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9AM SUNDAY MASS RESUMES INSIDE THE BASILICA.  
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## Second Sunday of Lent Sunday, February 28, 2021

*"Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents:  
one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."*

— Mark 9:2-10



# FR. PAUL'S WEEKLY LETTER

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

Today in the Gospel Peter says to Jesus, " Rabbi, it is good that we are here!" Given that Peter had just witnessed Jesus' Transfiguration and the appearance of Moses and Elijah that could be categorized as a bit of an understatement. It is amazing, miraculous, and astonishing that we are here seems more apt.

There is a line from the 15<sup>th</sup> Century devotional book "The Imitation of Christ" by Thomas à Kempis that says, "Wherever you go....there you are, for you brought yourself with you."

Wherever we go, wherever we find ourselves, wherever we try to hide ourselves, God is also there. God is waiting for us, God is welcoming us. We do not need to understand everything. When we are present in that moment , be it joyful, or painful or tedious, it is good that we are there. We are taking the next step on our journey, and God is by our side.

The pandemic has forced us to explore what it means to be with God, what it means to be God's Church. We have encountered God in our living rooms, on our televisions, computers and cell phones. We discovered God in our Courtyard as we celebrated Mass outdoors. God's presence did not change. God has always been, and always will be, in all those places and many more. It is we who re-oriented ourselves to recognize God in new places and new situations. I encourage you to join me this week to take time in ordinary moments, to be present and to say, "Loving God, it is good that I am here with you." I assure you, wherever you are, God is there and happy that you are also there.

I wish you and your loved ones continued blessings of good health, renewed hope, and the comforting presence of God,

Fr. Paul

LED BY THE  
*SPIRIT*



## Lent/Holy Week/Easter 2021

### **Every Saturday in Lent**

Sacrament of Reconciliation  
in the Central Courtyard  
from 9-10am

### **Every Sunday in Lent**

Masses at 9am and 11am  
and Video Mass (online)

### **Ash Wednesday — 2/17/21**

Mass at 4pm

### **Lenten Taize Prayer Service**

Wednesday 3/3/21 (online)

### **Rosary and Adoration**

Friday 3/5/21 at 4pm

### **Lenten Prayer Message (online)**

Wednesday 3/10/21  
Wednesday 3/17/21  
Wednesday 3/24/21

### **Palm Sunday – 3/28/21**

Masses at 9am and 11am  
Video Mass (online)

### **Holy Thursday — 4/1/21**

Mass at 5pm

### **Good Friday — 4/2/21**

Good Friday Liturgy at 1pm  
Stations of the Cross (online)

### **Holy Saturday — 4/3/21**

No Sacrament of  
Reconciliation  
Evening Mass – Time TBA

### **Easter Sunday — 4/4/21**

Masses at 9am and 11am  
Video Mass (online)

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## Act of Spiritual Communion

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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.

Please join us for our

# Lenten Rosary and Adoration

Friday March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021

4:00 PM

Central Courtyard

## Today's Readings: Sunday, February 28

**First Reading** I swear by myself, declares the LORD, I will bless you abundantly  
(*GN 22:1-2, 9A, 10-13, 15-18*)

**Psalm** I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (*PS 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19*)

**Second Reading** If God is for us, who can be against us? (*ROM 8:31B-34*)

**Gospel** "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." (*MK 9:2-10*)

## Readings for the Week

### Monday, March 1

DN 9:4B-10  
PS 79:8, 9, 11 AND 13  
LK 6:36-38

### Tuesday, March 2

IS 1:10, 16-20  
PS 50:8-9, 16BC-17, 21 AND 23  
MT 23:1-12

### Wednesday, March 3

JER 18:18-20  
PS 31:5-6, 14, 15-16  
MT 20:17-28

### Thursday, March 4

JER 17:5-10  
PS 1:1-2, 3, 4 AND 6  
LK 16:19-31

### Friday, March 5

GN 37:3-4, 12-13A, 17B-28A  
PS 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21  
MT 21:33-43, 45-46

### Saturday, March 6

MI 7:14-15, 18-20  
PS 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12  
LK 15:1-3, 11-32

### Sunday, March 7

EX 20:1-17  
PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11  
1 COR 1:22-25  
JN 2:13-25

