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Saint Therese Church

January 5, 2014 Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars Established 1924

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(Unless otherwise indicated, all the telephone numbers in the bulletin are in the (626) area code.)

Pastor: Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD (Ext. 226) **Associate Pastors:** Fr. David Guzman, OCD (X222) and Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD (Ext. 232) **In Residence:** Fr. Albert Bunsic, OCD (X336) **Deacon Couple:** Deacon Joe & Lorraine Mizerski (X333) **Vocations:** Fr. David Guzman OCD (X 222); Regional: 909-629-9495 - Archdiocesan: 213-637-7515

Masses & Services: Monday-Saturday: 6:00 & 8:00 am; Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm; Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am, and 5:00 pm; Latin High Mass: Sundays at 1:00 pm; Holy Days: 6:00, 8:00, 10:00 am and 7:30 pm

Devotions: Rosary: Following the Mon-Sat 8:00 am Mass; Exposition/Benediction: Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 pm; Intercessors for Priests: Thursdays, 8:00 pm; St. Joseph Mass: Third Tuesday from November to April; Fatima Devotion: 13th of the month from May to October

Sacramental Programs:

Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession): Wed., 7:00 - 8:30 pm;
and Sat., 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Baptism: Register at 284-0020 X225

Weddings: Call six months before date

RCIA: Rhonda Storey 284-0020, X225

Other Ministries / Programs:

Bible Study: Aurora Juarez, 688-9349

Detention Ministry: Sonia Macias
323-724-6443

First Friday Mass/All-Night Prayer Vigil,
7:30 pm-6:00 am

Holy Family Infertility Support Group:
Katrina Crow, 292-1906

King's Men: 1st/3rd Thurs eves
Rex Owens, 323-273-8825

Knights of Columbus: Mike Pulciano,
641-0870

Legion of Mary: Mon., 7:00 pm

Natural Family Planning: 292-1906

Respect Life Ministry: Catherine
Contreras, 213-435-3942

Rosary Makers: Ed William
768-0758 / tieknt@gmail.com

St. Joseph Prayer Group: Wednesdays,
6:15 pm - Albert Grana 576-0872



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

St. Therese Church is an active and Eucharistic Parish Community dedicated in faith and service to a loving and merciful God under our Patroness, St. Therese of Lisieux. We are committed in our ministries to providing discipleship through evangelization and fostering a contemplative life, resulting in Christian formation and spiritual growth of our members.

Parish Secretary: Denise McMaster-Holguin (Ext. 223)

Finance: Noralyn Cailan, X228

Christian Services: Bridie McDermott
(Ext. 224)

Choir Directors/Organist:

11:00 a.m.: George and Barbara Klump
(818) 249-8472

9:00 a.m.: Marcia Martinez-Bateman
(775) 771-4992

Liturgical Coordinators:

Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon
Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski (Ext. 333)

Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick:

Fred & Margaret Padilla, 282-0943

St. Therese Religious Education:

Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (Ext. 225)
rhondalstorey@gmail.com

* Pre K through 8th Grade

* Adult Religious Ed

Youth / Adult Confirmation

Programs: Ruben Beltran, 284-0020,
Ext. 235. Email:

rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com

St. Therese Catholic School:

289-3364 - Principal: Carmela Lovano,
clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org
Web Site: stthereseschoolalhambra.org

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. Therese! Please come to the Parish Office to register.

510 N. El Molino St., Alhambra—**Office Hours:** Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm; 2:00 to 5:00 pm; 6:00 to 8:00 pm—**closed from 1:00 to 2:00 pm & 5:00 to 6:00 pm** **Eucharistic Adoration** - Continuous, day and night. Sign up for an hour of adoration and pray for vocations. Coordinators: Carlos & Carla Johnson – 289-0388

They opened their treasures and offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. —Matthew 2:11

The Epiphany of the Lord
January 5, 2014

JESSE ROMERO TO SPEAK AT ST. THERESE PARISH



P a r e n t s ! On January 13, at 7:00 p.m., you are invited to come to our Parish Hall to hear Jesse Romero's talk, "Twelve Steps to Being a Good Catholic". Jesse will tell you how to talk to your children about the Faith and about how the media influences our culture. Jesse shares Catholic teaching with an exciting style that is guaranteed to strengthen, edify, and fortify everyone with a deeper love for God.

