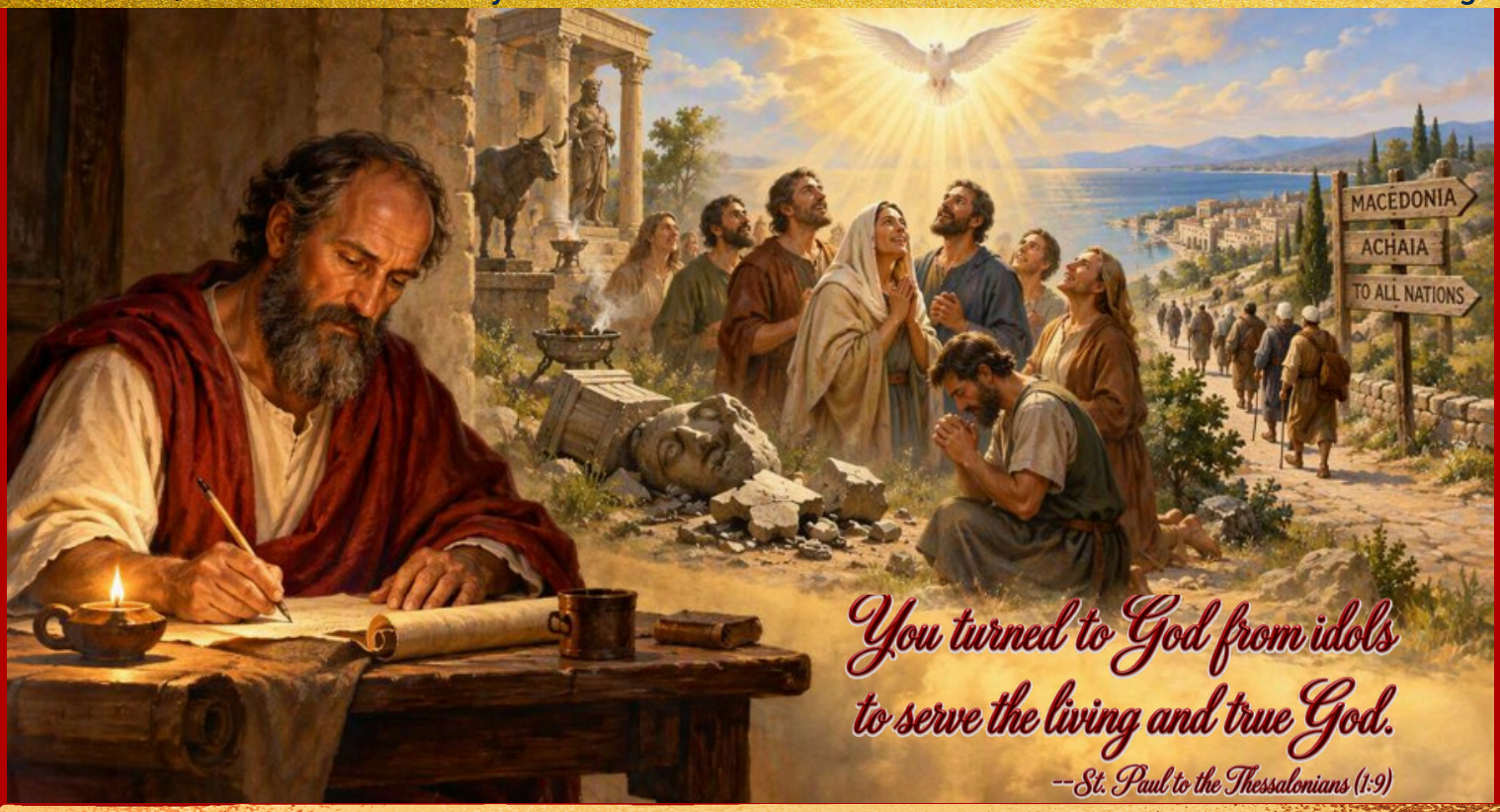


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MASSES | CONFESSIONS | DEVOTIONS

Weekend

Saturdays: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm Vigil

Sundays: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Latin Rite High Mass: 1:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Saturdays: 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Sundays: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

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CARMELITE VOCATIONS

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Weekday

M-F: 6:00 and 8:00 am

M-S: 7:30 am at Nuns' Chapel

M-S: Rosary after 8:00 am Mass

Mon & Tues: 7:15 pm (Tues, Spanish)

Thursday evenings: 7:00-8:00 pm:
Exposition and Adoration

First Fridays: Extra Mass: 7:15 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm and
2:00 - 5:00 pm

(Closed for lunch: 1:00-2:00 pm)

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Pastor's Letter

Dear Parishioners of St. Therese:

I want to thank all of you who participated in our School Auction this past Friday night and ***all*** those who continue to support our beautiful, little school!

