Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish-Shrine

December 30th, 2018
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

The Italian National Parish of the Archdiocese of Chicago
Served by The Missionaries of Saint Charles – Scalabrinians

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Office Hours

Sunday
8:30am—3:00pm

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8:30am—8:30pm

Saturday
8:30am — 1:00pm
2:00pm—5:30pm

Monday
We're Closed

Sunday Mass Schedule
5:30pm - Sat. Vigil Mass
7:45am - English
9:00am - Español
10:30am - Italiano
12:00pm - English
1:30pm - Español
5:00pm - Español

Weekly Mass Schedule

English
Monday - Saturday at 7:30am

Español
Martes y Jueves a las 6:30pm

Italiano
Sotto richiesta

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THE SCALABRINIAN MISSIONARIES AT MOUNT CARMEL SINCE 1905

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Our Lady of Mt Carmel, is served
by the Congregation of the Missionaries of
St. Charles – Scalabrinians – .
We are an community of Catholic religious
serving migrants and refugees of different
cultures, religions and ethnicities in 32 countries.
The Congregation was founded in Italy
on November 28, 1887,
by Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini (1839-1905),
bishop of Piacenza (Italy).
Our missionary focus is to be migrants
with the migrants and to be in mission
with people on the move,
with a special priority for the poorest
And neediest migrants.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL —MISSION STATEMENT

We are a faith community bound by the Grace of God the Father who adopted
us all as beloved children through Baptism. We journey as brothers and sisters
inspired in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, nourished with the Eucharist
and strengthened by the love of the Holy Spirit.
Encouraged in the practice of our Catholic Tradition,
we experience and honor the maternal protection of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
while joyfully celebrating the religious practices of our ancestors in Faith.
Heartened by the zealous ministry of the Missionaries of St. Charles (Scalabrinians),
we strive to create a welcoming space were justice for all and the wellbeing of God's people
become the inspiration in our efforts to build God's Kingdom.

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NUESTRA SEÑORA DEL MONTE CARMELO — VISIÓN

Somos una comunidad de fe vinculada por la Gracia de Dios Padre,
que nos ha adoptado como hijos amados por el Bautismo.
Caminamos como hermanos y hermanas
inspirados en el Evangelio de Jesucristo, nutridos con la Eucaristía
y fortalecidos por el amor del Espíritu Santo.
Alentados en la práctica de nuestra Tradición Católica,
experimentamos y honramos a la protección materna de Nuestra Señora del Monte Carmelo,
celebrando alegremente las prácticas religiosas de nuestros ancestros en la Fe.
Animados por el celo ministerial de los Misioneros de San Carlos (Scalabrinianos),
nos esforzamos por crear un espacio de bienvenida donde la justicia para todos
y el bienestar del pueblo de Dios nos inspiran en nuestros esfuerzos para construir el Reino de Dios.

Church Services

We encourage all to register at the Parish-Shrine.

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Les invitamos a registrarse en el Santuario Parroquial.

Support Staff

Business Manager
Xochitl Duran708.345.3632

Religious Education
Modesta Martinez 708.344.4140

Music Coordinator
Ann Marie Nabor 708.579.5373

Community Center Site Director
Pablo Cruz 708.345.3632

Sacramental Life

Confessions ***Confesiones***
Saturdays—*Sábados*
4:00pm—5:00pm or by appointment/ *o con cita.*

Baptisms *Bautizos*
Come to the parish office.
Pase a la oficina parroquial.

Weddings ***Bodas***
Contact the priest at least six months in advance.
Contactar al sacerdote seis meses antes de la ceremonia

Quinceañera
Contactar a la secretaria cuatro meses antes de la ceremonia.

