



Carmel Mission Basilica

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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, November 16, 2025



Dear Friend of Carmel Mission,

As is customary as we approach the end of the liturgical year, the focus of today's readings is on the end times. Jesus offers a daunting description of what lies ahead for humankind – wars, insurrections, famines, plagues, natural disasters, false prophets – a long and terrifying list. It also seems it will be a scary time to be a disciple, as other hallmarks will be persecution, false imprisonment, abandonment and betrayal by family and friends, and even death.

The first reading from Malachi is also a foreshadowing of what is coming at the end of time, but the terrifying inferno he envisions is aimed only for evildoers. For followers of the Lord, the aftermath of this scorching is the rising of the sun of justice, whose warmth brings healing, not destruction. The psalm continues in this vein reminding us that the second coming of the Lord may be heralded by fearful events but it is ultimately a wonderful thing for humanity. The Lord will rule the earth with the justice and equity that has proven elusive in the society constructed and led by humans. It will be a time when all creation will unite in praise of God. We will experience a kind of joy, peace, and unity that is unimaginable and indescribable – the Kingdom of God will finally be here.

We may wonder why a God who loves us would visit on us the devastation that Jesus describes in the Gospel. Surely God could just skip ahead to the rejoicing and unity? But everything Jesus describes is already part of our world. Not in the precise order that will presage the end times, but wars, insurrections, famines, religious persecution, internecine violence, family conflict, and natural disasters are part of our world today. These are not the actions of God, but the consequences of sin and human frailty. Implicit in His promise to be with us through the end times, guarding and guiding us, is a promise that He is with us as we face the calamities of our day. In the midst of devastation on every scale – from international wars to our own personal tragedies, God is ready to help us – to give us wisdom, to help us be fearless and resolute, to help us to persevere and thus secure our eternal lives in God's perfect kingdom.

I wish you and your loved ones blessings of good health and new hope. Please continue to pray for peace,

Fr. Paul



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LITURGY

Today's Readings

Reading I But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays. (Malachi 3:19-20a)

Psalm The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice. (Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9)

Reading II You know how one must imitate us. For we did not act in a disorderly way among you, nor did we eat food received free from anyone. (2 Thessalonians 3:7-12)

Gospel "See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and 'The time has come.' (John 6:37-40)

Readings for the Week

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17

1 MACCABEES 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63
PSALM 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158
LUKE 18:35-43

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

2 MACCABEES 6:18-31
PSALM 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
LUKE 19:1-10

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

2 MACCABEES 7:1, 20-31
PSALM 17:1BCD, 5-6, 8B AND 15
LUKE 19:11-28

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

1 MACCABEES 2:15-29
PSALM 50:1B-2, 5-6, 14-15
LUKE 19:41-44

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

1 MACCABEES 4:36-37, 52-59
1 CHRONICLES 29:10BCD, 11ABC, 11D-12A, 12BCD
LUKE 19:45-48

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

1 MACCABEES 6:1-13
PSALM 9:2-3, 4 AND 6, 16 AND 19
LUKE 20:27-40

Scripture Reflection

In the Gospel today Jesus gives a chilling account of the end times. There will be false prophets to resist, wars to survive, natural disasters to outlive and persecutions to endure. This the end for which Jesus often admonishes to "stay awake" and "be ready." As a Jewish reformer, Jesus frequently spoke and acted in ways that called into question religious structures, both external and internal, that impeded right relationship with God and one another. But for any Jew, the destruction of the temple by Roman imperial forces would provoke a severe crisis. Everything would have to be re-signified. The temple symbolized their connection with God and with their fellow believers. Luke's Gospel, of course, was written fifteen years after the temple had been razed. We can imagine the struggles of the Jewish Christian members of the Lukan community who had to redefine their Jewishness, not only in the absence of their temple, but also as members of a mixed community of Gentiles and Jewish followers of Jesus. The Gentile members also had to reconstruct their internal architecture when they took on a Christian identity. In today's Gospel, there is a progression, as the discussion moves from the destruction of the temple to cataclysmic happenings that wreak destruction on the earth and among peoples, and finally, to threats against one's life. When disciples are seized and persecuted and handed over to the authorities because of Jesus' name, these are times to testify to the power of God. In the first reading, Malachi foresees the same end times that Jesus describes. In his vision, heat plays a role. It is destructive to evil doers, setting them ablaze and leaving room for goodness in its wake. The goodness also comes in the form of heat – the "sun of justice." These rays through are healing, nourishing good things where once the evil ones would have crowded them out. This echoes the Gospel's reassurance that we will not face the terrors of the end times alone – Jesus will be with us through all their trials. The psalm reminds us that terrifying as these images are, it is not destruction for destruction's sake. The devastation of the end times will make room for God to come in and rule the earth once and for all. It is, in the end, a cause for hope and joy.



