Carmel Mission Basilica

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Founded 1771 by St. Junípero Serra

Third Sunday of Advent — December 17, 2017

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.
— 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

The change to rose as our liturgical color for the third Sunday of Advent is a reminder that it is a Gaudete Sunday, an opportunity to rejoice!!

Our first and second readings today, focus on the joy expressed in the relationship between God and God's people. In the reading from the book of Isaiah, the prophet claims that "in my God is the joy of my soul." The psalm paraphrases Mary's words during her visit to her cousin Elizabeth, "My soul rejoices in my God." And in the second reading, St. Paul reminds us to "Rejoice always!" This is especially appropriate as the third Sunday of Advent is known as Gaudete Sunday, meaning literally "rejoice." Marked by the use of rose-colored vestments and a rose-colored candle in the Advent wreath; this Sunday is a reminder, in the midst of the prayerful and contemplative time of preparation that is Advent, that our relationship with God is founded in joy, and the anticipated coming of our Savior will serve to heighten that joy as it increases our connection with, and understanding of, our God. The readings also remind us that just as we find joy in our relationship with God, so too does God find joy in a relationship with each of us. We live in world that can be harsh and complicated, demanding much and returning little. But God is always present with us, giving us a reason to rejoice and encouraging us to seek joy in our lives. How will you focus on and express the joy of your relationship with God this Gaudete Sunday?

Parish Clergy

Priests

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Mass Schedule/Communion Services

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Daily Morning Mass: (Mon-Fri): 7:00 am.
Noon Mass: (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) 12:00 pm.
Noon Communion Services: (Tues. and Thurs.):12:00 pm.
Saturday Morning Mass: 8:30 am.
Reconciliation: Saturday: 9:30—10:30 a.m.

Basilica

Vigil Mass (Saturday): 5:30 pm.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:15, 11:00 am., 12:45 and 5:30 pm.
Holy Days: 7:00 am., 12:00 noon, & 5:30 pm.

St. Francis of the Redwoods — Big Sur, CA.

24.9 miles from intersection of Rio Rd and Highway-1

Mass Schedule

Bilingual (Es/En) Mass: 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month, 5:00 pm.

PARISH STAFF - MUSIC CORNER - READINGS - SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Music Corner — December 17, 2017

	5:30 Saturday	9:15 Sunday	11:00 Sunday	12:45 Sunday	5:30 Sunday
Entrance Chant	63	63	63	63	63
Penitential Act	Mass of the Resurrection #858 — All Masses				
Preparation of the Gifts	55	55	55	55	55
Holy, Holy	Mass of the Resurrection #862— All Masses				
Memorial Acclamation	Mass of the Resurrection #864 — All Masses				
Amen	Mass of the Resurrection #866 — All Masses				
Lamb of God	Mass of the Resurrection #867 — All Masses				
Communion	821	821	821	821	821
Sending Forth	5756	576	40	576	576

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will God make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).

Psalm — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).

Second Reading — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).

Gospel — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent

Thursday: St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins

Saturday: St. John of Kanty

Carmel Mission Basilica Registration Information

Register Now

The Parish Office appreciates your help in keeping our records up to date.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at (831) 624-1271, ext. 200 or visit our website at: www.carmelmission.org/parish/contact/…Then click on the link: Carmel Mission Basilica Registration Form (PDF) to print. Also, please note on your registration form if you are either: New to the parish, Change of address within the parish, and/or moving out of the parish.

PARISH CALENDAR — MASS INTENTIONS

Week of Dec. 17—Dec. 24

Sunday, December 17

Second Collection Maintenance

7:30 AM– 1:00 PM Coffee and Donuts *(Crespi)*

11:00 AM-1:00 PM RCIA meeting *(MacMahon)*

7:30 PM Lessons and Carols (Basilica)

Monday, December 18

7:30 AM-8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*

8:15 AM-8:30 AM JSS School Assembly *(Basilica)*

9:00 PM-10:30 AM Knitting Project *(Crespi)*

2:00 PM-3:30 PM Bitten Falge *(Crespi)*

Tuesday, December 19

7:30 AM-8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*

Wednesday, December 20

7:30 AM-8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*

8:15 AM-8:30 AM JSS School Assembly *(Basilica)*

5:00 PM-6:30 PM Recitation of the Rosary *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*

Thursday, December 21

7:30 AM-8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*

7:30 PM-9:30 PM Choir Rehearsal (*Basilica)*

Friday, December 22

7:30 AM-8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration *(Blessed Sacrament Chapel)*

