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St. Therese Catholic Church



May 10, 2026 1100 East Alhambra Road, Alhambra CA 91801 (Office: 510 North El Molino Street) | (626) 282-2744 | www.StThereseChurchAlhambra.org



Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Messiah to them. The crowds heard him and saw unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, come out of many possessed people; and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured (Acts 8:5-7).

MASSES | CONFESSIONS

Masses: Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. & Vigil at 5:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

And Traditional Latin High Mass at 1:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday Masses: 6:00 & 8:00 a.m.

Rosary: Monday-Saturday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Monday and Tuesday evenings: *7:15 p.m. Mass
(*Monday evening Mass followed by Healing Service;
Tuesday's 7:15 p.m. is in Spanish).

Thursday evenings: 7:00 pm Exposition & Adoration

First Fridays: 6:00 & 8:00 a.m. and 7:15 p.m.

Carmelite Nuns' Chapel: 7:30 a.m., Mon.-Sat.

CONFESSIONS: Wednesdays from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.;

Saturdays from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. and

Sundays from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS | CONTACTS

Monday-Friday: 9:00 am-1:00 pm | 2:00 pm-5:00 pm

Pastor: Fr. Peter Mary Vecellio, OCD: X 1+224

Associate Pastors: Fr. Robert Elias Barcelos, OCD

Fr. David Guzman, OCD X 1+232

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Fr. Stephen Watson, OCD (X 1+226); Bro. Jason Parrott, OCD

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SACRAMENTS

- Baptisms: Register online
- Weddings: Register online at least six months in advance
- Anointing of the Sick:  Call the office

ONLINE GIVING

Please consider a gift to St. Therese Church.

Open your banking app and scan this Zelle QR code. Use email donateSTC@gmail.com. If asked, the recipient is THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF LA ST THERESE CHU.



PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Parishioners of St. Therese,

On behalf of all the friars and staff, **I would like to wish all our mothers in the Parish a very Happy Mother's Day!** Mothers are the foundation of our families and family life! So, let us always be grateful and pray for all our mothers who do so much for their families and, in turn, for our world.

In this month of Mary, let us now read about Mary's motherhood from an excerpt of **St. John Paul II's famous encyclical on Mary, *Redemptoris Mater, Mother of the Redeemer.***
—Fr. Peter Mary Vecellio, O.C.D.



Mary's motherhood, completely pervaded by her spousal attitude as the "handmaid of the Lord," constitutes the first and fundamental dimension of that mediation which the Church confesses and proclaims in her regard and continually "commends to the hearts of the faithful," since the Church has great trust in her. For it must be recognized that, before anyone else, it was God Himself, the Eternal Father, who entrusted Himself to the Virgin of Nazareth, giving her His own Son in the mystery of the Incarnation. Her election to the supreme office and dignity of Mother of the Son of God refers, on the ontological level, to the very reality of the union of the two natures in the Person of the Word (hypostatic union).

This basic fact of being the Mother of the Son of God is from the very beginning a complete openness to the Person of Christ, to His whole work, to His whole mission. The words "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord," testify to Mary's openness of spirit: she perfectly unites in herself the love proper to virginity and the love characteristic of motherhood, which are joined and, as it were, fused together. For this reason, Mary became not only the "nursing mother" of the Son of Man but also the "associate of unique nobility" of the Messiah and Redeemer.

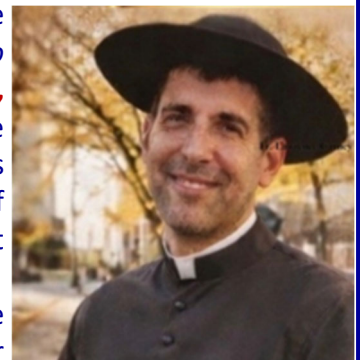
As I have already said, she advanced in her pilgrimage of faith and, in this pilgrimage to the foot of the Cross, there was simultaneously accomplished her maternal cooperation with the Savior's whole mission through her actions and sufferings. Along the path of this collaboration with the work of her Son, the Redeemer, Mary's motherhood itself underwent a singular transformation, becoming ever more imbued with "burning charity" towards all those to whom Christ's mission was directed.

Through this "burning charity," which sought to achieve, in union with Christ, the restoration of "supernatural life to souls," Mary entered, in a way all her own, into the one mediation "between God and men," which is the mediation of the Man Christ Jesus. If she was the first to experience within herself the supernatural consequences of this one mediation—in the Annunciation she had been greeted as "full of grace"—then we must say that through this fullness of grace and supernatural life, she was especially predisposed to cooperation with Christ, the one Mediator of human salvation. Such cooperation is precisely this mediation subordinated to the mediation of Christ.

