



250th Anniversary
CARMEL MISSION
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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, August 30, 2020

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

— *Psalm 63*

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

Our hearts and our prayers remain with all those affected by the wildfires in our area. We are grateful that, thanks to the hard work of our brave firefighters, inroads have been made in containing the fires and some evacuated people have been able to return to their homes. We know that some of our brothers and sisters are still waiting for that moment and may face the loss of their homes or businesses. In our parish and in our Diocese, we grieve with those who have lost so much, and we vow to help, as best we can, all those in need.

The situation with the fires would be devastating and challenging at any time, but in this time of pandemic, our fears are amplified and our difficulties increased. We ask, "Why O God? How long will these struggles go on?" We may feel sometimes like the prophet Jeremiah does in the first reading, tired and ready to give up. But like Jeremiah, something stirs in our soul and we cannot help but to seek God, to proclaim God, to praise God, in the face of anything and everything. This is our faith. It is not a promise that life will be easy, or that we will not have to face fear or even devastation. It is a promise that we will never have to face anything alone. We never grieve alone, we never rejoice alone, our loving God is with us at every turn.

I find great comfort this week in our psalm, "my soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, my God." As a devout Jew, Jesus would have known the psalms intimately. They would have accompanied His daily life, the ups and downs that we all experience. We know that some of His last words on the cross were a psalm of lament. We can only imagine that the psalms also accompanied joyful moments, moments of thanksgiving, moments of reflection. In the psalm today the psalmist is experiencing the ferocious, overwhelming love that is our God, just as Jeremiah does. He needs God like the parched earth needs water. His soul is satisfied as if at a banquet and he clings to God, shouts for joy in the shadow of God's love. I invite you this week to seek the shelter of God's love; it is there waiting for you, ready to comfort you, to lift you up, to give you a safe place to rest until you are once again ready to join in the shout of joy and praise.

Wishing you and your loved ones continued blessings of good health, safety and the all-encompassing shelter of God's love,

Fr. Paul

In Response to Outdoor Conditions and Nearby Fires



STOP **Feeling Sick?**
Stay home when you are sick!

If you feel unwell or have the following symptoms please leave the building and contact your health care provider. Then follow-up with your supervisor.

DO NOT ENTER if you have:

- FEVER
- COUGH
- SHORTNESS OF BREATH

STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS
Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.

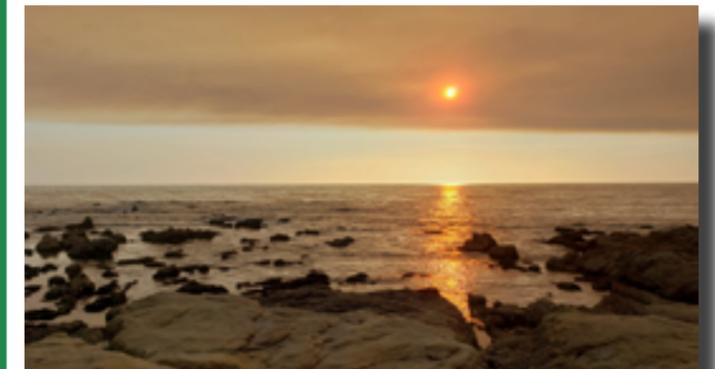
Stay at least 6 feet (about 2 arms' length) from other people.

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Due to inclement conditions from the fires in the area there will be no Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, August 22 and No Outdoor Masses on Sunday, August 23.

As always, our Sunday streaming Mass will be available on our website early Sunday morning.

Check in on our website at carmelmission.org/streaming-masses-2/ or Visit our Streaming Masses Playlist on our YouTube Channel [Carmel Mission Basilica - Streaming Masses](#)



Sunset through the smoke at Carmel Beach

The following buildings will remain closed until further notice.

- Blessed Sacrament Chapel
- Crespi Parish Hall
- Basilica
- Carmel Mission Museums
- St. Francis of the Redwoods, Big Sur

Click here to go our Online Advisory Page

REOPENING ADVISORY (CONTINUED)

MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Public outdoor Masses and Sacrament of Reconciliation have been suspended this week due to unsafe conditions caused by nearby fires.