6:00 PM Chanticleer *(Basilica)*

8:00 PM Chanticleer *(Basilica)*

Saturday, December 23

6:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass at St. Francis of the Redwoods *(Big Sur)*

Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

No Second Collection

No Coffee and Donuts

No 12:45 PM Mass

Time	Intentions	Requested By
Saturday, December 16		
8:30am	† Naeda Robinson	Wolf Family
5:00pm	St. Francis of the Redwoods	Big Sur
5:30pm	† Regina & David Raphael	Family
Sunday, December 17		
7:30am	People of the Parish	
9:15am	† Ron Berry	Claire, Dillan & Jordan
	† Bruno & Bella Odello	Claire, Dillan & Jordan
11:00am	† David E. Jones	Family
	† Alex Salmoun Sr.	Maha Salmoun
12:45pm	† Dennis Trudeau	Marilyn Kuptz
5:30pm	† Seamus McEvoy- 10th Anniversary	Tricia Barlow
Monday, December 18		
7:00am	† Warren Craig	Julie Foudy
12:00pm	† Thelma Sbarra	Claire Odello Berry
Tuesday, December 19		
7:00am	† Aunt Connie	The Dobel Family
	† Margaret Mayer	Sister Mary Catherine
12:00pm	Communion Service	
Wednesday, December 20		
7:00am	† Barbara Lunbeck	The Dobel Family
12:00pm	† Brett Langley	Langley Family
Thursday, December 21		
7:00am	Intention of Rick Shea's Family	Elinor Laiolo
12:00pm	Communion Service	
Friday, December 22		
7:00am	† Katherine Radoo	Dorothy Bohn
12:00pm	† Marjorie & Elmo Hellinge	Family
Saturday, December 23		
8:30am	† Lyne Lins	Richard Lins
5:30pm	† Florian & Maria Morocutti	Elizabeth Sosic
	Intention of Kathleen Cardinale	Grace & Richard Beacham
6:00pm	St. Francis of the Redwoods Christmas Eve Mass	Big Sur
Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve		
7:30am	† Delia & John Elwood	William & John Elwood
9:15am	† John H. Gilbert Jr.	Gilbert Family
11:00am	† Isidra & Mario Jayubo	Erna Clay & Family
	† Scot Macbeth	Rosalinda Healy & Patrick Sahli
4:00pm	† James & Terry Gilligan	Kathleen McCrystal
6:00pm	† Louise Tanous	The Blakeslee Family
10:00pm	† Michael Paul Guzman	Ceci Brown

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:

Vivian Sweeney, Georganne Thurston, Mercedes Ferrante, Sean Royster, Frank Machalla, King Williams, Dr. Richard Pirotte, Brandon Paulikas, Julieta Evangelista, Jo-Ann Ruffolo.

RECENTLY DECEASED IN OUR PARISH

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

Pierre de St. Julian (Scot) Macbeth, Monsignor Edward (Eamon) John MacMahon, Lynne Lins, Teresa Calcagno, Marianne Hoffman, Michael Sandman, Richard Walker, Nancy Turner, Dr. Anastacio Pinzon, Carroll Fergusson, Dee Hagey, Jim Koehnen,.. 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.

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: **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.

BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study group is taking a break for the Holidays. Please come and join us each Wednesday, starting January 10th, at 10:30am in Crespi Hall.
We'll be studying the Book of Numbers.
You are all invited and welcome.
Dick Gorman, 595-6363.

Keep Christ in Christmas Car Magnets

The Knights of Columbus Council 4593 is selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets as a fundraiser (100% of the funds raised will be sent to the Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief Fund)

This is a great way to spread the true meaning of Christmas this year. These durable and attractive magnets will last for years. The Knights will be outside each Mass December 9th & 10th , 16th &17th.

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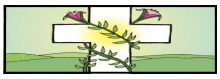


HOMEBOUND EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY

If you or someone you know, are unable to get to Mass and would like to receive the Eucharist at home, 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.

The Serra Club of the Monterey Peninsula, leads the *Recitation of the Rosary for Vocations* every Wednesday at 5pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Catechesis from the writings of the saints and meditation with the Joyful Mysteries.

Please also bring your personal prayer intentions.

For more information, contact Geoffrey Lopes da Silva at 831-747-4440 or Lopes888@earthlink.net.
www.facebook.com/SerraClubMonterey

BULLETIN ITEM submission schedule:

Submission Dates	→	Bulletin Weekend
Wednesday, Dec. 21	for	Dec. 30, 31

If you have further questions contact the Parish Office:
Call: (831) 624-1271, ext. 200;
or email: reception@carmelmission.org

FAITH FORMATION & LITURGY

Thank you & Muchas Gracias!