Yesterday morning we held our last recollection on St. John of the Cross. However, we are privileged to host **Fr. Daniel Chowning, OCD, from the Washington, DC, Province, who will be here from December 5 to 14 to give a preached Novena of Masses on St. John of the Cross (more on that next month).**

We now conclude with **St. John Paul II's Apostolic Letter on the Rosary, *Rosarium Virginis Mariae***.

Fr. Peter Mary Vecellio, O.C.D.



The Rosary "offers the 'secret' which leads easily to a profound and inward knowledge of Christ." We might call it Mary's way. It is the way of the example of the Virgin of Nazareth, a woman of faith, of silence, of attentive listening. It is also the way of a Marian devotion inspired by knowledge of the inseparable bond between Christ and His Blessed Mother: the mysteries of Christ are also in some sense the mysteries of His Mother, even when they do not involve her directly, for she lives from Him and through Him. By making our own the words of the Angel Gabriel and St. Elizabeth contained in the Hail Mary, we find ourselves constantly drawn to seek out afresh in Mary, in her arms and in her heart, the "blessed fruit of her womb" (Luke 1:42).

The grave challenges confronting the world at the start of this new Millennium lead us to think that only an intervention from on high, capable of guiding the hearts of those living in situations of conflict and those governing the destinies of nations, can give reason to hope for a brighter future. The Rosary is by its nature a prayer for peace, since it consists in the contemplation of Christ, the Prince of Peace, the One who is "our peace" (Eph. 2:14). Anyone who assimilates the mystery of Christ--and this is clearly the goal of the Rosary--learns the secret of peace and makes it his life's project. Moreover, by virtue of its meditative character, with the tranquil succession of Hail Mary's, the Rosary has a peaceful effect on those who pray it, disposing them to receive and experience in their innermost depths, and to spread around them, that true peace which is the special gift of the Risen Lord (John 14:27; 20,21).

The Rosary is also a prayer for peace because of the fruits of charity which it produces. When prayed well in a truly meditative way, the Rosary leads to an encounter with Christ in His mysteries and so cannot fail to draw attention to the face of Christ in others, especially in the most afflicted. How could one possibly contemplate the mystery of the Child of Bethlehem, in the Joyful Mysteries, without experiencing the desire to welcome, defend, and promote life, and to shoulder the burdens of suffering children all over the world? How could one possibly follow in the footsteps of Christ the Revealer, in the Mysteries of Light, without resolving to bear witness to His "Beatitudes" in daily life? And how could one contemplate Christ carrying the Cross and Christ Crucified without feeling the need to act as a "Simon of Cyrene" for our brothers and sisters weighed down by grief or crushed by despair? Finally, how could one possibly gaze upon the glory of the Risen Christ, or of Mary Queen of Heaven, without yearning to make this world more beautiful, more just, more closely conformed to God's plan?

In a word, by focusing our eyes on Christ, the Rosary also makes us peacemakers in the world. By its nature as an insistent choral petition, in harmony with Christ's invitation to "pray ceaselessly" (Luke 18:1), the Rosary allows us to hope that, even today, the difficult "battle for peace" can be won. Far from offering an escape from the problems of the world, the Rosary obliges us to see them with responsible and generous eyes, and obtains for us the strength to face them with the certainty of God's help and the firm intention of bearing witness in every situation to "love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony" (Col. 3:14).

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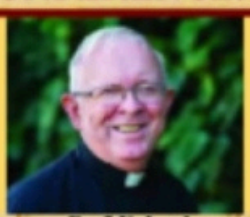
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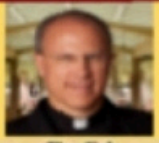

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All Souls Requiem Mass

November 2, 2026
7:15 p.m.
St. Therese Catholic Church

St. Therese Parish invites you to join us at this Mass to pray for the souls of the faithful departed. The names of those whose funerals were held at St. Therese in the past twelve months will be chanted by the choir.

The choir will sing the Fauré Requiem, accompanied by harp, organ, and violin.

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Talk: Series 8
Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Time: 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
Place: St. Therese Parish Hall
1108 East Alhambra Rd., Alhambra.

You are also invited to the next—and last—*Call of God event* on Tuesday, December 1—same time and place.



Alicia Rivera

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Psalm 119:105

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Read ✻ Meditate ✻ Pray

Prepare for the Sunday Gospels through Meditation and Scripture Commentary.

This group meets on **Fridays at 7:00 p.m.**—except on First Fridays and Fridays with special events in the church
(e.g., NOT on October 30 or November 6—next session will be November 13).

