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# Saint Therese Church

January 4, 2015 **Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars** Established 1924

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**510 North El Molino Street . Alhambra, California 91801 . 282-2744 . FAX 282-7560**

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

**Pastor:** Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD (226) **Associate Pastors:** Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD (232) and Fr. Leonel Varela, OCD (222) **In Residence:** Fr. Albert Bunsic, OCD \* **Deacon Couple:** Deacon Joe & Lorraine Mizerski (333) **Vocations:** Carmelite: (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; Fatima Devotion: 13th of the month from May through October

## Sacramental Programs:

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**(Confession):** Wed., 7-9 pm;  
and Sat., 3:30 - 5:00 pm

**Baptism:** Register at 284-0020 (1)

**Weddings:** Call 6 months before

**RCIA:** Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (1)

## Other Ministries / Programs:

Grief Support, 2nd/4th Wed.,

2:30-4 pm: Deacon Couple 333)

Bible Study: Debbie Robles 679-6370

Detention Ministry: Sonia Macias

(323) 724-6443

First Friday Mass/All-Night Prayer

Vigil—7:30 pm-6:00 am

Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight—

Mike Pulciano 641-0870

Legion of Mary: Tues., 7:00 pm

Natural Family Planning—

Jack & Katrina Crow 292-1906

Respect Life Ministry / Foot Soldiers:

Catherine Contreras (213) 435-3942

Rosary Makers/Mondays, 6-8 pm: Ed

William 975-1838 [tieknt@gmail.com](mailto:tieknt@gmail.com)

St. Joseph Prayer Group: Wednesdays,

6:15 pm - Albert Grana 576-0872

“Tea at Therese” Women’s Group:

(2nd & 4th Thursdays at 10 am)

Dara Barbosa (301)542-9701



## 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 (223);  
[denisekay@hotmail.com](mailto:denisekay@hotmail.com)

**Finance:** Noralyn Cailan (228)

**Christian Services:**

Bridie McDermott (224)

**Choir Directors:**

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

11:00 a.m.: Paula Grimm  
(909) 703-1284 / [pgrimm.dir@gmail.com](mailto:pgrimm.dir@gmail.com)

**Coordinator for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at the Altar:**

Fr. Leonel Varela (222)

**Coordinators for Ministry to the Sick:** Fred & Margaret Padilla

282-0943

**St. Therese Religious Education:**

Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (1)

[rhondalstorey@gmail.com](mailto:rhondalstorey@gmail.com)

\* Pre K through 8th Grade

\* Adult Religious Ed

**Youth & Adult Confirmation**

**Programs:** Ruben Beltran 284-0020 (2)

Email: [rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com](mailto:rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com)

**St. Therese Catholic School:** 289-

3364 - Principal: Carmela Lovano (661)

[clovano@stthereseschoolalhabra.org](mailto:clovano@stthereseschoolalhabra.org)

Web Site: [stthereseschoolalhabra.org](http://stthereseschoolalhabra.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

# Feast of the Epiphany - January 4, 2015

*All kings shall pay Him homage, and all nations shall serve Him. Psalm 72:11*



## WISE MEN AND WOMAN STILL ADORE HIM

The Gospel of Matthew, the only one to mention the Magi, states that they came "from the East". The account doesn't tell how many they were, but the three gifts they brought led to the assumption that there were three.

The Magi are described as "falling down," "kneeling," or "bowing" in the worship of Jesus. This gesture had an important effect on Christian religious practices, and was adopted by the early Church.

The three gifts had spiritual meanings as well: gold as a symbol of kingship; frankincense, of deity; and myrrh (an embalming oil), of His impending death.



**THIS WEEKEND,  
January 3 and 4!**

**Come check out the  
kiosk to see our new  
CDs and books!**

## ST. THERESE SCHOOL NEWS

*Saint Therese School is proud to be a Community of Faith, Knowledge, and Service.*

Wishing you a New Year filled with God's eternal love! Happy New Year! The School Office opens and classes resume this Monday, January 5.

