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JUNIPERO SERRA SCHOOL



O God, who by your ineffable mercy have been pleased through the labors of your priest Saint Junipero Serra to count many American peoples within your Church, grant by his intercession that we may so join our hearts to you in love, as to carry always and everywhere before all people the image of your Only Begotten Son. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(from The Roman Missal)

Fifth Sunday of Easter May 10, 2020

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me..."

— John 14:1-12

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM FR. PAUL:

Junípero Serra School Closure

May 7, 2020

Dear Friends of Carmel Mission:

As we approach the 250th anniversary of the Carmel Mission, Junipero Serra School has been a part of this ministry for more than 75 years. Over these many years, this school has served numerous children and families, and has made a lasting impression on its graduates. It is with great sadness that I announce the decision to close Junipero Serra School at the conclusion of the current 2019-2020 academic year.

The school has struggled with a multi-year decline in enrollment resulting in a precarious and fragile financial situation, despite the generous parish and diocesan support invested in the school. A multi-year plan to financial viability had been set in motion under the leadership of our Parish Finance Council along with recommendations received from a professional Catholic school consulting company. The economic and financial toll of the COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in an unsustainable current and projected budget deficit. Leadership from our school, parish, and diocese all provided input into the final recommendation which was approved by Bishop Daniel Garcia.

Please the button below to read the Bishop's statement and press release.

**Letter from
Bishop Daniel**

While the school will be closing, there will be continued discussion as to how the Junipero Serra School facility can continue to hold an important future role within a vision for Catholic education in the Diocese of Monterey. Our parish and diocese are committed to assisting the families, faculty, and staff of the school to navigate this transition.

While this is difficult news to share, I ask that you keep the Junípero Serra School community in your prayers at this time. The tremendous history of this school would not have been possible without the support of members of the parish, friends of the Mission and others, and that support through your prayers is still needed today.

In Christ,

Fr. Paul P. Murphy
Pastor, Carmel Mission Basilica



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ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

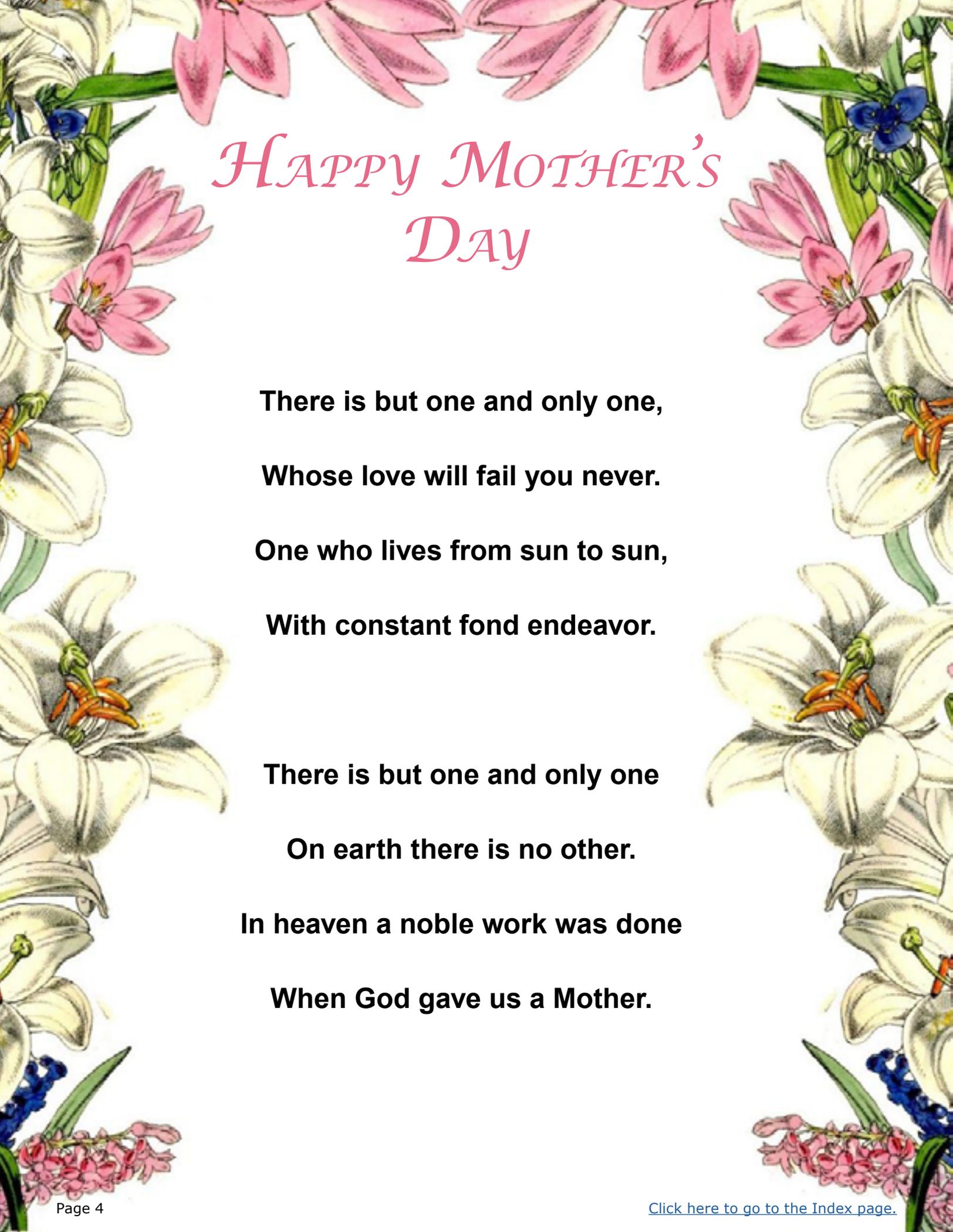
*I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.*

