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Fourth Sunday of Easter Sunday, April 30, 2023



FR. PAUL'S MESSAGE

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

Today we find in the Gospel the familiar and beloved image of Christ as our Shepherd, calling His flock by name, protecting them from danger and guarding them from thieves and robbers. We sing the famous Psalm 23, the Lord is my shepherd, a frequent companion in difficulty with its reassurance of God's unfailing presence in all times, good and bad. This pastoral imagery is central to the rich tradition of our faith, and would have been meaningful to many in Jesus' time as well who made their living with flocks and were intimately familiar with the challenges and rewards of shepherding. But the Gospel tells us that the Pharisees did not understand what Jesus was explaining to them, so He tried another metaphor. "I am the gate for the sheep." Jesus is not only the shepherd, guiding the sheep to safety, He is the very structure that keeps the sheep safe.

While this may be a less evocative visual image - a gate, however sturdy, does not have quite the same pictural appeal as a kindly shepherd carrying a lamb on his shoulders -this idea of Jesus as the gate to the sheepfold inspires us to consider another aspect of our Shepherd's nature. Jesus creates space for us to be free, and at the same time to be safe. Jesus keeps those things that would hurt us out, while allowing that which we need in. As part of our discipleship, Jesus asks us to be His shepherds in the world. We are called to guide His flock to safety, to search for them when they are lost, to care for their needs, and to create places where they can rest safe and secure.

Today is the world day of prayer for vocations and we pray that those called to the priesthood and the religious life may bravely answer that call. Please pray for those of us who answered that call, and are working to follow, however imperfectly, the example of the Good Shepherd. Please pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis, for our Bishop, Danny Garcia, and for Fr. Rey and myself. We need your prayers and we are deeply grateful for your trust, your care, and your support.

I wish you and your loved ones continued Easter blessings of good health and Holy Optimism Pervading Everything,

Fr. Paul



LITURGY

Today's Readings

READING I "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:14a, 36-41)

PSALM The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6)

READING II If you are patient when you suffer for doing what is good, this is a grace before God. (1 Pt 2:20b-25)

GOSPEL whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. (Jn 10:1-10)

Readings for the Week

MONDAY, MAY 1

ACTS 11:1-18 PS 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 JN 10:11-18

TUESDAY, MAY 2

ACTS 11:19-26 PS 87:1B-3, 4-5, 6-7 JN 10:22-30

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

1 COR 15:1-8 PS 19:2-3, 4-5 JN 14:6-14

THURSDAY, MAY 4

ACTS 13:13-25 PS 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 AND 27 JN 13:16-20

FRIDAY, MAY 5

ACTS 13:26-33 PS 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11AB JN 14:1-6

SATURDAY, MAY 6

ACTS 13:44-52 PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4 JN 14:7-14

Scripture Reflection

In this Gospel for Good Shepherd Sunday, Jesus presents two metaphors. He is the Good Shepherd, the one who contrasts with the thief sneaking in to steal and slaughter. He is the one who calls us by name and whose voice we know. He is the one who provides our sustenance and protection. And in this parable, He also identifies as the gate into the sheepfold. He is our way, our path to all that is good and real. Through Him we enter safety and rest. It is He who serves as our protection, because He has conquered the evil forces in the world that would wish to do us harm. The second reading explicitly repeats the sheep and shepherd image of the Gospel. Sheep sometimes go astray but returning to the shepherd keeps them safe. In front of the Jerusalem crowds in the first reading, Peter burns hotly with Pentecost fire as he proclaims that salvation comes through the Shepherd whose body was ravaged on the cross and who rose again as Lord and Christ. Peter's words cut to the heart of his listeners, and their response to his words is a question from the heart: "What are we to do?" From his own wounding experience of betraying and abandoning Jesus, Peter knows well what is needed: repentance, and its ritual expression in Baptism. This echoes the exhortation of John the Baptist, but now Easter and Pentecost have happened, and Baptism is not only one of water for repentance, but Baptism in the Spirit and the fire kindled by the resurrection of Jesus, and so "in His name." It is a radical conversion of heart and mind that turn one's life to Christ. Baptism is how we share in Christ's death, and thus in His life: it is our entry point into the safety of the sheepfold of Christ's flock.



