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One year ago we filmed the Mass for the first time.

Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 21, 2021

Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.

— *John 12:20-33*



FR. PAUL'S WEEKLY LETTER

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

I want to thank all of you who have reached out with your prayers and support for me and my family in this sad time of loss. While it has been so difficult to lose our Mum, I am grateful that I was able to be with her, and with my family. We deeply appreciate your kindness towards us.

In his words of consolation to the defeated, captive people of Israel, the Prophet Jeremiah tells of the new covenant that God is going to write on the hearts of God's people. This connects beautifully to the psalm where we ask God to create a clean heart in each of us. The imagery of cleansing is powerful in this instance. It does not require that there be no stain, no dirt, no blemish. Rather it shows us that God's mercy and love is so great that it can wash away our guilt and our doubt and make our hearts ready for God's love.

There is a phrase, "forgive but don't forget." We are cautioned to not forget so that we might be less disappointed, less gullible, less vulnerable. Imagine if this was how God approached God's relationship to us? Throughout the course of human history, humanity has failed God innumerable times, and God has never wavered in forgiveness and mercy. If God can forgive us, can forget our sin and move forward with love, how can we offer less to ourselves and to one another?

Forgiving ourselves can prove most difficult of all. We are more intimately acquainted with our own failings than with anyone else's. This week, as we prepare to journey to Jerusalem with Jesus, I invite you to join me in asking God to cleanse our hearts, to renew His spirit within us, and to etch His covenant of love on our inmost being.

I wish you and your loved ones continued Lenten blessings of good health, renewed hope and great peace,

Fr. Paul

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Lent 2021

Every Saturday in Lent

Sacrament of Reconciliation 9-10am Central Courtyard

Every Sunday in Lent

Masses: 9am Basilica and 11am Central Courtyard

[Streaming Mass Online](#)

Wednesday 3/3/21 - Lenten Taize Prayer Service

[\(online - available throughout Lent\)](#)

Friday 3/5/21 - Stations of the Cross

[\(online - available throughout Lent\)](#)

Friday 3/5/21 - Rosary and Adoration

In the Central Courtyard at 4pm

Wednesday 3/10/21 - Lenten Prayer Message (online)

Wednesday 3/17/21 - Lenten Prayer Message (online)

Wednesday 3/24/21 - Lenten Prayer Message (online)

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Holy Week and Easter 2021

Palm Sunday - 3/28/21

Masses

9am Basilica

11am Central Courtyard

Streaming Mass Online

Holy Thursday - 4/1/21

Mass

5pm Basilica

Good Friday - 4/2/21

Good Friday Liturgy

1pm Central Courtyard

Holy Saturday - 4/3/21

No Sacrament of Reconciliation

Easter Vigil

7pm Central Courtyard

Easter Sunday - 4/4/21

Masses

9am Basilica,

11am Central Courtyard

1pm Basilica

1pm St. Francis of the Redwoods

Streaming Mass Online

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.

Flowers are an important part of our Easter celebrations.

If you would like to support the
Easter Lilies with a minimum
donation of \$90 please contact
Laura at liturgy@carmelmission.org
to arrange your donation and your
intention.

Your intentions will be included in the
bulletin for the Easter season.

Thank you for your generosity.



Today's Readings: Sunday, March 21

First Reading All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more. (*JER 31:31-34*)

Psalms Create a clean heart in me, O God. (*PS 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15*)

Second Reading he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. (*Heb 5:7-9*)

Gospel unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. (*Jn 12:20-33*)

Readings for the Week

Scripture Message

Monday, March 22

DN 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 OR 13:41C-62
PS 23:1-3A, 3B-4, 5, 6
JN 8:1-11

Tuesday, March 24

NM 21:4-9
PS 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21
JN 8:21-30

Wednesday, March 25

DN 3:14-20, 91-92, 95
DN 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56
JN 8:31-42

