

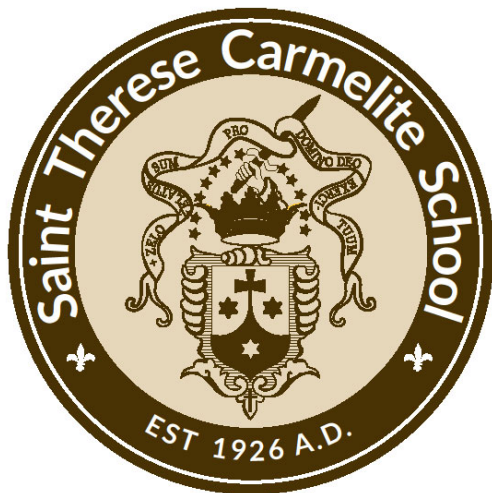
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Saint Therese Church

July 12, 2015 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 (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; First Friday & All-Night Vigil: Every first Friday of the month at 7:30 pm

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:

Annulment Facilitator: Deacon Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski—282-2744 (333)

Grief Support, 2nd/4th Wed., 2:30-4 pm:

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:

Magda Contreras (213) 300-7776

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 Vision Statement:

To be a spiritual Catholic Family focused on prayer as well as service to the Gospel through a Sacramental life. We envision our Parish as a community of stewards dedicated to building up the Body of Christ through active ministry while living the example of simplicity, humility, confidence and love of our Patroness, St. Therese of Lisieux.

Parish Secretary:

Denise McMaster-Holguin (223);
denisekay@hotmail.com

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Christian Services:

Bridie McDermott (224)

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**Coordinator for Lectors and
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Fr. Leonel Varela (222)

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St. Therese Religious Education:

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* Pre K through 8th Grade

* Adult Religious Ed

Youth & Adult Confirmation

Programs: Ruben Beltran 284-0020 (2)

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clovano@stthereseschoolalhabra.org

Web Site: 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** **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** - Continuous, day and night. Sign up for an hour of adoration and pray for vocations. **Coordinator:** Ruben Beltran – 284-0020 (2)

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 12, 2015

Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from Heaven. —Psalm 85:12

CATECHESIS Q & A: DEEPENING OUR KNOWLEDGE

“How Do We Make Time for Prayer?”

By Peter Kreeft, Catholic Apologist

We all know from experience that when we give God time, we are happy. When we cheat God, we cheat ourselves. We know this from thousands of repeated experiments. And yet we keep running away from God, from communion with God, from prayer, as if it were bitter medicine. We are so afraid of silence and solitude, which are necessary for private prayer, that we give it to our most desperate criminals as the most horrible torture our mind can conceive—"solitary confinement!"

We have time and prayer backwards. *We think time determines prayer, but prayer determines time.* We think our lack of time is the cause of our lack of prayer, but our lack of prayer is the cause of our lack of time. When a little boy offered Christ five loaves and two fishes, He multiplied them miraculously. He does the same with our time, but only if we offer it to Him in prayer. This is literally miraculous, yet I know it happens from repeated experience. Every day that I say I am too busy to pray, I seem to have no time, accomplish little, and feel frazzled and enslaved by time. Every day that I say I'm too busy *not* to pray, every time I offer some time-loaves and life-fishes to Christ, He miraculously multiplies them and I share His conquest of time. I have no idea *how* He does it, I know *that* He does it, time after time.

And yet I resist sacrificing my loaves and fishes to Him. I am an idiot. That's one of the things original sin means: spiritual insanity, preferring misery to joy, little bits of hell to little bits of heaven. We must restore our spiritual sanity. One giant step in that direction is to think truly about time. Time is like the setting of a play. The setting is really part of the play, contained by the play, determined by the play. But we often think the opposite: we think the play is contained by the setting. We think that the theme, the meaning, the spirit of the play is *in* its material setting instead of the other way around. That's like thinking the soul is in the body. In fact, the body is in the soul. So says St. Thomas Aquinas. And since time measures the movements of material bodies, while prayer measures the movements of the soul, time is really in prayer rather than prayer in time. Prayer determines and changes and miraculously multiplies time (the loaves and fishes).