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

In honor of the doctors at Stanford Hospital by Carmie Saldana

In honor of her family and friends by Carmen Aján

In memory of Carol Ann Buckman by Thomas and Josephine Lagow

In honor and memory of the Fritsch Family, McLane Family, Harmeyer Family, Kathy Anderson, Katie Trame, Connie Newell, and Glenn Glesmann by Frank and Mary Fritsch

In honor of the Newgard Famly by Nancy Newgard Davies

In memory Knox Mellon, Lucille, Sig, and Connie Herman, Debi King Herman, Nancy Herman and Sean Powers by Carlotta Mellon

In memory of Kathy Anderson by Laura and Roger Schwingel

In memory of Rachel Wahl by Jerry and Celeste Wahl

In memory of Dorothy Franks by Suzanne Franks

In memory of Ruth and Gene Dickinson by Ron and Kathy Frederickson

In memory of Timothy M. Ryan by Mayo and Karlene Kay Ryan

In memory of Edward Wodecki by Grazyna Gonet

In memory of Alberto Galindo by Carlos and Carmen Pina Galindo

In memory of Fr. Joel Davadilla and Clara Torres by RD and Linda Grossman

In memory of Fr. Peter Sanders by Marcia Pytel

In honor of the Carmel Mission clergy, Carmel Mission choir, Mary Condry, Mary Cea, and Joan Brophy Thomas by Lou Langley

In memory of Zojhai Cjureski and Katamynu Miemne by Edward and Mariola Mierzwa,

In memory of Jacobo Figuerres, Purificacion Malate, Biblana Malate, Sr., Ted, Cirilo, Phil, Becky, Celelia and Ciraco Figuerres, Leonicia, Chong, Mining, Hector, Rod, Mary, Francisco, Christine, Frank, Rosita, Dora, Meling, Mark and Gus by Jacob and Mely Figuerres

In thanksgiving for Easter blessings by

Liwayway Ramil,
Russell Jandrisevits Dwight and Arlene Steffensen,
David F. Gomez,
Edwrd and Joanna Stork,
Richard Moley,
Thomas and Janet Cahalan,
Shannon Dunnegamble,
Marti McKim,
Barbara J. Sullivan,
Matt and Jean Kelleher,

Jeanette Ly Favaloro

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.



PARISH PRAYERS

Sick in the Parish

All the sick are prayed for during a general intercession at every Mass.

At this time time we pray especially for:



Albert J. Fritsch S.J.,
Paul Borromeo,
Jana Schmidt,
Matthew Escovar,
Anne Emmerich,
Joan Kenny,
Tobi Lunt,
Sean Kenny,
Nancy Buchanan,
Larry Fry,
Richard Cruickshank,
Charles Cardoza,

Mercedes Ferrante, Frank Machalla, Brandon Paulikas, Julieta Evangelista, Nancy D'Angelo, Ruth Flynn, Missy Student



Please pray for our Military

Keep in your prayer our brave parishioners, relatives and friends of our parish family who are in service to their country in the Armed Forces abroad:

Richard Brophy

Robert Maher

We ask the Lord to keep them safe from harm and pray for their families while they are far from home.

