

SAINT THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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September 22, 2019 **MINISTERED BY THE DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS** Estab. 1924



Pastor: Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD X222;
Associate Pastor: Fr. David Guzman, OCD X232;
Carmelite Vocation Director: Fr. Matthias Lambrecht, OCD X224

In Residence: Fr. Albert Busic, OCD X335;
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Deacons: Deacon Joseph Mizerski X333;
Deacon Gilbert Vargas X333

NEW PARISHIONERS

The office is at
510 N. El Molino
Street, Alhambra.

Office Hours are Monday through
Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm;
2:00 to 5:00 pm; and 6:00 to
8:00 pm (closed from 1:00 to
2:00 pm and from
5:00 to 6:00 pm).

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel
is open 24/7. An electronic key is
needed from 5:00 pm to 6:00 am
(available in the office for \$20).

SAINT THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL (626) 289-3364

[www.SaintThereseCarmelite
School.com](http://www.SaintThereseCarmeliteSchool.com)

Principal: Alma Cornejo
X661

Principal @[sainttheresecarmelite
school.com](mailto:sainttheresecarmelite
school.com)

Chaplain: Fr. Matthias
Lambrecht, OCD X224

See our VIDEOS on
the School's Facebook page
or on the Church's
Website: > Our School
> Videos



MASSES AND SERVICES

Monday-Saturday: 6:00 & 8:00 a.m.
Carmelite Cloister: 7:30 a.m.

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.
Latin High Mass: 1:00 p.m.

Confessions: Wed: 7:00-8:30 p.m.; Sat: 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Daily Rosary: Mon-Sat after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Exposition/Benediction: Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

First Friday: Mass and Confessions: 7:30 p.m.

Baptisms: Once a month on a Saturday

Weddings: Fill out an application (website or office) six months+ in advance

Holy Communion to the Sick: Fred & Margaret Padilla, (626) 282-0943

Anointing of the Sick: Call the office to schedule an appointment.



Parish Secretary:

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(Grade School, Confirmation

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284-0020 X 1

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Now Celebrating our 95th Year of Ministry

The Establishment of St. Therese Parish by the Discalced Carmelite Friars



On January 19, 1922, a petition from the Irish **Province of the Discalced Carmelite Friars** was approved to make a foundation in the United States.

Bishop Cantwell, the Bishop of the Diocese of Los Angeles-San Diego, allowed the proposed Carmelite parish to be established in East Alhambra and to be named after Blessed Therese of the Child Jesus, in anticipation of her canonization (which occurred on May 17, 1925).

The formal opening of St. Therese Parish took place on Christmas Day, 1924, with the celebration of the first Mass at the cloistered Carmelite Nuns' Chapel. At the same time, the Friars recognized the need of a school. The groundbreaking for the new combination church/school building took place on June 1, 1926, and the church was dedicated that year on November 7. The school was on the ground floor, and the church, on the upper. The Dominican Sisters were in charge of the School until 1930, until the Archbishop asked them to take another school in Anaheim. After an extensive search, the Sisters of St. Mary of the Woods in Indiana (Sisters of Providence) agreed to staff the school, which they did up until the 1980's, when it became solely staffed by lay persons.

Our current church was built in 1950 and dedicated on January 14, 1951, by Cardinal McIntyre. In 1954, a rectory for the priests was built, which is now used as office space and conference rooms. The St. Therese Parish Hall and the classrooms for St. Therese School were built in 1963, under the leadership of the then-Pastor, Fr. Gerald Winters, OCD. The St. Therese Parish Center was built in the year 2000, under the leadership of the then-Pastor, Fr. Matthew Williams, OCD. In October of 2012, the Friars moved out of the rectory (the current offices for the Parish) into the former convent on Vega (originally built in 1960 for the Sisters of Providence).