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ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in
the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart.

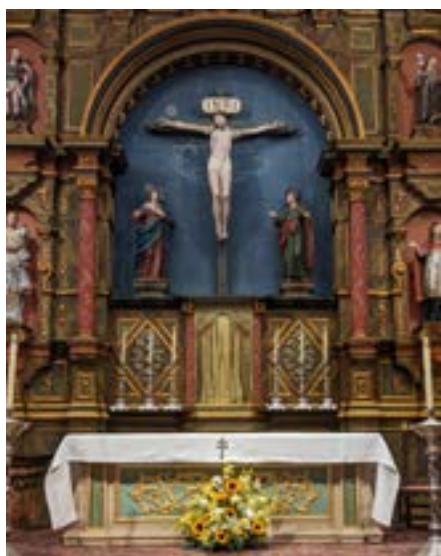
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

Altar Flowers Opportunity

**The Altar Flowers are given today in memory of
John H. Gilbert by Patti Gilbert**



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 be included in our weekly e-bulletin.

Please contact Laura at liturgy@carmelmission.org 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.



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MASS AT THE MISSION

Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass

5:30 pm - Mass in the Basilica.

Sunday Masses

9:00 am - Mass in the Basilica.

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

Moved to the Basilica during construction

Noon Masses

Wednesday - Friday, 12:00 pm — Mass in the Basilica

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 9:00 am - 10:00 am — Confessions at the Basilica

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 extension 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.





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ADVENT & CHRISTMAS 2025

Weeks of Advent

All weekend Masses will follow our regular schedule unless stated otherwise.

Saturday Mass at 5:30 PM
Sunday Masses at 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday, November 30th

Second Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 7th

Immaculate Conception

Mass - Monday, December 8 - 12:00 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Mass - Friday, December 12 - 9:00 am

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 14th

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 21th

Lessons and Carols

Sunday, December 21 - 5:00 pm

Christmas

Christmas Eve — December 24

Family Mass
Wednesday, December 24 - 4:00 pm

Carols

Wednesday, December 24 - 8:30 pm

Evening Mass

Wednesday, December 24 - 9:00 PM

Christmas Day — December 25

Masses
Thursday, December 25 - 9:00 am and 11:00 am

New Year's Day

Holy Mary, Mother of God

Mass
Thursday, January 1 - 12:00 pm





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PARISH PRAYERS

Sick in the Parish

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

At this time we pray especially for:



Margaret Luke,
Rose Healy,
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,
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**



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PARISH PRAYERS

Recently Deceased in our Parish

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



Margaret "Peggy" Ryan
Pearla Tarsitano
John Jennings,
Samantha Jennings,
Cristina Biegel,
William Griffon,
Jeff Brady,
Nelly Ortega,
Douglas Forzani,
Joe Diaz, Jr,

Theron Bergeron,
Trudy Bohland,
Theodor Albert,
Wilma Jauregui,
Jose Ponce Gutierrez,
Teresita Chan,
Walter DeFaria,
Lucille Eggerman,
Dianne Lee (Taylor) Mueller R.N.,
Rebecca Simms,
Debora Frances Embody,
James M. Fremgen,
Patricia Maaske,
Tom Coble,
Arvid (Dink) Allen,
Loretta Williams,
Dr. Béla Janko,
Leon Hittner,
Dr Patrick Feehan,
Don Ryan,
John Garthner,
Carl Noto,
Rebecca Louise Dolan,
Maeve Burke Shugrue,
Robert Rigney,
Conrad Ege,
Eileen Burke

... 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.



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STEWARDSHIP

Carmel Mission Legacy

Build Your Legacy Here.