Prayer Requests and Special Intentions

Our prayer request email is a great way to let us know about your prayer requests, or any special intentions you may have. Also, 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



PARISH PRAYERS

Recently Deceased in our Parish

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



Frank O. Chiorazzi,
Chuck Wilmot,
Hugh Campbell,
Natalie Keeler,
Peggy Sweek,
Linda Petersen,
Vincent Anthony Sercia,
Doug Fortune,
Bill Pigott,
Hugo Bianchini,
Michael Androsko,
Edward John Wodecki,
William Link,

Fr. Peter Sanders, Orat., Julia Padilla, Lee Cogan, Thomas Sand, Beatrice Fleming, Kathy Anderson, Christine Durney Armanasco, Anne Deffley, William Little, Eleanor Fremgen, Albert Grosnick, Diane Bozzo, John Joseph Gelke, Julian Lopez, Barbara Mills, Lois Jones, Jeanne Burns-Smith Astrea Hidalgo Rodriguez, Luis Antonio Ponce, Margaret Sturges, Robert E. Boeddiker, Elynor Rawitzer, Emerita Pabonan, Very Reverend Mark Stetz, V.F., Sylvia Conn, Dorothy Fritsch Harmeyer, William Kraft, Vincent Moley, Linda Shepard, Ed Mosner, David Higgins Snr.

... 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.

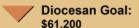
FAITH IN OUR FUTURE AMA 2023

Recent storms exposed weaknesses in our infrastructure that must be addressed. We are evaluating all aspects of maintaining, protecting, and preserving the property. Establishing a property assessment and getting campus-wide condition reports will help us evaluate, prioritize and fund the required systemic property improvements.





Our Mission Storefront restoration and Visitor entrance project is underway. Additional work involving the heating system, signage, exterior foundation and regarding the entry area is planned.



CURRENTLY AT \$194,639!

\$50,000

\$100,000

\$150,000

\$200,000

\$250,000

Recent AMA Projects



2022 Safe and Sound



2021 Recovery and Renewal



2020 Heavenly Sounds



2019 Renew a Pew

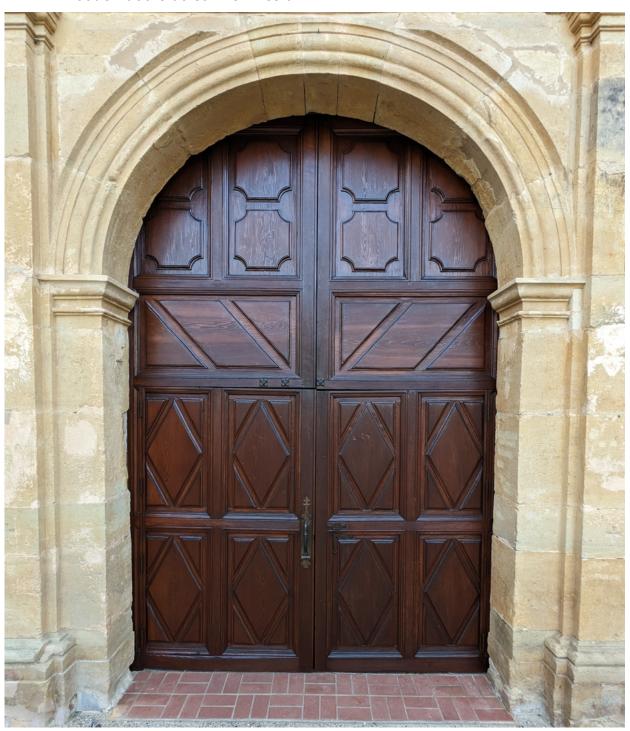


2018 Crespi Hall Renovation



Mission Doors Restoration Project

We have undertaken the much needed restoration of many of the beautiful wooden doors at Carmel Mission.



The doors of the Carmel Mission are based on designs seen throughout the California Mission Chain and designs replicated throughout the Southwest, Mexico, and Spain. We do have some information that is helpful..

For example the Mission's main entrance doors we are fairly certain are based on Sir Harry Downie's affinity of the doors at Mission Dolores.



Mission Doors Restoration Project

The much heralded and aperciate "River of Life" door design has been given much attention as it is a prominent feature at many of our Historic Missions. From a traditional understandings that has grown over time the River of Life motif is a direct reference to Revelation 22:





1 And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb, 2 in the midst of the street thereof. And on this side of the river and on that was the tree of life, bearing twelve manner of fruits, yielding its fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

From and other perspective the three wavy lines have been linked to the trinity. The design of three is a common motif in Church architecture.