It is held in the **Avila Room** inside the **Parish Office** building
(enter through the sacristy/choir room door—just before you reach the Adoration Chapel—and then cross the Courtyard to the double glass doors).

Each Session Includes:

- **A themed social** to begin (if you'd like, you can bring a light, MEATLESS snack for three to four people).
- Meditation and discussion of the upcoming Sunday Gospel.
- Magisterial and saints' commentary on the Gospel.

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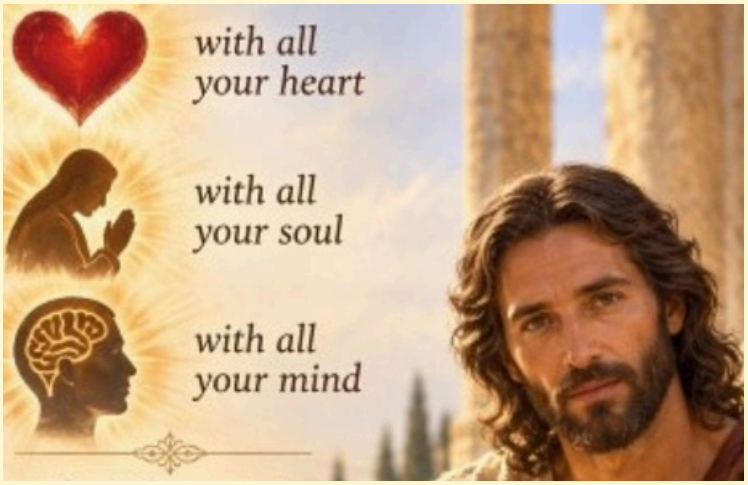
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Love Me With All You Are...



You have heard My answer to the question from the Pharisees: "Love the Lord your God with your whole heart, your whole soul, your whole mind. And love your neighbor as yourself." It sounds so simple, doesn't it? Perhaps that is why people sometimes make it complicated. The Pharisees came to Me with questions. Some genuinely sought understanding. Others wanted to test Me, challenge Me, or find a weakness in My words. But beneath all their questions was something much more importnt: ***Did they know God and did they love Him?***

And now I ask the same of you. I do not ask you merely to know *things about Me*. I ask you to love Me. Not with the part of your heart that remains after everything else has claimed its share. Not only when prayer comes easily or when I answer you as you wanted. I ask for ***ALL*** of you. Your heart, including your wounds. Your soul, including your weaknesses. Your mind, including your doubts. I also ask for your hopes, disappointments, plans, memories, fears... Bring them all to Me!

Then I will send you to your neighbor. Because you cannot separate these two loves. Do not tell Me that you love Me while refusing compassion to the person beside you. Your neighbor will not always be someone you find easy to love. You do not need to like him; only to show him My Love. He may interrupt you, disagree with you, disappoint you, misunderstand you. Your neighbor may need something when you would rather be left alone. Sometimes he may even be the person you have been carefully avoiding. Love that person anyway.

Not because every person has earned your love. Love *because* you have received My Love. Let the patience I have shown you become patience for another. Let the mercy I have given you become mercy for someone who has hurt you. Let the forgiveness you receive from Me loosen your grip on old grievances. Let My love pass through you. That is how the world will recognize that you belong to Me. But there is another question I want you to consider. After the Pharisees had asked Me their questions, I asked them ones of My own: "What is your opinion about the Messiah? Whose Son is He?" And now I ask you: ***"Who do you believe the Messiah is?"***

Who am I to you? A teacher whose words you admire? Someone you seek when you are afraid? A name you speak at Mass? Or am I your Lord and Savior? The One to whom you have entrusted your life? **Eventually, you must answer Me with your life.** So come closer and give Me your heart that does not love perfectly; your distracted mind; your weary soul. Give Me your imperfect attempts to love the people I have placed around you.

I am not waiting for you to become perfect before you come to Me. I am asking you to come now. And when you fail, come back to Me. We will begin again together. Because in the end, My Beloved, faith is not merely about how many answers you know. It is about Whom you love...and whether My love can be seen in the way you love one another. Love Me with all that you are. Then let Me teach you how to love as I do. (Based on Matthew 22:34-46)

