

Carmel Mission Basilica

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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, July 9, 2023

FR. PAUL'S MESSAGE

Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

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> After several weeks of hearing about the difficulties we can expect from a life of discipleship, Jesus has welcome words of comfort and consolation in today's Gospel. Jesus welcomes all who are tired, overwhelmed, and overloaded to come to find a unique kind of rest in Him. We are reminded that while suffering will be part of our lives, it is not of God, and it is not God' will for us. It is a merely a side effect of living in our wounded, imperfect world.

> When is the last time you felt completely rested? If you are like me, maybe too long ago for it to be a clear memory! Our modern world does not prioritize rest and rejuvenation. Work is a high priority, and even in our supposed leisure time, there is pressure to fill this time with activities, social obligations, and domestic chores. To take time to rest can feel lazy or uninspired. But Jesus knows that body, mind, and soul all require care and attention to meet the demands of discipleship.

> Last week Jesus instructed us to take up our cross and follow Him. Today he invites us to be yoked with Him. For the people of Jesus' time, the yoke was a familiar piece of farming equipment. It is a wooden frame, designed to be fitted over the necks of two oxen or horses to evenly distribute the weight of the load they are to pull. When yoked, two animals are effectively kept in step with one another, and the weight they are able to pull is exponentially increased. Carpenters who made these yokes in Jesus' time (likely including Jesus Himself) paid great attention to creating a comfortable fit for the individual animals' neck muscles to maximize their pulling potential and longevity. Jesus promises us that His yoke is easy. When we learn humility and meekness from Him, we also realize that the eqo-driven and fear-driven pressures of the world are just that. We are invited to rest - to recover our strength and sense of purpose - to make our work more effective and sustainable. The load Jesus asks us to carry is light, because we are never pulling alone. Even when we feel alone, Jesus is yoked beside us, ready to shoulder whatever we cannot. He will even to carry the whole load so we have an opportunity for transformative rest.

> I wish you and your loved ones continued blessings of good health, great hope, and true rest,

Fr. Paul



Today's Readings

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READING I See, your king shall come to you; a just savior is he, (Zec 9:9-10)

PSALM I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. (Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14)

READING II For if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. (Rom 8:9, 11-13)

GOSPEL Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. (Mt 11:25-30)

Readings for the Week

MONDAY, JULY 10

GN 28:10-22A PS 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15AB MT 9:18-26

TUESDAY, JULY 11

GN 32:23-33 PS 17:1B, 2-3, 6-7AB, 8B AND 15 MT 9:32-38

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12

GN 32:23-33 PS 17:1B, 2-3, 6-7AB, 8B AND 15 MT 9:32-38

THURSDAY, JULY 13

GN 41:55-57; 42:5-7A, 17-24A PS 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19 MT 10:1-7

FRIDAY, JULY 14

GN 46:1-7, 28-30 PS 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 MT 10:16-23

SATURDAY, JULY 15

GN 49:29-32; 50:15-26A PS 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7 MT 10:24-33 In the verses from Matthew's Gospel that come immediately before the ones we hear today, Jesus has reproached the cities that rejected Him. But then, out of this lamentation bursts his hymn of praise and thanks to Hi Father for the "little ones" - those of no status but can recognize in Jesus the One who is "gracious and merciful/slow to anger and of great kindness, " who lifts up the fallen and those who are burdened, as the responsorial psalm 145 prays. This recognition is God's revelation, a gift of God's grace. As Jesus has just told the followers of John the Baptist, a sign of the messianic times would be the preaching to and welcoming of the good news by the poor and disadvantaged. These words were relevant to Jesus's immediate audience and Matthew's community still struggling with the religious authorities 50 years or more after Jesus' resurrection, and are still pertinent in our modern church today. Matthew gives us one of the few glimpses into Jesus' prayer. As when He had earlier taught the disciples to pray, Jesus addresses God, as Father, focusing on a relationship. The same relationship God will have with all the sons and daughters who accept Jesus as Lord. After several weeks of affirming the challenges of being His disciples, here He offers a word of consolation. "My yoke is easy and my burden light." The first reading also speaks words of consolation. God comes to save us, and our response is to rejoice. Our God is not a God of war who will deal harsh justice to our enemies. Rather, He comes meekly, in a way we might not expect. He does not banish Israel's' enemies, rather He banishes the very tools of war. Once again, God subverts our expectations. He does not engage in the futile means humans have for fighting one another, but rather bypasses the fight altogether, making violence and warfare irrelevant and gaining dominion over the whole world.