But prayer multiplies time only if and when we sacrifice our time, offer it up. There's the rub. We fear sacrifice. It's a kind of death. All the real religions of the world are based on sacrifice, on willing death. Only the fake religion of pop psychology (which has infiltrated even the modern Church) ignores this fact. Even pagans and polytheists know it. The most popular god in India is Shiva, the Destroyer, and the most popular goddess is Kali, his female equivalent. Even Hindus know the importance of spiritual surgery, death, sacrifice. After Calvary, how can Christians know this any less? Our Lord repeatedly taught us that unless we took up our cross and followed Him, we could not be His disciples.

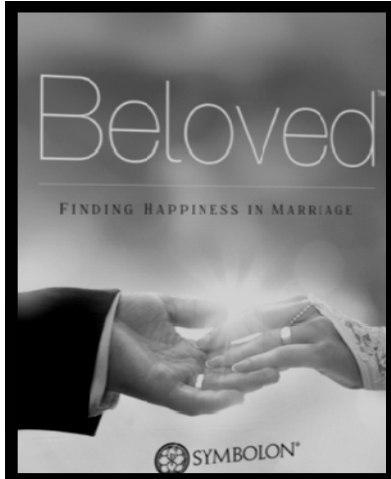
This probably means some terrible and difficult things; but one of the simple and easy things it means is to sacrifice our *time* to God. For time is life—"life-time." The point is very simple: in order to create time to pray, we must destroy time to do something else. We must kill something, refuse something, say no to something. To what? Let me make a simple, obvious, radical suggestion: the TV. Kill the TV. Go cold turkey for a month. I dare you. If you can't do that, then TV is your drug and you're an addict. "A man is a slave to whatever he cannot part with that is less than himself," said George MacDonald.

Every single person and family I know who has done this (voluntarily) has been very happy about it. TV is largely a sewer pipe anyway; why fill your brain and your soul with the waste products from the most bigotedly antireligious elite in our society? Even if there were nothing to sacrifice TV *for*, it would be good to sacrifice it, to save your moral sanity and intelligence. All the more reason to sacrifice it for prayer. Find out how many hours a week you watch TV and use just half of that time for prayer. You get a threefold benefit: garbage cleanup, prayer time, and extra time left over.

The alternative is the mental slavery we see around us, the juggernaut—the worrying and rushing and never getting there because "there" is not in time at all but in eternity. The modern world is unhappy because it does not touch eternity. All true happiness is a foretaste of eternity. Eternity is not in the future but in the present. The future is unreal, not yet real. One of the devil's most ridiculous and successful lies is the idea that we should devote our lives to pursuing and acquiring goods we do not yet have rather than enjoying the ones we do have. This makes us slaves to time, to the unreal future, forever, for "tomorrow is always a day away." The first rule for prayer, the most important first step, is not about *how* to do it, but to *just do it*; not to perfect and complete it but to begin it. Once the car is moving, it's easy to steer it in the right direction, but it's much harder to start it up when it's stalled. And prayer is stalled in our world.

So stop reading and start praying. Right now.

CATHOLICISM 101- Three More Classes! Deepening Your Knowledge: Understanding the Basics of Marriage



Everyone—singles, couples, those discerning marriage—who would like to know more about what the Church teaches about marriage and the family is invited to attend these sessions. We will present the Symbolon series, **“BELOVED: FINDING HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE,”** which explores the meaning of marriage and how to live it out together. In these sessions, you will discover the deepest spiritual, emotional, and practical realities of marriage through Scripture, Tradition, and Church teaching. **BABYSITTING** will be available... please **RSVP** to the numbers below if you will need child care.

Classes meet on Tuesday evenings in the Parish Meeting Room from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Next dates are as follows: July 21 and August 4 and 18.

For more info, contact the class leaders, Rhonda Storey (225) or Ruben Beltran (235).