¡Muchas gracias a todas las familias que asistieron en la preparación de la fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe! Unas familias arreglaron el salón y la iglesia, otras cocinaron los tamales, otras trajeron champurrado y el pan dulce, y mucho más. Muchas personas participaron en las festividades. ¡La celebración fue un gran éxito!

Many thanks to all of the families that helped to prepare the Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebrations! Each family did something, some decorated the Hall and the Church, some made the tamales and brought food and drinks, and so much more. Many people participated in the festivities. The celebration was a huge success!

Fall Confirmation Program

Confirmation continues to meet Sundays from 12:45-3:30pm.
It is a two year program.

Upcoming Dates:

January 7th 2-3:30pm Both Years

Retreat-January 20th

For more information contact Christian Cahill at

Christian.cahill@carmelmission.org

TEEN RETREAT

Teens of Carmel Mission Basilica, Saint Angela Merici, and San Carlos Cathedral are encouraged to join together for a retreat day at the Saint Francis Retreat Center.

When: January 20, 2018
Time: 8:00am—5:30pm (drop off-pick up)
Cost: $40 (includes snacks, lunch & use of the retreat center)
Where: St. Francis Retreat Center in San Juan Bautista, CA
Transportation Method: Carpooling– Looking for parents willing to drive!
How to sign up: Contact Christian Cahill at Christian.cahill@carmelmission.org or 831-624-1271 x218

Take time to reflect on the presence of God in your world as a teenager.

Explore the Catholic Faith

We continue to call all adults interested in the possibility of Baptism and full membership in the Catholic Church. RCIA is also for those previously baptized who wish to discern the possibility of full membership in the Catholic Church.

There is also a FAMILY RCIA program for families with children of the age of reason (7 yrs or older) who are interested in the possibility of Baptism and full membership in the Catholic Church. One or more parents attend the sessions with their child.

Both groups begin with an inquiry period, followed by preparation for Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation, if so desired by the candidate.

For further information, please contact: Katie Middleton at katie.middleton@carmelmission.org or call 831-624-1271 x216.

Fall Faith Formation

Grades K-8 will next meet on Sunday, January 7th from 10:30am-11:30am

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR FAITH FORMATION FOR 2018

Classes for K-12 are underway and we would love to have you join us!
For further information, please contact Katie Middleton at katie.middleton@carmelmission.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS — DOCENT CORNER

BE A STAR…CATCH THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS!

You are invited to join the Carmel Mission Community in our Christmas outreach to farmworkers and their families living in the Salinas Valley.

Advent Giving Tree…

December 17th…is the last day to take a child's tag from our Christmas tree and return a wrapped gift or gift card valued at $25 to the tree by 12/19.

Bags of Groceries…pick up a bag from the back of Basilica, fill with items listed on bag and return to a volunteer in the Crespi Hall parking lot on Sunday 12/17, or on Tuesday 12/19 to the Crespi Hall parking lot from 2-4pm.

Through the generosity of our Carmel Mission Knights of Columbus, warm jackets are being provided to the farmworker children in the camps we serve. Also, blankets, sweaters and clothing items are being provided to the families, thanks to various parishioners.

Our Knights of Columbus and the Knights of Malta also help support the monthly delivery of rice and beans to farmworkers through the Bitten Falge Farmworker Ministry. If you would like to become part of our Ministry, helping hands are always welcome!

THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS

Theology on Tap

Wednesday, January 31st,
7:00 PM

London Bridge Pub,
256 Figueroa Street
(at the foot of Wharf 2), Monterey.

Our speaker this month will be Bishop Sylvester Ryan, Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Monterey. Join us for interesting and enlightening conversation as we delve deeper into our faith, and enjoy dinner with friends. London Bridge Pub was voted "Best Fish and Chips on the Central Coast" for the 5th year in a row! All are welcome!

Join Monterey Theology on Tap on Facebook! You can also send questions to Deacon Warren Hoy at whoy@dioceseofmonterey.org.

DOCENT CORNER

Our Lady of Guadalupe

The painting of Our Lady of Guadalupe on the right side of the nave represents an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Mexico in 1531. Here are a few more interpretations of art historians and cultural anthropologists to ponder:

An almost universal symbol of the Aztec religion was the serpent. Human sacrifices were heralded by the prolonged beating of huge snake skin drums. Nowhere else in human history had the satanic symbol of the serpent been so prevalent in a culture. Quetzalcoatl was the feathered serpent moon god, one of the chief Aztec gods. Our Lady was now being held up by him in a different form. This was highly symbolic to the Aztecs. It is also symbolic to Christians who have held that the Virgin Mary had "crushed the serpent" from scripture and tradition.