Your Gift Will Sustain the Work of the Mission for Generations to Come

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Reports for the week ending on 10/26/2025:

Electronic Donation: \$ 3,349.68

Mailed Donation: \$ 6,636.00

Weekend Masses: \$12,165.00

TOTAL: \$22,150.68



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STEWARDSHIP

A Note on Volunteer Conduct and Our Shared Commitment

Dear Ministry Members,

I want to take a moment to thank you for the generous time and heart you give in service to our parish community. Your efforts help bring the spirit of Christ's love into all that we do.

We are blessed at Carmel Mission to have so many volunteers actively involved in our ministries. Not only do we listen to the Gospel being preached, but we also find ways to put the Gospel into action.

The role of volunteers in our ministries carries the same expectations of conduct as those of our parish staff.

Each of us, whether employee or volunteer, represents the Church and its mission. This means we are called to treat every person we encounter with dignity, kindness, and respect.

In today's world, where negative speech and hostility are too often present, our parish is a place where compassion, patience, and encouragement must shine. By modeling these values, we not only serve others but also bear witness to the Gospel we strive to follow.

Thank you for your continued commitment to representing our church with grace and respect. Together, we continue to create a community where all feel cared for and welcome.

We are most fortunate to be part of this sharing and generous community at this time.



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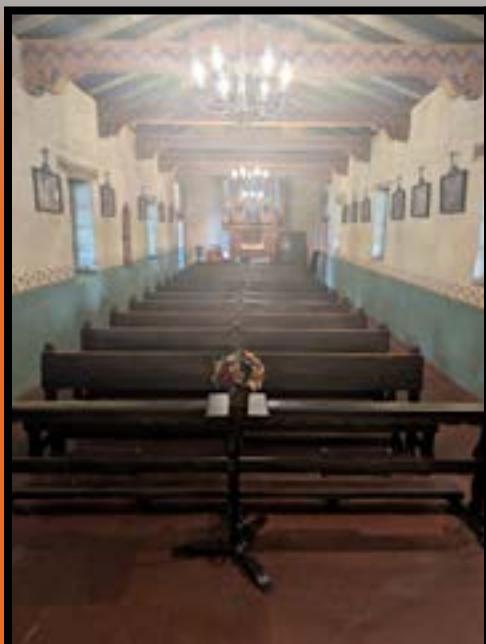
2024 AMA UPDATE



BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

ALL OUR PEWS HAVE BEEN RENEWED THANKS
TO YOUR SUPPORT FOR OUR 2024 AMA CAMPAIGN.

WORK ON THE ENTRANCE RAMP WILL BEGIN AS EARLY AS NEXT WEEK.
WEDNESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY NOON MASSES WILL TAKE PLACE
IN THE BASILICA UNTIL THE PROJECT IS COMPLETE.



CARMEL MISSION BEGINS MASTER PROPERTY PLAN WITH ARCHITECTURAL EXPERTS

Dear Parishioners,

We are excited to share that Carmel Mission Basilica has begun work on a Master Strategic/Property Plan in collaboration with Architectural Resources Group (ARG), a highly respected preservation firm from San Francisco. This plan will guide us in the responsible stewardship of our beautiful and historic property—ensuring the Mission remains a sacred, welcoming, and safe place for worship, learning, and community life.

Working with ARG, we will assess all areas of our 22-acre site, from the Basilica and museums to gardens and infrastructure, with a focus on preservation, accessibility, safety, and long-term sustainability.

We invite your prayers, input, and participation as this important planning process unfolds. Together, we will honor our past and plan for a vibrant future.

