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In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus teaches us the importance of being faithful and responsible with the gifts God has entrusted to us as we await the coming of His Kingdom. Through the parable of the talents, Jesus reminds us that each person receives different gifts according to their abilities, and we are called to use them wisely.

The first two servants invested their talents and doubled what they had received, while the third servant, overcome by fear, buried his talent and did nothing with it. The master rewarded those who acted faithfully but reprimanded the servant who failed to make use of his gift.

This parable reminds us that our gifts are not meant to be kept for ourselves but shared in service to God and others. Christian discipleship requires more than simply waiting for the Lord; it calls us to actively live our faith through love, generosity, and service. Prayer helps us recognize our gifts, while God's grace gives us the courage to use them for the building of His Kingdom.



En el Evangelio de este domingo, Jesús nos enseña la importancia de ser fieles y responsables con los dones que Dios nos ha confiado mientras esperamos la llegada de su Reino. A través de la parábola de los talentos, Jesús nos recuerda que cada persona recibe diferentes dones según sus capacidades y que estamos llamados a utilizarlos sabiamente.

Los dos primeros servidores hicieron producir los talentos que habían recibido, mientras que el tercero, dominado por el miedo, escondió su talento y no hizo nada con él. El señor recompensó a quienes actuaron con fidelidad, pero reprendió al servidor que no aprovechó el don recibido.

Esta parábola nos recuerda que nuestros dones no son para guardarlos, sino para compartirlos al servicio de Dios y de los demás. Ser discípulos de Cristo significa mucho más que esperar su venida; implica vivir activamente nuestra fe mediante el amor, la generosidad y el servicio. La oración nos ayuda a reconocer los dones que Dios nos ha dado, y su gracia nos concede la valentía para ponerlos al servicio de la construcción de su Reino.

FRIENDSHIP AND FAITH
SPOTLIGHT ON THE COLVINS AND THE GRIFFINS

By Trudy Dowd



Four best friends, **Malcolm & Linda Colvin and John & Victoria Griffin,** found their way to us three years ago. For a year they had been attending Mass together, each week at a different Catholic church on the peninsula. They worshipped at San Carlos, St. Angela's, the Monastery, and Carmel Mission, as both couples live in Monterey. One Sunday they drove out to Carmel Valley to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, and they knew they'd found their church. Linda says, "We immediately felt the warmth, the spirituality, and the community. And we loved Fr. Jhonnatan." They soon became actively involved and have become integral to our parish. Linda and John are lectors, Malcolm and Linda are Eucharistic ministers, John and Victoria are Bereavement Ministers, and Malcolm was the 2026 AMA Chair. They attend the 11:00 Mass now because they especially enjoy the music of the choir.



Married 56 years, the Colvins grew up on the peninsula, met at PGHS, and were married at St. Angela Merici. After Malcolm served 2 years in the army, they lived and worked for some time in Twain Harte in Tuolumne County and returned to Monterey 30 years ago. Malcolm, whose trademark is Hawaiian shirts, was a guidance counselor at Seaside High School, and Linda a well-loved primary teacher at Tularcitos School. Now retired, they enjoy being in nature, spending time with family, taking trips to Nat'l parks, and building community with the PGHS Alumni Association, hosting monthly parties for their many dear life-long friends.





Born in San Francisco, John moved to Monterey in high school when his father was transferred there for work. After high school, John joined the Navy. During his 13 years as a naval officer, he earned a mechanical engineering degree and served aboard the USS Narwhal. Victoria grew up on the peninsula and, after college, she worked in administration at MPC for 43 years. An avid dancer, she danced and competed with West Coast Swing Dance for 25 years.

Both PGHS graduates, John and Victoria met at an alumni party hosted by the Colvins. Their friendship grew into romance, and they married at OLMC in 2024, with Fr. Jhonnatan officiating. Together they enjoy movies, travel, and spending time with their large extended family and circle of friends. *We're blessed these four best friends found OLMC and are now dedicated to our little church.*

Mass Intentions
Nov 14th – Nov 22nd

Saturday Nov 14th 4:30: **People of the Parish**
Sunday Nov 15th 9:00**: + Sr. Marion Therese Arroyo**
11:00: **+ Joanne Causton**
Wed. Nov 18th 12:00: **+ Healing of Mark Diaz**
Thurs. Nov 19th 12:00: + **Josie Diaz**
Fri. Nov 20th 12:00: **+ Margaret McCarthy**
Saturday Nov 21st 4:30: **+ Ann Defley**
Sunday Nov 22nd 9:00**: People of the Parish**
11:00: **+ Joseph Saunders**

From the Parish Priest's Desk ...

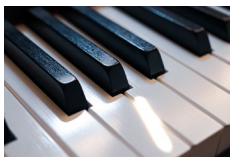


In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reminds us through the Parable of the Talents that God has blessed each of us with unique gifts, not to keep for ourselves, but to share generously with others. Every talent, no matter how small, can make a difference when offered with love and faith. **As we celebrate our Parish Ministry Fair this Sunday, November 15, I warmly invite each of you to prayerfully consider how you can share your time and talents with our parish family.** Our Church grows stronger when everyone takes part in its mission. Remember, God does not ask us to do everything, but He does ask each of us to do something. Your gifts are needed, your presence matters, and there is a place for you in our parish! Shalom ***Fr. Jhonnatan***

Manna Ministry is collecting small hams and turkeys for distribution before Thanksgiving. Please bring your donation and place in the silver fridge by NOVEMBER 22. Thank you



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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

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