Thursday, March 26

IS 7:10-14; 8:10
PS 40:7-8A, 8B-9, 10, 11
HEB 10:4-10
LK 1:26-38

Friday, March 27

JER 20:10-13
PS 18:2-3A, 3BC-4, 5-6, 7
JN 10:31-42

Saturday, March 28

EZ 37:21-28
JER 31:10, 11-12ABCD, 13
JN 11:45-56

Sunday, March

MK 11:1-10 OR JN 12:12-16
IS 50:4-7
PS 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
PHIL 2:6-11
MK 14:1-15:47

Throughout this cycle of Lenten readings (year B) our readings from the Hebrew Scriptures have focused on God's covenants with God's people; Noah, then Abraham, then the Ten Commandments. Today we hear from the Prophet Jeremiah, writing during the most difficult period of the Israel's history. Israel has been overrun by the Babylonians, the Temple is destroyed, and the Israelites are in exile, captives in a foreign land. Jeremiah, who throughout most of his writing was trying to warn the Israelites of their impending doom if they failed to reconcile with and heed God, has now turned to offering consolation in their darkest time. Despite all that has transpired, God has not given up on them. Instead, God is planning to make a new covenant, one which is written on their hearts. God will not only forgive them, He will forget all their wrongdoing. They will have a fresh start. The psalmist asks God to "create a clean heart in me." A clean heart is devoted only to God. It has no room for guilt, or doubt or regret. God is always ready to wipe our hearts clean, to renew us, to forgive and forget our offence. Last week Jesus told Nicodemus that He did not come into the world to condemn the world but that the world might be saved through Him (John 3:17). This is the covenant that is written on our hearts; God so loves us so much that He gave His only Son for our salvation.



MEMORANDUM

TO: The People of the Diocese of Monterey

FROM: Most Reverend Daniel E. Garcia
Bishop of Monterey

SUBJECT: COVID-19 Vaccine

DATE: March 12, 2021

The Diocese of Monterey would like to encourage our parishioners to get the COVID-19 Vaccination.

While Catholic moral teaching can be complex and nuanced, in the analysis of vaccinations during this Pandemic, there is clear guidance.

Catholic theologians, the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith in Rome, and Pope Francis, have all clearly concluded that to take the vaccine, be it Pfizer, Moderna, or Johnson & Johnson, is clearly a legitimate moral choice in this time of Pandemic with limited vaccine options.

I share with you that I have taken the vaccine, Pope Francis and Pope Emeritus Benedict, and many of the clergy of the Diocese have done so. Unless one's personal doctor recommends otherwise, **I strongly urge everyone to take the vaccine for the protection of human life and well-being of all.**

La Diócesis de Monterey desea alentar a nuestros feligreses a obtener la vacuna COVID-19.

Si bien la enseñanza moral católica puede ser compleja y matizada, hay una guía clara basada en el análisis de las vacunas para esta pandemia.

Los teólogos Católicos, la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos, la Congregación de la Doctrina de la Fe en Roma y el Papa Francisco, han concluido claramente que el recibir la vacuna, ya sea la de Pfizer, la de Moderna, o la de Johnson & Johnson, es una opción moral claramente legítima en este tiempo de pandemia, con opciones limitadas de vacunas.

Les comparto que yo he recibido la vacuna, el Papa Francisco y el Papa Emérito Benedicto, y muchos clérigos de la Diócesis también lo han hecho. A menos que su médico personal recomiende lo contrario, **les exhorto encarecidamente a todos a que se vacunen para proteger la vida humana y el bienestar de todos.**

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 3/07/21:

Electronic Donations: \$ 6,672.61

Mail Donations: \$ 3,904.57

Sunday Masses: \$ 5,667.00

Total Donations: \$16,244.18

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 or 831-624-1271 x220 with any questions regarding your contribution statement. Thank you for your generous support.



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www.carmelmission.org/

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

Thanks to the great generosity of our community, our ambitious 2021 AMA campaign, Recovery and Renewal is off to a great start. In just the four short weeks since we have launched we have raised upwards of \$113,000 towards our goal of \$250,000. My sincere thanks to all who have contributed thus far.

