The Shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help is one of our most popular shrines. The Shrine and the entire area surrounding it has recently received a welcome facelift, thanks to your generous support of our Maintenance Fund.

And a sword shall pierce your own heart, so that the thoughts of many may be revealed. Luke 2:35

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 2, 2020

For he is like the refiner’s fire, or like the fuller’s lye. He will sit refining and purifying silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi...  —Mal 3:1-4
Basilica

Saturday Vigil Mass
5:30 PM

Sunday Mass
7:30, 9:15, 11:00 AM, (12:45 PM, and 5:30 PM)

Holy Days:
8:15 AM, 12 NOON and (5:30 PM)

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Daily Morning Mass
Monday — Friday (7:00 AM)

Noon Mass
Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Noon Communion Services
Tuesday, Thursday

Saturday Morning Mass
8:30 AM

Saturday Reconciliation
9:30 AM — 10:30 AM

St. Francis of the Redwoods
Big Sur, CA

Bilingual Mass (Español/English):
1st and 3rd Saturday (5:00 PM)

First Reading
Lo, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me...(Mal 3:1-4)

Psalm
Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord! (Ps 24:7-10)

Second Reading
Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested. (Heb 2:14-18)

Gospel
... a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel. (Lk 2:22-40)

In the Gospel today we meet two people whose patience, trust and faith is an example to us all. Anna and Simeon have immersed themselves in their faith, studying the prophecies, worshipping in the temple, and awaiting the coming of the Messiah. The Messiah as promised by the prophet Malachi will be "like the refiner's fire....and he will purify the sons of Levi." Not necessarily qualities easily discernable in a six week old baby. But Anna and Simeon have no doubts. Simeon proclaims Jesus to be “a light for revelation to the Gentiles and glory for your people Israel.” The profound courage of these faithful servants is almost unimaginable, we know that Jesus is indeed the light of the world, destined to bring hope and salvation to all people. We know how the story ends. Anna and Simeon meet Jesus at the beginning of the story, the child of a poor unremarkable family, a baby they hold in their arms, who they know instantly is the Messiah they have awaited for a lifetime. We can only hope to emulate their faithful courage and witness. How do you witness the power of our Savior in your life? How can you be more like Anna and Simeon in both acknowledging the kingship of Jesus Christ, and proclaiming his Good News of salvation to all people?

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**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

**Are you someone or do you know someone who...**

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season, and for their lifelong journey as mature and well-formed Catholics. We warmly welcome your participation in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For information please contact Rosellen Sanna at (831) 624-1271 ext. 218 or rosellen.sanna@carmelmission.org.

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**Hospitality Ministry: Coffee and Donuts Needs More Volunteers**

The Carmel Mission Hospitality Ministry is looking for volunteers to sign up as on call substitutes. Those that sign up may be contacted to fill in when volunteers are unable to host Coffee and Donuts.

If you would like to sign up please contact Chris Stone, Hospitality Ministry Leader.

[Email: cstone27@yahoo.com](mailto:cstone27@yahoo.com)

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**Bible Study**

**Wednesday, February 5th**

10:30 AM in Crespi Hall

Our study of St. Paul’s letter to the Romans is the basis for much of our Catholic Faith.

We are exploring this fascinating writing which gives the basis for much of our Catholic Faith. Now is a good time and not too late in the course to join us. All of our recent Popes have urged parish Bible Study throughout the Church.

For more information contact: Dick Gorman at 595-6363

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**Book Club**

**Thursday, February 6th**

6 PM in Crespi Hall

We begin our discussion on *Heaven in Stone and Glass: Experiencing the Spirituality of the Great Cathedrals* by Robert Barron

For more information contact: Deacon Bill at (831) 316-9280 or Charlie Sciami at csciambi@gmail.com
PRAYERS - PETITIONS - SACRAMENTS - CATHOLIC SERVICE

SICK IN THE PARISH

All the sick are prayed for during a general intercession at every mass.
At this time we pray especially for:
Knox Mellon, Elinor Laiolo, Richard Cruickshank, John Flynn, Charles Cardoza, Gwen Foster,
Vivian Sweeney, Mercedes Ferrante, Frank Machalla, King Williams, Brandon Paulikas,
Julietta Evangelista, Dan Ukestad, Bob Condry, Nancy D’Angelo, Ruth Flynn, Phyllis Loyko,
Missy Student, Lois Jones, Ed Soberanes, Judy Mollner, Ernie Bizzozero, Marjorie Coleman,
Lou Langley, Jim Gill, Mary Dills, Barry Long

RECENTLY DECEASED IN OUR PARISH

Please pray for our brothers and sisters who have died, especially:
Frank Crivello, Rose Green, Don Harris, Deane H. Hollenback, Luigi Uttaro, Anita Pender, Karen Lyon, Dr. Maria Gurneu, Jean Neiman, Filomena Pacheco, Mary O’Shea, Barbara Davi, George Grasso, Sean Royster, Art Granat, Ray Hutton, Jan Anzini
... 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.