## Scripture Message

In the first reading today God instructs Abraham to sacrifice his only son, Isaac, only to rescind the command when it is clear Abraham is ready to carry it out. Despite the incomprehensibility of God's command, Abraham was committed to obeying believing that elucidation would follow. The disciples also struggle with understanding with all that Jesus is telling them. In the days preceding the Transfiguration Jesus had foreshadowed His Passion for the first time, telling them, "the Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and rise after three days." (Mark 8:31). They are completely confused and, to some degree, in denial of what this means. Even the awesome experience of witnessing the Transfiguration does not open their eyes completely to who Jesus is and what He must undergo. These same three disciples will fail to stay awake in the Garden of Gethsemane, they will flee Jesus at the time of His arrest, and Peter will deny him three times. These same men will also witness the Risen Lord, experience the power of the Holy Spirit, and become the first messengers of the Gospel. Jesus never gives up on them, wherever they are in their journey towards understanding, he meets them there, ultimately entrusting them with His Church. As long they had, or returned to, faith in God, God kept faith with them. God offers us the same grace, ready to meet us wherever we are in our journey of faith, never giving up on us. When have you experienced God's persistent love in your life?

### *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 the week ending on 2/7/21:

**Electronic Donations: \$ 6,392.13**

**Mail Donations: \$ 4,059.00**

**Sunday Masses: \$ 2,844.88**

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**Total Donations: \$13,296.01**

#### **2020 Contribution Statements**

2020 contribution statements will be mailed by Friday, January 29, 2021.

All AMA donors will receive statements directly from the Diocese of Monterey. Contributions made directly to the Mission for the Heavenly Sounds Campaign will be reflected on a statement from the Carmel Mission.

Please contact Nasy Oum at [bookkeeper@carmelmission.org](mailto:bookkeeper@carmelmission.org) or 831-624-1271 x220 with any questions regarding your contribution statement. Thank you for your generous support.



250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
CARMEL MISSION  
BASILICA

# STEWARDSHIP (CONTINUED)

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[www.carmelmission.org/](http://www.carmelmission.org/)

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

Last Sunday we had a very successful launch of our 2021 AMA campaign, Recovery and Renewal. It was our first Sunday to return to worship inside the Basilica in some time, and we had record numbers of people at both our indoor and outdoor Masses. Paul Hoffman, a member of our parish finance council and the chairman of our AMA campaign again this year, spoke at our Masses and has also recorded a video message that you can view by clicking [here](#).

Hopefully you received in the mail this week, or will shortly, a letter from me explaining the goals of this year's campaign, and it's special significance as we recover from the impacts of the ongoing pandemic, as well as celebrate our 250th anniversary. Our aim is ambitious but your remarkably generous response to our past campaigns to renovate Crespi Hall, to Renew the Pews and last year's Heavenly Sounds, gives me confidence that we will meet the goal of \$250,000 in our 250th year.

The community of Carmel Mission has proven to not only be generous, but also determined, flexible and creative throughout the difficult time of the pandemic. I feel all of these characteristics have been present in our community in the past 250 years, and have allowed us to accomplish great things in service to God and God's people. Our 2021 Recovery and Renewal campaign will help us continue this good work into the future. In the coming weeks we will be featuring specific aspects and goals for the campaign, as well as update you on our progress, so please stay tuned.

I thank you for your great generosity and selfless stewardship,

Fr. Paul



# RECOVERY AND RENEWAL CAMPAIGN



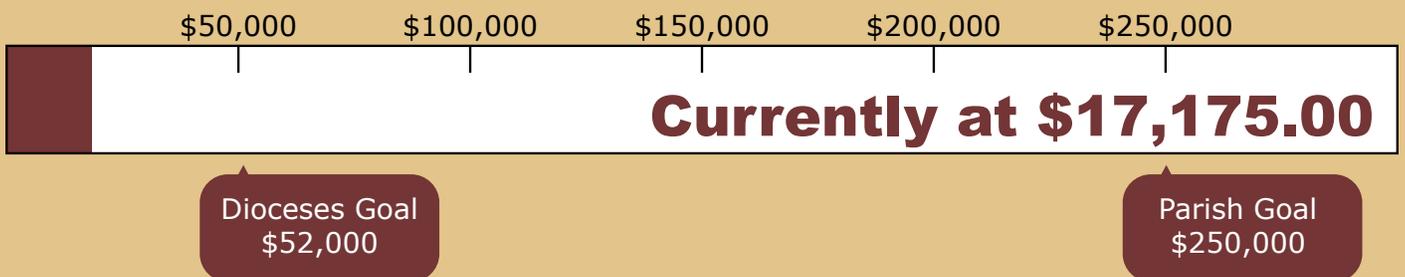
Serving a virtual community



Outdoor exhibits welcoming visitors



Outdoor Mass in the Central Courtyard





Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

I hope and pray that you and your loved ones are safe and well, as we embark on our faith journey through this special year of 2021, during which we celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the founding of our beautiful Mission by Saint Junípero Serra.