As you know, one of the focuses of the campaign is on further developing and improving our ministry of communication. Before we were faced with the COVID pandemic, it was on my mind that we needed to find new ways to connect with people online, particularly those who are homebound or unable, for whatever reason, to join us in person here at the Basilica. Of course with COVID, that became all of us! This sped up the timeline for developing these initial methods of online communication and the exponential growth of our virtual community.

The positive feedback we have received has been overwhelming. We, of course, that we are blessed with the highest quality of music and liturgical celebrations. Our own community has held together throughout this time through the shared experience of the streaming Mass and prayer messages. We have been able to reach out further afield, to people who have moved away from the area but still call Carmel Mission home in their hearts; they can now join us as often as they wish for worship and prayer. We have reached those who have yet to be able to visit our Mission but who are attracted by its beauty, historical significance, and our founder and first pastor, St. Junipero Serra.

We have been fortunate in what we have been able to accomplish in this relatively short period of time, with your generous support, and a core team of people who have worked hard to make our virtual community a reality. But we know we can do more, and we can do better. As part of our campaign we will be expanding our capabilities, both in terms of scope and the quality of our productions, enabling us to continue our mission of spreading the Good News of God's great love.

I am eager to hear from you. How do you access our virtual community? What do you love? What could we improve on? These efforts are already underway, and we plan to share the steps along the way with all of you. It is a fascinating process, and I have learned a lot already.



I would so appreciate your feedback, and I thank you again for your generosity and selfless stewardship,

Fr. Paul

RECOVERY AND RENEWAL CAMPAIGN



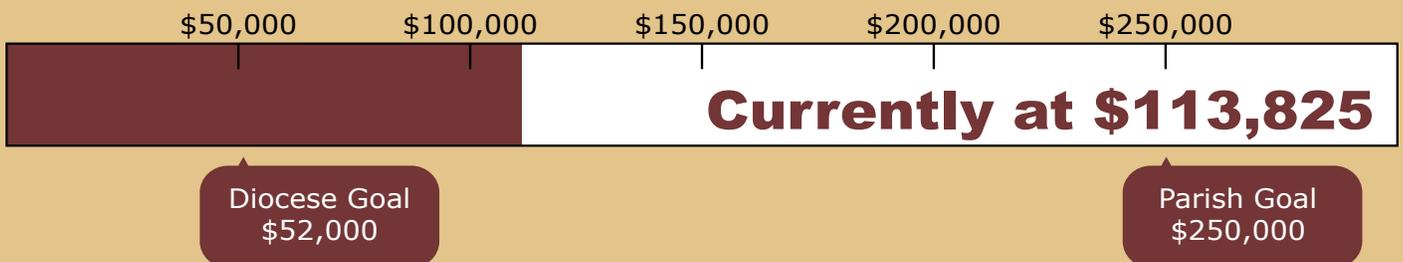
Serving a virtual community



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.