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.

Altar Flowers Opportunity



Here at Carmel Mission we are very fortunate to be surrounded by natural beauty in our wonderful gardens, and we receive feedback from parishioners and visitors alike on how much they enjoy the flowers, plants and trees on our property. The beauty of nature is a concrete reminder of the beauty of God, in whose image we are made. When we enjoy beautiful flowers, plants and trees we are celebrating God's gift of the natural world.

We are so happy to continue the beauty of altar flowers at our Masses each week. We invite you to consider sponsoring a bouquet for \$90 in memory or honor of a loved one, to celebrate a birthday or anniversary, or in thanksgiving to God.

The altar flowers will be a part of our weekend Masses and your dedication will included in our weekly e-bulletin.

Please contact Laura at <u>liturgy@carmelmission.org</u> for more information and to schedule your gift. Thank you so much for your generosity and for helping to ensure that these symbols of beauty and life are part of our weekly celebrations.

Sick in the Parish

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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, 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:

Major Trevor C. Kuchman, USMC 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

Recently Deceased in our Parish

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



Hugh John Maguire, Marian Theresa Fung, Margarite Fedora, John Joseph Martin, Lyndall Demere, Loretta Warren, Mercedes Ferrante, 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,

... 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. 07/09/2023



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By giving electronically, you can:

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- Donate to one of our special project funds.
- Set up recurring payments and never worry about bringing your checkbook or cash again.

Get started today! Visit our donation page to set up your online contribution:

Report for the week ending on 06/25/23:

Electronic Donation: \$ 3,618.20 Mailed Donation: \$ 6,618.00 Weekend Masses - Collection: \$ 5,035.00

TOTAL DONATIONS: \$15,271.20



FAITH IN OUR FUTURE AMA 2023



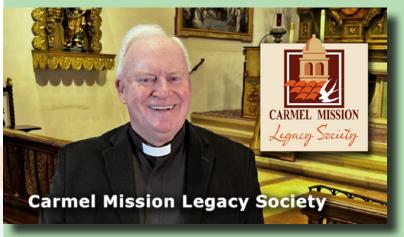
We are happy to report that with your stewardship and amazing support of the Carmel Mission we have \$25K Match Challenge! By doing so, we have once again exceeded our goal of \$250,000 for our 2023 AMA Campaign.

May the Gifts of the Holy Spirit be yours in abundance this Pentecost and always. With great gratitude and Many blessings, Fr. Paul





LEGACY SOCIETY



Click the thumbnail to the right to watch a short video about the Carmel Mission Legacy Society by Fr. Paul.

What is Legacy Society?

We owe an untold debt of gratitude to countless individuals — over many decades — whose benevolence made today's Mission a reality. Their generosity not only restored the Mission's structures to their former glory but also helped restore a house of faith, education, and outreach that is deeply rooted in our community.

This legacy of giving is the inspiration behind the Carmel Mission Legacy Society. Its purpose is to acknowledge past gifts and honor those who include Carmel Mission in their estate planning.

Legacy gifts provide a unique opportunity to ensure perpetual care for Carmel Mission. Your gift will help this historic and sacred church serve as a house of worship, an educational resource, and support for the most vulnerable in our community, for generations to come.