Presentaciones
Contactar la Secretaria al menos dos semanas antes

Religious Services

Recitation of the Holy Rosary
Mon—Sat at 7:00am

Adoration ***Adoración al Stmo. Sacramento***
Wednesdays 6:00pm—8:00pm

Novena & Benediction
Wednesday/Miércoles 7:30pm

Grupo de Oración Carismática
Martes a las 7:00pm

Other Services

Gift Shop Hours ***Venta de Artículos Religiosos***
During the regular office hours.
Durante las horas de oficina

Community Center ***Centro Comunitario***
Social outreach *Servicios a la comunidad* (708) 345 - 3632

Food Pantry ***Despensa de comida***
Wednesdays 3:30pm—5:30pm

Religious Education—*Catecismo*

Saturday - *Sábados* 3:30pm — 6:30pm
Sunday - *Domingos* 10:00am—1:00pm
- Mass Included—Incluye la Misa

Upcoming Events

December 31, 2018
+ Trilingual Mass for Thanksgiving at 6:00pm
+ Misa de Acción de Gracias a las 6:00pm

January 1, 2019
+ New Year Italian Mass at 10:30am
+ New Year English Mass at 12:00pm
+ Misa de Año Nuevo a la 1:30pm

January 12, 2019
+ Platicas Pre-Bautismales a las 6pm
+ Spaghetti Dinner at 6:30pm

January 19, 2019
+ Bautizos en Español a las 11:00am

January 27, 2019
+ Baptisms at 3:00pm

"For last year's words belong to last year's language, And next year's words await another voice."
- T.S. Eliot

From the Pastor's Desk

SUNDAY FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY, NEW YEAR DAY, SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD AND 52TH WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE.

1. We celebrate the Feast Day of the Holy family, where we value the natural and fundamental place in which you and I day after day surrounded by the affection and love of our relatives, we are growing and developing as a healthy human being. This Christmas Holiday, while we worship the Holy Family of Bethlehem, it is for us Christians the opportunity to celebrate and extend the universal value of the family project understood and lived from Jesus' spirit, which leads us to transcend and go beyond our own family. According to the story of Luke, Jesus' parents look for him in distress, upon discovering that he has abandoned them and they worried about him. How can he act like that? His mother reproaches him as soon as she finds him: "Son, why have you treated us like that? See that your father and I were looking for you in anguish. " Jesus surprised them with an unexpected response: "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I should be in my Father's house? " His parents "did not understand" him. Just delving into his words and in his behavior towards their family, they will discover progressively that, for Jesus, the first thing is the human family: a more fraternal, just and solidary society, as God wants it. Hopefully, you and I, valuing our family, can grow in the belonging to our community of Faith, the family of the beloved children of God.

2. We rejoice with Mary that she is elevated to the title of Mother of God, for being the Mother of Jesus.

3. We wish everyone a prosperous and blessed 2019 Year, where we can make all God's gifts and qualities fruitful for the good of all. Much Success and blessings.

4. 52th Day of Prayer for Peace with the theme of Pope Francis: "Good politics is at the service of peace". ***We offer you an extract of Pope's message.***

OFFICE HOURS

Office hours during the New Year holiday will be as follows:

Monday, December 31st. January 1st, and Wednesday, January 2nd

The office will be closed

Thursday, January 3rd the office will open again at regular Schedule .

HAPPY NEW YEAR

We wish all of you that the Year 2019 will be for you and your families a Year of many opportunities to walk together with health, love and peace and as people of faith enjoy the blessings of the Lord.

Spaghetti Dinner

We will have a delicious spaghetti dinner on Saturday, January 12, 2019 from 6:30pm to 10:00pm.

Tickets are available in the church office.

Donation $10.00

Children under 12 are $5.00

Location: OLMC Gym

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE 52nd WORLD DAY OF PEACE

"Peace be to this house!" Jesus told them: "Whatever house you enter, first say,
'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace shall rest upon him;
but if not, it shall return to you" (*Lk* 10:5-6).