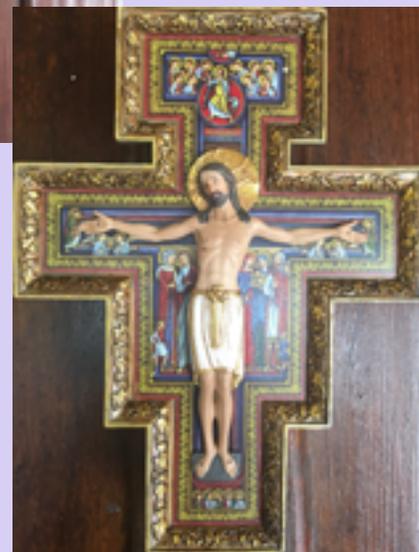
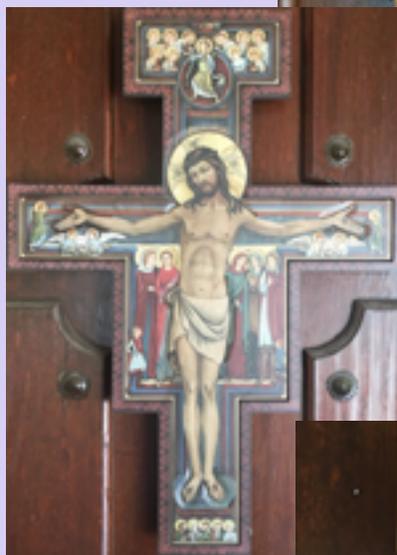
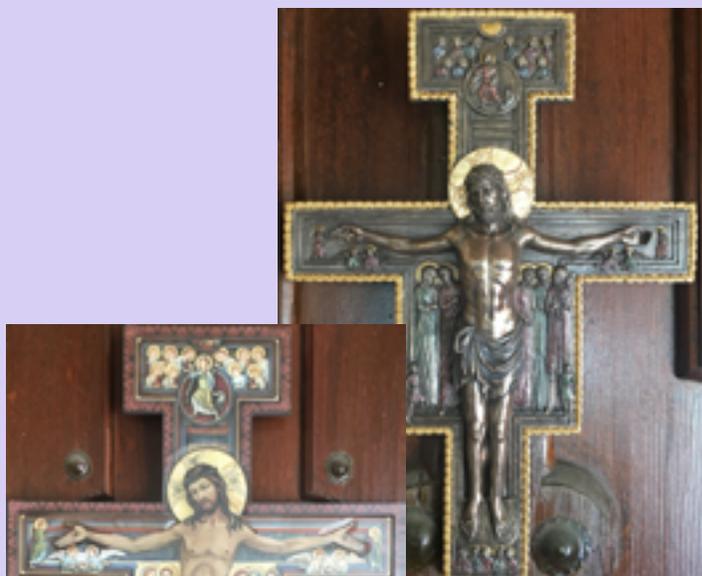
I wish you and your loved ones blessings of good health and great happiness. In the great love of Jesus Christ,

Fr. Paul P. Murphy
Pastor at Carmel Mission

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

The San Damiano Cross

The San Damiano Cross is the large Romanesque rood cross that St. Francis of Assisi was praying before when he is said to have received the commission from the Lord to rebuild the Church. The original cross hangs in the Basilica of Saint Clare in Assisi, Italy. Franciscans cherish this cross as the symbol of their mission from God. The cross is of a type sometimes called an icon cross because besides the main figure it contains images of other saints and people related to the incident of Christy crucifixion. The tradition of such crosses began in the Eastern Church and probably reached Italy via Serbia and Croatia.





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:



Geraldine Murphy,	Thomas McCullough,
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,	

... 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. 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.



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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

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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

DOCENT CORNER

The COVID Pandemic Special Edition

Smallpox in the California Missions



We all are currently dealing with the Covid 19 pandemic but the early settlers in Spanish California also had their problems with diseases like the flu, measles and smallpox. In an article entitled the "Prevention of Smallpox in Alta California during the Franciscan Mission Period (1769-1833)" Rosemary Keupper Valle, PhD, made these interesting observations.

Smallpox was introduced into New Spain in the early 1500's. In 1522, an epidemic was raging in Cuba and the disease was brought to Mexico with disastrous results. Epidemics broke out periodically with varying degrees of severity, and this disease was a major factor in the decimation of the Indians of Baja California.

While authors such as James O. Pattie, Sherbourne F. Cook, Henry Harris and others refer to the devastating effects of smallpox on the Alta California Indians, investigation of the original mission records reveals no evidence that any epidemic of the disease occurred during the Franciscan Mission Period.

The relative isolation of the area contributed to this fact but of much greater importance was the preventive measures taken by the Spanish and Mexican governments and the missionaries. These measures were the early use of quarantine, isolation and immunization by variolation (Ed. Use of the virus to inoculate). Vaccination was used to prevent the introduction and spread of the disease.

The first smallpox scare was dealt with by quarantine and isolation. In 1781, a group of soldiers and colonists arrived near Mission San Gabriel from Baja where an epidemic was in progress. They were placed under quarantine at some distance from the mission until it was safe.

A further effort to control smallpox was a Royal Warrant issued by King Charles III which ordered that a book written by surgeon Don Francisco Gil on smallpox be distributed to possessions in the New World. Gil's book discusses the effectiveness of inoculation, and the importance of quarantine and isolation in the control of smallpox.