—Fr. Paul P. Murphy, Pastor

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THE MORA CHAPEL

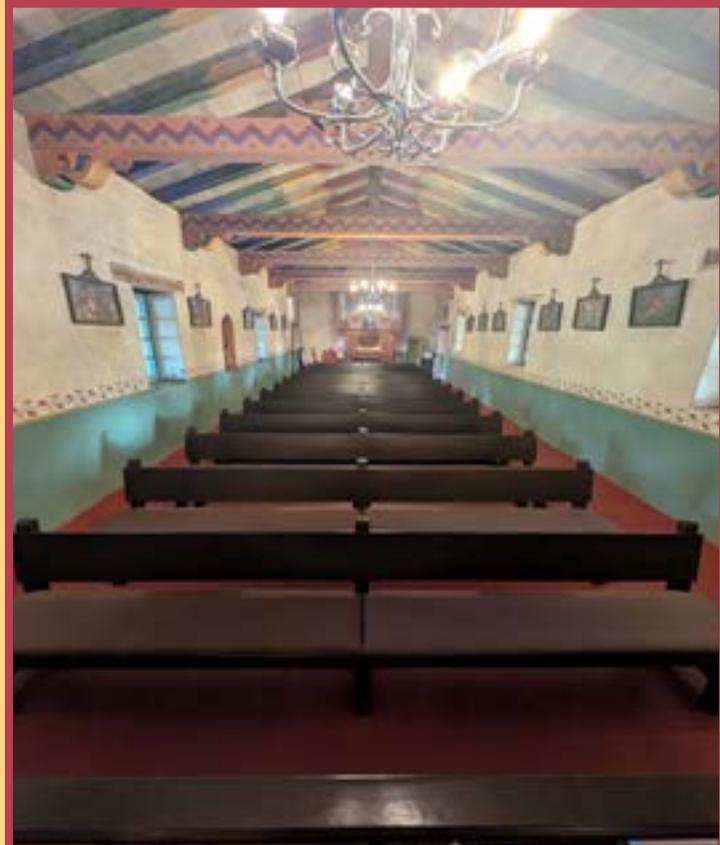
A PLACE OF LIVING HISTORY



We are delighted to report that our 2025 AMA Campaign, **The Mora Chapel: A Place of Living History**, contribution total now stands at \$310,532.



PROJECT UPDATES



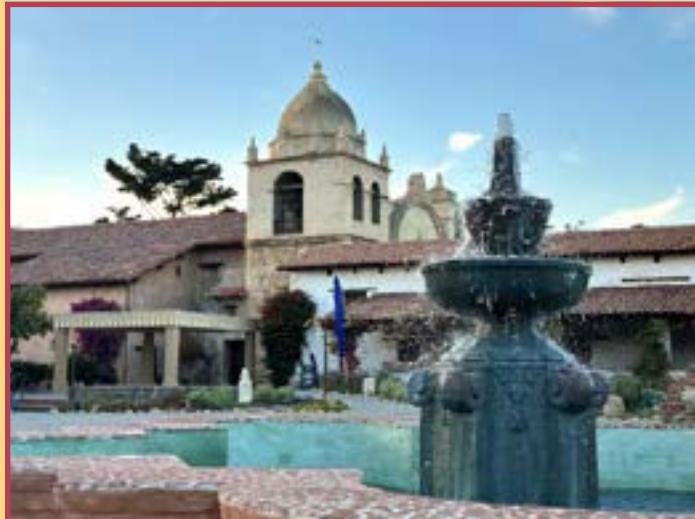
- We continue to work diligently on developing the 2025 Mora Chapel restoration and conservation projects and will share details in upcoming bulletins and on our AMA webpage
- The Blessed Sacrament Chapel pews have been restored and returned.
- Construction of the ramp is in progress
- Additional work will include resetting the front door, upgrades to the heating and ventilation and additional necessary security improvements.



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ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES GROUP

THIS ARTICLE RAN IN THE MONTEREY HERALD ON AUGUST 2



THE HISTORIC CARMEL MISSION BASILICA HAS ANNOUNCED THE DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PROPERTY PLAN IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES GROUP.
(JAMES HERRERA/MONTEREY HERALD)

The Carmel Mission Basilica is launching a strategic master plan initiative with a goal of creating a guide to preserve, restore, and utilize this iconic landmark that has attracted the faithful and visitors to Carmel since it was built more than 250 years ago.

The development of the comprehensive Master Property Plan will be in partnership with Architectural Resources Group, a nationally recognized preservation and planning firm out of San Francisco.

Architectural Resources Group was founded 45 years ago and specializes in architecture, historic preservation, adaptive reuse, and planning with projects across California and the Western United States. Locally, its portfolio includes the Cooper-Molera Adobe Historic site in Monterey and the Sunset Center in Carmel.

The architectural firm says that since its beginning, it has had the privilege of working with great clients and consultants on projects that preserve, protect, and adapt historic buildings, sites, and objects for a new generation.

"We're honored to continue our work with Carmel Mission. This is a pivotal project for the Mission and for the wider community", said David Wessel, principal at Architectural Resources Group, in a press release. "Our goal is to create a plan that respects Carmel Mission's rich past and supports its thriving future."

Carmel Mission Basilica says this initiative marks a milestone in the mission's commitment to stewarding its historic buildings, sacred spaces, and cultural resources for future generations.