As you will see in the before and after photographs, the restoration has brought new life to many of the doors.



Mission Doors Restoration Project

This project has also given us an opportunity to observe the diversity of architectural styles and incredible workmanship that went into creating the doors.



In a recent conversation pertaining to the unique design with noted Spanish Colonial architecture expert Gloria Giffords shared that all of these perspectives are "dandy ideas". She shared we really don't know where these interpretations come from because we don't have any documentation from when this design was first introduced. In a world that offers so many answers and information it is good that our Mission Church still has a few more mysteries to share. It is even better that we continue to preserve and protect these unique architectural features for future generations to ponder and explore.







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Report for the week ending on 04/16/23:

Electronic Donation: \$ 5,537.83

Mailed Donation: \$ 5,509.00

Weekend Masses — Collection: \$ 5,023.00

TOTAL DONATIONS: \$ 16,069.83





MASS AT THE MISSION

Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass

5:30 pm - Indoor Mass in the Basilica.

Sunday Masses

9:00 am - Indoor Mass in the Basilica. 11:00 am - Indoor Mass with Choir.

* Outdoor seating is available for Sunday Masses, weather permitting.

Noon Masses

Wednesday - Friday 12:00 pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (CONFESSIONS)

Saturdays 9:00 - 10:00 am at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Mass Entrance

Gates open 30 minutes before Mass. Those attending our weekend Masses will be entering through the Visitor's Gate into the Basilica Forecourt or through the Parish Gate into the Central Courtyard. We will have an attendant at each entrance.

Please note that the Basilica Forecourt is an extensions of our Mass. We ask that everyone be aware and respectful of the prayerful environment of this setting.

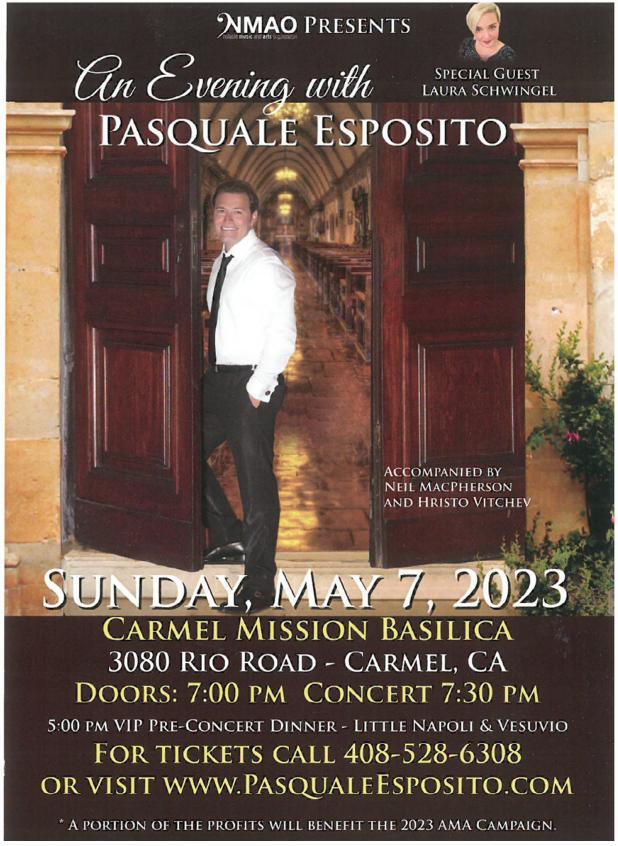
Accessibility

There are 9 designated accessible parking spots near the Visitor entrance and 6 more spots by the Parish Office entrance. If you require any assistance, please let the attendant know. We recommend arriving early so we may better accommodate accessibility needs.





CARMEL MISSION COMMUNITY





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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Pancake Breakfast

• April 30



Faith Formation





Faith Formation meets twice a month on Sunday.