- All School Mass on January 9 at 10:00 a.m.
- No School on January 19 in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- Open House on January 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Catholic Schools Week Festivities from January 25 through 30
- Ongoing New Student Registration for TK - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Ongoing Student 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](http://www.stthereseschoolalhambra.org) for important information and updates. Please feel free to contact our Principal, Mrs. Carmela Lovano, by phone at 289-3364 or by email at [clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org](mailto:clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org) to schedule a tour. We look forward to hearing from you!

# RESPECT LIFE NEWS & EVENTS

**CATHOLIC ONLINE—Inform, Inspire, Ignite:** We are excited to share with you that **our Respect Life Ministry Coordinator, Catherine Contreras, is a new Contributing Writer for Catholic Online!** The focus will be on Pro-Life issues, events, people, and organizations. You will be able to read Catherine’s articles on the Catholic Online and St. Therese websites.

**RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY MEETING:** Is God calling you to be part of Respect Life Ministry? Are you interested in being part of **40 Days for Life?** Do you have questions about **OneLife LA?** Then come and join us at Respect Life Ministry’s first meeting of 2015! It will be **THIS Monday, January 5,** at 7:30 p.m., in the Parish Offices. We will be discussing the following items:

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE (February 18 – March 30):** By the grace of God, since its launching as a worldwide movement in 2007, *40 Days for Life* has achieved a stunning track record, as follows: *650,000 Pro-Life Volunteers Assisted in 3,336 Pro-Life Campaigns, which were held in 559 Cities in 27 Nations Resulting in: 9,699 Lives Saved \*107 Abortion Workers Quitting \*59 Abortion Centers Being Closed!*

**THE TREE OF LIFE –“ Let Every Baby’s Light Shine”:** St. Therese Church has adopted LAPS (Los Angeles Pregnancy Services). LAPS, which has nine abortion facilities within one mile from its location, **has helped save 299 babies in the last year.** They continue to help mothers and babies who are desperately in need of our help. If you took a **STAR from the Tree of Life in the church, please return it by today** (just place it under the tree) or drop off at the Parish Offices on Monday, January 5 (the presents will be delivered to LAPS on January 6).

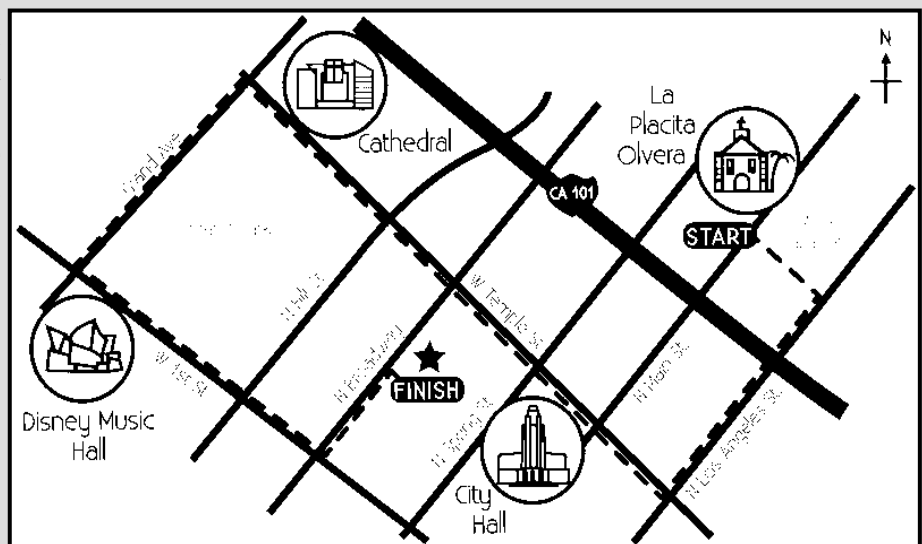


**OneLife L.A.** will be on **Saturday, January 17.** It is the first-ever, large-scale pro-life event held in downtown L.A. Its mission is to unite communities and inspire positive action through an annual event that promotes the beauty and dignity of every human life—from conception to natural death. **St. Therese will have t-shirts available for you to wear at this event (\$8 each).**