Since 1924, we have had celebrations to mark our Silver Jubilee (25th) in 1949; our Golden Jubilee (50th) in 1974; and our Diamond Jubilee (75th) in 1999. **We look forward to the celebration for our Platinum Jubilee (100th) in 2024!**

NOVENA AND MASS IN HONOR OF ST. THERESE



Please join us in praying the below Novena in honor of our Patroness (after all the Masses from today, Sunday, September 22, through Monday, September 30th). Special 95th Anniversary Novena cards are available on the tables by the church entrances. Also, join us for a special **Mass on her Feast day, Tuesday, October 1st, at 7:30 p.m.**

NOVENA IN HONOR OF ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS

Heavenly Father, help us understand and treasure the grace of the "Little Way" that St. Therese has taught us. Help us rejoice in our littleness and weakness realizing, as she did, that through them your divine strength is free to do its work of life in us. Show us that nothing is an obstacle, but that everything—temperament, situations in which we find ourselves, our duties in life—are materials for the prayer and sacrifice the world so desperately needs. Give us generosity and courage, O Lord, to use them as you wish. We place our own needs before you, confident that you will answer us, since we pray with St. Therese, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.



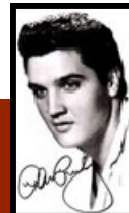
50's / 60's Dance in Our Hall on September 28

VOX VITAE invites all **TEENS AND ADULTS** to join us for a "Dance Down Memory Lane" at a 50's / 60's **DINNER AND DANCE PARTY!** It will be held on **Saturday, September 28**, in the Parish Hall.

Childcare Available!



The schedule is as follows:



- 6:00 p.m.: Check-ins begin
- 6:30 p.m.: Italian Dinner
- 7:15 p.m.: Professional Dance Exhibition
- 7:30 p.m.: Dance Lessons
- 8:00 p.m.: Dancing until 11:00 p.m.!



We will also be entertained by an Elvis impersonator!

We encourage everyone to come dressed in 50's or 60's outfits. Your \$25 ticket will help to underwrite our annual bus trip to the Walk for Life in San Francisco and our annual Teen and Adult Catholic ProLife Camps next Summer (the cost per teen is approximately \$300). Donate \$100 and receive FIVE tickets!

Come have fun with us AND support Vox Vitae in their mission to *Educate, Empower, and Spiritually Nurture People to Actively Be A Voice For Life!* Tickets will be sold after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Sunday morning Masses this weekend OR by calling (213) 395-8977 OR **you may purchase them in the church office.**

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS *"...for God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7)*

May God reward you! Below you will find the total collections for the last few weekends.

NOTE: The second collection on the 2ND WEEKEND each month is for our School (next October 12 / 13).



September 14 / 15, 2019
 Unrestricted..... \$18,841.00
 Restricted \$ 8,685.00
T O T A L \$27,526.00

August 17 / 18..... \$31,415.00
 August 24 / 25..... \$25,131.00
 August 31 / Sept. 8...\$10,688.00
 September 7 / 8.....\$16,671.00

Check Users:
 Please use a donation envelope in order to more easily credit your account.

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON BOUTIQUE

SAVE THE DATE OF TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

The HOLIDAY LUNCHEON BOUTIQUE, put on by the Auxiliary for the Cloistered Carmelite Nuns, will be held at Holy Family Church (Connolly Hall, 1501 Fremont Avenue) in South Pasadena, on the above date. The schedule is:

10:30 a.m.: Boutique and Social Hour
12:00 p.m.: Luncheon

The donation per person is \$25. To RSVP, send your check to Kathy Cardoza, 710 Lindaraxa Park, Alhambra 91801. For more info, call 570-9012. **Please respond by October 10th.**

FINGERPRINT APPOINTMENTS

Anyone (whether employee or volunteer) who works with or around children in any L.A. Archdiocesan parish or school **MUST BE FINGERPRINTED.**



Our next fingerprinting session will be **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9**, in the Avila Room of the Parish Offices. There is no fee but you **MUST make an appointment** (no walk-ins). To do so, call the DRE, Rhonda Storey, at 284-0020, ext. 1.

WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE...AND CATHOLIC KARATE!

WOMEN'S SELF DEFENSE CLASSES (for ages 16-60)—Learn to block, escape, and get home safe. Program is for five Thursday evenings (Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, and Nov. 7) from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m. **FEE:** \$60 for the five weeks, plus a \$5 registration fee (total of \$65).

The following Karate **CLASSES** Resume Thursday, November 14, from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

Questions?

E-mail John at SenseiJohnWrot@gmail.com.



- ♣ **New Youth (Boys & Girls from 7 to 17)**—Learn to defend yourself; understand why you're worth protecting; and earn your black belt. Meet from **5:15 to 5:55 p.m.**
- ♣ **Yellow & Orange Belts** meet from **6:00 to 6:40 p.m.**
- ♣ **Men's Classes (18-60)**—Learn to protect yourself and your family. Meet **6:45 to 7:45 p.m.**

Classes are held in the Parish Hall; register on site. Please arrive 15 minutes early!