All Parents, as the primary catechists of their children, are encouraged to attend this important talk; attendance is MANDATORY for the parents of our Religious Ed and Confirmation students! Donations appreciated!

**"NO CAFETERIA CATHOLICISM!
NO COMPROMISING!"**

St. Therese School News

St. Therese School would like to wish everyone a HAPPY NEW YEAR!
The school office will reopen on January 6, 2014.

Please consider participating in the following:

- ◆ Ongoing New Student Registration for TK - 7th Grade
- ◆ Ongoing Guest Program—Your child is invited to experience a day with our students
- ◆ Ongoing Collection of Non-Perishable Food for our Christian Services Pantry
- ◆ Ongoing Collection of Box Tops for Education



We encourage you to visit the school office or our website, www.stthereseschoolalhambra.org, for important information and updates. When school resumes, please feel free to contact our Principal, Mrs. Lovano, by phone at 289-3364 or by email at clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

Special

CATHOLIC TRADITION TALK:

The next Catholic Tradition Talk will be Friday, January 10, at 7:30 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room of the Parish Center (2nd floor). Our topic will be “From Christmas to Candlemas—the Church calendar leading up to Lent”. All are welcome!

VIDEO NIGHT PRESENTS . . .

The next video night will be on Saturday, January 11, at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room of the Parish Center (2nd floor). Our video will be about the Church’s teaching on Hell. All are invited.



SCRIPTURE MEDITATION: THE LIGHT OF FAITH

The first reading today is charged with the glory of the Lord. Everyone who can come to the holy city does come—whole caravans of people of all ages on foot and on dromedaries and camels. This description of an irresistible light-filled city prepares us for the story of the magi. They are guided by their own lights—their study of astronomy and astrology—and by the light of a peculiar star. Their study tells them that an unusual event in the heavens is a sign of an extraordinary birth on earth. They mean to find out about this, and they set out with gifts worthy of a king. They are welcomed into an insignificant house in Bethlehem, offer gifts befitting a king, and receive the gift of faith. Paul reinforces the great gift of faith available to the Gentiles, whom the magi represent. What they have seen has changed them, just as it changed Paul and all who heeded his proclamation. Like the magi and like Paul, we are invited to receive this life that is filled with the light of faith.

Parish Ministries

Respect Life Ministry:

FAST & PRAY: Please join Foot Soldiers For Life every Wednesday in our weekly Fasting and extra Prayer for the needs of increasing Respect for Life in this world.

T-SHIRTS: Foot Soldiers for Life still has ProLife T-Shirts available for sale! Stop by the offices and see all the designs expressing support for Life!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

STRE NEWS: Classes are in session today, Sunday, January 5, from 9:00 to Noon each day, including the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

JESSE ROMERO will be here on January 13 to address the parents of our students! Attendance is mandatory for our STRE parents. Please see Page Three for details.

RCIA PART I: Interested in becoming Catholic or being fully initiated? Attend our classes in the Parish Meeting Room at 7 pm on selected Thursdays (next: January 9 & 16) and join us at selected 11:00 a.m. Masses (next: Jan. 19).

RCIA PART II: "Consuming the Word," is an Apologetics Course for those initiated into the Church through RCIA—

either here or at another parish—who wish to take their Faith to the next level. Meetings are on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 9:00 pm, in the Parish Meeting Room (next date is January 14), and are conducted by Rhonda Storey and Ruben Beltran. Call for details.



CONFIRMATION



YOUTH CONFIRMATION: Classes are in session today, Sunday, January 5, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., including 5:00 p.m. Mass.

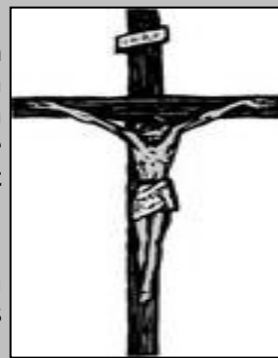
ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Any baptized Catholics over 18, who made First Communion and wish to be Confirmed, are invited to attend Adult Confirmation Classes in the Parish Offices twice a month on Saturday afternoons from Noon to 1:00 pm. Next dates are January 11 and 25.