The Book of Revelation (12:1) of the New Testament of the Bible contains the following verse: "A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was with child..." Was this the manifestation, at least in part, of the great apocalyptic sign? The painting certainly portrays the image from scripture.

The black maternity belt around her waist is traditionally interpreted as a sign of pregnancy, a source of life. This symbol indicated that the baby Mary carried within her was important. Her child was Jesus Christ, who was to become the new God of the Aztecs.

The blue-green color of her mantle symbolized the royalty of the Aztec gods. Her pale red dress is the color traditionally worn by an Aztec princess. The stars on her blue mantle are positioned as the constellations would have appeared in the sky on December 12, 1531 in Mexico.

In a religion based on human sacrifice, the message of the image was also about sacrifice. The message of Christianity was that this loving God became a man like them and sacrificed himself for all of mankind. It was not the life they endured previously having to sacrifice humans to appease their frightful gods.

Want to hear more interesting facts about Guadalupe? Ask a member of the Carmel Mission Docent Association.

This insight into the Mission history was provided by the Carmel Mission Docent Association.

STEWARDSHIP

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

On behalf of our many ministries here at Carmel Mission, I sincerely thank our own Council of the Knights of Columbus for their ongoing and generous support of our parish ministries and our Junipero Serra School.
A special expression of gratitude goes to Knight Frank DiPaulo for his fantastic leadership of the Carmel Mission Car Classic, which has gone from strength to strength.

Donation to ministries at Carmel Mission :
$27,500

Donation to Junipero Serra School:
$14,500

We rely on our Knights of Columbus to provide the support which enables our many ministries to continue to function.

My deep gratitude is all our Knights for your amazing generosity and selfless stewardship.

Fr. Paul
Pastor

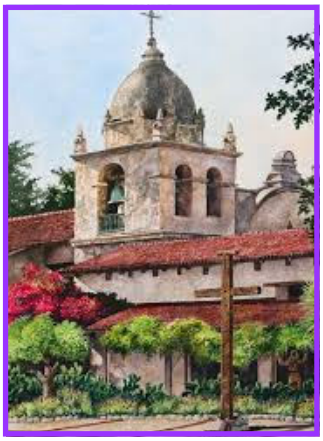
THE VISITATION

This oil painting is a faithful replica of the Visitation, an image produced in 1503 during the High Renaissance by the Florence painter Mariotto Albertinelli. The painting depicts Mary meeting with Elizabeth her relative. Elizabeth is expectant with John the Baptist and Mary with our Lord Jesus.

Considered a master piece of the Renaissance the original is a part of the Uffizi Gallery in Florence Italy. During advent every year this image is presented for public display in the side alter of the Nave of the Carmel Mission Basilica.

From the Gospel of Luke (1: 41-50) we read:

" Now it happened that as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honored with a visit from the mother of my Lord? Look, the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled. 'And Mary said: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; because he has looked upon the humiliation of his servant. Yes, from now onwards all generations will call me blessed, for the Almighty has done great things for me. Holy is his name, and his faithful love extends age after age to those who fear him."



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Your continued generosity for the week ending 12/10/2017

Plate Collections: $ 22,411.42

Second Collection, Retirement Fund For Retired Religious: $2,756.00

Total Weekly Contributions, $ 25,167.42.

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Blessings of Joy, Hope and Peace—Fr. Paul, Pastor.

Carmel Mission's Junípero Serra School

Junípero Serra 6th Grade School Students at their International Fair

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Nicely done students!

Vietnam

Peru

Vietnam

North Pole

Romania

Denmark

Ho, Ho...Look who dropped by to take pictures with our JSS students!

Italy

2017 ADVENT–CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE - MUSEUM STORE

Lessons & Carols
Sunday, December 17, 7:30pm

4th Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 24- 4th Sunday of Advent
7:30am 4th Sunday of Advent Mass
9:15am 4th Sunday of Advent Mass
11:00am 4th Sunday of Advent Mass
(no 12:45 pm Mass)

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 24- Christmas Eve
4:00pm Christmas Eve Family Mass
6:00pm Christmas Eve Mass
9:30pm Carols
10:00pm Christmas Eve Solemn Vigil Mass

Monday, December 25- Christmas Day
7:30am Mass
9:15am Mass
11:00am Mass
12:45pm Mass
(no 5:30pm Mass)