Pope Benedict XVI noted that "every Christian is called to practice charity in a manner corresponding to his vocation and according to the degree of influence he wields in the *pólis*... When animated by charity, commitment to the common good has greater worth than a merely secular and political stand would have... Man's earthly activity, when inspired and sustained by charity, contributes to the building of the universal city of God, which is the goal of the history of the human family". This is a programme on which all politicians, whatever their culture or religion, can agree, if they wish to work together for the good of the human family and to practice those human virtues that sustain all sound political activity: justice, equality, mutual respect, sincerity, honesty, fidelity. In this regard, it may be helpful to recall the "Beatitudes of the Politician", proposed by Vietnamese Cardinal François-Xavier Nguyễn Văn Thuận, a faithful witness to the Gospel who died in 2002:

Blessed be the politician with a lofty sense and deep understanding of his role.
Blessed be the politician who personally exemplifies credibility.
Blessed be the politician who works for the common good and not his or her own interest.
Blessed be the politician who remains consistent.
Blessed be the politician who works for unity.
Blessed be the politician who works to accomplish radical change.
Blessed be the politician who is capable of listening.
Blessed be the politician who is without fear.

In these days, we celebrate the seventieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, adopted in the wake of the Second World War. In this context, let us also remember the observation of Pope John XXIII: "Man's awareness of his rights must inevitably lead him to the recognition of his duties. The possession of rights involves the duty of implementing those rights, for they are the expression of a man's personal dignity. And the possession of rights also involves their recognition and respect by others".

Peace, in effect, is the fruit of a great political project grounded in the mutual responsibility and interdependence of human beings. But it is also a challenge that demands to be taken up ever anew. It entails a conversion of heart and soul; it is both interior and communal; and it has three inseparable aspects:

- peace with oneself, rejecting inflexibility, anger and impatience; in the words of Saint Francis de Sales, showing "a bit of sweetness towards oneself" in order to offer "a bit of sweetness to others";

- peace with others: family members, friends, strangers, the poor and the suffering, being unafraid to encounter them and listen to what they have to say;

- peace with all creation, rediscovering the grandeur of God's gift and our individual and shared responsibility as inhabitants of this world, citizens and builders of the future.

The politics of peace, conscious of and deeply concerned for every situation of human vulnerability, can always draw inspiration from the *Magnificat*, the hymn that Mary, the Mother of Christ the Saviour and Queen of Peace, sang in the name of all mankind: "He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm; he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly; ...for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever" (*Lk* 1:50-55).

Del Escritorio del Párroco

DOMINGO DE LA SAGRADA FAMILIA, FIESTA DE ANO NUEVO, SOLEMNIDAD DE MARIA MADRE DE DIOS Y 52 JORNADA MUNDIAL DE LA PAZ.

1. Celebramos el Día sagrado de la familia cristiana, en donde valoramos el lugar natural y fundamental en el cual tú y Yo día con día creciendo rodeado del afecto y cariño de los familiares vamos creciendo y formándonos como personas. Es una fiesta en este tiempo navideño, que mientras adoramos a la Sagrada Familia de Belén para nosotros los cristianos es una oportunidad para celebrar lo que puede ser un proyecto familiar entendido y vivido desde el espíritu de Jesús, que nos lleva a trascender e ir mas allá de nuestra propia familia y abrirnos a un concepto mas universal de familia-comunidad. Según el relato de Lucas, los padres de Jesús lo buscan acongojados, al descubrir que los ha abandonado sin preocuparse de ellos. ¿**Cómo puede actuar así?** Su madre se lo reprocha en cuanto lo encuentra: ***"Hijo, ¿por qué nos has tratado así? Mira que tu padre y yo te buscábamos angustiados".*** **Jesús los sorprende con una respuesta inesperada:** ***"¿Por qué me buscaban? ¿No sabían que yo debía estar en la casa de mi Padre?".*** Sus padres ***"no le comprendieron".*** Solo ahondando en sus palabras y en su comportamiento de cara a su familia, descubrirán progresivamente que, **para Jesús, lo primero es la familia humana:** una sociedad más fraterna, justa y solidaria, tal como la quiere Dios. Ojalá, tú y Yo valorando nuestra familia podamos crecer en la pertenencia a **nuestra familia-comunidad de Fe**, familia de los amado de Dios