The event begins at La Placita on Olvera Street. From there we will walk up Temple Street, then cross Grand Avenue, and continue down 1st Street, where we will join a family-friendly picnic with music,

entertainment, food trucks, and exhibits from community organizations. (The walk is largely uphill, so bring comfy shoes!) Please check the article in the website about this event for details about **Public Transit, including directions from various stations.**

Help us celebrate the beauty and dignity of every human life by joining us on January 17!



# BLOOD DRIVE



St. Therese will sponsor a Blood Drive in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, January 18**, between 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. All donations will benefit Cedars Sinai Hospital in continued gratitude for the care given to Deacon Joe Mizerski. Your gift may save someone's life! **To make an appointment, please call Lorraine Mizerski at 282-2744, ext. 333**, and leave your name, phone number, and the approximate time you'd like to come. Walk-ins are also welcome! God bless you for thinking of others!

# LEGION OF MARY DISCUSSION GROUP:

"Divorce, Annulments, and Remarriage" will be the topic for the next session, held **TONIGHT, Saturday, January 3**, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the Parish Library. Learn and Defend the Catholic Faith through Mary. Just listen or add to the conversation. Bring a friend or meet new people. Refreshments served. For more information, call 457-1564 or email [placenci@sbcglobal.net](mailto:placenci@sbcglobal.net).



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

STRE: Happy New Year! Classes are back in session **TODAY, Sunday, January 4.**



## RCIA—New Inquiries to the Faith

This class is for all those who are unbaptized or were baptized in another Christian faith and desire to begin the journey towards becoming a Catholic. Classes are held in the Parish Meeting Room from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on selected Thursday evenings. **Next date is January 8.** We wish everyone a blessed and joyful Christmas celebration!

# CONFIRMATION

Your Journey Begins at St. Therese



## CONFIRMATION FOR YOUTH

Welcome back to class today, **Sunday, January 4!**

## CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

All baptized Catholics who have made their First Communion but who have NOT received the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to join the RCIA classes. Classes are held in the Parish Meeting Room from 7:00 to 9:00

p . m . on **Thursday evenings. Next date is January 8.** Contact Ruben Beltran at 284-0020 (2) for more info.





**ADORATION CHAPEL**

"Farmers everywhere provide bread for all humanity, but it is Christ alone who is the Bread of Life...Even if all the physical hunger of the world were satisfied, even if everyone who is hungry were fed by his or her own labor or by the generosity of others, the deepest hunger of man would still exist...Therefore, I say, Come, all of you, to Christ. He is the Bread of Life. Come to Christ and you will *never* be hungry again..." - St. Pope John Paul II

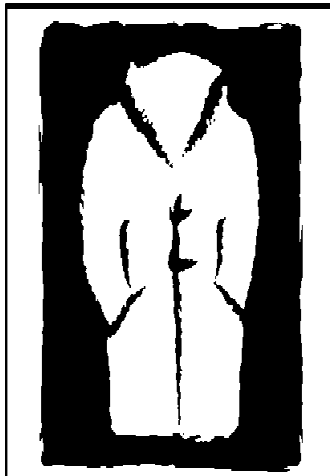
To sign up for an hour every week, please call Carlos or Carla Johnson at 289-0388.

**SEEKING DONATIONS OF COATS**

*"For I was naked and you clothed me..." Mt 25:35-36*

Colder weather is just around the corner—and some people do not have protection from it. Diaconate Formation Couple, Frances and Gil Vargas, are collecting un-needed coats to distribute to local homeless individuals and families. If you have a clean coat to spare (child's small through Adult XX, we would be most happy to find someone to share it with.

Please email your information to [gil\\_vargas@att.net](mailto:gil_vargas@att.net), and we will contact you to arrange for pick up.