[Join us online for our Streaming Mass this Sunday morning.](#)

Reopening Requirements and Logistics

Presently, we are limited to utilizing only 25% of our seating capacity and not to exceed more than 100 persons on the property. We will be operating on a first come, first served basis with no access to the property until 30 minutes before Mass.

By necessity, we are required to rely upon a limited number of staff to implement the safety protocols and support for our masses. This will not be an easy task for them, and we ask for your patience and cooperation as we work diligently to welcome you back.

For more information, visit carmelmission.org.

Please watch our video:
[Guidelines for Mass Outdoors](#)



Guidelines for Attending Mass

The safety of our parishioners, staff, and celebrants is critically important as we come together. Per Diocesan guidelines Parishioners who are medically vulnerable or over the age of 65 should remain at home for now.

Parking: Parking for Sunday Masses will be available in the school lot. Access to the Mission will only be available through the JSS lot gate.

Parking for Daily Masses will be in the front parking lot. Access to the Mission will be through the front gates.

Singing: All singing and chanting is prohibited in houses of worship at this time.

Financial stewardship: We will be taking up a collection at the 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM Masses on Sundays. Electronic giving through carmelmission.org remains a preferred option, but also feel free to bring your weekly offering to Sunday Mass.

Volunteers: Volunteers are needed to help as monitors and ushers for our Sunday Masses. If you wish to volunteer please email Laura at liturgy@carmelmission.org. Access to the Sanctuary and Sacristy remains restricted to Staff only.

Restrooms: Restrooms are not available at this time.

For more information, visit carmelmission.org.

REOPENING ADVISORY (CONTINUED)

THE CARMEL MISSION STORE

MISSION STORE - NOW OPEN

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10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Basilica & Museums closed until further notice.

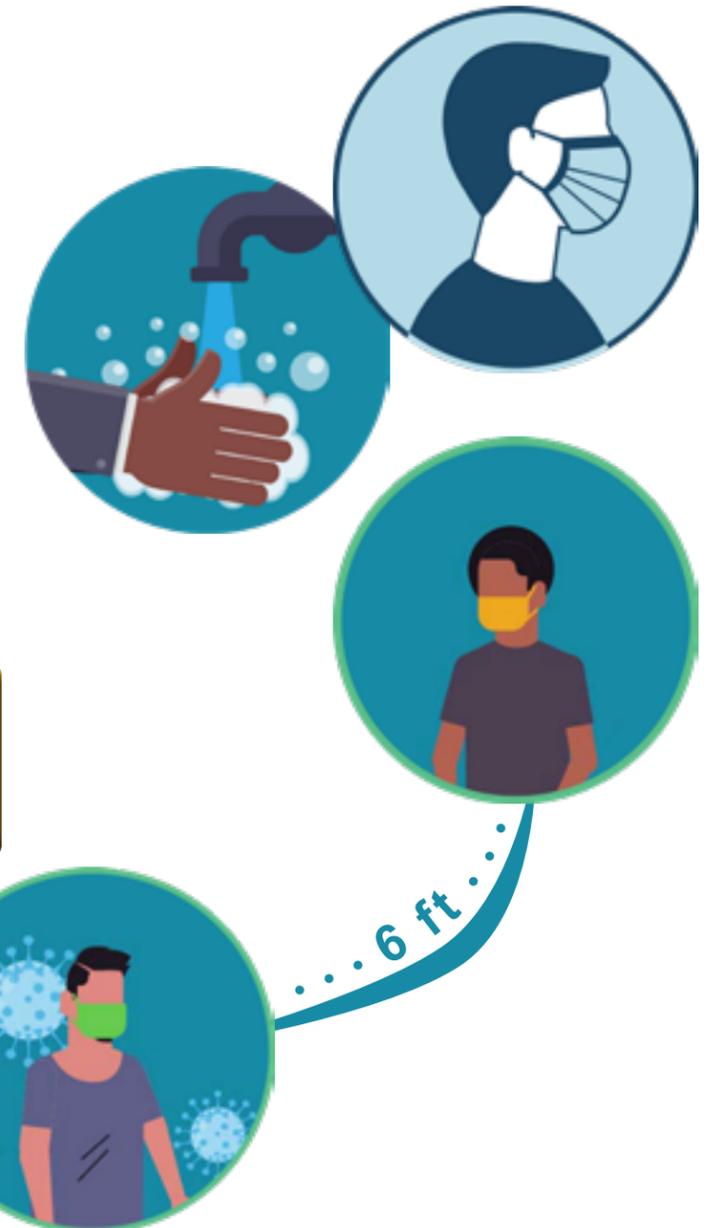
For the safety of our staff and visitors we are requiring everyone to wear a face mask at all times and sanitize your hands before entering the store. It is important that social distance is maintained for the duration of your visit. Please click the button at the bottom of this page to watch our quick video on the Guidelines for visiting the Mission Store.