Week of December 26-December 29
Blessed Sacrament Chapel
One Mass each day at 12:00 noon

Saturday, December 30, 2017
8:30am Mass
Confessions
5:30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 31, 2017
7:30am Mass
9:15am Mass
11:00am Mass
12:45pm Mass
5:30pm Mass

Monday, January 1, 2018 – Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
12:00pm Mass

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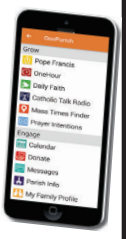

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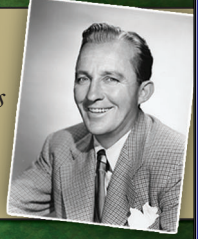

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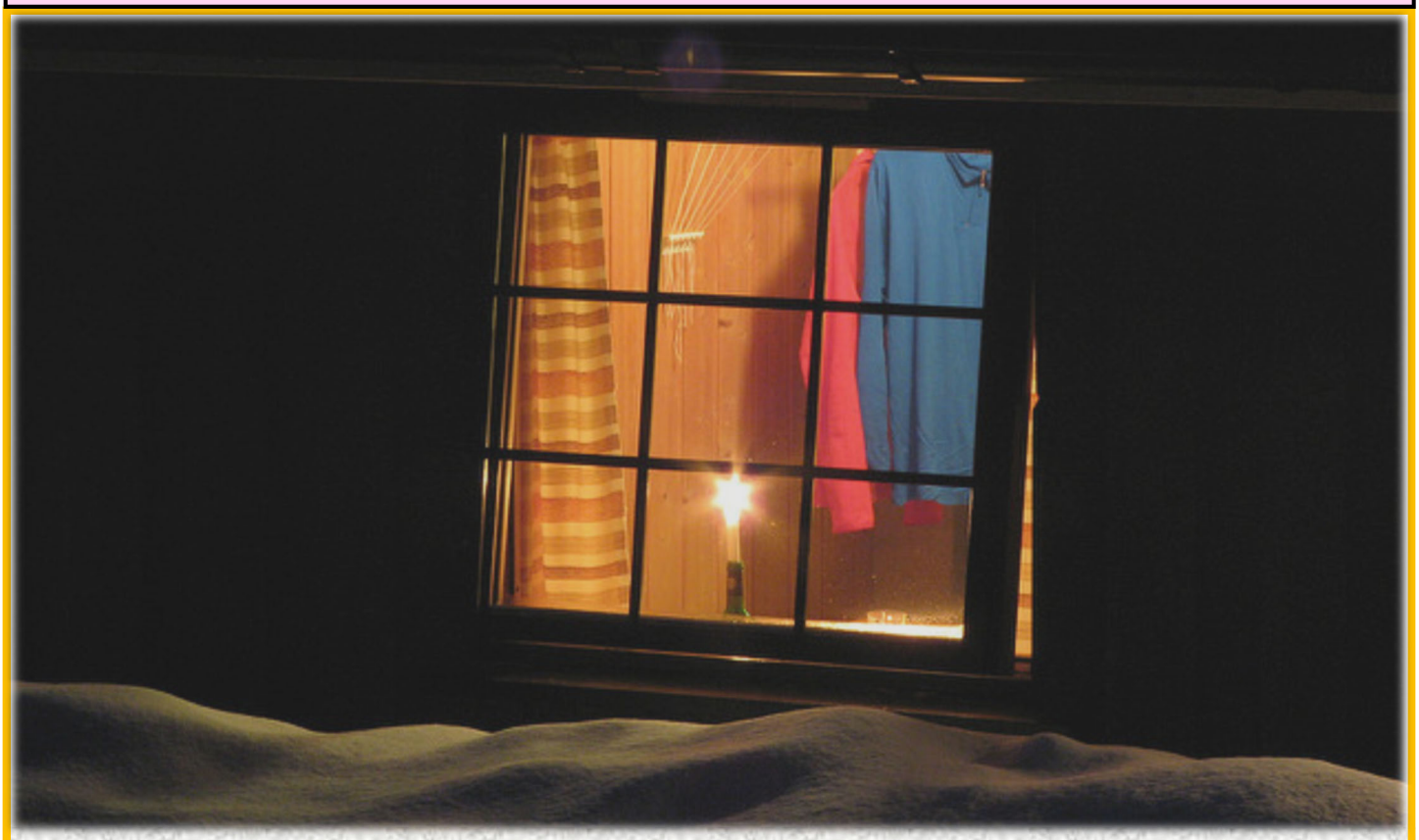

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