Carmel Mission, or Mission San Carlos Borromeo de Río Carmelo, was founded in 1771 by Father Junipero Serra, who was canonized in 2015 and is now known as Saint Junipero Serra. He is buried under the sanctuary floor. The mission was the second mission founded by Serra, and where he established his headquarters. It is designated a National Historic Landmark, is one of California's most visited historic sites, and continues to serve a vibrant parish community within the Diocese of Monterey.



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ARCHITECTURAL RESOURCES GROUP

The new Master Property Plan will guide the preservation, restoration, and use of the 22-acre site, which includes the Basilica Church, museums, courtyards, cemetery, and other historic structures, according to Carmel Mission. Architectural Resources Group brings decades of expertise in working with culturally significant sites, including previous work with missions, churches, and historic campuses across the West.

"This is a moment of renewal," said Father Paul P. Murphy, pastor of the Carmel Mission Basilica, in the release. "We are embracing our responsibility to protect the sacred and historical integrity of this site, while also ensuring it can meet the evolving needs of our parish and the wider community."

The planning process will include input from parishioners, community members, preservationists, and expert restorative professionals, according to Carmel Mission. Priorities include seismic safety, accessibility improvements, landscape conservation, infrastructure modernization, and enhanced interpretive and visitor experiences.

Development of the Master Property Plan is expected to continue through 2026.

The Carmel Mission has undergone other restoration projects in the recent past, namely the Downie Museum and Basilica Forecourt project in 2021, the Central Courtyard project in 2016, and the Carmel Mission Basilica's structural restoration in 2013.

But the Carmel Mission has a long history of restoration beginning in 1877, when Fr. Angelo Casanova stepped in to save a church reduced to ruins, according to Carmel Mission Basilica. With the roof collapsed and walls crumbling, he paid \$44 to re-roof the sacristy. What started as a humble act became an enduring commitment to restore Carmel Mission's historic fabric for generations to come.

In the early 1900s, Monsignor Ramon Mestres founded the Carmel Mission Restoration League, spearheading major restorations and earning the title "Padre of the Restoration." Then in 1933, master restorer Harry Downie began five decades of meticulous rebuilding, working under the direction of multiple pastors throughout his tenure to transform the Mission into what we see today.



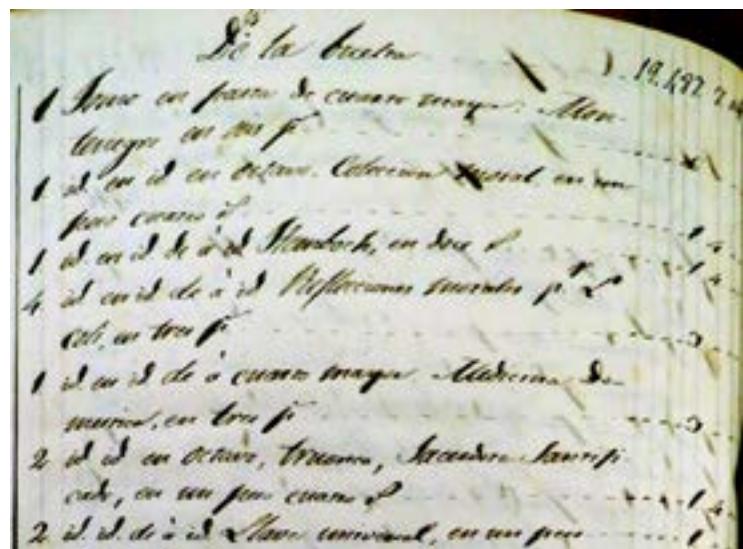
THE HISTORIC CARMEL MISSION BASILICA IS ONE OF THE MOST ICONIC AND SPIRITUALLY SIGNIFICANT LANDMARKS ON CALIFORNIA'S CENTRAL COAST.
(JAMES HERRERA/MONTEREY HERALD)



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FIRST LIBRARY OF CALIFORNIA

Today I'd like to say a bit more about the current project to produce a detailed, accurate, and complete catalog for our First Library. This is an effort that has taken the better part of two years and should be completed by the end of this year. There have been catalogs of our library in the past, but none of them can be considered a full catalog in the modern sense.