Under the new guidelines, our Museums and Basilica are temporarily closed during visits. The Mission Store remains open to welcome our visitors and parishioners.

For more information please visit our online Advisory page at carmelmission.org/carmel-mission-reopening-advisory/.

Thank you for your understanding.

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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.

Today's Readings

First Reading I say I will not mention him, I will no longer speak in his name. But then it is as if fire is burning in my heart. I grow weary holding it in. (JER 20:7-9)

Psalm My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. (PS 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9)

Second Reading Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect. (ROM 12:1-2)

Gospel "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. (MT 16:21-27)

Readings for the Week

Monday, August 31

1 COR 2:1-5
PS 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102
LK 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 1

1 COR 2:10B-16
PS 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13AB, 13CD-14
LK 4:31-37

Wednesday, September 2

1 COR 3:1-9
PS 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21
LK 4:38-44

Thursday, September 3

1 COR 3:18-23
PS 24:1BC-2, 3-4AB, 5-6
LK 5:1-11

Friday, September 4

1 COR 4:1-5
PS 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40
LK 5:33-39

Saturday, September 5

1 COR 4:6B-15
PS 145:17-18, 19-20, 21
LK 6:1-5

Sunday, September 6

EZ 33:7-9
PS 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
ROM 13:8-10
MT 18:15-20

Scripture Message

The Gospel passage today follows on immediately from the one we read last week. Last week Jesus told Peter he was the rock on which he would build his church. Now, only a few sentences later he is chastising him for thinking as humans do, not as God does. Peter, and we, still have a lot to learn. In the passage from last week Peter sees Jesus for who He is, the Son of the living God, the Messiah. Peter fails to truly listen to Jesus though when He is sharing what lies ahead, that He must suffer and die, and rise again. Peter reacts to the suffering and dying part before really taking in what it will mean for Jesus to rise again. He still wants Jesus to be what he envisions the Messiah to be, and he certainly does not want his beloved friend to suffer and die. Indeed, Jesus rebukes Peter because His human self is tempted by the idea of turning away from the cross, but His divine self knows that the only path to resurrection is through death. The first reading from Jeremiah is interesting. In it, Jeremiah does not paint a very rosy picture of being a prophet! He feels duped by God, and he finds that his prophecies have made him a scorned figure, he determines to be done with God, done with prophesy, "but then it becomes like fire burning in my heart." Despite all the negatives he must continue to do God's work. When has God touched your heart with such a passion? What work are you called to do for His kingdom that you feel so strongly for it is almost inescapable?

Electronic Giving Makes Perfect Sense in These Times

Thank you to so many of you who have adopted electronic giving.

Quick and Easy - Setup Support Available

- Signing up and making single or scheduled contributions is easy – just click the donate button on [our website](#) and sign up today. We will have someone available during business hours to provide any required assistance.