DEVOTION TO THE HOLY FACE Conference May 17 through May 21, 2026, in our Church



My Remnant Army has arranged for Fr. Lawrence Carney, the author of *“The Secret of The Holy Face: The Devotion Destined to Save Society,”* to be with us starting **UNEXT SUNDAY, MAY 17, THROUGH THURSDAY, MAY 21,** to give a talk each night on the Secrets of the Holy Face. This Conference is just one of his stops on his Tour of Southern California to promote the Holy Face of Jesus. The admission will be \$10 per evening. Register at www.myremnantarmy.com (click on “events”).



Fr. Carney is the chaplain of the Benedictines of Mary since 2014 and is the founder of St. Martin’s League, a pious association that prays for reverence, reparation, and reversion—the chief goals being enrollment in the Archconfraternity of the Holy Face and the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary.

Daily Schedule:

6:30 PM – Check-in (in front of the church) 6:45 PM – Talk begins 9:00 PM – Conclusion

Admission: \$10 daily—Register at www.myremnantarmy.com (click on events)

Please note: Holy Mass will not be offered during these sessions.

CATHOLIC MERCHANDISE will be available, along with a book signing each evening. A love offering is appreciated to support Fr. Carney’s ministry.

CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FACE: Fr. Carney will consecrate those completing the 33-Day Total Consecration to the Holy Face on **Monday, May 18, 2026.** To join the Consecration, please email: Info@myremnantarmy.com for the private link.



MOVIE NIGHT: *Of Gods and Men* on May 30

Our next Movie Night on our **OUTDOOR BIG SCREEN** will be **Saturday, May 30, beginning at 7:30 p.m., in the parking lot.**

We will be showing **OF GODS AND MEN**, a true story of eight French Trappist monks in 1990s Algeria. Amidst the rising violence of the Algerian Civil War, the monks must decide whether to flee or stay to support the local community they serve, ultimately facing a profound crisis of faith and mortality.

(Due to intense scenes, not recommended for children.)

Financial Offerings



May 2 / 3, 2026

Unrestricted..... \$15,619.00
Restricted \$39,190.00
T O T A L..... \$54,809.00

April 4 / 5 \$40,278.00
April 11 / 12 \$16,245.00
April 18 / 19 \$25,011.00
April 25/26 \$20,186.00

CHECK USERS:
Please use a donation envelope in order to more easily credit your account.

Saint Therese Carmelite School

Deeply rooted in Carmelite spirituality, Saint Therese Carmelite School, united with our parents who are the primary educators of their children, seeks to form students in faith, academics, and virtue through a Classical education.



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Ice Cream Sunday Fun Day



Cloistered Carmelite Nuns' Auxiliary Fundraiser
Ice Cream Sunday Funday!!!



Handels' Ice Cream Truck
Sunday, June 7, 2026
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.



St. Therese Parish Parking Lot



On June 7th, you will be able to order any of the following: (no pre-order necessary)

- 2 1/2 scoop cone—\$7 each
- Kid's Bunny Bowl—\$7 each
- Dipped waffle cone or bowl—\$9 each
- Root beer float—\$9 each



For ordering **PINTS** of ice cream (\$8.50 per pint), you will need to **PRE-ORDER FOR PICK UP ON JUNE 7**. From the list of available flavors below, please indicate next to each flavor the number of pints you want to PRE-order:

AVAILABLE FLAVORS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Vanilla Mint Chip | <input type="checkbox"/> Cookie Dough |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Salty Caramel Truffle | <input type="checkbox"/> Blue Monster |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vanilla Oreo | <input type="checkbox"/> Butter Pecan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate | <input type="checkbox"/> Chocolate Peanut Butter Brownie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mocha Almond Fudge | <input type="checkbox"/> Mango Sorbet (vegan) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberry | |



Name (please print) _____

Phone Number _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF PINTS ORDERED _____ X \$8.50 each = \$_____

(Make check payable to: Cloistered Carmelite Nuns' Auxiliary and mail it with the order form to: Maryanne Losorelli, 533 Milton Drive, San Gabriel 91775.)

Pre-order deadline May 30, 2026

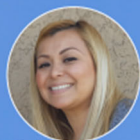


This is the final presentation
in the 2026 Series...
Don't miss it!

THE CALL OF GOD SERIES

Is God calling you?

Come hear how God is working in these people's lives.