WORD OF LIFE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Everyone must understand that the fight for the right to life is not the cause of a special few, but the cause of every man, woman, and child who cares not only about his own family but the whole family of man... As long as there is life there is hope." --Dr. Mildred Jefferson, Co-Founder, National Right to Life

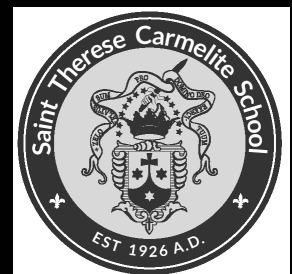
**“Abortion is not
FOR women....
It is AGAINST
women.”**



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OPEN ENROLLMENT

Become A Saint!



WHAT DOES ST. THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL OFFER?

St. Therese Carmelite School is fully accredited through the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the Western Catholic Education Association (WCEA). It offers: **Transitional Kindergarten** through Eighth Grade; Fine Arts and Physical Education; Religious Education provided by the Carmelite Friars, in collaboration with the Carmelite Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Los Angeles; Carmelite Spirituality, with an emphasis on the Carmelite saints; Full-time Carmelite chaplain (Fr. Leonel Varela); Rigorous Classical Curriculum; Small class sizes; Before- and After-School Academic Enrichment Program (optional), and more!

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

All are invited to honor the Blessed Mother, under the title of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the patroness of the Discalced Carmelite Order, at a **special 7:30 p.m. Mass on her Feast Day, this Thursday, July 16.** Enrollment in the Brown Scapular (for those never enrolled) will take place after the Mass. At all of next weekend's Masses, we'll have a special collection to help support our Carmelite Seminarians. Please join us in praying the following novena, which began on July 7 and ends on July 15, the day before the Feast.



Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel

O Most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of Christ, Immaculate Virgin, we praise and honor you as our Queen and Mother. Help us to persevere in constant prayer for the needs of our world and share with you in the work of redemption. Be with us, Holy Virgin, and guide us on our way, as we journey together in faith, hope, and love to your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Mary, Queen Beauty of Carmel, pray for us and obtain our requests.

NEEDED! EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

We still need **FOUR MORE** Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion to bring Our Lord to our homebound parishioners. You would volunteer to bring them Holy Communion every other month on either Friday, Saturday, or Sunday (only six times per year). Remember, at some time in the future, YOU may need this help, too!



If interested, please call the Coordinators, Fred or Margaret Padilla, at 282-0943. Thank you in advance!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEN! CONSIDER BECOMING KNIGHTS!

As Knights, you can support your parish, give back to your community, grow in your faith, and gain exclusive access to our top-rated insurance program to protect your family. **MEMBERS meet** on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in the Avila Room. **OFFICERS meet** on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Mt. Carmel Room.



For more information, call Mike Pulciano, the Grand Knight for the Alhambra Council, at 641-0870.

GUADALUPE **GPS** PREGNANCY SERVICES:

Are you pregnant and in need of help? GPS counselors are available to help with any situation regarding your pregnancy. All services are local and are private and confidential. We offer counseling, education, resources and referrals. Contact Louisa Day at 872-2483 or email gps.pregnancy@gmail.com.

THE ONE WHO DIED FOR US



ALSO WALKS WITH US.

PRESENTATION CHAPEL OF PERPETUAL ADORATION



"At the time of Holy Communion I sometimes picture my soul under the figure of a little child of three or four years, who at play has gotten her hair tossed and her clothes soiled. These misfortunes have befallen me in battling with souls. But very soon the Blessed Virgin hastens to my aid: quickly, she takes off my dirty little pinafore, smooths my hair, and adorns it with a pretty ribbon or simply with a little flower... and this suffices to render me pleasing and enables me to sit at the Banquet of Angels without shame." --*St. Therese of Lisieux*

Become a Committed Adorer: To make a commitment to come to the chapel once a week at the same hour, please contact the Coordinator, Ruben Beltran, at 284-0020 (2).