FEES:

- ♣ **1st Youth:** \$10 per week; **2nd Youth:** +\$7 per week; **3rd Youth:** +\$7 per week; **Additional Youths:** +\$5 per week. Pay in full to save \$1 per week, per kid!
- ♣ **Men:** \$10 per week, plus a \$5 registration fee.

Rummage Sale! Restrooms Renovation



We are gearing up for a two-day Rummage Sale on **November 9 and 10!** So we ask you to go through your homes, including your closets, garages, basements, attics, etc., and gather all the things you no longer need or want but which are still in good useable condition (no junk please!). Please bring small items to the office and larger items to the Bro. John Room (entrance on El Molino between the church entrance and the office entrance) during our open hours. If you have larger items or LOTS of stuff, stop by the office first so we can lend you a key for the basement door.

THANK YOU! to all those who have generously donated towards this renovation project! The Hall bathrooms are in the process of being refurbished.



There is a saying, *"Many hands make work light..."* We'd like to add, *"Many dollars will help our plight"* of paying for these renovations.

Please make it clear on your checks that your donation is to go toward the restroom work.

God bless you for your good stewardship!

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: To register, please call Rhonda Storey, DRE, at 284-0020, ext. 1, or arrive 15 to 20 minutes **BEFORE** class starts to register then.

* **STRE** (Kindergarten through 8th Grade, including Eucharist Preparation): Next classes are in session on **Sunday, October 6.**

- **CONFIRMATION** (High School): The next classes for First Year (C1) will be on **Sunday, October 6, and Tuesday, October 8.** The next classes for Second Year (C2) will be on **Sunday, October 20, and Tuesday, October 22, at 7:00 p.m.**

- **RCIA:** If you wish to become Catholic or to complete your Sacraments, join us! Classes are held in the Parish Meeting Room on most Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming dates are October 3, 10, 17, and 24.

BIBLE STUDY



This Wednesday, September 25, will be the fourth session of our current Bible Study. You may still join us at

7:00 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room for *"Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy."* Participants first view an engaging video presentation, followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. A program fee of \$30 is due at the first class you attend. For more information, visit www.ascensionpress.com, or contact Debbie at 679-6370 or debrobles@me.com.

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Some recommendations for the month of October are:
THE SECRET OF SAINT THERESE (movie)
MIRACLE OF ST. THERESE (movie)
A FAMILY OF SAINTS (book)
POPE JOHN PAUL II (movie)

"COR JESU NIGHTS" KICK-OFF THIS COMING FRIDAY!

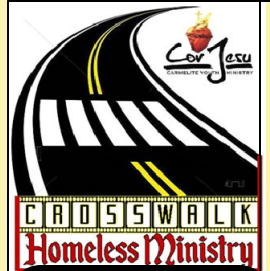
KICK-OFF THIS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH!

~ For High School ~ Middle School (6th - 8th)
~ Parent Group ~ Children's Virtue Formation

2019-2020 theme: "GET HOLY"

FOCUS: "Our Relationship with Christ through Deeper Prayer, Virtue, and the Saints of Carmel."

- 6:15 p.m.: Pizza/Social
- 6:45 p.m.: "LEAD Teams" for Skits & Testimonials
 - ♣ Mixers / Fun! / Cenacles with Mentors
- 8:15 p.m.: Holy Hour & Confessions



We will go to Skid Row in Downtown LA for our Service Ministry next Saturday, September 28!

The 2019-2020 calendar and registration form can be found on the tables by the doors AND on the website under the Cor Jesu link.

FEE: A fee of \$20 per youth/child (for 2019-2020) covers pizza socials for the year (a maximum fee of \$40 will be charged per any family with two or more youth/children registered).

The Cor Jesu SERVICE OUTREACH, **Cross Walk Homeless Ministry**, will be held **Saturday, September 28**. Meet in the Hall at **1:00 p.m.** to make the sandwiches/care packages. At 2:00 p.m., all those interested will go to Skid Row for our homeless ministry (H.S. & M.S. students will need to be accompanied by a parent).

CHESS TOURNAMENT AT ST THERESE!

Delicious hot foods, snacks, and drinks available for sale on site.