Docent Corner (continued)

The second smallpox threat occurred in 1798 when a ship from San Blas arrived in Santa Barbara with several persons who had smallpox. The passengers were quarantined on the ship but the Governor notified Fr. Fermín Francisco Lasuén, the president of the missions, of the incident and advised inoculation. Instructions were provided on how to perform inoculations and what methods to use.

This instruction was prepared for use by the missionaries and they actually performed inoculations. The Commander of the San Francisco Presidio sent copies to his troop commanders and Missions San Francisco, San Jose and Santa Clara so that it could be put into practice.

There was another effort in 1804 to eliminate smallpox in New Spain by Dr. Francisco Xavier de Balmis. His expedition introduced vaccination into the Spanish overseas possessions and instructed the missionaries how to put the procedures into effect. In 1810, Dr. de Balmis returned on a second vaccination expedition.

The Russians brought smallpox vaccine to San Diego and Monterey in 1829. The Governor mentioned in a report to Mexico in 1831 that vaccinations were being carried out and that smallpox was unknown in Alta California.

Noted mission historian, Fr. Zephyrin Engelhardt, stated that the concern shown and the precautions taken by the government and the missionaries seemed to have prevented the spread of smallpox and that there was no record of smallpox having occurred before 1838. Their achievement was remarkable since smallpox caused terrible havoc in many other parts of the world.



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 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. 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.

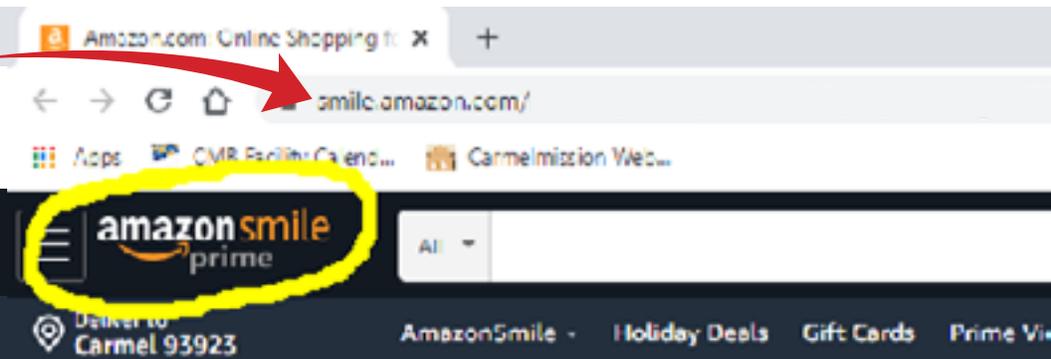
For information, please email Charlie Sciambi at csciambi@gmail.com.



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

Step One

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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

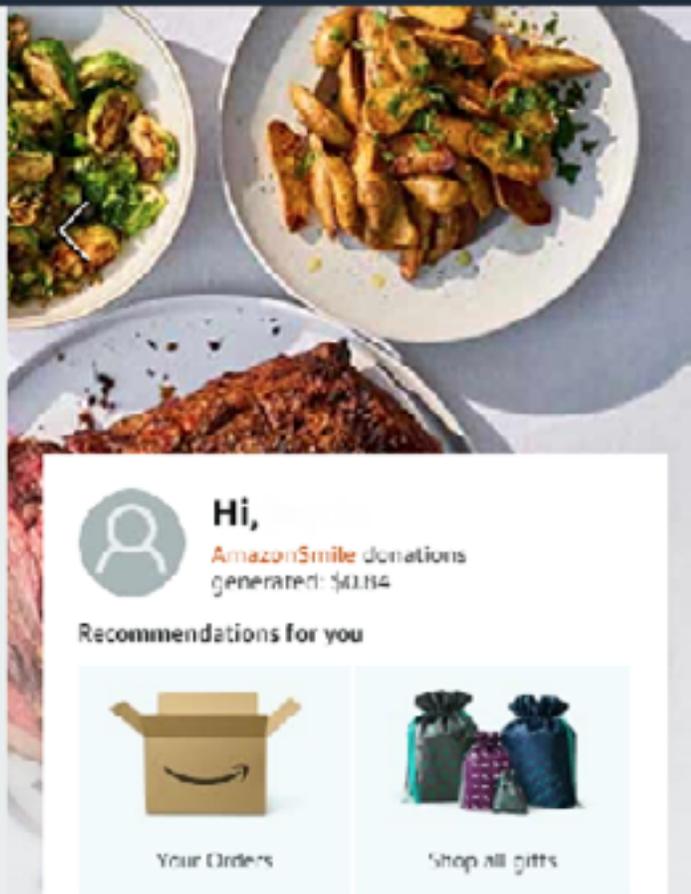
Bookmark the link to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) so that you can support the Carmel Mission every time you shop on Amazon.