*Since I cannot at this moment 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.



HAPPY MOTHER'S Day

**There is but one and only one,
Whose love will fail you never.
One who lives from sun to sun,
With constant fond endeavor.**

**There is but one and only one
On earth there is no other.
In heaven a noble work was done
When God gave us a Mother.**

FR. PAUL'S WEEKLY LETTER

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

This weekend we continue our celebration of the Easter season and we also take the opportunity to celebrate our mothers, and all who take on the role of mother in our lives. We know from the book of Isaiah that God loves us as only a mother can, "As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; And you will be comforted in Jerusalem." (Isaiah 66:13) As we take time this weekend to honor and celebrate our own mothers, we also give thanks to God for his mothering love and the gift of the Mother of Jesus as a mother to us all.

Just eight weeks ago, we did not utilize video and the internet the way we do today. In this short time, we have seen a good portion of our community join us online to connect with us and with each other. Your continued support has been amazing.

As we follow up on our theme of Connect, Communicate, and Continue Your Support we are broadening our own efforts to reach out and make contact with all of our parishioners and share our plans which are underway to welcome you back. When we reopen, there will be changes as to how we may access and attend Mass. It is our intention to create and share videos detailing these instructions and new guidelines so you may be able to in some part anticipate what it will be like when we return to worship together.

We are working on a special edition of our bulletin that we will place in the mail next week, which will contain new updates on the parish and the impact of the pandemic on us and the important steps we are taking to emerge from this time in a stronger position for the future. Our bulletin mailing will reach additional parishioners for whom we do not have an email address and we are also planning to reach out to each of our parishioners by phone in the coming days.

Speaking of the future, we are eagerly anticipating the 250th anniversary of the founding of the Carmel Mission, which has seen much change and rebuilding over its history. Our planning for this momentous anniversary year has begun. When Saint John Paul II visited the Mission, he exclaimed, "This serene and beautiful place is truly the historical and spiritual heart of California."

In our second reading this weekend, St. Peter encourages all of us to be "living stones" so that we may be made into a "spiritual house acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." This is what we are doing in our virtual community, with each of you, a living stone. We are making God's house as we best can in these times. While we anticipate with joy when we can gather together again, our spiritual house remains strong and dynamic, thanks to your support and participation.

I wish you and your loved ones blessings of good health and great happiness,

Fr. Paul

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Today's Readings

First Reading It is not right for us to neglect the word of God to serve at table. (*Acts 6:1-7*)

Psalm Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. (*Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19*)

Second Reading ... like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house (*1 Pt 2:4-9*)

Gospel "I am the way and the truth and the life... If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." (*Jn 14:1-12*)

Readings for the Week

Scripture Message

Monday, May 11

Acts 14:5-18
Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 12

Acts 14:19-28
Ps 145:10-11, 12-13AB, 21
Jn 14:27-31A

Wednesday, May 13

Acts 15:1-6
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5
Jn 15:1-8

Thursday, May 14

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26
Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Jn 15:9-17