2. Gozamos con María que regalándonos a Jesús el Hijo de Dios es elevada al titulo de **Madre de Dios.**

3. Deseamos a todos un **2019 Año de prosperidad y bendiciones** en el esfuerzo de hacer fructificar todos los dones y cualidades que Dios nos regaló. **Éxito y Bendiciones.**

4. 52 Jornada de Oracion por la Paz con el tema de Papa Francisco:
"*La buena política está al servicio de la paz*"

HORARIO DE OFICINA

El horario de oficina durante las fiestas de Año Nuevo sera lo siguiente:

Lunes, Diciembre 30. Martes, Enero 1, y Miércoles, 2

- *La oficina estará cerrada*

Jueves, Enero 3 - La oficina se volverá abrir a horario Regular

FELIZ AÑO NUEVO

Deseamos a todos ustedes que el Año 2019 sea para ustedes y sus familias un Año de muchas oportunidades para poder caminar juntos con salud, amor y paz y como personas de fe gozar de las bendiciones del Señor.

Cena De Espagueti

Tendremos una deliciosa cena de espagueti el sábado 12 de enero de 2019 de 6:30 pm a 10:00 pm.
Los boletos están disponibles en la oficina de la parroquia.
Donación $10.00
Los niños menores de 12 años $5.00

Les ofrecemos un extracto de su mensaje.

"Paz a esta casa". Jesús, al enviar a sus discípulos en misión, les dijo: "Cuando entren en una casa, digan primero: "Paz a esta casa". Y si allí hay gente de paz, descansará sobre ellos su paz; si no, volverá a ustedes" (*Lc* 10,5-6).

El desafío de una buena política

El Papa Benedicto XVI recordaba que «todo cristiano está llamado a esta caridad, según su vocación y sus posibilidades de incidir en la *pólis*. El compromiso por el bien común, cuando está inspirado por la caridad, tiene una valencia superior al compromiso meramente secular y político. La acción del hombre sobre la tierra, cuando está inspirada y sustentada por la caridad, contribuye a la edificación de esa ciudad de Dios universal hacia la cual avanza la historia de la familia humana». Es un programa con el que pueden estar de acuerdo todos los políticos, de cualquier procedencia cultural o religiosa que deseen trabajar juntos por el bien de la familia humana, practicando aquellas virtudes humanas que son la base de una buena acción política: la justicia, la equidad, el respeto mutuo, la sinceridad, la honestidad, la fidelidad.

A este respecto, merece la pena recordar las "bienaventuranzas del político", propuestas por el cardenal vietnamita François-Xavier Nguyễn Văn Thuận, fallecido en el año 2002, y que fue un fiel testigo del Evangelio:

Bienaventurado el político que tiene una alta consideración y una profunda conciencia de su papel.
Bienaventurado el político cuya persona refleja credibilidad.
Bienaventurado el político que trabaja por el bien común y no por su propio interés.
Bienaventurado el político que permanece fielmente coherente.
Bienaventurado el político que realiza la unidad.
Bienaventurado el político que está comprometido en llevar a cabo un cambio radical.
Bienaventurado el político que sabe escuchar.
Bienaventurado el político que no tiene miedo.

Un gran proyecto de paz

Celebramos en estos días los setenta años de la Declaración Universal de los Derechos Humanos, que fue adoptada después del segundo conflicto mundial. Recordamos a este respecto la observación del Papa san Juan XXIII: «Cuando en un hombre surge la conciencia de los propios derechos, es necesario que aflore también la de las propias obligaciones; de forma que aquel que posee determinados derechos tiene asimismo, como expresión de su dignidad, la obligación de exigirlos, mientras los demás tienen el deber de reconocerlos y respetarlos».

La paz, en efecto, es fruto de un gran proyecto político que se funda en la responsabilidad recíproca y la interdependencia de los seres humanos, pero es también un desafío que exige ser acogido día tras día. La paz es una conversión del corazón y del alma, y es fácil reconocer tres dimensiones inseparables de esta paz interior y comunitaria:

— la paz con nosotros mismos, rechazando la intransigencia, la ira, la impaciencia y —como aconsejaba san Francisco de Sales— teniendo "un poco de dulzura consigo mismo", para ofrecer "un poco de dulzura a los demás";

— la paz con el otro: el familiar, el amigo, el extranjero, el pobre, el que sufre...; atreviéndose al encuentro y escuchando el mensaje que lleva consigo;

— la paz con la creación, redescubriendo la grandeza del don de Dios y la parte de responsabilidad que corresponde a cada uno de nosotros, como habitantes del mundo, ciudadanos y artífices del futuro.