Electronic Giving Saves Money and Time

- Envelope mailings are costly for parishioners and the parish
- Check processing and money handling are time consuming
- Our method of collections are to change as we will have collection boxes to replace pew collections when we come back together
- Accurate contribution tracking is available at all times



Report for weeks ending on 8/16/2020:

Electronic Donations

Weekday: \$6,155.11
Weekend: \$ 395.00

Mail Donations: \$1,357.00
Sunday — Masses: \$2,645.00

Total Donations: \$10,552.11

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

At this time of uncertainty and suffering I am happy to be able to report some very good news in regard to our Heavenly Sounds campaign.

As many of you are aware the focus of our AMA fundraising campaign this year is to provide much needed upgrades and repairs to our beautiful Casavant organ and to improve and enhance our sound systems both in the Basilica and in our Courtyards.

Just as the campaign was beginning to gain momentum, our nation was struck with the COVID-19 pandemic that continues to grip us today. Thanks to your enormous generosity we are able, even in these difficult times, to make forward progress in the Heavenly Sounds campaign.

The Carmel Mission Foundation, whose purpose is to raise funding for the preservation and restoration of our beautiful Mission, has had oversight of our Organ Restoration Fund. The donations to this fund (totaling over \$50,000) have been handed over to our parish and will be used exclusively for the restoration of our Casavant organ. I wish to thank all who have contributed to this worthy cause over the years.

The current conditions have warranted the

enhancements to our outdoor sound capability in ways we could not have imagined when the campaign began. We plan to purchase a portable sound system, which will allow a sustainable way forward to holding Mass in the Central Courtyard, and also be very useful for delivering sound wherever it is needed in either Courtyard when we return to our usual events and especially as we look forward to special events in celebration of the 250th anniversary of our founding in 2021.

The campaign continues and still needs your support. While we have been able to make progress on some of our goals, we continue to hope to be able to accomplish all we envisioned with our Heavenly Sounds campaign, including installed video cameras for the continued live streaming of Masses as well as to improve the quality of the sound in the Basilica and complete the first phase of the organ restoration project. All this will only be possible with your generous support.

Please stay tuned for future updates, and thank you for prayerfully considering a donation to our Heavenly Sounds campaign.

We all look forward to raising our voices in praise of our God again soon and enjoying the beautiful music in our Basilica.

Blessings of good health and renewed hope,
 Fr. Paul



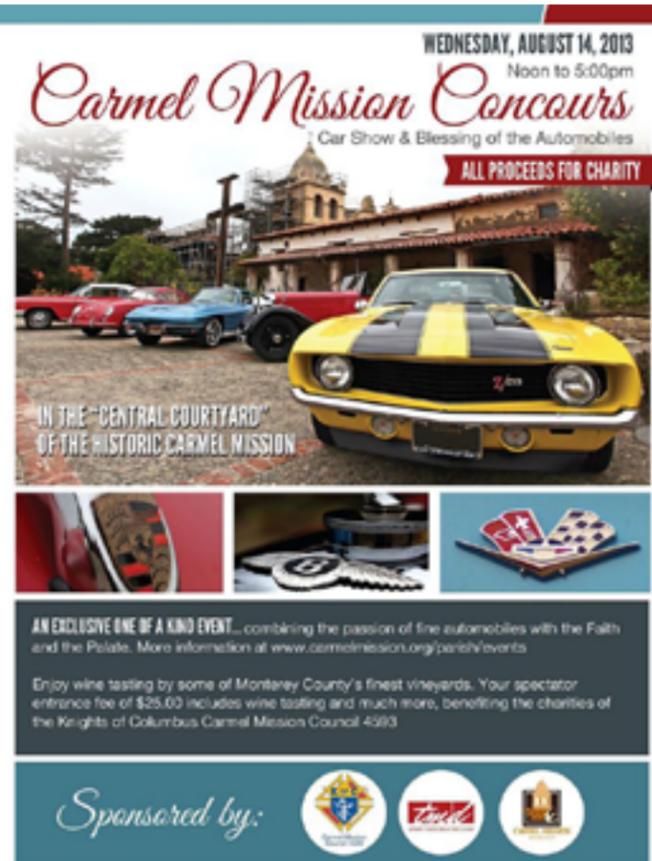
For more information, visit our AMA page at carmelmission.org/2020-annual-ministry-appeal/

A SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR FRIENDS AT CARMEL MISSION CLASSIC

Due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns, the 2020 Carmel Mission Classic has been cancelled.