Celia Parker

I waited patiently for the Lord; He turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.
- Psalm 40:1-2



Dan Johnson

Trials and tribulations offer us a chance to make reparation for our past faults and sins. On such occasions, the Lord comes to us like a physician to heal the wounds left by our sins. For us, tribulation is the divine medicine.
- Saint Augustine

Talk: Series 6
Date: Tuesday, May 19th, 2026
Time: 7:00pm - 8:30pm
Place: St. Therese Parish Hall
1100 East Alhambra Road
Alhambra, CA 91801

Testimonies † Fellowship † Light Snacks

“I WILL REMAIN WITH YOU” (John 14:15-21): A Reflection from the Heart of Jesus

They do not yet fully understand. I can see it in their eyes—love, yes... but also fear. Soon I will be taken from them, and the thought of it weighs upon My heart. Yet I do not speak these words in sorrow alone. I speak them in love. *“If you love Me, keep My commandments.”* Not as a burden—but as a path. For love is not proven in words, but in the quiet faithfulness of the heart.

I will not leave them orphans. How could I? They who have walked with Me, listened to Me, leaned on My presence—I will come to them still. Though the world will not see Me, they will know Me. For my Spirit will dwell within them, closer than breath, steadier than the ground beneath their feet.

When My Spirit, the Advocate, comes to them, they will come to understand that I am in the Father ... and they are in Me... and I am in them.

Whoever hears my commandments and observes them is the one who loves Me. And whoever loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him.” This is the mystery I leave behind—not absence, but abiding Love.

The Flame of Love – The Greatest Gift of Grace for Our Time



“The grace from the Flame of Love of My Mother’s Immaculate Heart will be to your generation what Noah’s Ark was to his generation.” —Jesus to Elizabeth Kindelmann, Third Order Carmelite

A Life of Humility—March 16, 1966: Jesus: “The Evil One wants to make you fall into despair. He will use a ruse to ruin your humility. The Evil One knows that if he removed the water of your humility, he can smuggle in all his perversities. Just be humble! . . . In these days and in these difficult

times, you have a need for greater and more frequent humiliations. I know this. Therefore, I send you everything to bathe your soul in humiliation because without it, I could not guarantee the purity of your soul.”

Jan 13, 1964: Jesus: “Be careful, my Elizabeth, your soul will be the battleground of a great and prolonged combat. The Evil One wants to uproot the greatest riches in your soul. He wants to destroy your humility. He knows and he sees that this is the unique value he has to attain. This is the only way that he can destroy the constancy of your soul. He will attack you with a terrible power and he will use all the resources of his hatred against you. The Evil One will disturb your thoughts, he will make you unsure of your actions. By his words, he will suggest every kind of foul deed and he will flood you with terrible torments. He wants to deceive you so you abandon your humble devotion.”

Reference: Building on Solid Rock Flame of Love Retreats Session 4 @ <https://flameoflove.us/building-on-solid-rock/With Quotes from “The Spiritual Diary of Elizabeth Kindelmann”>

Join the Cenacle: Two cenacle sessions are available in the Avila Room every Monday. One from Noon to 2:00 p.m., the other one from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. For more info, please contact Maru Lazatin at (626) 675-3080.

GPS | Guadalupe

Pregnancy Center Services

Mother's Day Baby Bottle & Baby Shower Outreach



Baby Bottle Collection: Saturday, May 30th and Sunday, May 31st

GPS volunteers handed out empty baby bottles on the first weekend in May. **If you took one, please fill it with coins, bills, or checks, and return it when you come to Mass on May 30th or 31st.**

Mother's Day Month Baby Shower: A Pac'n Play crib can be found in the vestibule (or the front of the church) on the weekends leading up and on the weekend of May 30th/May 31st. Please place into it gifts for moms and babies. These items are greatly needed and very much appreciated.

Items needed for babies include: Blankets, diapers (sizes newborn, 3, 4, 5, & 6), Sippy cups, baby bottles, pacifiers, bibs, socks, teething toys, hardcover books, shoes, new clothing (especially sizes 2T and 3T for boys and girls), sleepers and T-shirts, etc.

Toiletries: shampoo, lotion, powder, thermometers, nail clippers, etc.

Items needed for mothers include: Feminine hygiene products, gently-used or new maternity clothes, nursing pads, lotion, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, household cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, dish soap, cleaning products, paper towels, etc.



Thank you for your generosity and for participating in this important Pro-Life outreach!

PENTECOST VESPERS
 Credo Catholic Choir
Charlotte Lansberg, director
 4:00 PM • SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026

Choral antiphons and congregational psalms of Vespers for Pentecost

St. Therese Catholic Church
 1100 East Alhambra Road
 Alhambra, CA

Music by Helvey, Aichinger, Lansberg, Stone, Marier, Duruffe, and Bach

DAUGHTERS OF THE MOST HIGH

You're invited to join our women's ministry focused on healing the feminine genius. This season we will dive into **LOVED AS I AM** by Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT.