La política de la paz —que conoce bien y se hace cargo de las fragilidades humanas— puede recurrir siempre al espíritu del *Magníficat* que María, Madre de Cristo salvador y Reina de la paz, canta en nombre de todos los hombres: «Su misericordia llega a sus fieles de generación en generación. Él hace proezas con su brazo: dispersa a los soberbios de corazón, derriba del trono a los poderosos y enaltece a los humildes; […] acordándose de la misericordia como lo había prometido a nuestros padres en favor de Abrahán y su descendencia por siempre» (*Lc* 1,50-55).

Fr. Feccia's Reflection

La Sacra Famiglia. Anno "C" — Il mistero della vita di Gesù bambino con i suoi genitori: la liturgia ci oggi ci presenta una meditazione tutta incentrata sul Cristo, che interessa in modo particolare le famiglie cristiane.

«*Da dove viene il Messia?*» Ignoravano la sua nascita, si domandavano i contemporanei. Ignoravano la sua nascita a Betlemme di Giuda; perciò si stupivano che si presentasse come il Messia uno che veniva dalla Galilea (Gv. 1,46; 7,41). Matteo ripercorre quindi l'itinerario movimentato dell'infanzia di Gesù: il suo esodo come profugo in seguito alla minaccia di Erode, che costringe i suoi genitori a rifugiarsi in Egitto, dove Gesù riceve il destino del popolo eletto, e infine il ritorno nel paese d'Israele e la scelta di abitare a Nazaret, che giustifica il soprannome di «Nazzareno» fino dalla nascita. Gesù si trova sotto il segno della croce (Anno A).

Gli episodi della presentazione di Gesù al tempio (Anno B) e del suo ritrovamento a Gerusalemme, durante il suo primo pellegrinaggio pasquale (Anno C), sottolineano entrambi la crescita «*in sapienza egrazia*» di un bambino dedito alla propria missione fin dalla più giovane età. La sua vocazione dolorosa e gioiosa insieme, viene annunciata da Luca: Gesù «*sarà segno di contraddizione fin dalla più giovane età*», ma anche luce per i pagani e gloria del suo popolo Israele. Nel tempo, a dodici anni, il bambino vivrà anticipatamente il proprio destino pasquale quando, perduto e ritrovato, verrà scoperto il terzo giorno nella casa del Padre.

La Santa famiglia non era una famiglia senza problemi. Maria e Giuseppe hanno voluto condividere la condizione di quel figlio sconcertante, seguendo passo per passo nella rivelazione del suo mistero. Ed è proprio per questa sua disponibilità totale che meritano tutta la nostra ammirazione.

Perché hai fatto questo? —Dodici anni, per un ebreo vuole dire essere maggiorenne, e mentre si diventa indipendenti dalla famiglia, si assumono le proprie responsabilità di fronte a Dio. Questa autonomia sconvolge i piani dei genitori. Ci sono sempre dei momenti in cui Dio ci sconcerta. Maria che ha cercato per tre giorni il Figlio, troverà questa angoscia durante i tre giorni della passione. Anche là, il modo di agire di Dio sarà sconcertante. Le vie di Dio non sono le nostre. Poi Gesù ritorna a Nazaret e per diciotto anni vive la condizione normale umana senza colpi di scena. Partecipe in tutto della vita dei suoi contemporanei, ha così il tempo di crescere, di imparare, di diventare l'uomo che Dio ha voluto fare di lui.

LII GIORNATA MONDIALE DELLA PACE
1° GENNAIO 2019

Papa Francesco per questa giornata della pace ci offre il seguente messaggio:
"La buona politica è al servizio della pace".