We at the Carmel Mission Basilica would like to give our thanks to our friends; Frank DiPaola, the Carmel Mission Classic Staff and the Knights of Columbus for bringing much joy and entertainment to our parish and community these past 7 years. We also thank the entrants, sponsors and attendees for making this grand annual event possible.

We pray for the well-being of our freinds and look forward to their return in 2021.



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Our Lady of Fatima



A curious and dramatic artifact from the pontificate of Blessed John Paul II is found in Fátima, Portugal, where a would-be assassin's bullet poignantly sits under the peak of Our Lady of Fátima's bejeweled crown. The bullet was found in the pope's jeep after the 1981 attack on Pope John Paul II's life. Some time later, a grateful pope presented the bullet to the Bishop of Leira-Fátima. The bishop promptly enshrined it in the crown, transforming a lethal image into a beautiful sign of faithful maternal protection and a son's humble gratitude.

John Paul II attributed his survival of the shooting to the direct intervention of the Blessed Mother, to whom he had an ardent and lifelong devotion. He was known to suggest total consecration to Jesus through Mary, as recommend by St. Louis de Montfort, as a way for Christians to live out their baptismal promises more readily. He often preached and wrote about inviting Mary's intercession and intervention into one's life.



Fatima - The Movie
In theaters and streaming

[Click here to go to their website](#)



PLANNING FOR THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE CARMEL MISSION

1771 — 2021



The planning for the 250th Anniversary of our Mission's founding, a significant event for our community and the history of California, has begun.



Come today as a pilgrim to this Mission of San Carlos, which so powerfully evokes the heroic spirit and heroic deeds of Fray Junípero Serra and which enshrines his mortal remains. **This serene and beautiful place is truly the historical and spiritual heart of California.** All the missions of El Camino Real bear witness to the challenges and heroism of an earlier time, but not a time forgotten or without significance for the California of today and the Church of today.

— ADDRESS OF HIS HOLINESS, ST. JOHN PAUL II
Basilica of the Mission of San Carlos in Carmel
Thursday, September 17, 1987

We look forward to presenting a year long celebration of liturgical, cultural and musical events. Learn more at CarmelMission.org



Carmel Mission captured over the years from a similar vantage point.



Sick in the Parish

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

Nancy Buchanan, 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, Marjorie Coleman, Jim Gill, Barry Long

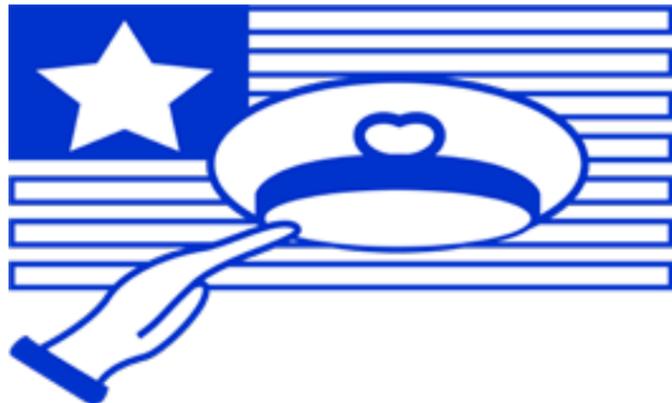


Recently Deceased in our Parish

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

Jim Cooney,	Nicacia Lares Ramos,	Judy Mollner,
Ed Soberanes,	Carla Coniglio,	Ernie Bizzazero,
Dr. Janusz Belza,	Thomas McCullough,	Bob Condry,
Paul Marto,	John Calcagno,	Mary Dills,
Sally Fitzpatrick,	Jovita Martin Cabrera,	Elinor Laiolo,
Kathleen Conley,	Jeanne Johnson,	Dr. Maria Gurney

... 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.



Prayer Requests and Special Intentions

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 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.