Step Three

Shop online at AmazonSmile like you normally do!

Step Four

Share this link (smile.amazon.com) with family and friends.



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.

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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

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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. 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 remains a preferred option, but also feel free to bring your weekly offering to Sunday Mass.

For more information, visit carmelmission.org.

MISSION STORE

Wednesday - Thursday | 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday - Saturday | 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Sunday | 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Basilica & Museums closed until further notice.

The Carmel Mission Store

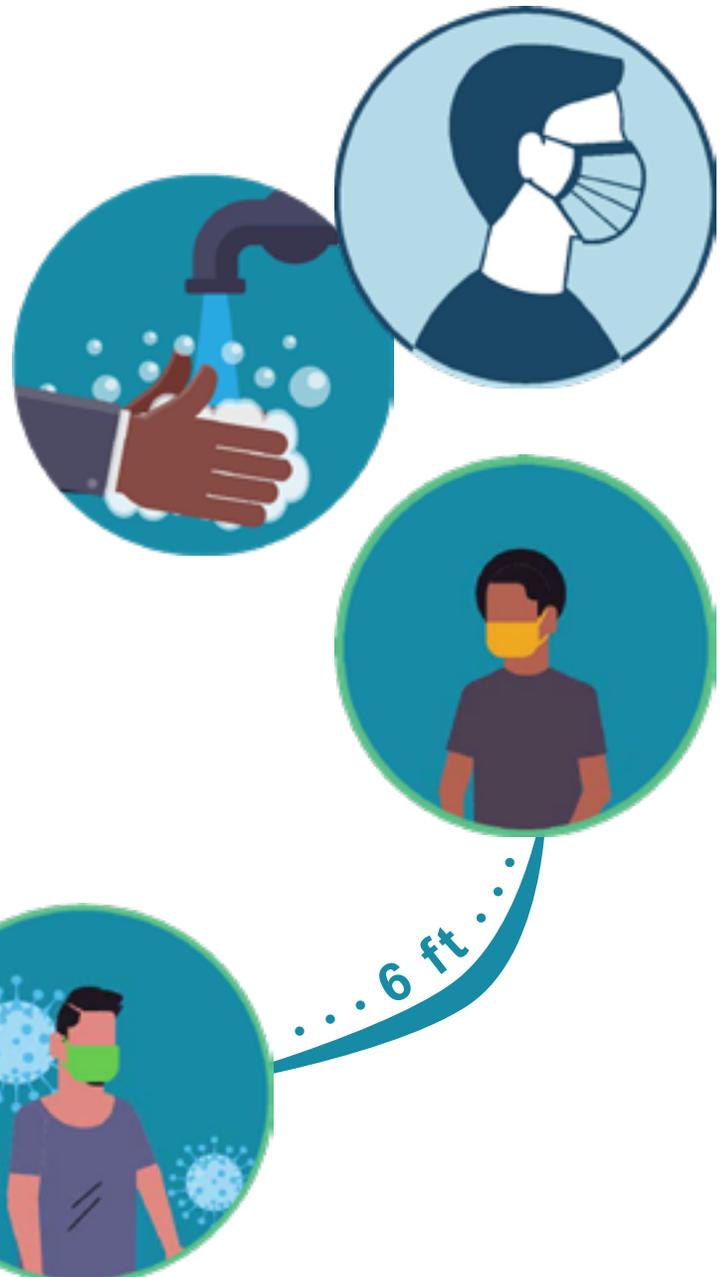
For the safety of our staff and visitors we are requiring everyone to wear a face mask at all times and sanitize your hands before entering the store. It is important that social distance is maintained for the duration of your visit. Please click the button at the bottom of this page to watch our quick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

Thank you for your understanding.