Vi offriamo l'introduzione: "Pace a questa casa!" Inviando in missione i suoi discepoli, Gesù dice loro: «In qualunque casa entriate, prima dite: "Pace a questa casa!". Se vi sarà un figlio della pace, la vostra pace scenderà su di lui, altrimenti ritornerà su di voi» (*Lc* 10,5-6). Offrire la pace è al cuore della missione dei discepoli di Cristo. E questa offerta è rivolta a tutti coloro, uomini e donne, che sperano nella pace in mezzo ai drammi e alle violenze della storia umana. [1] La "casa" di cui parla Gesù è ogni famiglia, ogni comunità, ogni Paese, ogni continente, nella loro singolarità e nella loro storia; è prima di tutto ogni persona, senza distinzioni né discriminazioni. È anche la nostra "casa comune": il pianeta in cui Dio ci ha posto ad abitare e del quale siamo chiamati a prenderci cura con sollecitudine. Sia questo dunque anche il mio augurio all'inizio del nuovo anno: "Pace a questa casa!". Il testo completo: www.vatican.va

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO ARE ILL OR INFIRMED :

Linda Bandy	Kelly Ann Haymaker
Mary Donato	Macy Grace Giacone
Judith Escamilla	Josephine Grasso
Jacob Duda	Conny Rico
Kristie Goldi	John Sepka
Linna Goldi	Robert J. Villa
Susan Humpf	Baltazar Garcia
Vandy Liala	Margarito Flores
Joseph Pulido	Guadalupe Rico
Luke Westrick	Ann Yench
Alexandra Vitali	Damian A. Velasquez
Anna Baffa	Fred Ballog
Jan Clark	Chad Ballog
Sara Zonca	Bart Cammarata
Nancy Oshea	Dayan Del Valdiveeso
Madeline Vittori	John S.
Nico Felice	Mary S.
Emilio Scalzitti	Jennifer Sanchez
Nell Baker	Rosa Castro
Isabel Pintor	Miriam Mendez
Marie Torchia	

May our prayers bring them strength, healing, and peace.

Please call our Parish Office to add a loved one's name to our parish prayer list.

BUON ANNO 2019

Auguriamo voi tutti che quest'anno 2019 sia per voi e le vostre famiglie un anno di felici opportunità per camminare assieme nella salute, nell'amore e nella pace e come persone di fede godere delle benedizioni del Signore.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 29 — 5th Day Within the Octave

7:30 am †
5:30 pm †

Sunday, December 30 — Holy Family

7:45 am †
9:00 am †
10:30 am †Julia Cocchia
†Antonietta Buffa
† Raffaella Maiello by Family
12:00 pm †Christine Ariola DeBuono by Aunt Corinne Principe
1:30 pm †
5:00 pm †

Monday, December 31 — 7th Day within the Octave

7:30 am †Lorraine Mnkenzie by Sister Corinne
6:00 pm MASS FOR THANKSGIVNG

Tuesday, January 1 — 8th Day of the Octave

10:30 am †Michele Atteo by Wife, Children, & Grandchildren
12:00 pm †John G. Babowice by Wife & Family
For Kathy Gattis by Barbara Maidl & Family
1:30 pm

Wednesday, January 2 — Saints Basil & Gregory

7:30 am †
6:00 pm ADORATION
7:30 pm NOVENA

Thursday, January 3 — Christmas Weekday

7:30 am †
6:30 pm †

Friday, January 4 — St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

7:30 am †

Saturday, January 5 — St. John Neumann

7:30 am †
5:30 pm †

Sunday, January 6 — The Epiphany of the Lord

7:45 am †Mary Petroselli
9:00 am †
10:30 am †Eugenio Parrinello by Family
1:30 pm †
5:00 pm †

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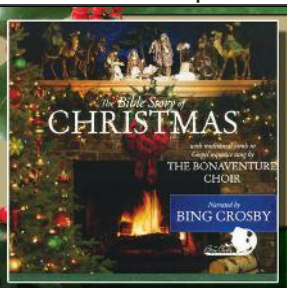

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