Send Your Prayer Request

**CONNECT, COMMUNICATE,
CONTINUE YOUR SUPPORT.**
We look forward to speaking with you.

We are planning to reach out and connect with each and everyone in our parish, and will begin calling our parishioners in the coming days. We want to know how you are faring. We also would like to share with you how we have been contending with the circumstances brought upon us by these uncertain times. We want to ensure you know about the steps we have taken to continue our connection with you through our emails, streaming weekend Masses, Daily Prayer Messages and the PRAYER REQUEST button on our website.



We have added a new page on our website named PARISH OFFICE. As we speak with you, we would like to update our parish records. We want to learn what forms of communication are most useful to you. We would also like to hear your suggestions and feedback on how to better serve you and our community.

Though you will contacting us through our website, we will be here to respond to you in person.

Please go to www.carmelmission.org to find the most up-to-date news on Mission activities. We will post information regarding the re-opening of the Mission as soon as we are able to welcome back parishioners and visitors.

Parish Registration

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CARMEL MISSION ONLINE

Connect With Us

We have further expanded our reach on the web for parishioners and visitors to connect with us. Click the links below to go to our different online platforms.



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Weekly Mass, Daily Prayers, and Important Updates

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- Weekly Streaming Mass
- Weekly Bulletin
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- and More!



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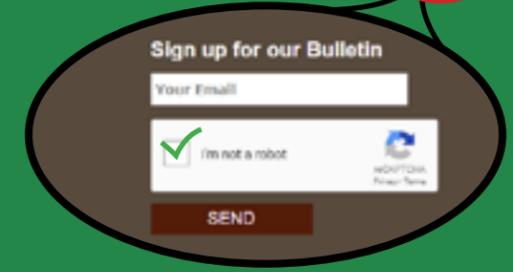
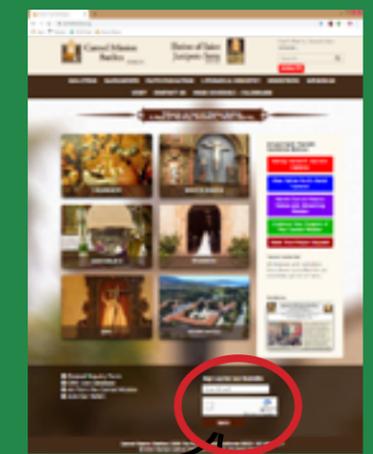
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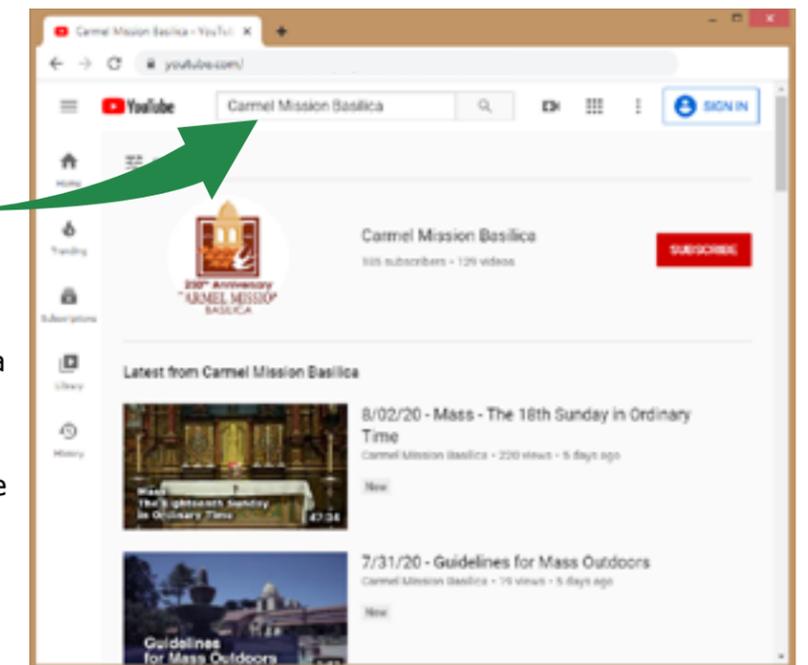