**ONE WARM COAT**



**"Word of Life" Quote of the Week:**

*"Of the over 56 million babies killed in the U.S. alone, all had a face, a life, and a Creator who loved and created them in His image."*

--Sarah Smith

**GUADALUPE PREGNANCY SERVICES (GPS)**

Are you pregnant? Do you need help?

Guadalupe Pregnancy Services (GPS) counselors are available to help you with any situation regarding your pregnancy. All services are local and are offered privately and confidentially. We offer counseling, education, resources and referrals. Contact Louisa Day at 872-2483 or email [gps.pregnancy@ymail.com](mailto:gps.pregnancy@ymail.com).



**FINANCIAL OFFERINGS**

May God reward you!

Below you will find the total collections for the weekend of December 20/21 and for the previous four weeks. Because of the advanced printing schedule of the bulletin for the holidays, the collection for the weekend of December 27/28 will be in the January 11th bulletin.

December 20 / 21, 2014

Unrestricted.....\$16,219.00  
 Restricted ..... \$ 1,642.00  
**TOTAL .....\$17,861.00**

November 22 / 23.....\$13,010.00  
 November 29 / 30.....\$16,015.00  
 December 6 / 7.....\$16,343.00  
 December 13 / 14.....\$16,876.00

**TOGETHER IN MISSION 2014**

Amount of 2014 Goal.....\$65,693.00

Donations received to date.....\$61,431.00

Donations still needed.....\$4,262.00

**T H A N K   Y O U !**

**NEW SESSION OF ADULT BIBLE STUDY**



The 2015 Bible Study begins **Wednesday, January 14**, and continues through Wednesday June 3! All adults are invited! We will be studying Fr. Robert Barron's DVD series, **PRIEST, PROPHET, KING**. Come join us for this deeply biblical presentation, wherein Fr. Barron weaves high theology with his accessible teaching style to present Jesus' three-fold mission. Sessions will be held **every Wednesday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room**. The program fee is \$30 each, and will be collected at the first session. Please call Debbie Robles at (626) 679-6370 to place your name on the registration list.

## ST. THERESE 90TH ANNIVERSARY DESKTOP CALENDARS FOR SALE!

This is a beautiful, customized desktop calendar. It contains over 35 historical photos from when our current church was first built. While it is definitely a collector's item, it is also very practical as you can schedule your events and appointments during 2015. You may purchase yours at the Religious Goods Counter after the Sunday Masses or in the Parish Offices during our open hours. They are \$12 each or two for \$20!



## BAPTISM MINISTRY

Rhonda Storey, 284-0020, Ext. 225 - In order to take part in our Baptism Program, **PARENTS & GODPARENTS** are required to attend a class from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Library (next dates Jan. 6 and Feb. 3). The fee is \$100 per child or \$25 for the class only. Your child will then be baptized on a Saturday (next open Baptisms are January 24 and February 14—both dates at Noon).

**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.

## ONGOING MINISTRIES & CLASSES

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** This group, formed in honor of Patricia Bordonaro, is for anyone who is **grieving for a loved one—no matter how long or for whom.** We meet in the Parish Offices from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. on the **2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month;** The next meetings will be **January 7 and 21.** For additional information, please contact Deacon Joe and Lorraine Mizerski at 282-2744 (333).

### WOMEN'S PRAYER AND DISCUSSION GROUP:

Come join us for a prayer and discussion group, along with tea and treats! Children are welcome (play area available). We **NORMALLY** hold these meetings at **10:00 a.m., on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month** (In the Avila Room in the Parish Offices, 510 North El Molino Street). Our next meetings will be on **January 8 and 22.** We will return to our normal schedule in January. For more information, contact Dara Barbosa at (301) 542-9701.