Friday, May 15

Acts 15:22-31
Ps 57:8-9, 10 & 12
Jn 15:12-17

Saturday, May 16

Acts 16:1-10
Ps 100:1B-2, 3, 5
Jn 15:18-21

Sunday, May 17

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17
Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16-20
1 Pt 3:15-18
Jn 14:15-21

Today's Gospel passage takes place during the Last Supper, after the washing of the disciples' feet and before they go to the Garden of Gethsemane. The disciples are largely baffled by what Jesus is saying to them, but in hindsight, through the lens of the Resurrection and Ascension of the Lord, it makes perfect sense. Jesus tells them that he is going to his Father's house, to prepare a place for them. Jesus assures them that there is plenty of room, "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places." He comforts them, "Do not let your hearts be troubled," knowing full well that their hearts will be very troubled in the hours and days to come. He reassures them, "where I am going you know the way." When literal minded Thomas questions this, Jesus explains that He is the way, they know Him, so they know the way. They know Him, so they know the Father. They see Him, so they have seen the Father. The way is not a what, it is who, and the who is Jesus. The disciples fail to grasp this at the first pass, indeed many of them lose their faith in Jesus, or more likely, it is overwhelmed by fear and then despair. As the psalmist asks, the Lord's mercy is indeed upon them, as Jesus spends the time between his Resurrection and Ascension seeking them out, comforting them, re-inspiring them, and as we will see in a few weeks, empowering them with the Holy Spirit. This passage holds in its essence profound complexity, the idea of the triune God is not one which the disciples had even remotely grasped, and one which we struggle to comprehend today. However, it is just as profoundly simple; Jesus is the way, the truth and the life, and we come to the Father through Him. Such is the mysterious nature of our God, a mystery we strive to understand more deeply with each passing day, week and year. How are you striving to the follow the way that is Jesus?

PARISH PRAYERS



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, 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:

Thomas McCullough, John Calcagno, Jovita Martin Cabrera, 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**

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 or clicking the Prayer Request button on our website, carmelmission.org.

**Send Your
Prayer Request**

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.



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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.

Daily Prayers

Monday, May 4 — A Prayer by St. Charles Borromeo

Almighty God, you have generously made known to human beings the mysteries of your life through Jesus Christ your Son in the Holy Spirit.

Enlighten my mind to know these mysteries which your Church treasures and teaches.

Move my heart to love them and my will to live in accord with them.

Give me the ability to teach this Faith to others without pride, without ostentation, and without personal gain.

Let me realize that I am simply your instrument for bringing others to the knowledge of the wonderful things you have done for all your creatures.

Help me to be faithful to this task that you have entrusted to me. Amen.

Tuesday, May 5 — The Shepherd A Poem by William Blake

How sweet is the shepherd's sweet lot!
From the morn to the evening he strays;
He shall follow his sheep all the day,
And his tongue shall be filled with praise.



For he hears the lambs' innocent call,
And he hears the ewes' tender reply;
He is watchful while they are in peace,
For they know when their shepherd is nigh.

Wednesday, May 6 — Lectio Divina "I am the Good shepherd"

John 10: 14-16

I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep.

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd.

Thursday, May 7 — A Prayer to St. Joan of Arc

In the face of your enemies,
in the face of harassment, ridicule, and doubt,
you held firm in your faith.

Even in your abandonment,
alone and without friends,
you held firm in your faith.

Even as you faced your own mortality,
you held firm in your faith.

I pray that I may be as bold in my beliefs as
you, St. Joan.

I ask that you ride alongside me in my own battles.
Help me be mindful that what is worthwhile
can be won when I persist.

Help me hold firm in my faith.

Help me believe in my ability to act well and
wisely. Amen.

Daily Prayers (continued)

Friday, May 8 — The Sheep and the Lambs - A Poem by Katharine Tynan

All in the April evening,
April airs were abroad;
The sheep with their little lambs
Passed me by on the road.

The sheep with their little lambs
Passed me by on the road;
All in the April evening
I thought on the Lamb of God.

The lambs were weary and crying
With a weak, human cry.
I thought on the Lamb of God
Going meekly to die.

Up in the blue, blue mountains
Dewy pastures are sweet;
Rest for the little bodies,
Rest for the little feet.

But for the Lamb of God,
Up on the hill-top green,
Only a Cross of shame
Two stark crosses between.

All in the April evening,
April airs were abroad;
I saw the sheep with their lambs,
And thought on the Lamb of God.