Ways You Can Give

Through planned giving, there are many ways to make a gift to Carmel Mission without impacting your own financial future. When you include Carmel Mission in your will or living trust or as a beneficiary of your retirement plan or lifeinsurance policy, you can plan, with confidence, that your generosity will support the Mission after your lifetime.

A legacy gift does not alter your current lifestyle in any way and allows you to leave a legacy without giving up your assets. It is important to note that the bequest is revocable, allowing you to change your mind at any time should your circumstances change.



FIRST LIBRARY OF CALIFORNIA

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Among the many, many treasures we have the privilege of caring for at the Carmel Mission is the original Convento Library. Now an important part of the museum, the collection of books first assembled by Junipero Serra represents a unique historical repository of texts brought to Carmel by a succession of Franciscan brothers over 50 years. The library as a whole is a wonderful collection of books put together by Serra and other universitytrained theologians that represented more than just a practical missionary library. Our library is a smaller version of what you would have found in any theological seminary in the eighteenth century, in

other words it was a study library as well as an assortment of liturgical texts and sermons. The majority of books date to the time of the founding of the missions, that is the second half of the eighteenth century, but many of the books are even older and were printed in Europe in the early seventeenth century. Most of the books are written in Spanish, of course, but some are also in Latin, at the time still the universal language of the Church, and a few others are in French or German. All told,

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If you look through the window into the library room, you'll notice that the books are shelved by size, not by subject, title, or author. This was a practical way of maximizing the use of space on the shelf, so that a case with smaller books had more shelves. On the wall to the left, Case I holds the largest books, and clockwise around the room you'll see that Case IV on the right holds the smallest books. The library was small enough during Serra's and Lasuen's time that there was no real need to organize the books by subject, since the padres pretty much knew all the books in the library and where they could be found. There was a shelf numbering system,

> though, developed by Fermin Lasuen around 1800, that identified each book spine by the case it was assigned to as well as a sequential number for its order in that case. A book labeled III 14 would belong in Case 3 as the fourteenth book in order. That way a book could always be returned to its proper place.

we have close to 550 Mission-era books displayed in four book cases, constructed by Harry Downie for just this purpose.



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Such a historical treasure house of knowledge deserves to be properly cataloged and shared with the wider world of scholars and enthusiasts who deal in religious texts of the Spanish missionary period. Although the library has been cataloged in the past, first as an inventory by Father Real in 1834, then by Harry Downie in 1966, and finally in 2006, our precious library warrants a modern, scientific bibliography that can be widely shared on the internet. Mission Santa Clara has established just such an online catalog through its university library system. A few months ago, I began a similar project, the goal of which is to catalog all of our Mission books in a way that meets the most stringent requirements of modern librarian science. The first phase is underway, which is a photographic survey of all 550 books. This involves creating a visual, digital record of each book's primary characteristics, e.g. the outer binding, the title page, any handwritten inscriptions or library stamps, and other features that will help us identify where the book came from and when it was published.

