We are the hands of Christ.

Second Sunday of Lent - March 8, 2020

“Rise, and do not be afraid.”

— Mt 17:1-9)
In the weeks leading up to the beginning of Lent, we heard Jesus speaking about the Mosaic Law in the Gospel of Matthew. Jesus came in fulfillment of the Law, and expanded on the traditional understanding of what the Law required. In the Gospel today, Jesus appears with the very embodiment of the Law, Moses, and the prophets, Elijah, showing his disciples that he truly is the Messiah. The disciples already believe, they have abandoned their lives and their livelihoods to follow Jesus, so why does Jesus appear to them transfigured? To strengthen them in their faith and to give them context for what is to come. Jesus knows where they are going, he knows the fear and doubt they will experience after his death, and the strength they will need to establish his Church. In the Transfiguration, we see Jesus in all his heavenly glory, surrounded by his tradition and claimed in love by the Father. To eyes that can see, Jesus will shine no less brightly when he hangs on the cross, abandoned by many of his followers, by his own words fearing he has been abandoned by the Father. The image of Jesus radiant in the transfiguration was meant to encourage the disciples, to remind them of his power and majesty, of his divinity, and of the promise of the glory of God’s Kingdom not only in that moment, but in the time to come when outward appearances will belie this reality. Just as with the disciples, Jesus knows where we are going. He knows the pain we may be carrying, and the challenges life will bring us. He also knows how to wrap us in the comforting blanket of God’s love and raise the shield of God’s endless mercy to protect us, if we let him. As you journey through Lent, where do you see glimpses of the transfigured Jesus in your life? How does this image encourage and inspire you?
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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.

Lent Calendar
February 26 - April 4

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Friday, March 20: Sacrament of Reconciliation (Communal Service)
7:00 PM in the Basilica.
NO Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, March 21.

Sunday, April 5: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord.
There will be a procession at the 9:15 and 11 AM Masses.
NO 12:45 PM Mass on Palm Sunday.

Bible Study

**Wednesday, March 11th**
10:30 AM in Crespi Hall

Our group continues with the Book of the Bible Sirach, a Wisdom Book from the Old Testament.

For more information contact:
Dick Gorman at 595-6363

Book Club

**Thursday, March 12th**
6 PM in Crespi Hall

This week continue our discussion on *Death Comes For the Archbishop* by Willa Cather

For more information contact:
Deacon Bill at (831) 316-9280 or Charlie Scialbi at csciambi@gmail.com
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.

Sick in the Parish
All the sick are prayed for during a general intercession at every Mass.
At this time we pray especially for:
Larry Fry, Knox Mellon, 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:
Elinor Laiolo, Dr. Maria Gurney, Frank Crivello, Rose Green, Don Harris,
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.

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.

The Serra Club of the Monterey Peninsula,
Leads the Recitation of the Rosary for Vocations every Wednesday 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.
Catechesis from the writings of the saints and meditation with the Glorious Mysteries.
Please, also bring your personal prayer intentions.
For more information, contact us at SerraClubMonterey@gmail.com
Or visit us at www.facebook.com/SerraClubMonterey

A Pathway to Peace of Mind
The Carmel Mission Bereavement Ministry offers parishioners guidance and support in planning the commemoration of loved ones. This can be done in advance or at the time of loss.
Our compassionate members offer planning - or pre-planning - guidance, support and coordination of Masses and Crespi Hall receptions.
For questions about our services or about joining our Ministry, contact Marilyn Bachik (831) 250-6911
"Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” Matthew 5:4

Taizé Prayer Service
At the Carmel Mission we offer Taizé Prayer Around the Cross on Wednesdays during Lent beginning Wednesday,
March 20 through April 10 at 7pm in the Basilica. Please come and spend an hour in prayer and meditation with your community, further exploring your own Lenten journey and availing yourself of a chance to rest and focus on your relationship with God. We look forward to praying with you!
LITURY VAULT

The Scrutinies

As we learned last week, part of the distinctive character of Lent is the preparation for the celebration of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at the Easter Vigil. In this regard, there are several special liturgies that take place during Lent, the first one being the Rite of Sending of the Catechumens for Election, which was celebrated at the Vigil Mass of the First Sunday of Lent on Saturday, 29 February. The following day, our five catechumens joined many other catechumens from the Diocese for the Rite of Election with Bishop Daniel E. Garcia. After this rite, catechumens are more specifically referred to as elect, a “catechumen judged by the community... as worthy to move to the second stage of Christian Initiation, namely, the period of purification” (Rev. Jovian P. Lang, OFM, Dictionary of the Liturgy (1989), p. 176).