Saturday, May 9 — A Prayer for Healing Our Lady of Lourdes

O ever-Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy,
health of the sick, refuge of sinners,
comforter of the afflicted,
you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings;
look with mercy on me.

By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes,
you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary,
whence you dispense your favors;
and already many sufferers have obtained
the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal.

I come, therefore, with complete confidence
to implore your maternal intercession.

Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests.
Through gratitude for your favors,
I will endeavor to imitate your virtues,
that I may one day share your glory.

Amen.



STEWARDSHIP

Your Generous Stewardship April 20 through May 3!

Report for weeks ending on:

April 26TH

Electronic Donations

Weekday: \$3,175.20
Weekend: \$2,570.00

Mail Donations: \$10,089.00

Falge Farmworkers: \$25,075.00

Total Collections: \$40,909.20

May 3RD

Electronic Donations

Weekday: \$3,879.56
Weekend: \$1,710.00

Mail Donations: \$2,964.00

Total Collections: \$8,553.56

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 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.

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

Fr. Paul

**Continue Supporting
the Mission**

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, visit our AMA page at carmelmission.org/2020-annual-ministry-appeal/

CARMEL MISSION AND MEDIA

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Daily Prayers with Fr. Paul,
Mondays - Saturday at 7:00 AM

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Every Sunday

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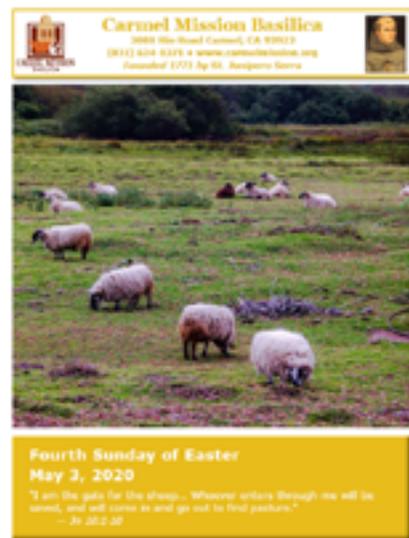


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Sign up to our Weekly Newsletter

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- Father Paul's message
- Weekly Streaming Mass
- Weekly Bulletin
- Parish updates
- and more!



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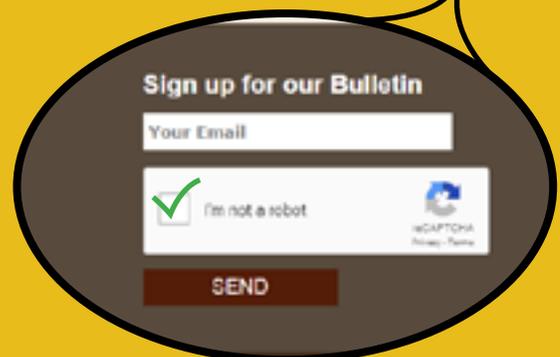
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- Our Pastor's letter to you
- Our complete online calendar
- A digital version of our weekly bulletin and...
- News and updates of the Carmel Mission

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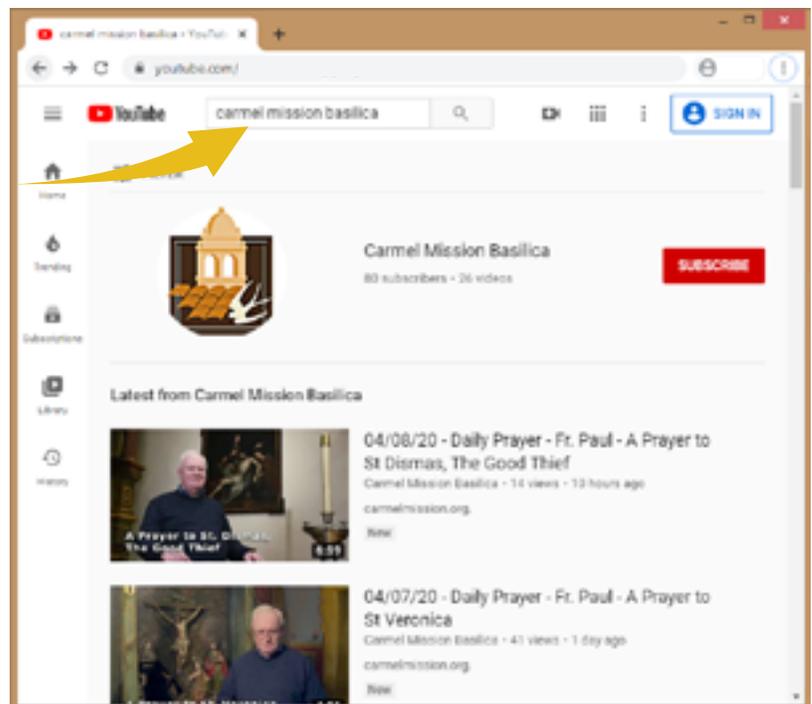