Mass Intentions

October 24- October 31, 2026

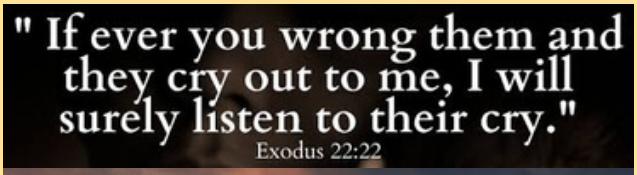
Saturday Evening Vigil Mass:
5:00 p.m.: Steve and Tina Tran, INT
Sunday:
*7:30 a.m.: The Discalced Carmelite Order, INT
7:30 a.m.: Honor of the Holy Family
9:00 a.m.: Goh & Cheah Families, INT
11:00 a.m.: Madeline Brougher, INT
1:00 p.m.: Benjamin Arakawa, INT
5:00 p.m.: Parishioners
Monday:
6:00 a.m.: Rukila Gutierrez, RIP
*7:30 a.m.: Mrs. Terry Seidler, RIP
8:00 a.m.: Robert Kirin, RIP
7:15 p.m.: Camelia Chavez, RIP
Tuesday (+7:15 p.m. in Spanish):
6:00 a.m.: Mr. Joey Traini, RIP
*7:30 am: Fathers and Grandfathers, INT
8:00 a.m.: Esperanza Estrada, RIP
7:15 p.m.: Guadalupe Aguilar, RIP
Wednesday:
6:00 a.m.: Ian and Felicia Roppel, INT
*7:30 a.m.: Giovanna Setiady, Birthday INT
8:00 a.m.: Sean Lao, Birthday INT
Thursday:
6:00 a.m.: Federico Aguilar, RIP
*7:30 a.m.: Mrs. Terry Seidler, RIP
8:00 a.m.: Mary DeSantis, RIP
Friday:
6:00 a.m.: All Humanity & Thanksgiving for God's Creation, INT
*7:30 a.m.: Marie Brougher, INT
8:00 a.m.: Alex Lopez & Family, INT
Saturday Morning
*7:30 a.m.: Alhambra Cloistered Carm Nuns
8:00 a.m.: Nida V. Nazareno, RIP

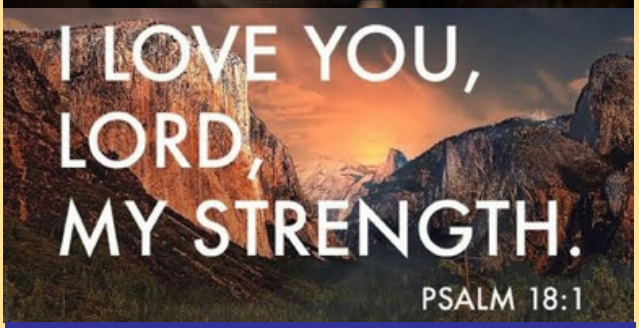
*Held at the Cloistered Carmelite Chapel (215 East Alhambra Road, Alhambra)
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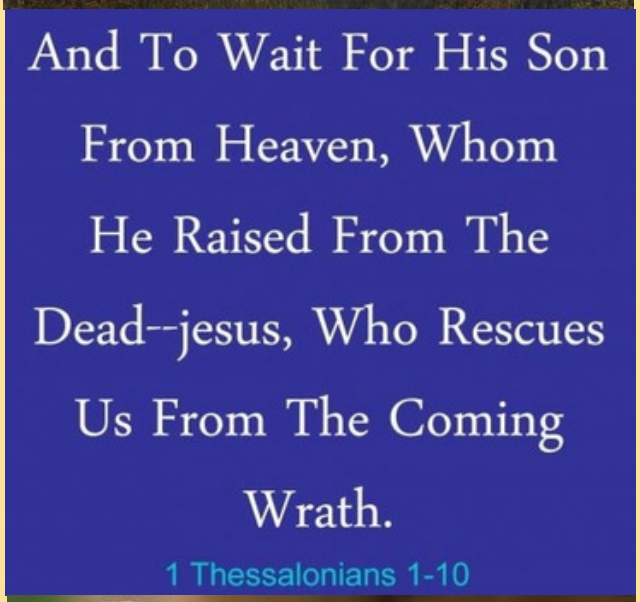
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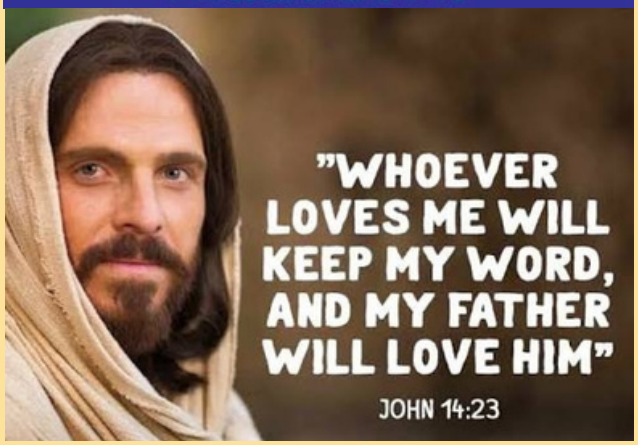
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