This is a year of RECOVERY and RENEWAL, a time to celebrate our past achievements and to plan for our future. While it is obviously true that conditions and restrictions of 2020 impacted our parish, both materially and spiritually, we have not been idle. We have used the time wisely to explore new and innovative ways to keep our community together and to plan for our future.

Who could have predicted how important the timing of our 2020 AMA Heavenly Sounds Campaign would be? The console of our beautiful Casavant organ has been restored and updated by its original makers and is awaiting re-installation. We have invested in a superb outdoor sound system for our masses in our Central Courtyard. We have been broadcasting mass on our website and our YouTube channel, which has enabled us to gather as a virtual community, and which is of particular benefit to those parishioners who are unable to attend mass in person.

It is time to launch our 2021 AMA (Annual Ministry Appeal). Our diocese has chosen the theme "Building a Family of Faith". I enclose an AMA information leaflet which indicates the range of ministries that you support by participating in the campaign. The first \$52,000 raised goes back to the diocese, and any sum we raise over that sum, comes back to our parish for RECOVERY and RENEWAL during our 250th Anniversary year. At Carmel Mission, we have set a total goal of \$250,000. We will use the additional \$198,000 to increase our efforts at building up our virtual family of faith. We plan to enhance our filming and digital communication capabilities through the investment in state of the art equipment and upgrades to our wireless infrastructure.

With the addition of our new Central Courtyard Restrooms, currently under construction, and the renovation of the Downie Museum and Basilica Forecourt, planned for this Spring, we will also invest in improving safety and access to our beautiful Mission. We will also expand our Museum exhibition space, in order to attract and welcome more visitors and pilgrims, whose support we greatly appreciate and rely on. We will share our progress towards achieving our goals on a dedicated page on our website and our weekly bulletin. In each of the past three years, your generosity has enabled us to achieve our AMA goals: Upgrade of Crespi Parish Hall, Renew Our Pews, and Heavenly Sounds. We could not have done this without you. I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

During this 250th Anniversary year, I know that I can count on your selfless stewardship and your generous support of our beautiful Carmel Mission.

I wish you and your loved ones blessings of good health and great happiness. In the great love of Jesus Christ,

Fr. Paul P. Murphy  
Pastor at Carmel Mission

p.s. Let's achieve our \$250,000 goal in our 250th year

## *Pure Incense Back In Stock!*



What makes Pure Incense better? Traditional incense sticks are made of half bamboo and half incense. Pure incense has no bamboo stick center. It is all incense made with cosmetic grade essential oils from Nepal.

When burned, what you smell is just the pure fragrance. This incense has been a long-time customer favorite and is now available at the Mission Museum Store.





## Sick in the Parish

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

Anne Emmerich,  
Joan Kenny  
Tobi Lunt  
Sean Kenny  
Chuck Wilmot,  
Nancy Buchanan,  
Mary Cea,  
Larry Fry,  
Richard Cruickshank,  
Charles Cardoza,  
Gwen Foster,

Mercedes Ferrante,  
Frank Machalla,  
King Williams,  
Brandon Paulikas,  
Julieta Evangelista,  
Dan Ukestad,  
Nancy D'Angelo,  
Ruth Flynn,  
Missy Student,  
Lois Jones,  
Marjorie Coleman