HOMEBOUND EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY

If you or someone you know, are unable to get to Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist at home,
For more information please call Joan Brophy Thomas at (831) 624-3074.

SOLEMN EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

The worship of the Eucharist outside of the Mass is of inestimable value for the life of the Church.
Please visit our Lord during our daily Blessed Sacrament Adoration,
Monday through Friday 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM.
On First Fridays we have 25 hours of Adoration from 7:30 AM to Saturday 8:30 AM.
Many parishioners have signed up to spend an hour with our Lord, but we still need sign-ups for early morning hours.
For more information, Call Sandi: (831) 624-9491.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

February 1 - 2
Did you know that there are 39 ORDERS of Consecrated Religious throughout the Monterey Diocese?
These are sisters, priests and brothers who belong to communities that serve the laity in many capacities. Remember them in your prayers this weekend as we celebrate the WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE.

Our next Serra Club meeting is Feb. 3 @ 6:00 pm in San Carlos Cathedral Hall. ALL ARE WELCOME!

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.

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.
LITURGY VAULT

“The liturgy is celebrated for God and not for ourselves; it is His work; He is the subject; and we must open ourselves to Him” (Pope Benedict XVI, 3 October 2012).


The Preparation of the Gifts: The Prayer over the Offerings

After the celebrant invites the faithful to “pray that the gifts will be acceptable... and they respond affirmatively” (Rev. Jovian P. Lang, OFM, Dictionary of the Liturgy (1989), p. 519), the Prayer over the Offerings is either said or sung. This prayer, which is proper according to the day, brings the Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts—the first part of the Liturgy of the Eucharist—to its conclusion.

The Prayer over the Offerings is the second of the three “presidential prayers” proper to each Mass, the other two being the Collect which concludes the Introductory Rites and the Prayer after Communion which concludes the Communion Rite.

Unlike the Collect and Prayer after Communion, the customary “Let us pray” does not introduce the Prayer over the Offerings, as it was introduced by the celebrant saying “Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father” (Order of Mass, n. 29).

The Prayer over the Offerings belongs to the “changeable parts of the liturgy of the Mass, that is, they are in touch and in intimate connection with the day’s celebration, which has an influence on their form. The petitions contained in the [Prayer over the Offerings] are inspired not merely respectively to and by the special day’s sacrificial celebration, but they are, moreover, in various ways influenced, suggested, supported by it and based thereon. Hence in the [Prayer over the Offerings] the spirit and the sense of the mysteries of the ecclesiastical year are found incorporated and blended in the most beautiful harmony and in abundant variety with oblation petitions, which generally concern the same object. In spite of their great similarity in general the [Prayer over the Offerings] are not uniform, but present in their arrangement and contents the most attractive and agreeable variety” (Rev. Dr. Nicholas Gihr, The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (1902), p. 550).

The Prayer over the Offerings for this Sunday, the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, is as follows:

“May the offering made with exultation by your Church be pleasing to you, O Lord, we pray, for you willed that your Only Begotten Son be offered to you for the life of the world as the Lamb without blemish. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. R/. Amen”.

~ Geoffrey Lopes da Silva
Liturgy Coordinator
Liturgy@CarmelMission.org
Our Lady of Lourdes

About Lourdes

Lourdes is a small town in southwestern France that became famous for the Marian appearance of Our Lady of Lourdes in 1858. On February 11 of that year a beautiful lady appeared before a 14-year-old, Bernadette Soubirous in the remote Grotto of Massabielle. The lady later appeared another 17 times, and identified herself as “the Immaculate Conception” and told Bernadette to tell people this: “I am the Immaculate Conception, go drink at the spring and bathe in its waters.”

Although no water was in plain sight, Bernadette began to dig in the area indicated by Our Lady and a spring began to flow.

Since 1860, the Roman Catholic Church has officially recognized 67 miraculous healings that have come to those who drank or bathed in Lourdes Grotto Water.

Today, Lourdes is the single greatest Catholic pilgrimage site in France, one of the largest pilgrimage and Catholic shrine sites in the world, and the single most famous modern shrine to Our Lady.

Father Paul and Father Rodrigo invite you to celebrate the World Day of the Sick with the Order of Malta at the 11am Mass on Sunday, February 9 at Carmel Mission Basilica. The Most Rev. Daniel E. Garcia, will be the principal celebrant and homilist, and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated during Mass. A reception will follow in Crespi Hall. All are welcome!