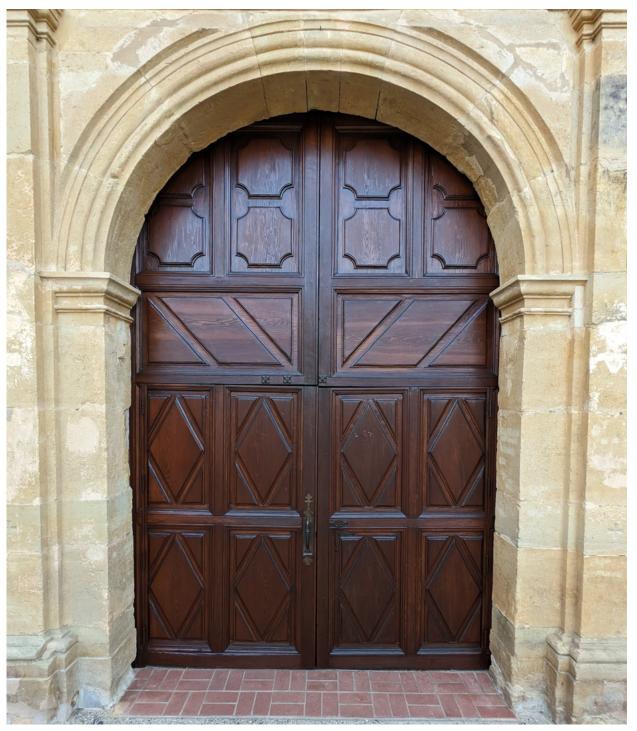
This first phase has already led to some remarkable discoveries. While many of the books are common pastoral and liturgical volumes, some are quite unique. These include a book in which pages with handwritten musical notation were pasted front and back, perhaps representing an original mission composition. Another book, commentaries on Aristotle's Metaphysics, is written entirely by hand. This manuscript, which is by definition the only one of its kind, is a copy of a university textbook, most likely used where Serra taught in Palma de Mallorca, and was possibly copied by one of his students. The coming months of exploration and cataloging are sure to uncover even more treasures and surprises, and I look forward to informing you about these in the months to come.

Bill Whobrey Library Project Manager



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

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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.







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.

Coffee and Donuts

- July 9 Join us in Crespi Hall for
- July 16 some Coffee and Donuts
- after each Sunday Mass.
- July 23



CARMEL MISSION COMMUNITY

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 <u>Fr.Paul@carmelmission.org</u>.

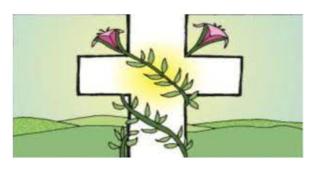
Faith Formation



Faith Formation will resume in the Fall.

Please email <u>FaithFormation@carmelmission.org</u> for more information or to be placed on the waiting list for next year.

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 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 is now on Summer Break



Please plan to join when meetings resume on August 11th.

Please email christina.renna@gmail.com for information. Books are available at the meetings, and everyone is welcome.



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

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.

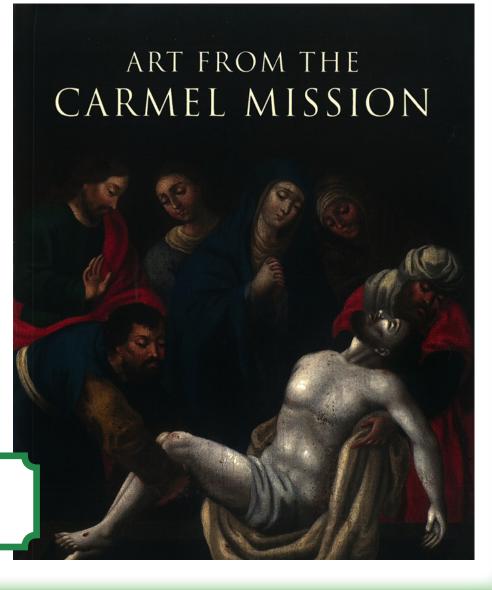


CARMEL MISSION STORE

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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CARMEL MISSION BASILICA

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Employment Opportunity

Carmel Mission Basilica is seeking a Faith Formation Coordinator (part time position) to develop and direct our Faith Formation programs.

Role and Responsibilities

- Faith Formation/religious education programs
- First Holy Communion and Confirmation preparation programs.
- R.C.I.A.

Qualification

Candidates should be able to demonstrate proven leadership ability and a creative and compassionate approach to all areas of faith formation and parish life. Prior faith formation and parish ministry experience preferred.

Please send a written application, complete with references, to:

Fr. Paul P. Murphy Pastor at Carmel Mission

3080 Rio Road Carmel CA 93923

Fr.Paul@carmelmission.org (831) 624-1271





CARMEL MISSION STORE Employment Opportunity - Customer Service Associate



Employment Opportunity

We are seeking a personable, outgoing customer service associate to offer our guests an exceptional experience when visiting the historic Carmel Mission. In this role you will be assisting the guests in the Mission Store, grounds, and museum and providing customer service during weddings, concerts and other on-site events.