For Students in Grades K—12 and for All Adults
Sunday, October 13—10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



St. Therese Church will host its second Open Chess Tournament for all ages and skill levels. All are welcome to this event, which is sponsored by the Saint Therese Carmelite School (STCS) Chess Club. It will be held on



Sunday, October 13, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall—with the Award Ceremony taking place at 3:30 p.m. The entry fee is \$15 if registered and paid by October 11 or \$25 at the door (cash or check payable to St. Therese School). Register at the school or church offices during open hours or by calling the Chess Club coach, Franklin Teng, at 241-6898 or Franklin.Teng@charter.net.



REGISTRATION FORM

Player's Name: _____

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF UNDER 18:

Phone No.: _____

School Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Grade: ____ Parent's Name: _____

Signature of Parent / Guardian: _____

CIRCLE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- K-5 Boys K-5 Girls 6-12 Boys 6-12 Girls Open

X _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

Mass Intentions

Floral Dedications

This week's Dedications is:

**For the Week of
September 21 through September 28, 2019**

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Charles Marikian, RIP

Sunday

*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Teresita Maria, OCD, INT
7:30 a.m.: Flora Santoso, INT
9:00 a.m.: Parishioners
11:00 a.m.: Gerardo Adan, RIP
1:00 p.m.: (Latin): James Rather, INT
5:00 p.m.: Trixie Lewis, RIP

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD, INT
*7:30 a.m.: Teresa Emily Dao, RIP
8:00 a.m.: Serra Grimm, 4th Birthday INT

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD, INT
*7:30 a.m.: Teresa Emily Dao, RIP
8:00 a.m.: Bro. Eric Hoffer, O.H., INT

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Moira Crabtree, INT
*7:30 a.m.: Lillian Meixsell, RIP
8:00 a.m.: Luis, Miriam, and Virgil Motta, INT

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD, INT
*7:30 a.m.: Teresa Emily Dao, RIP
8:00 am: Michael Solichin, Birthday Intention

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Bro. Eric Hoffer, O.H., INT
*7:30 a.m.: Teresa Emily Dao, RIP
8:00 a.m.: Pam Katase, INT

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Diana Tharp, RIP
*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community
8:00 a.m.: Brigit Grimm, 20th Birthday Intention

*Held at the Carmelite Chapel, 215 East Alhambra Road. Open to the public except on Sundays and holidays.

† In Loving
Memory of
Madeleine Ocaña

Make a dedication in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of loved ones! Bouquets are \$50+ each. Call **Giovanna** at 281-9049.



Outside the Parish

Beautiful Marian Pilgrimage to **FATIMA, PORTUGAL, from OCTOBER 7 - 15**, with Fr. Matthew Wheeler. All inclusive from LAX: \$2995. For more info go to www.syversentouring.com/portugal or call Louisa Day at 323-360-5186.

Fr. Stephen Watson, OCD, a former pastor of ours, will lead a 6-day **SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE to Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in Mexico City (December 8 to 13)**. \$1,599 per person, double occupancy. For more info, contact Beth Maddatu at (408) 903-6305 or maddatubeth@gmail.com.

HELP FOR MARRIAGES: 82% of marriages that complete the nine month *Retrouvaille* (REH-tro-v-eye) program are still together five years later? Your marriage and family are worth trying this successful Catholic, non-profit program. For questions or registration, make a confidential call to 909-900-5465 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com

You are invited to join Fr. Joe Joseph's Pilgrimage to **SWITZERLAND, GERMANY, THE NETHERLANDS BELGIUM, including the OBERAMMERGAU-PASSION PLAY from SEPT. 2-14, 2020** Contact Bernadette at bcorp1114@gmail.com or 323-547-6618 /323-344-1548.

Lectors

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Rebeca Willis / Larry Dumont

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Flora Santoso / Blanca Ruvalcaba
9:00 a.m. Lucas Setiady / Ron Sandoval
11:00 a.m. Andy Zepeda / Sarah Halpin
5:00 p.m. Miriam Lopez / Peter Chiu

Personal Ads

FOR SALE: 2005 Toyota Corolla (new battery, 4 new tires, excellent condition). \$4,998. Call 205-8387.

SEEKING CARETAKERS for my elderly mother: 1) live-in Monday through Friday and 2) live in on weekends. Call 500-7612 for an interview.