For more information, contact: Liturgy@carmelmission.org or, Fr.Paul@carmelmission.org
A message from Junipero Serra School Principal: Steve Henderson

I have now been at my post as Principal for seven months, and truly, I feel blessed to be the leader of the school. Why do I feel blessed? This school is well established with a deep network of alumni and a proud tradition as Carmel’s premier Catholic school. We are Carmel Mission School, and sit at a nexus of California history and are inheritors of a rich Christian heritage. It is a strong school where students are well-prepared for academic success in high school and beyond. We are a school with good teachers, many of whom have decades of experience at JSS. The long tenure of many of our teachers is an indicator of the stability, continuity, and excellence of the educational program. I expect most if not all of our teachers to return next year. We are a safe school, with time-honed structure and a culture of discipline through respect, kindness, and Christian values. As a Catholic school, we are centered in the person of Jesus Christ and seek to foster an understanding of Him and His message of love of God and service to others. Everyday we teach religion and we offer spirituality to all students, inviting them to learn about Jesus and how He provides us with the most compelling example of the realization of human potential. We encourage our students to explore and understand His teachings and follow His example.

The word is out in our community that JSS is a good school and accepting new students. I am giving many tours to prospective families. At the suggestion of the Faculty, I brought back the Student Ambassador program this year. Our students are the best example of the true quality and value of this school. Virtually every family remarks to me about how impressive our students are! For example, one mother wrote:

"Thank you for the delightful morning. I thoroughly enjoyed the tour with Emily and Chanel. It was such fun meeting all of the teachers and seeing the PE class in action and walking through the Basilica. I had such a feeling of peace and happiness while on campus and I know my son would love joining your school. As a parent, I feel blessed to have found such a caring and warm community. I’ll get to work on collecting my materials and stop by with the application paperwork..."

Parents are also a great ambassadors to speak about the quality of this school. Recently a current JSS parent remarked:

"I have two children at Junipero Serra School, I can tell you that in addition to being academically challenging, we are a safe, secure and beautiful school. The classes are small. The children in all grades know each other, watch out for each other and support one another. The school feels more like an extension of family for each of them."

I am blessed indeed and very happy to lead your Parish School, Carmel Mission’s Junipero Serra School!

Steve Henderson
Principal
**DOCENT CORNER**

**Juan Bautista De Anza**

The Carmel Mission is located on the Juan De Anza Trail. This is a National Park Service Historic Trail for automobiles that commemorates the route followed by Anza when he led the expedition to Monterey and San Francisco Bay. There is a Park Service plaque in the quadrangle on the wall outside the Mora Chapel.

Juan Bautista de Anza was an explorer, soldier and Indian fighter. He enlisted in the army, advanced rapidly and was a captain by 1760. His military duties mainly consisted of forays against hostiles such as the Apache and he explored much of what is now Arizona. Anza led a land expedition of 3 padres, 20 soldiers, 11 servants, 35 mules, 65 cattle, and 140 horses to find a route for colonists for Alta California. The expedition paralleled the modern Mexico/California border and crossed the Colorado River in the domain of the Yuma Indian tribe. They reached Monterey by April 19th of 1774.

Anza was then promoted to the lieutenant colonel and ordered to lead a group of colonists to Monterey. The expedition got under way a year later and they arrived at Mission San Gabriel by January of 1776. The expedition included a herd of 1,000 cattle and horses on a journey over 2,000 miles. The expedition of 240 Spanish men, women and children continued on to Monterey. Anza continued on with a small party exploring to the north and located sites for the Presidio of San Francisco and Mission San Francisco, Mission Santa Clara and the town of San José.

On his return to Mexico City, Anza was appointed Governor of the Province of New Mexico. He led a punitive expedition against the Comanche Indians who ceased their raids and moved to what is now Oklahoma and Texas. He died in 1788 before he took command of the Presidio of Tubac.

He was called “Anza” when alive. About 100 years ago, someone mistakenly started calling him “De Anza”. Use of the incorrect “De Anza” name is rampant across the southwest and California on schools, parks, streets, and businesses... including De Anza College in Cupertino.

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.

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**Thank You for your Stewardship!**

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

—Fr. Paul, Pastor
Dear Friends in Christ,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation. According to the Law of Moses, a child was brought to the Temple and an offering of two turtle doves was made to God, in thanksgiving for the birth of the child.

Mary and Joseph bring their first born son to the Temple. The fact that they offered the turtle doves is an indication that they were poor and could not afford a more extravagant offering.

We know, of course, that they were offering the Promised Messiah, the Savior of the world, the only Son of God. This Feastday is like a second Epiphany, in so far as Jesus is revealed in God’s Holy Temple. Simeon and Anna, both highly respected assistants at the Temple, and both very close to God, recognized in the infant Jesus, the Promised Messiah.

In the Canticle of Simeon, we hear how his greatest dream has been fulfilled, as he gazes upon Our Savior. He also alerts Mary that much suffering awaits her, and that she will continue to have a prominent role in our Salvation saga.

If Jesus were to appear in our beautiful Basilica here in Carmel, would we recognize Him?

The challenge for us, as followers of Jesus, is to recognize Him in our neighbor.

Blessings,

Fr. Paul