## 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.

## RECENTLY DECEASED IN OUR PARISH

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



Phil Gambucci,	John Calcagno,
Jane Lowrey Weisser,	Jovita Martin Cabrera,
Claude Keyzers,	Jeanne Johnson,
Vivian Sweeney,	Judy Mollner,
Carlos Pineda,	Ernie Bizzazero,
Lillian Lampi,	Bob Condry,
Jospeh Kepp,	Mary Dills,
José Eliseo Cabrera,	Elinor Laiolo,
Dr. Knox Mellon,	Dr. Maria Gurney,
Ronald J. Antuzzi,	Frank Crivello,
John Flynn,	Rose Green,
Dr. Richard Pirotte,	Deane H. Hollenback,
Sandra Ramirez,	Luigi Uttaro,
Joshua King,	Anita Pender,
Phyllis Loyko,	Karen Lyon,
Edmundo Lundgren,	Jean Neiman,
Bruna Odello,	Filomena Pacheco,
Maria Leonor Horta,	Mary O'Shea
Ed Soberanes,	
Dr. Janusz Belza,	
Paul Marto,	
Sally Fitzpatrick,	
Kathleen Conley,	
Nicacia Lares Ramos,	
Carla Coniglio,	
Thomas McCullough,	

... 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.

## Breaking Bread 2020

We have a limited number of Breaking Bread books available to our community for individual purchase. While we cannot use communal books for worship at this time, you are very welcome to bring your own copy to our Outdoor Masses, or use it while viewing the streaming Mass from home.

Books can be purchased, while supplies last, by emailing Laura at [liturgy@carmelmission.org](mailto:liturgy@carmelmission.org). These books include the Daily Mass Propers as well as the Order of Mass, Weekly Readings and Hymns. Books can be mailed to you (at an additional cost) or you can pick up previously reserved orders on Sunday if you attend the Outdoor Mass.

Each Breaking Bread book is \$15, a significant discount from ordering individually from the OCP website.



## AmazonSmile

Carmel Mission is now registered with AmazonSmile and ready to receive donations!

AmazonSmile is the easiest, most direct method, and free of cost way to support our Mission.

By clicking on the AmazonSmile tab on the top left corner of the Amazon webpage, supporters will be taken to a unique page on smile.amazon.com that is automatically linked to the Carmel Mission. Simply enter your email address and password to enroll.

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible smile.amazon.com purchases made by supporters to the Carmel Mission.

## 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.

[Send Your Prayer Request](#)



February 17 - March 28

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

## HELP SAVE LIVES IN SEASIDE!

**Take courage.** Join this worldwide mobilization! Through peaceful and prayerful on-site vigils, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000 volunteers, saved 18,000 babies from abortion and closed 107 abortion centers.

### Here's how to take part:

Local contact: David Brownfield, 831-521-6102, [help@montereypeninsula.life](mailto:help@montereypeninsula.life)

**Vigil location:** On the public sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood- Seaside at 625 Hilby Ave.

**Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm, daily. Can you devote one hour a week?

Take the next step. Get involved by visiting our campaign:

[40daysforlife.com/Seaside](http://40daysforlife.com/Seaside)

## DOCENT CORNER

The Covid Pandemic Special Edition



### **Marianna (Mary Ann) Machado Gould and the Carmel Mission Reredos.**

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Third in a series about Harry Downie and the recreation of a Reredos at Carmel Mission in 1956.

The original Reredos in the church would have been installed after 1794 and would have probably been modified over the years until 1833 when the Mission was secularized and became no longer active. Subsequently the art was removed and spread to various locations.

By 1849, when Bayard Taylor (1825-1878), an American observer to the California Constitutional Convention made a day trip from Monterey to Carmel, he described the church. He and his companion "bribed" young boys playing in the abandoned courtyard to bring them the keys.

*"The interior of the Church was lofty, the ceiling a rude attempt at a Gothic arch, and the shrine a huge, faded mass of gilding and paint, with some monkish portraits of saints."*

In about 1851 the roof collapsed, the Diocese removed the remaining art to Monterey, and the ruin remained until 1882.

The first restoration of the Mission, in 1882-1884, involved clearing the wreckage caused by weather and neglect and resulted in an entirely different interior and roof structure. There is photographic record of the altar and the wall behind it which included stained glass windows. It was all an entirely different design than the original Mission, more American Gothic in style.

When Harry Downie set about restoring the altar at Carmel Mission in 1956, he brought together threads of the past to reconstruct a replica of a Spanish mission style as accurately as possible, as follows.

First, the inventories kept by the Franciscans, including that of Fr. Real in 1834, listed in great detail the contents of the Mission including statues of the Saints, their dimensions and in some cases locations. Downie had these translated from Spanish and they provided a guide for recovery of the original statues where possible.

