



SANTA CRUZ ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Feast Day July 16



Nuestra Señora del Carmen Día Festivo Julio 16

Today we have in the Gospel the parable of the sower which Jesus spoke to the big crowd by the lake shore. Matthew, the Evangelist, gives us the parable, the questions of the disciples and the interpretation by Jesus Himself.

We know that great crowds followed Jesus and listened to His words. Many admired and praised His words – others walked away and no longer followed Him. We remember how Peter responded to the words of Jesus when He promised the Eucharist and many walked away. Jesus asks “What about you, do you want to go away too”? Peter answers “Lord to whom shall we go? You have the message of eternal life and we know and believe that you are the Holy One of God” (John 6:67-68)

After Jesus spoke the parable of the sower, the disciples wondered and asked him “why do you speak to them in parables” to which Jesus quoted the words of Isaiah “Gross is the heart of this people...” - not everyone cares to listen attentively, and then He interprets the parable. I think we can add that Jesus had a word for the PREACHERS as well as for the PEOPLE. Let us look at the 4 sowings:

1. The seed falls on the path: the fault is obviously with the careless sower. Why would he let the seed fall on a pathway? – It’s just for the birds!
2. The seed is sown on rocky ground: it is well received with joy but has no roots and does not last.
3. The seed is sown among thorns: it is heard and listened to willingly but then distracted by the cares of life – family problems, making money, politics, taxes and entertainment – it does not produce any fruit.
4. The seed is sown on good soil: the people listen, hear and understand; the message is put into action and produces good fruit – 100, 60 and 30 fold.

Preachers – sow the seed of God’s word; they must be well prepared, with study and prayer and with love and respect for the people.

People – are also called to have good hearts – to hear and listen and understand how to put the message into practice in everyday life, to build up the kingdom of God.

We are all called to pray for the preachers of the world, to give constructive comments and to let them know if their words are helpful.

We also give thanks for our people who prepare their hearts to listen attentively and ask the Holy Spirit to enable them to put the word of God into action in fruitful ways.

~Fr. David Costello, O.C.D.

**Fr. Stephen will start a novena to
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel on
Wednesday, July 8th and will
appear on Facebook everyday.**

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Deacon Richard Ornelas & Deceased Members
of the Ornelas & Pedroza Families/R.I.P.
Aurora & Benjamin Reyes/R.I.P.

Santa Cruz Parishioners
Maria Luisa Orosco/R.I.P.
Leopoldo & Maria Rivera/R.I.P.
Allan Cruz-Martinez/R.I.P.
Robert Cuyegkeng/R.I.P.

Richard & Ruth Nenninger/R.I.P.
Rafael Calipes/R.I.P.

In Honor of Saint Jude
Allan Cruz-Martinez/R.I.P.

In Honor of Saint Jude
Special Int./Philip Gregory Speers

In Honor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Special Int./Sylvia Aguayo

Debbie Jenkins/Improved Health
Henry S. Martinez/R.I.P.

Parish Collection June 28th, 2020

Collections: \$ 2,410.72

*Thank you and God bless your generosity!
¡Gracias y que Dios bendiga su generosidad!*

*Thanking You for Your
Service to Our Parish*

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel,
Fruitful Vine, Splendor of heaven, Blessed
Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin,
assist me in this my necessity. O Star of the
Sea, help me and show me herein that you are
my Mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of
heaven and earth, I humbly beseech you from
the bottom of my heart to succor me in this
necessity. There are none that can withstand
your power! O help me and show me herein
that you are my Mother.

Our Lady, Queen and Beauty of Carmel, pray
for me and obtain my requests! Sweet
Mother, I place this cause in your hands!

Oh bellísima Flor del Monte Carmelo, Viña
Fructífera, Esplendor del Cielo, Santísima Madre
del Hijo de Dios, Virgen Inmaculada, ayúdame en
esta mi necesidad. Estrella del mar, ayúdame y
muéstrame aquí que eres mi Madre.

Oh Santa María, Madre de Dios, Reina del
Cielo y de la Tierra, te suplico humildemente
desde el fondo de mi corazón que me
socorras en esta necesidad; no hay nadie
que pueda resistir tu poder. Oh, muéstrame
aquí que eres mi Madre, oh María, concebida
sin pecado, ruega por nosotros que
recurrimos a ti.

Dulce madre, pongo esta causa en tus manos.

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Business Hours Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Closed for lunch 12:45pm - 1:45pm

Pastor: Rev. Stephen Watson, O.C.D.
Associate Pastor: Rev. Godfrey Chandya Lega, O.C.D.
In Residence: Rev. Jose Luis Ferroni, O.C.D.
In Residence: Rev. David Costello, O.C.D.

New Parishioners: Always welcome!

Please register by using our forms available in our parish office.

~ Masses ~

Sun. 6:30 am, 8 am (Spanish), 10 am, 12 noon, & 6 pm

Mon. - Fri. 6:30 am & 8:00 am Sat. 8 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil)

Confession: Sat. 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Baptisms: 2nd Sunday of the Month (English) / 4° Domingo del Mes (Español)

Matrimony: Please call at least six months in advance.

Por favor de llamar con seis meses de anticipación.

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