The liturgical rites specific to this “period of purification” are known as the scrutinies.

“The scrutinies, which are solemnly celebrated on Sundays and are reinforced by an exorcism, are rites for self-searching and repentance and have above all a spiritual purpose. The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. For the scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life. These rites, therefore, should complete the conversion of the elect and deepen their resolve to hold fast to Christ and to carry out their decision to love God above all” (The Roman Ritual: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (1988), n. 141).

The scrutinies are celebrated “in order to inspire in the elect a desire for purification and redemption by Christ”.

“By this means, first of all, the elect are instructed gradually about the mystery of sin, from which the whole world and every person longs to be delivered and thus saved from its present and future consequences. Second, their spirit is filled with Christ the Redeemer, who is the living water (gospel of the Samaritan woman in the first scrutiny), the light of the world (gospel of the man born blind in the second scrutiny), the resurrection and the life (gospel of Lazarus in the third scrutiny). From the first to the final scrutiny the elect should progress in their perception of sin and their desire for salvation” (RCIA, n. 143).

“In the rite of exorcism, the elect, who have already learned from the Church as their mother the mystery of deliverance from sin by Christ, are free from the effects of sin and from the influence of the devil. They receive new strength in the midst of their spiritual journey and they open their hearts to receive the gifts of the Savior” (RCIA, n. 144).

“The faithful in the assembly will also derive benefit from the liturgy of the scrutinies and join in the intercessions for the elect” (RCIA, n. 145).

The scrutinies will be celebrated on March 15th, 22nd, and 29th at the 9:15am Mass.

~ Geoffrey Lopes da Silva
Liturgy Coordinator
Liturgy@CarmelMission.org
At Carmel Mission we are very fortunate to have a large, dynamic and talented Schola Cantorum to lead the music at the 11am mass each Sunday and at special liturgies throughout the year. At Christmas time, the choir helps our community prepare for the birth of Christ with a special ceremony of Lessons and Carols, and this year helped us embrace the spirit of Advent with a performance of Fr. Cyprian Consiglio’s Song of Luke. Each Holy Week, they enhance each of our Triduum liturgies, bringing the Passion of our Lord on Good Friday to life in a special sung version of the Passion according to St. John, and later that evening leading the community into the time of shadows that falls after Christ’s death with a Tenebrae service. Last year they spread their wings a bit further and performed in concert with the Monterey Peninsula College String Orchestra.

The choir is, however, much more than a group of people who get together and sing. As a group they donate hundreds of hours each year to serving the people of God. They go on bi annual retreats to strengthen their own faith and help them to better praise God and serve one another. They are a group of diverse people who love and support each other following the instruction that Christ gives us, “Love one another as I have loved you.” (John 13:34) They never fail to serve as an example to me of how to be the eyes, the hands, the serving heart, and the stirring voice of Christ in our community and the world.

With your support, our Music Ministry can continue to bless our community in the years to come, helping us to grow in faith, and reflecting the beauty and complexity of our loving God in their songs of praise. Please consider donating to our Heavenly Sounds campaign, and thank you for your ongoing support of our choir.

$25,000 $50,000 $75,000 $100,000 $150,000

Currently at $35,330

Diocesan Goal $50,000
Parish Goal $150,000

For more information, please visit our AMA page at www.carmelmission.org/AMA

Thank You for your Stewardship!

Your generous donations for the week ending in 2/23/2020

1st Collection: $16,245.70
NO 2nd Collection: $ 0.00
Total Collection: $16,245.70

I thank you for your sense of Stewardship and your great generosity.
—Fr. Paul, Pastor
What is the current state of Junipero Serra School and where are we headed next year? Recently I had the opportunity to meet with many of the parents and I’d like to share with you the highlights of my report.

First of all, enrollment increased by 10% since October. We are on a path of growth.