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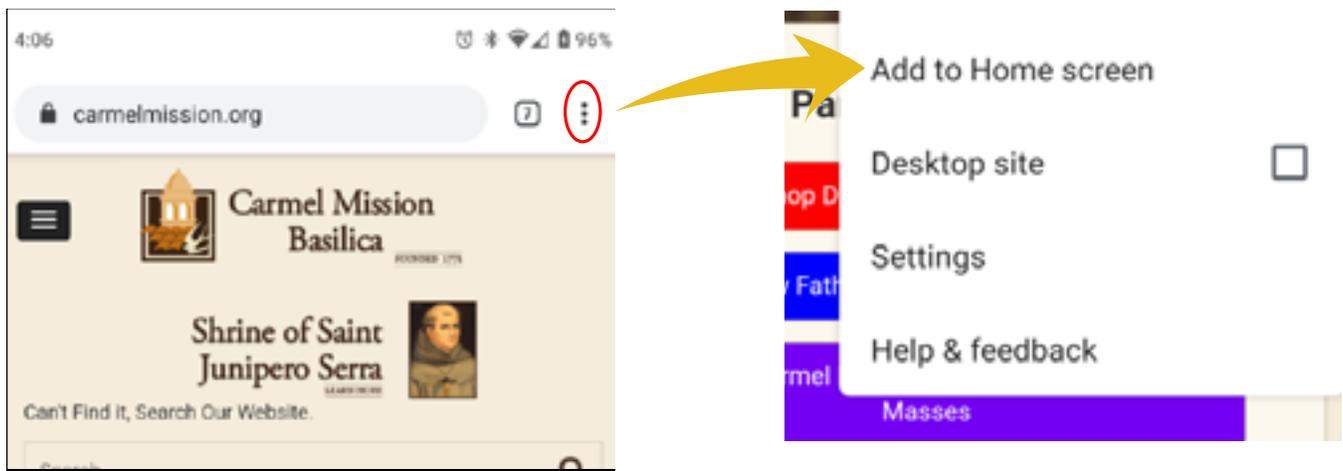
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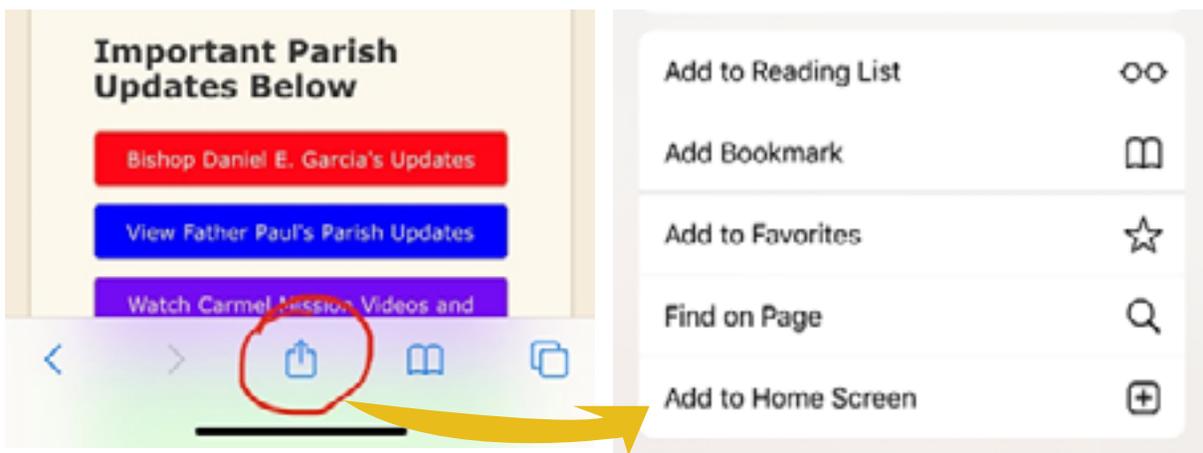


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