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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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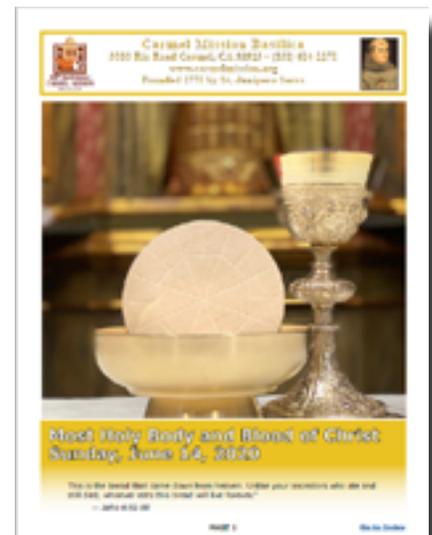
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How to sign up to our weekly email

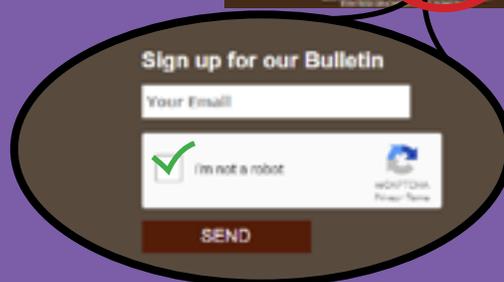
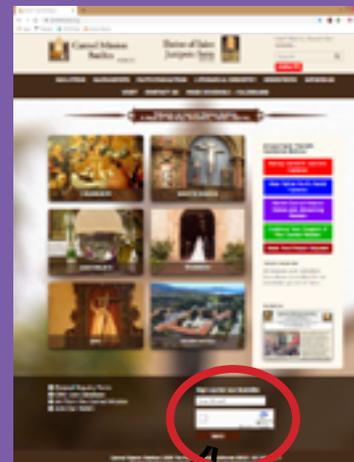
If you would like to receive weekly news and updates from the Carmel Mission Basilica, sign up to our bulletin distribution list.

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How to Join?

- Go to carmelmission.org, or click the link.
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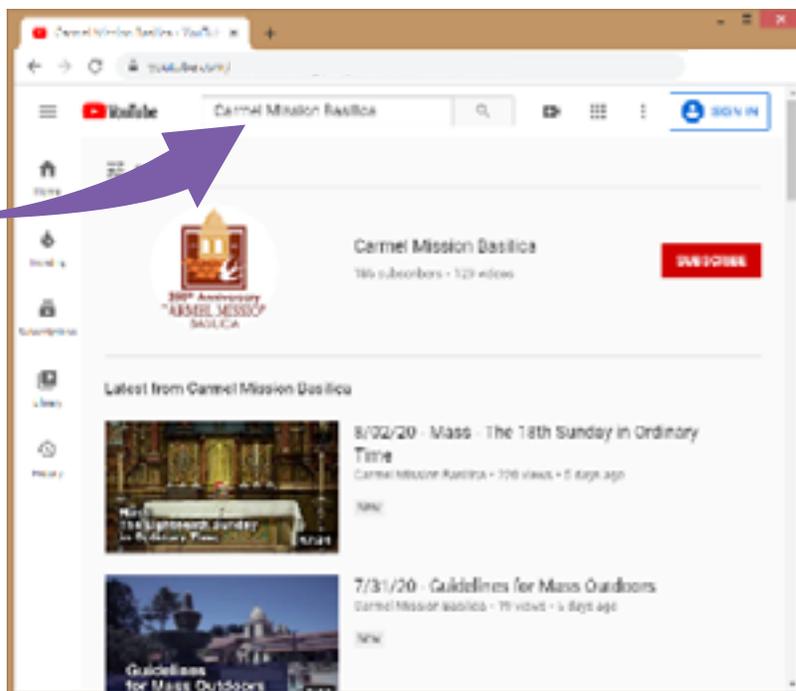