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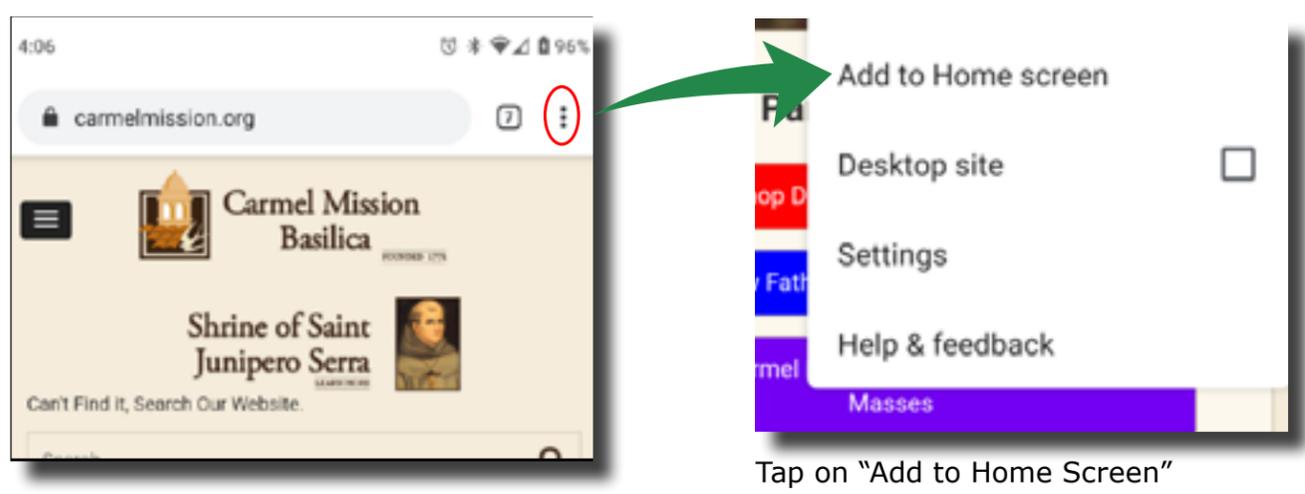
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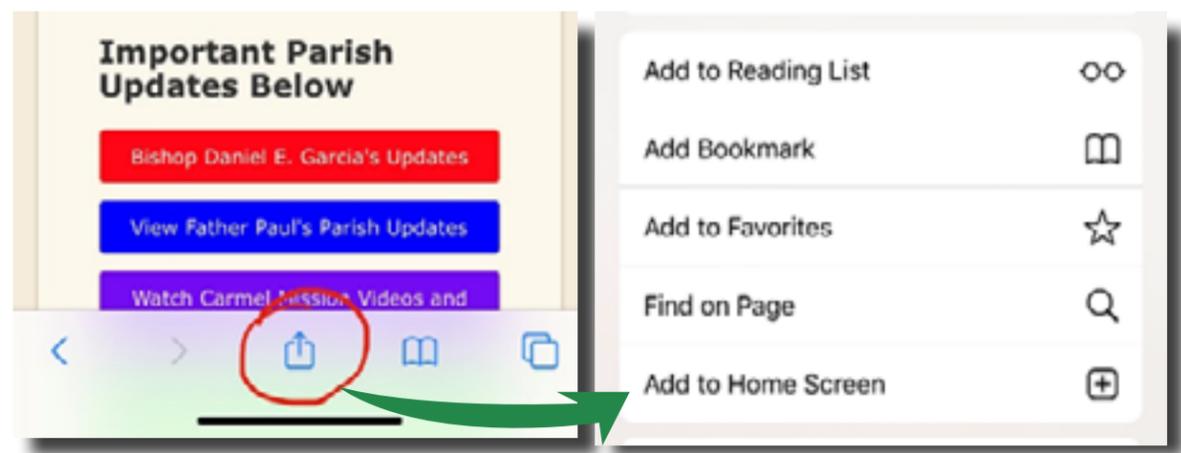
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