



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT. DECEMBER 21, 2025

### *'THE ANGEL OF THE LORD APPEARED TO JOSEPH IN A DREAM'*

On this Fourth Sunday of Advent, the Gospel of Matthew presents the birth of Jesus from Joseph's perspective, highlighting the difficult circumstances faced by Joseph and Mary. Their betrothal was a binding commitment, and Mary's pregnancy placed her at serious risk under the law. Though Joseph had legal rights, he chose compassion and discretion to protect her. God then intervenes through an angel, revealing that the child is conceived by the Holy Spirit and fulfills Isaiah's prophecy of Emmanuel, "God with us." Joseph obediently accepts Mary and the child, and together they model faith, trust, and cooperation with God's plan.



### *EL ÁNGEL DEL SEÑOR LE DIJO EN SUEÑOS A JOSÉ'*

En este Cuarto Domingo de Adviento, el Evangelio de Mateo presenta el nacimiento de Jesús desde la perspectiva de José, destacando las difíciles circunstancias que enfrentaron José y María. Su desposorio era un compromiso vinculante, y el embarazo de María la colocaba en un grave riesgo según la ley. Aunque José tenía derechos legales, eligió actuar con compasión y discreción para protegerla. Entonces Dios interviene a través de un ángel, revelando que el niño ha sido concebido por el Espíritu Santo y que cumple la profecía de Isaías sobre Emmanuel, "Dios con nosotros". José acepta obedientemente a María y al niño, y juntos son modelos de fe, confianza y cooperación con el plan de Dios.



## WELCOME/BIENVENIDO RAMÓN BEJARANO, BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF MONTEREY

**Early Years** Auxiliary Bishop Bejarano was born in Texas, the son of José and María Elena Bejarano. His family moved back to Mexico soon after his birth, and he spent his early life in Aldama, Chihuahua.



He and his family moved to Tracy, in California's San Joaquin Valley, when he was 18. He immediately began working in the fields to help support his family, later working in maintenance at a hotel.

*El obispo auxiliar Bejarano nació en Texas, hijo de José y María Elena Bejarano. Su familia regresó a México poco después de su nacimiento, y pasó sus primeros años en Aldama, Chihuahua. A los 18 años, él y su familia se mudaron a Tracy, en el valle de*

*San Joaquín, California. Inmediatamente comenzó a trabajar en el campo para ayudar a mantener a su familia, y más tarde trabajó en el mantenimiento de un hotel.*



**Ordination and Service** At age 20, he applied to be a seminarian for the Diocese of Stockton, fulfilling a life-long dream. He studied at the Archdiocesan Seminary of Tijuana and completed his studies at Mount Angel Seminary in Oregon. He was ordained to the priesthood on Aug. 15, 1998.

He served as parochial vicar in the parishes of St. George in Stockton and Sacred Heart in Turlock. He was called, in 2005, to be the founding pastor of Holy Family Parish in Modesto. He was the pastor of St. Stanislaus Church in Modesto from 2008 to 2019, when he was named the Pastor of the Cathedral of the Annunciation in Stockton.

He served as chaplain to the Migrant Ministry, celebrating Mass for families and workers in migrant camps. And he served in leadership councils at the diocese, including the Presbyteral Council, the Diaconate Board, the Preparatory Commission for the Diocesan Synod of 2005, and the College of Consultors.

*A los 20 años, solicitó ser seminarista de la diócesis de Stockton, cumpliendo así el sueño de su vida. Estudió en el Seminario Arquidiocesano de Tijuana y completó sus estudios en el Seminario Mount Angel de Oregon. Fue ordenado sacerdote el 15 de agosto de 1998.*

*Sirvió como vicario parroquial en las parroquias de San Jorge en Stockton y Sagrado Corazón en Turlock. En 2005 fue llamado a ser el párroco fundador de la parroquia de la Sagrada Familia en Modesto. Fue párroco de la iglesia de San Estanislao en Modesto desde 2008 hasta 2019, cuando fue nombrado párroco de la Catedral de la Anunciación en Stockton.*

*Ha sido capellán del Ministerio de Migrantes, celebrando misa para las familias y los trabajadores de los campamentos de migrantes. También ha formado parte de los consejos de liderazgo de la diócesis, incluyendo el Consejo Presbiteral, la Junta Diaconal, la Comisión Preparatoria para el Sínodo Diocesano de 2005 y el Colegio de Consultores.*



## MASS INTENTIONS

*DECEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> – DECEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>*

Sat. Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> 4:30 Vigil: Health of  
Weldon Thomasson

Sun, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00: People of the Parish  
11:00: + Otilia Sanchez

Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>: 4:30 Christmas Eve  
Vigil: People of the Parish

Thurs. Dec 25<sup>th</sup>:10:00 Christmas Day  
Mass: People of the Parish

Fri. Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>: + Bob Walter

Sat. Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> 4:30 Vigil:+ Brian  
Coughlin

Sun, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> 9:00: + Brenda Shakal (2<sup>nd</sup>  
Anniv)

11:00: + John Jordan

## WEEKLY COLLECTION

DECEMBER 13TH & 14TH – \$ 8,930

*THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING GENEROSITY.*

## FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



The season of Advent passes quickly, and we are already celebrating the Fourth Sunday of Advent our final opportunity to prepare our hearts for Christmas on this spiritual journey. Joseph is presented to us a model in this weekend Gospel. He shows us the power of faith and trust in God. Even in difficult times, he embraces God's plan, accepting Mary and the child Jesus. This Advent, let us also welcome Emmanuel 'God with us' into our hearts. *Fr. Jhonnatan*

### EVENT CALENDAR

**Tues. Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7 pm MISA DE NOCHE  
BUENA & BIG POSADA IN CACHAGUA**

**Wed. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 pm. CHRISTMAS  
EVE CHILDRENS MASS**

**Thu. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am CHRISTMAS  
DAY MASS**

**Thu. January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026, 12pm Noon  
English Mass MARY MOTHER OF GOD**

**POINSETTIAS NEEDED** (all colors, sizes). Please bring to the church Saturday December 20<sup>th</sup> and Sunday December 21<sup>st</sup>.

**CHRISTMAS DECORATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Please stay after the 11am Mass Sunday December 21<sup>st</sup>. Many Hands...

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**SCHEDULE**

**Weekday Mass**  
Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

**Weekend Mass**  
Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM  
Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English  
Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month  
1:00 PM in the Church  
4th Saturday of the Month at 7:00 PM in Cachagua

**Reconciliation**  
Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment


**Office Hours**  
Wednesday — Friday 1:00 PM — 3:00 PM  
Sundays: 10:00 AM — 11:00 AM

*"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service."*

— St Teresa of Avila

**PARISH MINISTRIES**

For more information about our ministries, follow the link in this QR code:



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Finance Council	Website
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Bereavement Ministry	Coffee Hospitality
Human Trafficking	Sacristans
Music Ministry	Lectors
Parish Hall & Kitchen Rental	Ushers

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