JESSE ROMERO TO SPEAK TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUTH: Parents! Please come to the Hall on Monday, January 13, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., to hear Jesse Romero speak on "How to be Good Catechists for Your Children". This talk, **MANDATORY FOR THE PARENTS OF OUR STUDENTS**, is sponsored by Ruben and Rhonda. See Page Three for more info.

YOUTH MINISTRY:

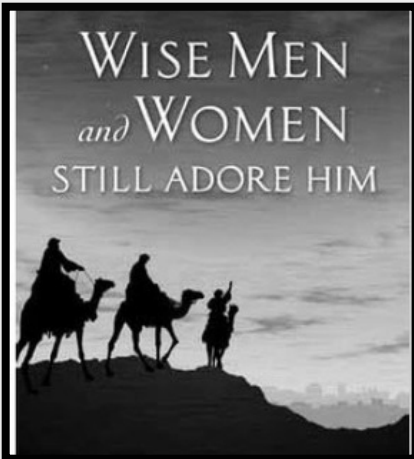
FAITH NIGHTS: All high-school youth are welcomed to join us in the Parish Center for Faith Nights on Confirmation Class days immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass—until 8:00 p.m. Next meeting is today, Sunday, January 5.

CONTACT Ruben at 284-0024, ext. 235, or rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com for more info about upcoming events or for other information.



Parish Ministries / News:

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL



O Jesus, I adore You, for You are the Lord, my God. For You, my Lord, are a great God, and a great King above all kings. Yes, O Jesus, I am one of Your lambs, one of Your creatures; and I am happy to acknowledge my nothingness in Your presence, and still happier to adore You, O lovely Infant, as my God and my

Redeemer. O that all nations would acknowledge You for what You are, that all might prostrate before You, adoring You as their Lord and God!

To sign up for an hour every week, please call Carlos or Carla Johnson at 289-0388.

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS!

By patronizing the advertisers on the back of our bulletin, you are supporting our parish! When you call them for their services, be sure to tell them you saw their ad in our bulletin! If YOU would like to advertise YOUR business in the bulletin, please call Paluch at 1-800-231-0805.

BAPTISM MINISTRY Rhonda Storey, 284-0020, Ext. 225

- In order to take part in our Baptism Program, PARENTS & GODPARENTS are required to: 1) Attend a class (next is January 7)—fee is \$100 per child or \$25 for the class only—from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Library; and 2) Attend a Presentation Sunday Mass (next open date is January 19 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass). Your child will then be baptized on a Saturday at Noon (next open Baptism is January 25).

SELECTING THE GODPARENTS: Canon Law requires you to have at least one godparent (may have two) who: 1) is at least 16; 2) has been Confirmed; and 3) is a practicing Catholic. A form attesting to this will need to be signed by a priest from the parish of each prospective godparent.

THANK YOU!

FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

The collection totals for the weekends of December 21 & 22, 28 & 29, as well as Christmas and this weekend, will be published in the January 12 bulletin. Below are the collections for the previous four weekends:

November 23 / 24, 2013.....	\$13,587.00
November 30 / Dec. 1, 2013.....	\$13,172.00
December 7 / 8, 2013.....	\$12,812.00
December 14 / 15, 2013.....	\$17,999.00

As a friendly suggestion for those who are employed, we propose a realistic donation of at least one hour of pay per week.

TOGETHER IN MISSION 2013 “Love Never Fails”

Our assigned goal.....	\$64,563.00
Donations received as of 12/23, 2013.....	\$66,029.00
Donations collected <u>OVER</u> goal.....	\$1,466.00

Thank you to everyone who donated and helped us to not only reach our goal, but also to go OVER it! God bless you for your generosity!

The 2014 Campaign will begin soon.



ORDER A PICTORIAL DIRECTORY!

**St. Therese
Parish
Family
Album**



If you would like to receive a copy of the pictorial directory, BUT you did not take a photo with the pictorial directory company, My Church Family Album, OR you did not submit your own family photo and submit the \$7 fee, you may order one (or more) now. If you are entitled to one free one, you may also order additional copies. To order, fill out the form to the right and return it to us with cash or a check for \$7 (made out to St. Therese—one check will be sent by us to the company). If you submitted a wedding/anniversary photo and you want a copy of the directory, you also need to submit the form with the \$7 fee.