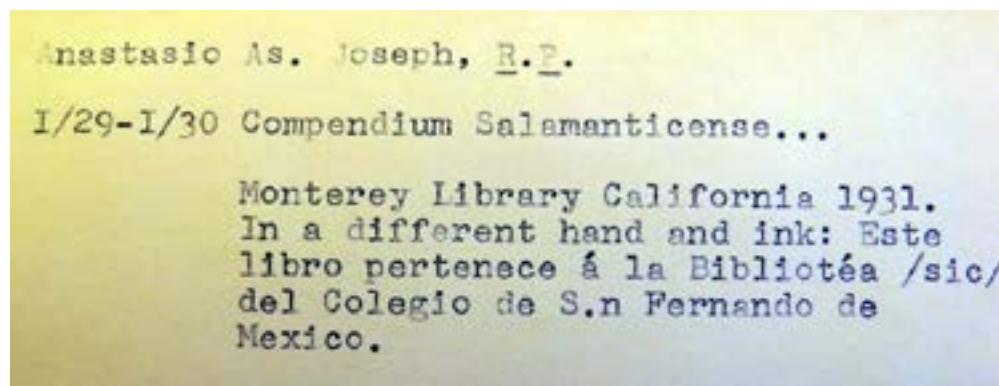


The very first list of the books in the Convento library was compiled by Father José María del Real in 1834. He was responsible for compiling an inventory and valuation of the entire mission in preparation for its dissolution. This first inventory listed 404 books. Many are now difficult to identify, given that Father Real only listed a cursory title, maybe an author, and an estimated value, but no date of publication or other information we would now expect.

A page from Father Real's 1834 inventory list
(Santa Barbara Mission Archive-Library)

Some eight years later in 1842, Father Real compiled another list of the books, which had by then been moved to the parish in Monterey. This list was shorter and even more cursory. Then the books went to sleep for the next 100 years. It wasn't until 1932 that Monsignor James Culleton produced a more complete and detailed list of the books that were still a part of the parish property. That list is now in the diocesan archives.

Harry Downie reestablished the library in its current location in Carmel in 1949. In 1956, he engaged Sylvia Broadbent, then a graduate student at Berkeley, to compile a bibliographically correct card catalog of all the books in the library. These 3x5 typewritten cards are still kept at UC Berkeley, and they are an important source of information on the state of the library at the time.



Broadbent card catalog
(Bancroft Library,
UC Berkeley)

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A later catalog or list was supposedly compiled by a young man named Brian Shanley around 1971, but no trace of it can be found today. Another cataloging effort was undertaken in 2006, but it is unfortunately incomplete and insufficient to current needs.

The present project aims to accomplish several things. The first step in the process was the establishment of a detailed digital photographic record of all the volumes. This included images of the binding and spine, the title page and last page, and other pages with interesting inscriptions and provenance evidence. Over 5,000 images were cataloged. Next a so-called short title catalog was compiled. This is an abbreviated listing of all 568 volumes with a short title, author, and production information, including place and date of printing along with the printer's name. This catalog is organized both by shelf order and alphabetically by author and can serve to find the location of any given book more easily.

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Uniform Title (short title)

Directorio moral del reverendo padre Fr. Francisco Echarri. Vol. I

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2 vols.; [9] 495 pp. [5]; 23.5 cm.

Language (including language translated from)

Spanish

Binding (material; writing on spine; title; ties; clasps; condition)

Brown leather over boards; title in gilt on spine: "Echarri Ilustrado, Tom. I"; marbled endpapers; marbled foreedges; Roman numeral "II" in black ink at bottom of spine

General condition (e.g. missing title page or other pages, etc.)

Generally in poor condition; some water staining inside; boards are scratched and torn

Use and Provenance (inscriptions; stamps; bookplates; ephemera)

Inscription on rear flyleaf: "Licencia de Córdoba - ... libro ... folio 6 de usiva"

