm The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (*PS 23: 1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6.*)

Second Reading Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. (*EPH 5:8-14*)

Gospel "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind." (*JN 9:1-41*) OR Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

There is a saying, "There are none so blind as those who will not see." This is certainly true of the Pharisees in the Gospel today. Faced with undeniable proof of Jesus' power when he heals the man born blind, they instead try to find fault with him for not keeping Sabbath. They question the identity of the man born blind, then when his parents testify that it is indeed he, they try to impugn his character, "You were born totally in sin, and you are trying to teach us?" The Pharisees, fearing what acknowledging Jesus as the Christ would mean for their own status and position as faith leaders, choose to remain blind to the reality clearly stated by the formerly blind man, "If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything." Jesus' actions speak for themselves, but those who refuse to see them for what they are remain blind to the hope and joy that Jesus promises to all who believe in him. We are hopefully not blind to the reality that Jesus is the Christ, our Lord and Savior. But what are we turning a blind eye to? To the need of our neighbor? To a need in ourselves? What are we refusing to see out of apprehension or fear? In this season of Lent, we can come to our God, our healer, and ask that our eyes be opened and our fears relieved so that we may "live as children of light."

MUSIC CORNER

	5:30 PM SATURDAY	9:15 AM	11:00 AM WITH CHOIR	12:45 PM	5:30 PM
Entrance Chant	Gather us in Mercy Lord				
Penitential Act	Gather us in Mercy Lord				
Preparation of the Gifts	468	468	468	468	468
Holy, Holy	Missa Oecumenica				
Memorial Acclamation	Missa Oecumenica				
Amen	Missa Oecumenica				
Lamb of God	Missa Oecumenica				
Communion	155	155	155	155	155
Sending Forth	128	128	128	128	128

TIME	INTENTIONS	REQUESTED BY
Saturday, March 21		
8:30 AM	INT Anne Marie Swinkels	Family
5:30 PM	† Donald Thomas	Joan Brophy Thomas
	† Larry Marquardt	Kathleen & William Griffon
Sunday, March 22		
7:30 AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
9:15 AM	† John H. Gilbert Jr.	Gilbert Family
	† Austin Mullen	Lou Langley
11:00 AM	† David E. Jones	Family
	† Alex Salmoun Sr.	Maha Salmoun
12:45 PM	† Manuel Farao	Maria Dondero
5:30 PM	† Denis Van Dam	Bereavement Ministry
	† Howard Dale	Vince & Sharry Lauter
Monday, March 23		
7:00 AM	† Fr. Spohn	Swinkels Family
Tuesday, March 24		
7:00 AM	† Rose Green	Carmel Mission Community
Wednesday, March 25		
7:00 AM	† Ibbly Brennan	Jue & Madeleine Kepp
Thursday, March 26		
7:00 AM	INT Victor Swinkels	Family
Friday, March 27		
7:00 AM	† Mary O'Shea	Carmel Mission Community
Saturday, March 28		
8:30 AM	† Elinor Laiolo	Carmel Mission Community
5:30 PM	† Loyer Family	Family
	† Filomena M. Pacheco	Gina M.D. Lopes
Sunday, March 29		
7:30 AM	† Elinor Laiolo	Mike & Kay Boudreau
9:15 AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
11:00 AM	† Isidra & Mario Jayubo	Erna Clay
	† Carol Sweeney	Roger & Laney Fiola
12:45 PM	† Anthony Maini	Roxane Fritz
	INT Parker Susmann	Michael McDonald
5:30 PM	† Benjamin Cardenas	Alvarado Family
	INT Kris Koch	Michael McDonald



SICK IN THE PARISH

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

**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
Bob Condry
Nancy D'Angelo
Ruth Flynn
Phyllis Loyko
Missy Student
Lois Jones
Ed Soberanes
Judy Mollner
Ernie Bizzozero
Marjorie Coleman
Jim Gill
Barry Long**



RECENTLY DECEASED IN OUR PARISH

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

**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 Line

The Carmel Mission Prayer Line is confidential. Members of our faith community offer prayer daily for your special needs. Leave your message on the prayer line at **(831) 624-1271**, menu option **5**, if you want prayer for a special intention. Only the first name is needed with a short description of the intention need. Your prayer request remains on our list for three months (updates are appreciated).