PLEASE PRINT

Yes, I would like to order a **Pictorial Directory!** I have included the \$7 fee for each copy I have requested below.

First/Last Name: _____

Phone Number: () _____

Email: _____

No. of copies: _____

Fee Enclosed: Cash: _____ Check: _____



“Christmas in Bethlehem: The ancient dream... a cold, clear night made brilliant by a glorious star, the smell of incense, shepherds and wise men falling to their knees in adoration of the sweet baby, the incarnation of perfect love.”

—Lucinda Franks

MEN? MAKING YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS?

Why not resolve to make this the year you join the **Knights of Columbus!**

Join now
and see
what
you've
been
missing.



For more information, call Mike Pulciano, the Grand Knight for the Alhambra Council, at 641-0870. He'd be happy to answer any questions you may have!

Mass Intentions

**For the Week of
1/4/14 to 1/11/2014**

Saturday:

5:00 p.m. Chan Kek Chee RIP

Sunday:

*7:30 am Parishioners of St. Therese
7:30 a.m. All USA Catholic Priests, INT
9:00 a.m.: Mary Angela Stewart RIP
11:00 a.m.: Kenneth A. Locke RIP
1:00 p.m. (Latin): Sandy Soden RIP
5:00 p.m. Clemente de la Cruz RIP

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Ann Regan RIP
*7:30 am Holy Souls in Purgatory
8:00 a.m.: Mah Tui Kwon RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 am: Teddy Yang INT
*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Christine of Mary OCD RIP
8:00 a.m. Chan Khuan King RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Lily Edusma INT
7:30 a.m. Sr. Christine of Mary OCD RIP
8:00 a.m.: Michael Dimaio INT

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Nicolas & Christina Yang INT
*7:30 a.m. Walter Psaila RIP
8:00 am Hazel Lessart & Marcella McGrath RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Holy Souls in Purgatory
*7:30 am Andrea Fandino RIP
8:00 am: Alvin Cailan INT

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Luis Figueroa RIP
*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community
8:00 a.m. Angie Escobal RIP

*Held in the Cloistered Carmelite Chapel, 215 East Alhambra Road—open to the public every day except on Sundays, Vigils and major holy days and holidays.

Intentions of our Holy Father for January 2014:

1) That all may promote authentic economic development that respects the dignity of all peoples; and 2) That Christians of diverse denominations may walk toward the unity desired by Christ.



Floral Dedications

This week's dedication is:

✝ In Loving Memory of
Barbara Breckinridge



To dedicate a floral arrangement in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of a loved one, leave a message for Giovanna Setiady at 281-9049. *Each bouquet is \$40 (two for \$80).*

Personal Ads

Mature, responsible Parishioner (non-smoker, non-drinker) SEEKS A 1 BR APT. AVAILABLE FOR RENT (Can pay \$1,000 or less per month). If you have availability, leave a msg. at 282-2744, ext. 223.

SEEKING A ROOMMATE to share a 2-BR, 1 BA apt. Complete access to living room, kitchen, pool. \$500

Outside the Parish

CARMELITE MISSIONARY PILGRIMAGE TO UGANDA: February 14-24, 2014, with Chaplain Fr. David Costello, OCD, and tour guide Sr. Antonia. \$2,892 per person including r/t air, housing, most meals, and daily Mass. Call 394-4367; email aokyang@gmail.com for more info.

You are invited to join Fr. Joseph Parathanal of Holy Family, So. Pas, on two Pilgrimages: GRAND MARIAN Pilgrimage-MEDJUGORJE, FATIMA, LOURDES, SPAIN, & ITALY (May 2014); and ROYAL TOUR TO INDIA-ST. THOMAS, MOTHER TERESA (Sept. 2014). Contact Bernadette at bcorp1114@hotmail.com or call (323-344-1548 or 323-547-6618).

Discover what a life-changing MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND can do for your marital relationship. Your spouse is God's gift to you. What you make of your marriage is your thanks to God. Find out how to make a good marriage better and a better marriage great. For more info, contact Winston and Dinah Perez at 818-527-MEMC (6362) or go to www.memconline.org or email: memcweekend@gmail.com

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