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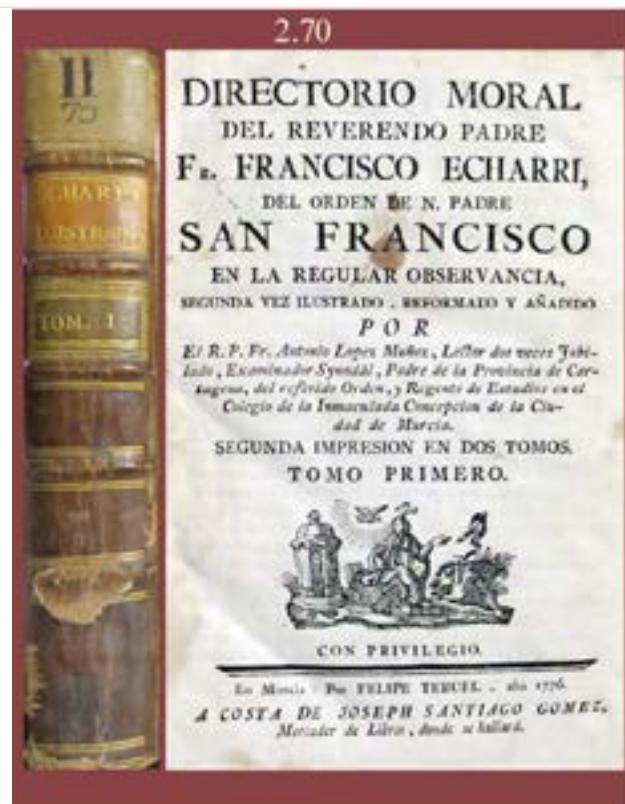
LC Subjects

Research notes

The final, full title catalog will be a much more detailed accounting of each individual book, including a complete title, author dates, physical information such as number of pages, size, and condition. Finally, any inscriptions or writings or marks in the book are identified and transcribed, providing valuable clues as to the book's previous owners and its institutional homes. The catalog seeks to capture every piece of evidence that identifies each individual book. This will be supplemented by an image of the spine and title page to accompany the written text. In its paper form, the catalog will span over 1,000 pages in several volumes. A digital version will also be available.

Sample entry of the new full title catalog for volume 2.70

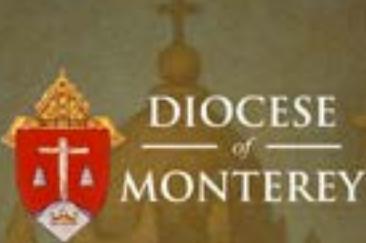
Bill Whobrey
Library Project Manager





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SCHOOL OF MINISTRY INVITES YOU TO

Join Laura Schwingel, DMA and accompanist, Tiffany Hoffman, to explore the rich history and tradition of Music for the Seasons of Advent and Christmas, including the Marian Advent feasts of the Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Guadalupe.

OPEN TO ALL!

We will also delve into the tradition of the Posada with special guest, Luis Ponce Gutierrez. "The Angels sing. The Archangels blend their voice in harmony.

 **Saturday, November 22nd**
 **10 AM – 12 PM**
• Carmel Mission Basilica
3080 Rio Rd, Carmel-By-The-Sea, CA

\$20 Registration Fee
Contact: Deacon Jewel Gentry
[\(831\) 373-4345](mailto:jgentry@dioceseofmonterey.org)
Or Visit: www.DioceseofMonterey.org



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LEAD ME LORD

An Advent Study Series with Deacon Warren

This Advent, Deacon Warren will once again offer a weekly study series to help us prepare for Jesus's coming. This year's series, LEAD ME LORD, will look at some of God's most important revelations and what they mean for us today. We'll focus on the Commandments from the Old Testament, then the Beatitudes from Christ's teachings, and finally consider how they can guide us in modern life.

**Meetings in Crespi Hall at 5PM on
Wednesday evenings:
December 3, 10, and 17.**

**No pre-registration necessary.
Please join us for a lively discussion!**

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Christmas at the Mission

SPECIAL GUESTS



LAURA SCHWINGEL



VICTORIA McDOWELL

SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER
CARMEL MISSION BASILICA
CARMEL, CA

5:00 PM VIP PRE-CONCERT DINNER - 7:00 PM DOORS - 7:30 PM CONCERT

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Below is an important update regarding the resolution of ongoing litigation.

We are grateful that this matter has been resolved, and we look forward to the Carmel Mission Foundation (CMF) supporting the restoration work identified through the master property planning effort Carmel Mission Basilica (CMB) has developed in partnership with Architectural Resources Group (ARG).