**What have we accomplished so far this year:**

- We established a full Transitional Kindergarten (TK) classroom with teacher and aide. This class is nearly at capacity. Like many schools across the country, JSS has adopted a two year kindergarten program and the TK uses a modified curriculum that bridges CA Preschool Learning Foundations with Kindergarten State Learning Standards. In the TK class, students develop essential pre-literacy, pre-math and other cognitive skills while developing social-emotional and self-regulation skills foundational for success in elementary school. The TK class is a leading factor in our enrollment growth this year.

- Creation of the Performing Arts program as part of the Arts at JSS. We are offering Drama and Choir.

- Our Faculty now includes a reading specialist. She works individually and in small groups with students who need extra help learning to read. She is trained in Structured Literacy, which prepares students to decode words in an explicit and systematic manner. This approach not only helps students with dyslexia, but there is substantial evidence that it is effective for all readers.

- We’ve expanded enrichment classes to include Visual Art, Performing Art, and most recently gardening and cooking.

- We’ve added a Robotics and Coding class as a middle school elective. We’ve done this in partnership with Code Ninja, an organization in Monterey that specializes in STEM education.

- We created the middle school class called the Serra Challenge, a project based service learning class where students identify a community need and design a project to help people in need. These students raised nearly $2,000 for different projects including food for dogs of homeless people, blankets for homeless people, a beach clean up with Surfrider foundation, and more.

- We are incorporating state of the art teaching tools, including Freckle, an adaptive learning math practice platform.

- Thanks to the support of many of you, we have had a successful fundraising year, from Fiesta, to the Ciabo Benefit Dinner, and the Opportunity Fund. We have our premier fundraising event on the horizon, A Celebration of the Arts, a gala dinner and auction Saturday May 16 to raise money for the Arts and Enrichment programs at the school. Save the date and more info to come!

**What’s in store for next year?**

- Update of Science Room to Makerspace/Tech lab, including 3D printers and technology teaching tools to help students learn the arts of circuitry, robotics and coding.

- Development of Elementary School Science program. This is currently the Garden and cooking class, which is helping me in a cycle of innovation to create a project based, hands on science learning program for K-5th grade.

- The Continued development of MS electives.

- The restoration of the Orchestra class as part of the Performing Arts program. The school currently has class sets of violins, violas and cellos.

- Performing Art, Orchestra, Law

- Expansion of service projects in each grade and the continuation of the Serra Challenge.

- Curriculum improvement, and the use of new technology and data to help teachers deliver personalized instruction.

- Refresh of Technology Devices, the computers and tablets are showing their age.

- Hot Lunch for the students 2 or 3 days per week next year.

Many of these accomplishments would not have happened without your generous support - thank you! And mark your calendars for the Celebration of the Arts at JSS gala dinner Saturday May 16.

Steve Henderson
Principal

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5:30 PM – 9:00 PM
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FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EMAIL AT KOC@carmelmission.org
Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

Our theme for this Lent and Easter season is “We are the wounded hands of Christ.” As followers of Jesus Christ we believe that we are called to be His hands to help, His eyes to see, His ears to hear, and His heart to love all people. This Lenten season, I invite us all to consider this call in light of our own woundedness. We are all in need of healing, but we are encouraged at the same time by the Holy Spirit to be healers in our world.

We believe that in His rising, Christ defeated death and, in His dying, He defeated fear, hatred and injustice. His Crucifixion was intended to be an act of violence and oppression, but Our Lord transformed it into an act of extreme love. This love was greater than the fear and pain He, and those who loved Him, experienced. It was greater than the hatred of those who opposed Him, and the indifference of those who cared more for their own advancement than for the cause of justice.

When Christ rose from the dead, He remained marked with the wounds of His Crucifixion. He extends his wounded hands to embrace the world, triumphant, but forever changed. We are similarly marked with the scars of our own crucifixions, wounds that perhaps, no one can see, wounds that we may try to ignore. Despite our own woundedness, we are called to heal the wounds of fear, intolerance and injustice. If we are crucified with Christ we will rise with Him again, bearing our scars as a witness to His overwhelming love.

As we journey through Lent and celebrate the Risen Lord at Easter, I encourage you to open your bruised heart to the healing love of our Savior, and to extend your own scarred hands to be the wounded hands of Christ in our community and in the world.

I wish you and your loved ones peace, comfort, healing and love,

Fr. Paul P. Murphy
Pastor, Carmel Mission