Come as you are, bring a friend, and grow with us in faith, healing, and truth. We welcome women of ALL ages, with a heart for young adult women. Our next weekly gathering will be **Saturday, May 23, at 11:00 a.m., in the Avila Room** (in the Parish Office building; enter through the office's back door on the parking lot side—next to the entrance to the Adoration Chapel).

Please **RSVP via email or text** to Ivonne Ruiz: Ivonnerg12@yahoo.com | (831) 435-6501.

Mass Intentions

May 9—May 16, 2026

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass:

5:00 p.m.: Corazon Aclaro, INT

Sunday:

*7:30 am: All Mothers/Gr'mothers, INT/RIP

7:30 a.m.: Julia Munoz & Helen Romero RIP

9:00 a.m.: Alma Cornejo, INT

11:00 am: All Mothers of STC Ministries INT

1:00 p.m. (Latin): Evangeline Holman, RIP

5:00 p.m.: Parishioners

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 1

*7:30 a.m.: Maria Trang Nguyen, INT

8:00 a.m.: Letty Thottathil, INT

7:15 p.m.: Indah Lay, INT

Tuesday (+7:15 p.m. in Spanish):

6:00 a.m.: Louie Salgado, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Mother Teresa, OCD, INT

8:00 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 2

7:15 p.m.: Ana Vallejo, INT

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 3

*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Elizabeth, OCD, INT

8:00 a.m.: Hermine Tittmann, RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Viviana Estrada, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Christina & Arthur Cheung, INT

8:00 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 4

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 5

*7:30 a.m.: Sulpicio & Wendel Uy, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Ariel Aclaro & Family, INT

Saturday Morning

*7:30 a.m.: Alhambra Cloistered Carm. Nuns

8:00 a.m.: Suffering Souls in Purgatory

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

Open to the public except
Sundays and holidays.)

LIVE STREAMED MASSES:

We livestream the daily 8:00 a.m. Mass and the HOMILIES at the Sunday 11:00 a.m. and the Monday 7:15 p.m. Masses. Be sure to "tune in"!

Pilgrimages

The complete itineraries for the following pilgrimages are on the website (OUTSIDE THE PARISH section).

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE with Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD, from November 22—December 3, 2026. Walk in the footsteps of Jesus as we travel through Galilee, Tiberius, Caesarea, Cana, Capernaum, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jericho, Mt. Carmel, Jerusalem, etc. Walk the Via Dolorosa, take a two-hour boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, float on the Dead Sea, and so much more! **REDUCED PRICE: \$4,599** each (from LAX). Contact: Albert or Mary Helen Estrada at (626) 533-4839.



CARMELITE-INSPIRED PILGRIMAGE to Italy from July 9-18, 2026: Land Tour cost: \$3880. Visit Assisi in this Year of Grace, the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis, the "Seraphic Father," with the friends of the Discalced Carmelites. Visit Siena, Loreto, San Giovanni Rotondo, Mont Sant' Angelo, Pompeii, Amalfi, Montecassino, and more. Off the beaten path and at a slower pace, this unique route offers opportunities to encounter the wondrous saints of Italy in the places where they lived and breathed. Join us and experience untold beauty! Includes 9 nights at 3-4 star hotels, private bath, breakfast & dinner, private motorcoach or van, all touring on program, entrance fees to all sites per itinerary, tour chaplain & daily Holy Mass. Additional Costs: Overseas flights (LAX round trip to Rome, Italy). As of now, the non-stop airfare varies from \$1300 (economy) to \$2400 (Premier) on Norse Atlantic. Sign-up deadline: April 30, 2026. Pilgrimage is with Sacred Heart Tours, (845) 594-2222, www.sacredhearttours.com. For more info, contact Louisa Day at (323) 360-5186.

ALABAMA, HERE WE COME! Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament and EWTN from July 29 to August 4, 2026. Come see what the Lord did through Mother Angelica and is still doing through the friars at EWTN and the cloistered nuns at the Shrine. A full six days of serenity, prayer, spiritual talks, tours, fellowship, and family fun. Space is limited. Approximately \$1,500 per person. For more info, call Albert and Mary Helen Estrada at (626) 533-4839.

Personal Ad

Lady (with her pet cat) seeks to rent a room in a house (BR with closet, priv. bath, privileges in a large kitchen with stove & microwave, space in the living room for a large TV, pkg space in the garage with storage. Can pay up to \$600. If you can help, please call Valerie at (626) 713-4420.