**IRISH STEP-DANCING CLASSES:** Join us for these Irish Dance classes—for adults AND kids ages 4 and up. The classes are taught by Mrs. Kelly Mohun and are held in the Parish Hall every **Wednesday from 3:15 to 5:45 p.m.** To sign up or for more information, please contact Kelly at (805) 421-7548, or [1stkdoc@gmail.com](mailto:1stkdoc@gmail.com).



## ST. THERESE PARISH NEW YEAR'S RAFFLE WINNER'S CHOICE: A TWO-YEAR LEASE ON A NISSAN VERSA AUTOMOBILE OR A CASH PRIZE OF \$3,000:



Tickets can be purchased at the Religious Goods counter after the Sunday Masses or during open hours in the Parish Offices at 510 North El Molino Street. Tickets are \$15 each, and the drawing will be after TODAY'S (Sunday) 5:00 p.m. Mass. Some restrictions may apply.

By entering this raffle, participants agree to be bound by the Official Rules. St. Therese Parish's interpretation and application of the Official Rules shall be final. Please see the website (News/Events) for the Official Rules and Regulations:

[www.sttheresechurchalhambra.org](http://www.sttheresechurchalhambra.org)

# Mass Intentions

For the Week of 1/3/15 to 1/10/2015

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Beatriz Parra Gonzalez INT

Sunday:

\*7:30 a.m.: Kenneth A. Locke RIP  
 7:30 a.m.: Parishioners  
 9:00 a.m.: Aquilina Dada INT  
 11:00 a.m.: All Souls in Purgatory  
 1:00 p.m. (Latin): Carl Cockerell RIP  
 5:00 p.m.: Laura Solarzano RIP

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Clemente De La Cruz RIP  
 \*7:30 a.m.: Helen Acosta INT  
 8:00 a.m.: L. A. McGrath INT

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Milagros Samson INT  
 \*7:30 a.m.: Jo Ann Lorin RIP  
 8:00 a.m.: Eugene Halpin RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Huo Chen Yu Mei & Huo Kuo Shung RIP  
 \*7:30 a.m.: Miguel Angel Gordillo RIP  
 8:00 a.m.: Alvin Cailan INT

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Aurelia Edusma INT  
 \*7:30 a.m.: Michael Di Maio INT  
 8:00 a.m.: Sr. Christine of Mary RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Mary Rose Go INT  
 \*7:30 a.m.: Tom Loewel RIP  
 8:00 a.m.: Marcella McGrath RIP

Saturday:

6:00 a.m. Andrea Fandino RIP  
 \*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community  
 8:00 a.m.: Alvin Cailan INT

\*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.

# Floral Dedication

Through January 11 there will be only poinsettias and Christmas trees on the altar.

However, you may request a floral dedication for January 18 or after. 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. Bouquets start at \$40.



# Personal Ads

**FOR RENT:** Lovely home, 104 S. Fremont, Alh. (3BR, 1BA, nice kitchen, laundry rm. hook-ups, small gated front yd, garage pkg for 1 small car & carport for 1. \$1,700/mo, with 1st/last due upfront. Call Pedro at 487-5312

# Outside the Parish

**Pilgrimage to Fatima & Spain** (with attendance at Teresian Int'l Mtg in Avila) with **FR. LEONEL & FR. ROBERT BARCELOS** from Aug. 3-18, 2015 (16 days, 14 nights). \$4,568 each (dbl occ), includes airfare, lodging, 14 b'fasts/dinners, and 13 lunches. Contact Angela Yang, Avenue of Travel, at [aokyang@gmail.com](mailto:aokyang@gmail.com) or 394-4367.

**13-DAY HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE** with Fr. Darrin Merlin, CMF, **June 23-July 5, 2015**, for \$4379 (all inclusive). For more info, call Albert or Mary Helen Estrada at 285-6687 or email [remembertoptl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:remembertoptl@sbcglobal.net)

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**NEW CATHOLIC TALK RADIO STATION!** Immaculate Heart Radio KHJ 930AM began in July 2014. Check it out!

## Intentions of our Holy Father for January 2015:

1) That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace; and 2) That in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.





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