Second, Harry was very familiar with the smaller Reredos at San Francisco de Asis having worked there as a teen. That was contemporaneous with the Carmel Mission, (1794- 1796). While that at Carmel no longer existed, there were a number of originals in other Missions in California and Mexico. He says that they had been ordered from the same highly skilled workshop in Mexico. It seemed a reasonable assumption to him that the Carmel Reredos would have been the same. He then used Mission San Francisco de Asis as a model, although he made significant changes to the size and shape.

## Docent Corner (continued)

Third, he had the somewhat vague description by Taylor which at least indicated a structure of some size and grandeur.

And fourth but invaluable, he knew the older families in the area and had access to their knowledge and records.



Cristiano Leonardo Machado

(around 1838-1924) was born in Ponta Delgada, Azores.

He came to Carmel in 1866 with his wife Maria and engaged in shore whaling at Point Lobos. In 1877 they were living in the adobe "Orchard House" at Carmel

Mission. He became the caretaker of the ruined mission and grounds. When Fr. Casanova undertook the restoration of the church for the Serra Centennial beginning in 1882,

Machado "cleaned, repaired and maintained the grounds, ... rediscovering the location of Serra's forgotten grave."

Harry Downie met Cristiano Machado while visiting Carmel as a young man during the 1920's prior to moving here, and he met one of Maria and Cristiano's daughters; Marianna Machado Goold (1884-1975). Marianna (Mary Ann) married Charles

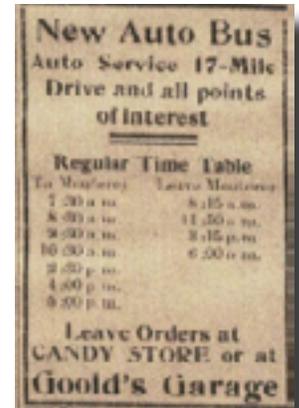


Olin Goold (1871-1931) in 1904 and they lived in Carmel. Investors in Carmel real estate, they also operated carriage and auto bus transportation businesses in Carmel and on the 17 Mile Drive.

She was described by a granddaughter as "a devout Catholic... active in the Altar Society, and (she) made generous donations to the Mission".

Harry Downie described how he made great use of visual recollections of the "old timers" in Carmel, meaning families with long histories at the Mission including Mrs. Goold.

Her information regarding the design of the Reredos presents a bridge between the ruined state of the Mission in the later 19th Century, and it's restoration by Fr. O'Connell and Harry Downie beginning in 1931.



### Sources:

Celeste Pagliarulo, S.N.D. de N., "Harry Downie and the Restoration of Mission San Carlos Borromeo, 1931-1937".

Bayard Taylor, "El Dorado or Adventures in the Path of Empire", (1861).

Carmel Pine Cone, (August 16, 1916).

Memories of Joan King, granddaughter of Mrs. Goold.

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

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

Please go to [www.carmelmission.org](http://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.



### Carmel Mission Bible Study

The Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 10:30 AM via ZOOM

As you may know, we have a very active Bible Study group each Wednesday morning here at Carmel Mission. Dick Gorman leads the group. He has been teaching Catholic Bible Study classes for about 20 years.

The group is just starting a study of John's Gospel on January 6, so this would be a great time for you to join the class and see if this is for you. Each Holy Father back at least to Pope Pius XII has urged Catholic Bible study for the faithful.

Father Rodrigo and I urge you to look and see if this is for you. Class starts at 10:30 each Wednesday on ZOOM and lasts about an hour. There is no cost, and the only homework is to read the one chapter for the upcoming class so that you are familiar with it.

For any information, email Dick Gorman at [dickgorman@att.net](mailto:dickgorman@att.net). He will email you a ZOOM invite by which to sign in. Or call him at 595-6363

### Carmel Mission Book Club

We meet via ZOOM on Mondays at 1:30pm.

Book Club is reading JERUSALEM: THE BIOGRAPHY by Simon Montefiore accompanied each week by tiny sections of THE IGNATIAN ADVENTURE (Experiencing the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius in Daily Life) by Kevin O'Brien, SJ.

Please feel free to join us at any time.