Role and Responsibilities

- Greet and resolve visitors' questions, inquiries, and concerns.
- Maintain a current knowledge of all products in the store.
- Maintain merchandise including stocking, merchandising, and cleaning.
- Operate telephone and balance cash register.
- Attend all training to grow knowledge of the history of the Mission.

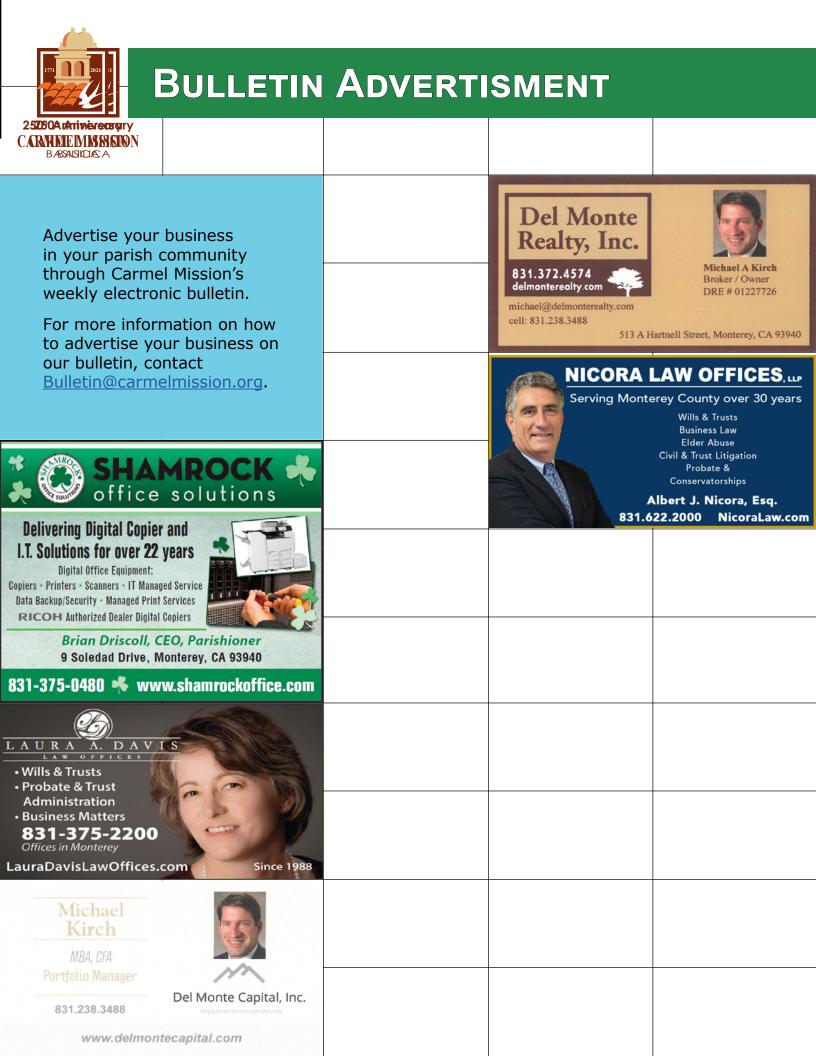
Qualification

- Must be able to work a flexible schedule including weekends and holidays.
- Fluent in English, bilingual is a plus.
- Computer skills and talent for technology
- Enjoy learning.
- Perform well with a team.
- Professional appearance and attitude
- Comfortable standing or walking for long periods of time, light lifting and occasional use of a ladder.

Preferred Skills

- Retail
- Hospitality
- Tourism experience

Please submit resume to store@carmelmission.org





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