Joint Statement Regarding Resolution of Litigation between the Diocese of Monterey and the Carmel Mission Foundation

In May 2023, we, the Diocese of Monterey Parish and Schools Operating Corporation (DOM) filed a complaint in Monterey County Superior Court against the Carmel Mission Foundation (CMF) citing concerns that CMF members planned to shut down the Foundation and hand over the moneys meant for the restoration of the Carmel Mission to another nonprofit. After receiving detailed project-related financial information and after conducting further investigation, the DOM is now satisfied that CMF had always intended that moneys meant for the restoration of the Carmel Mission be used for that purpose, has no plans to shut down, and that there is no evidence of any wrongdoing or impropriety on the part of CMF or any CMF board member. As a result, the DOM and Carmel Mission Basilica are pleased to move forward with the CMF as a fundraising partner to assist with the preservation, restoration, and maintenance of the historic Mission San Carlos Borromeo de Carmelo.





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Apostolic Administrator Appointed to Diocese of Monterey

The Apostolic Nuncio, Cardinal Christophe Pierre, has informed us that the Most Reverend Slawomir Szklerek, Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles, has been appointed Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Monterey in California.

Let us unite in prayer for Bishop Slawomir as he begins his ministry among us.



Coffee and Donuts

Join us in Crespi Hall after each Sunday Mass to enjoy a hot coffee and delicious donuts.

Knights of Columbus

Meet on the first Tuesday of each month in Crespi Hall at 6:30 PM.

For more information please email koc@carmelmission.org.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every First Friday of the month 12:30 pm - 5:00 pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

The Carmel Mission invites you to attend Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Mission every first Friday in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel following the Noon Mass and ending at 5 PM. You can pay a visit to the Lord at anytime during those hours or volunteer to take a specific hour to be in His presence.

If you would like to volunteer for an hour, please call Sandie Herbert, 831-320-4436 or Kathleen Anderson, 707-373-2355.



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Carmel Mission Bible Study

Bible Study meets in Crespi Hall every Wednesday at 10:30 am - 11:30 am



Our Carmel Mission Bible is now studying of the Parables found in the Gospels. In these texts, Jesus sets forth for us details of how His Kingdom works in our Catholic lives. There is more in each of them than first appears. Here is a means to open our hearts to what He plans, hopes for each of us.

Questions; Dick Gorman 595-6363.

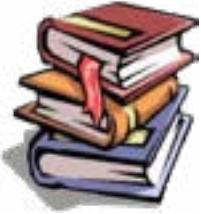
Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer meets on Fridays at 12:55 PM in Crespi Hall.

All are welcome to join in Centering Prayer, with the option to stay for Book Club at 1:30 PM.

For more information about Centering Prayer, please email Sally Greig at saljogreig@aol.com

Carmel Mission Book Club



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

Book Club is now reading **Confessions** by Saint Augustine of Hippo. Written at the end of the 4th century, Augustine's Confessions outlines his deep struggle with a sinful youth and his ultimate conversion to Christianity. Books are available at the meetings and everyone is welcome to attend.

For information email christina.renna@gmail.com

Our Coordinator for the I-HELP Ministry has retired.

Carmel Mission's I-HELP ministry needs YOUR help!

We need YOU to help us continue providing this emergency housing program one evening a month for homeless women on the Peninsula.

Please contact Father Paul at fr.paul@carmelmission.org for more information.



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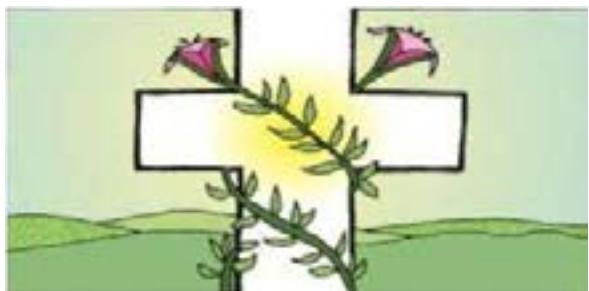
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Carmel Mission Bereavement Ministry

The Carmel Mission Bereavement Ministry, founded in 2003, is a group of volunteers who provide consolation and support to families who are grieving the death of a loved one. The Ministry, under the direction of the Pastor, offers assistance with planning and staffing the Funeral Mass and assists with receptions held in Crespi Hall. The Ministry has a three-fold purpose of Service to the Parish and Spiritual Development and time for Social gathering for our Members.

If you would like to join with us or learn more about our Ministry, please contact Laura Schwingle, liturgy@carmelmission.org.

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



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