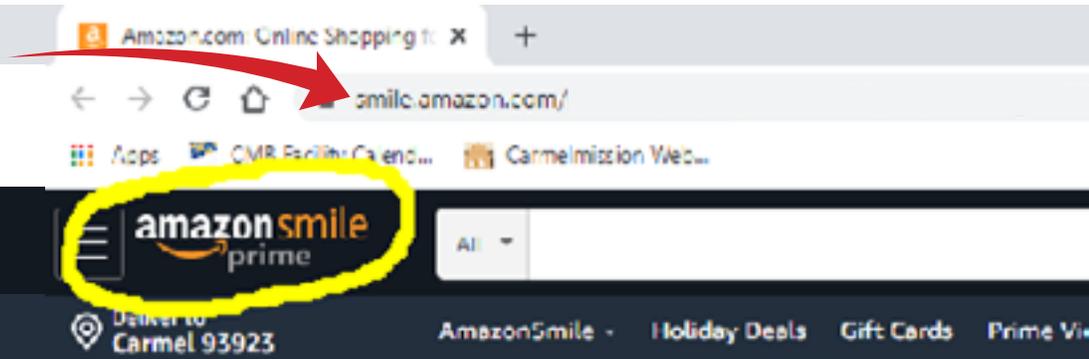
For information, please email Charlie Sciambi at [csciambi@gmail.com](mailto:csciambi@gmail.com).



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**Remember**, only purchases made on ([smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)) will result in donations.



## How to Use AmazonSmile

Here are the steps you can take to ensure donations are made to the Carmel Mission via your Amazon purchase:

### Step One

Type in the word 'smile.' before amazon.com, ([smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)), you will be brought to the Amazon site, but on the fundraising side. The site is almost the same except for the "smile."

The first time you go to the 'smile.' side, you will be asked to choose the charitable organization that you want to support. Search for Carmel Mission and select the Mission as your choice.

### Step Two

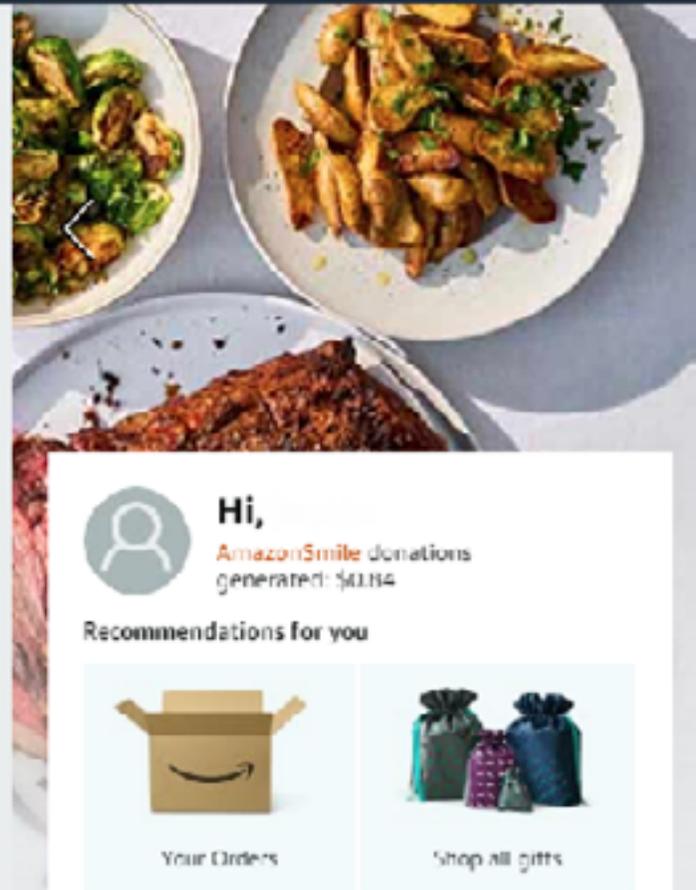
Bookmark the link to AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)) so that you can support the Carmel Mission every time you shop on Amazon.

### Step Three

Shop online at AmazonSmile like you normally do!

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# CARMEL MISSION ADVISORY

Information About the Mission's Reopening

## Indoor Mass will resume following new conditions.



**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.

**6 ft**

### 9:00 AM Mass will be Held Indoors at 25% Capacity with Outdoor Overflow

**9:00 AM Mass** will be celebrated in the Basilica at 25% capacity with overflow seating in the Central Courtyard. We are now permitted to return to worship inside the Basilica under the following conditions:

- Capacity is 25% of the church. Only family households may sit together. We will be seating people from front to back on a first come, first served basis. Dismissal at the end of Mass will begin with those in the back. Please note that depending on how the pews are filled capacity may be met before all the available seats are filled. We cannot exceed 25% capacity under any circumstances.
- Social distancing protocols remain in effect indoors and outdoors.
- Face coverings must be worn at all times, without exception, indoors and outdoors. Temperatures will be taken.