Note: names are not placed in the bulletin "Pray For" list without that individual's permission.

Due to the concern of COVID-19 all social activities and meetings have been suspended for the time being.

For more information, visit carmelmission.org

Receive our Parish Bulletin via Email

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- Our Pastor’s letter to you
- Our complete online calendar
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LITURGY VAULT

LIVING THE LITURGY AT HOME: SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

As of this writing, the Bishop of Monterey in California has granted a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for the rest of the month of March. Given what is happening in other dioceses around the world, public Masses could sadly soon be suspended. I was originally going to write about the liturgy of Palm Sunday but given all that is currently happening, I thought I would take this opportunity to explore how to live the sacred liturgy at home, beginning with the devotional practice of **Spiritual Communion**.

If we are unable to receive Holy Communion, we can make what is called an Act of Spiritual Communion. Saint Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274) defined Spiritual Communion as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the most holy sacrament and lovingly embrace Him".

"Even in cases where it is not possible to receive sacramental communion [...] it is beneficial to cultivate a desire for full union with Christ through the practice of spiritual communion, praised by Pope John Paul II and recommended by saints who were masters of the spiritual life" (Pope Benedict XVI, *Sacramentum caritatis* (2007), n. 55).

"When you do not receive communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a spiritual communion, which is a most beneficial practice; by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you" (Saint Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582), *The Way of Perfection*).

"If we are deprived of Sacramental Communion, let us replace it, as far as we can, by spiritual communion, which we can make every moment; for we ought to have always a burning desire to receive the good God. Communion is to the soul like blowing a fire that is beginning to go out, but that has still plenty of hot embers; we blow, and the fire burns again" (Saint Jean-Baptiste-Marie Vianney, the "Curé d'Arns" (1786-1859).

So, how does one make an Act of Spiritual Communion? First, you should make a brief Examination of Conscience and a perfect Act of Contrition:

"O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin.
Amen" (*Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*).

You might then bless yourself with Holy Water (if available) and recite the Lord's Prayer (Our Father). Then, recite a prayer for Spiritual Communion. There are various formulae to choose from. Here are two:

- "My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen" (Saint Alphonsus Liguori, 1696-1787).
- "I wish, Lord, to receive You with the purity, humility and devotion with which Your most holy Mother received You, with the spirit and fervour of the saints".

~ Geoffrey Lopes da Silva
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DOCENT CORNER

St. Joseph Story

Since it is close to St. Joseph's feast day (19 March), it is interesting to note that the California Missions have a very interesting relationship with St. Joseph. He apparently played a spiritual role in the success of the early expedition.

The Inspector General of New Spain, Jose de Gálvez, placed the Portolá expedition of 1769 for the establishment of the missions and the colonization of Alta California under the patronage of St. Joseph (San Jose). This saint had been the provider of all the temporal needs of Jesus and Mary and for their protection. Gálvez found it appropriate that St. Joseph be the patron saint of all the missions.

In March of 1770, supplies at San Diego for the Portolá expedition were stretched to the limit. The *San Jose* and *San Antonio* were overdue with much needed provisions. Captain Portolá decided that since the ships with the promised supplies had not yet arrived and the camp was almost entirely out of food, that he would abandon the expedition and return immediately to Lower California. Fr. Serra was strongly against this move and he pleaded and begged Portolá to reconsider. The governor stood firm but Serra also had a strong will. In his letter to Fr. Palou in the Lower California Missions he said, "... I shall remain alone with Father Juan Crespí and hold out to the last breath."

Faced with a showdown, Portolá consented to wait while a novena (a 9 day devotional exercise) was made by Fr. Serra to St. Joseph, the holy patron of the expedition. On the 9th and last day of the novena, as the sun was setting on 19 March (St. Joseph's Day), a ship was spotted far out to sea, heading north. It was the *San Antonio*. St. Joseph had answered their prayers and the expedition was saved. Re-supplied, the expedition sailed for Monterey in April.