Please contact Cynthia Ciardella at (831) 624-1271 ext 303 or email FaithFormation@carmelmission.org for more information or to be placed on the waiting list for next year.

I-HELP Needs your Help

Once a month Carmel Mission takes a turn at hosting the Interfaith Homeless Emergency Lodging Program. There are two separate programs, one for the men, held on the 4th Wednesday of the month, and one for the women, on the 2nd Monday of the month. This outreach to a vulnerable population has been a long-established program in our area with various churches taking a monthly turn at hosting.

What can you do? You can contribute to the meals we serve: dinner, breakfast, and a bagged lunch. You can join the fellowship of eating dinner with the program participants, or you can provide a part of the meal and drop it off prepared at Crespi Hall. We need and welcome volunteers like YOU!

Please consider this ecumenical opportunity and contact Dave and Wendy Banks at (831) 624-0317. Or contact Fr.Paul@carmelmission.org.



CARMEL MISSION COMMUNITY

Carmel Mission Bible Study



Bible Study meets every Wednesday at Crespi Hall at 10:30 am

We are now studying the Book of Job.

Come and see if the Patience of Job is really as we have Commonly heard.

Contact Dick Gorman, at 595-6363 or, <u>gormanrick418@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Carmel Mission Book Club

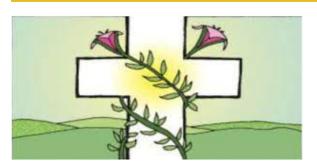


Book Club meets on Friday afternoons at 1:30 in Crespi Hall.

Carmel Mission book club is now reading **The Seven Storey Mountain** by Thomas Merton. This spiritual autobiography tells the story of a young man who takes vows in one of the most demanding Catholic orders—the Trappist monks. Books are available at the meetings and all are welcome to attend at any time. A Zoom option is also provided.

Please email christina.renna@gmail.com for information.

Homebound Ministry



Dear Parishioners of Carmel Mission,

If you or someone you know cannot get to mass and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact our Homebound Ministry Coordinator, Joan Brophy Thomas at (831) 624 3074.

Please stay safe and sound, Blessings, Fr. Paul

Be advised: Regularly scheduled events published in the bulletin are subject to change. Please check in with the activity leader or parish calendar for updates prior to attending all events.



CARMEL MISSION STORE

WED & THURS 10AM - 4PM • FRI & SAT 10AM - 5PM • SUN 11:30AM - 5PM

Mother's Day Monday, May 14

Dear Lord,

Please watch ovar

and support all mothers

on earth and in heaven...



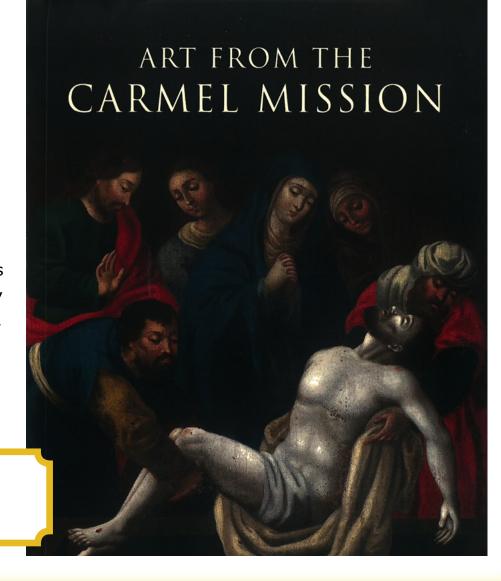
and help them to know how much they are loved and apprieciated on Mother's Day and every day.



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Purchase your copy of Art From the Carmel Mission

Our Mission is home to a vast collection of beautiful art from centuries past, and in their book, Gail Sheridan and Mary Pat McCormick gives us background knowledge on various pieces and the artists that created them. The Art From the Carmel Mission was originally written and published by members of our Docent Ministry, Gail and Mary Pat in 2011. Since then, they have made addition to the book including the canonization of Saint Junípero Serra in September 2015.



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