**11:00 AM Mass** will continue to be celebrated outdoors only in the Central Courtyard unless the weather conditions require us to move indoors at 25% capacity.

Click the icons below to watch the streaming Masses

### 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](#)

### SUNDAY MASS:

9:00 AM in Basilica

11:00 AM in Central Courtyard

Weekday (Daily) Mass: **Suspended until further notice.**

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

### 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:** Access to Mass remains through the parish office gate. Access to and from the Basilica will be through the Mora Chapel via the Central Courtyard.

**Volunteers:** Volunteer monitors and ushers are needed for our Sunday Masses. If you wish to volunteer please email Laura at [liturgy@carmelmission.org](mailto:liturgy@carmelmission.org). Access to the Sanctuary and Sacristy remains restricted to Staff only.

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



**Weather and Outdoor Conditions:** We are very fortunate to have such a large beautiful outdoor space in our Central Courtyard where we can celebrate Mass comfortably with appropriate social distancing.

In addition to distancing, we require attendees, including children, to stay in their seats and not move about the courtyard for any reason.

We are very concerned about the health of all who attend Mass and we must ensure that everyone maintains appropriate distancing and also hope that everyone can be comfortable in our outdoor setting. The weather can change suddenly, so please dress for variable conditions. We have limited seats in the shade, so please be prepared for the sun by bringing a hat or umbrella.

If at any time you are not comfortable, please get the attention of an Usher, who will assist with relocating you.

**Financial stewardship:** We will be taking up a collection at the Masses on Sundays. Electronic giving through [carmelmission.org](http://carmelmission.org) remains a preferred option, but also feel free to bring your weekly offering to Sunday Mass.

For more information, visit [carmelmission.org](http://carmelmission.org).

### MISSION STORE - NOW OPEN

Wednesday - Saturday  
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**Basilica & Museums closed until further notice.**

## The Carmel Mission Store

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/](https://carmelmission.org/carmel-mission-reopening-advisory/).

Thank you for your understanding.

Please watch our video:  
[Guidelines for Visiting  
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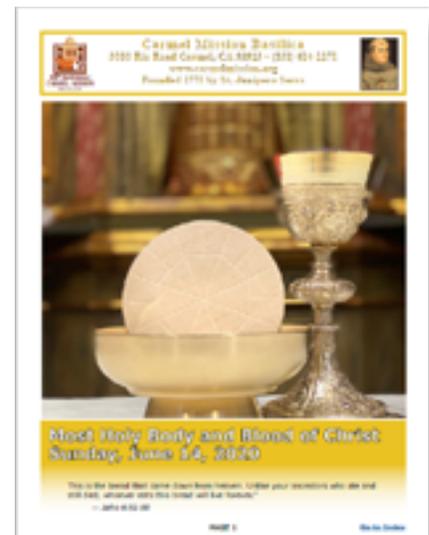
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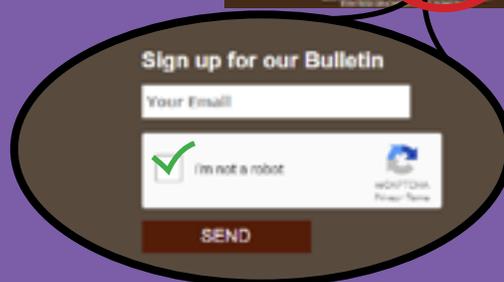
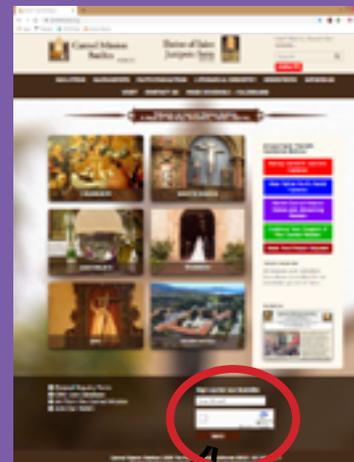
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We send weekly emails which contain:

- 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

How to Join?