In 1797, the Mission of San José was founded by Fr. Lasuén in honor of Saint Joseph. This was the 14th mission.



This insight into the Mission history was provided by the Carmel Mission Docent Association. If you would like to find out more about becoming a Docent, please contact Nancy Hardy at nhardycarmel@att.net or 831-624-8846.

A MESSAGE FROM JUNIPERO SERRA SCHOOL PRINCIPAL: STEVE HENDERSON

Responding to developments related to COVID-19, Carmel Mission's Junipero Serra School has dismissed students from site based learning and the school has shifted to a Distance Learning model of teaching and learning.

Distance Learning will take place for three instructional weeks beginning Monday March 16 until Friday April 3. Students will return to site based learning on Monday April 6 - Thursday April 9.

The JSS Faculty is rising to the challenge of shifting pedagogy to meet this sudden need and Carmel Mission School will deliver the best possible Distance Learning plan for our students, given these unusual circumstances.

The school office is open throughout the Distance Learning phase. We are still accepting applications for next year and while we need to postpone our next Open House, we are ready to communicate with you via phone and email. We are also able to arrange individual school tours where we keep our appropriate social distance of six feet.

Email Principal Henderson at steve.henderson@juniperoserra.org





Growing in Faith

Annual Ministry Appeal 2020 Heavenly Sounds

In the early 1980s, then pastor Msgr. Eamon MacMahon had a vision for creating a unique instrument to enhance and compliment the beauty of our Basilica. He joined with the community to raise a significant amount of money to realize this vision, and partnered with Casavant Frères organ builders from Quebec. Our organ was conceived as a "classical" style instrument. That is, an organ that might have been built in the Classical period of music (ca. 1730-1820). Such instruments are characterized as being particularly brilliant in tone. The organ was designed specifically for our space, taking into account the physical space available for the pipes, the acoustics of the Basilica, and the desire for the organ to be both a wonderful vehicle to support and enhance our worship, and a world class concert instrument. Both of these goals were accomplished in our Casavant Opus 3612, installed here in 1986.

Since its installation the organ has received only routine required maintenance, and we continue to rely on its 1986 computer brain to power all functions. An upgrade to the computer and electrical system is sorely needed, as the existing hardware is completely obsolete and could not be repaired if it were to fail.

Since its installation the organ has faithfully served this community at well over 10,000 masses, thousands of weddings and funerals and hundreds of professional concerts. Please consider supporting our Heavenly Sounds campaign. With your help, our organ can receive the necessary upgrades and maintenance to continue to help us lift our minds and our voices to our loving God for years to come.



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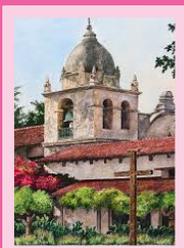
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\$50,000

Parish Goal
\$150,000

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Your generous donations for the week ending in 3/8/2020

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I thank you for your sense of Stewardship and your great generosity.
—Fr. Paul, Pastor



Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

We continue to monitor and navigate the public health crisis caused by the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

In the interest of safeguarding our parish communities and the common good of all society, Bishop Garcia has suspended all public masses in the Diocese of Monterey through at least Easter Sunday, April 12.

Here at Carmel Mission we will be filming mass each weekend and streaming it on our website for our parishioners and friends to join us online.

Please visit our website at www.carmelmission.org for the latest information and to stream mass.

Fr. Rodrigo and I will continue to offer daily mass privately for the announced intentions.

The Parish Office is closed indefinitely. If you need urgent assistance for pastoral or sacramental concerns please call (831) 646-4633. For other concerns please email reception@carmelmission.org.

The Museum Store, the museums and the grounds are closed to all visitors at this time.

We continue to pray for a quick end to this pandemic in our world.

Please continue to visit our website for ongoing communications such as our e-bulletin and weekly streaming mass.

May good health and God's blessings be with you and your loved ones,

Fr. Paul