How to find us on YouTube

To find our Channel navigate to 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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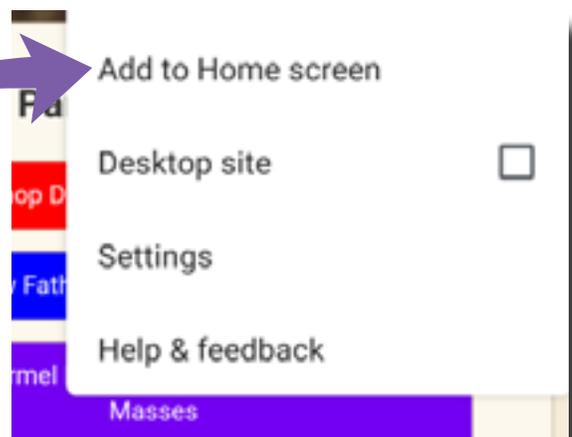
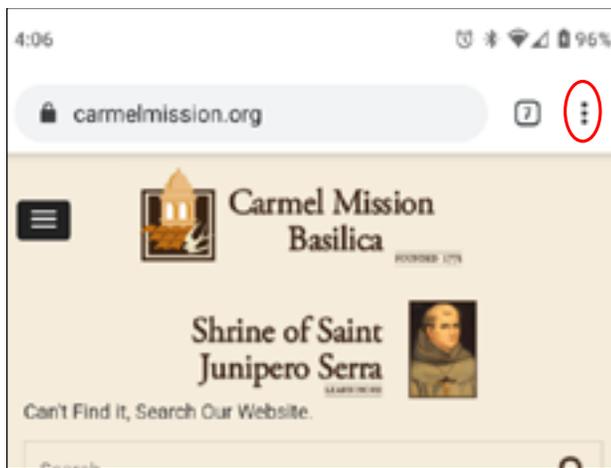


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Android

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

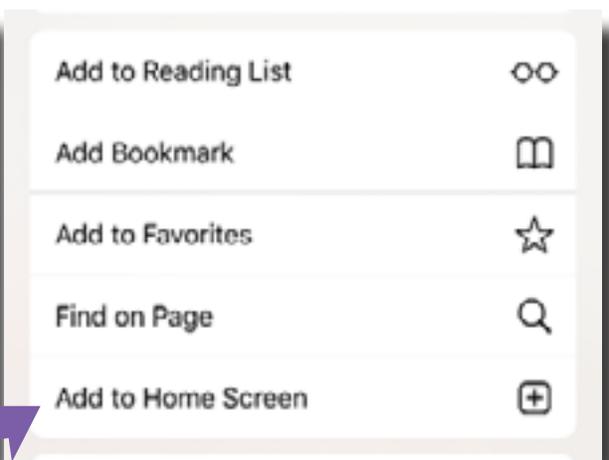
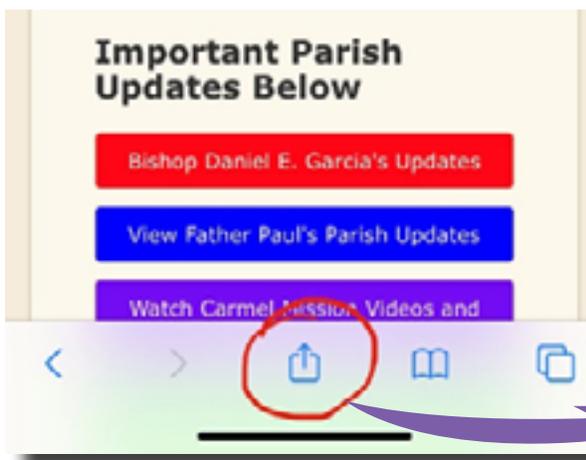


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