- Go to [carmelmission.org](http://carmelmission.org), or click the link.
- Scroll to the bottom of the page
- Follow instruction under "Sign up for our Bulletin"
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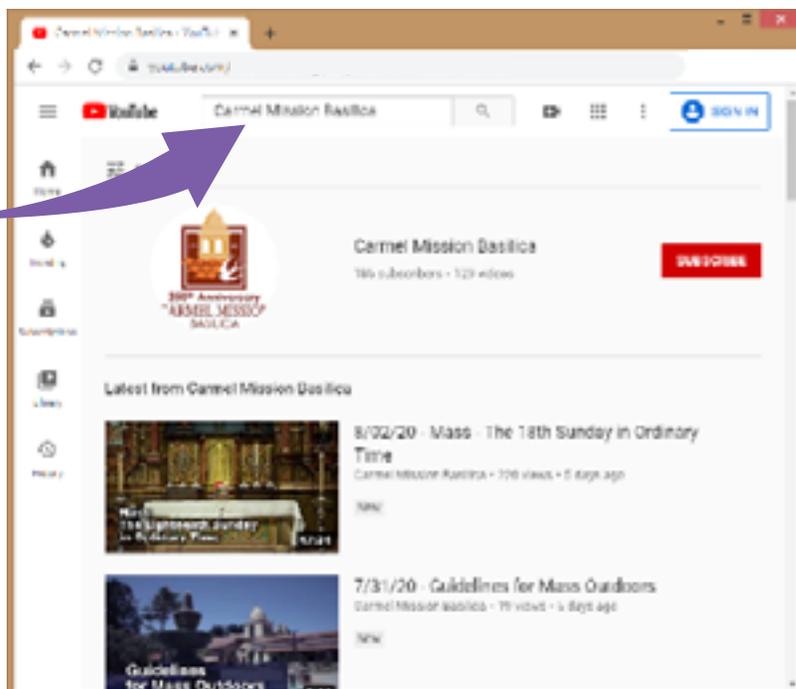


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To find our Channel navigate to [youtube.com](http://youtube.com) and search for Carmel Mission Basilica Channel in the search bar at the top.

Click on the Carmel Mission Basilica channel to find all our videos.

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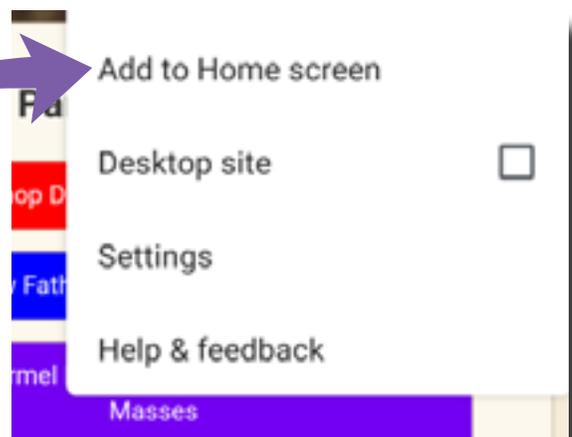
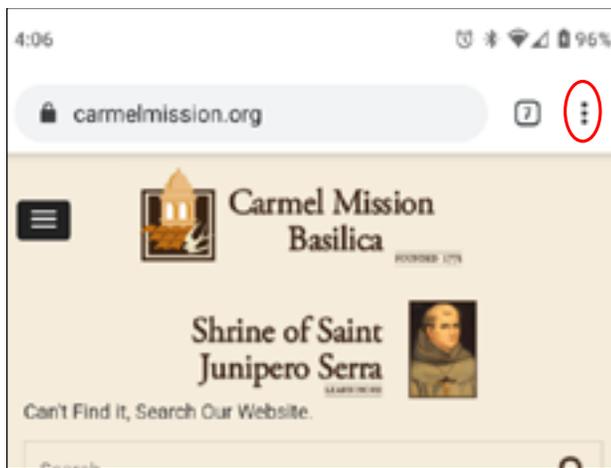


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To add our website to your smartphone home screen, open your web browser and navigate to [carmelmission.org](http://carmelmission.org) and follow the instructions needed for your device.

### Android

Tap on the Options icon (three dots) at the top right corner of the screen



Tap on "Add to Home Screen"

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