YOUTH WEEK

(FOR TEENS FROM 13-18 YEARS OLD)

Teens! Join us for a week of faith, fun, and games from **July 27 through 31** from 7:00-9:00 p.m. each night. On Monday, meet at the park benches near the lake at *Almanson Park; Tuesday through Friday, come to the +Guadalupe Courtyard in the Parish Offices on El Molino Street. Each night will be different, as follows:



- *Monday - Games & water balloons! Bring your own sack dinner!
- +Tuesday - Scavenger Hunt with Pizza & ice cream
- +Wednesday - Game & Skit night with hot dogs and s'mores
- +Thursday - Faith Night led by the Young Adult group
- +Friday - Movie Night with popcorn and drinks

Sign up by contacting Ruben Beltran at: rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com

CHILDREN'S LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

There are TWO upcoming training sessions for children who are either currently serving or who are interested in serving as either ACOLYTES (boys) or SACRISTANS (girls and boys). For more information, contact Fr. Leonel at ocdleon@yahoo.com

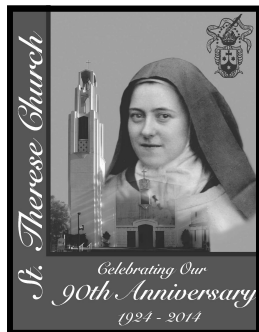
St. Dominic de Val Acolyte Confraternity: Altar serving for boys in the 3rd Grade and above who have made their 1st Holy Communion and would like to serve with the Priests at the Altar. Acolytes arrive 15 minutes before Mass and prepare the candles and incense for Mass. The training will be on **Tuesday, July 21, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** in the church (for NEW and CURRENT).



St. Martha's Sacristan Guild:

Responsible youth in the 7th Grade or above who would like to serve as a Sacristan. Sacristans arrive 25 minutes before Mass. They prepare the vessels and books for Mass. Sacristans are mature, responsible servers who run things behind the scenes. They are reliable and committed assistants to the priests and acolytes before, during, and after the Mass. They also clean-up after Mass and are ready to assist the priest and acolytes with any needs that may arise during Mass. Training will be on **Tuesday, July 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** in the church (for NEW and CURRENT).

PICK UP YOUR 90TH ANNIVERSARY PICTORIAL DIRECTORY—DAY OR EVENING!



This beautiful, spiral-bound, keepsake directory has 110-pages and is in full-color. There are articles on *our history, *our patroness, *her parents, and *her sisters, among others. Don't miss out on owning one!

They are free to those who had a photo taken by the directory photographer OR submitted a photo for the family section along with a fee OR pre-paid the fee. You may pick up your free directory at the offices

during open hours (being in a group photo or submitting wedding/anniversary photos does not qualify for a free directory.) For those who were in a group photo or submitted wedding photos, etc., we also have additional copies available for sale at \$20 each.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

May God reward you!

Below you will find the total collections for last weekend and for the previous four weekends.

July 4 / 5, 2015

Unrestricted.....	\$14,323.50
Restricted	\$ 424.50
T O T A L	\$14,748.00

June 6 / 7.....	\$14,269.00
June 13 / 14.....	\$12,274.00
June 20 / 21.....	\$12,951.00
June 27 / 28.....	\$12,914.00

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS: Please use your pre-printed envelopes! It makes it easier to properly record your donations!

BAPTISM MINISTRY



Rhonda Storey, 284-0020 (X225) 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. The next classes/baptism for which you can enroll will be in September (none in August). The fee is \$100 per child OR \$25 for the class only. The baptism will be on a Saturday.

REQUIREMENTS FOR 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

LIGHTHOUSE MEDIA: Increase your knowledge of the faith through audio CDs given by well-known speakers, as well as books to inspire your faith journey. The Kiosk is available the first weekend (Saturday and Sunday) of every month. For additional information contact Vicky Sandoval at geribah03@gmail.com or (323) 803-9956.

CARMELITE SPIRITUAL READING GROUP: All are invited to join us every Monday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the Mt. Carmel Room in the Parish Offices). Meetings consist of spiritual reading, discussion, and prayer. All are welcome! For more info, contact Jim Gillett at 323-262-5721 or jimgillett@me.com.

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 meeting will be on July 22. For additional information, call the office at 282-2744.

WOMEN'S PRAYER AND DISCUSSION GROUP: Come join us for this prayer and discussion group, along with tea and treats! Children are welcome (play area available). We 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). The next meeting will be on July 23. 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 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.



Mass Intentions

For the Week of 7/11/15 to 7/18/15

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: King-Tao Ngan RIP

Sunday

*7:30 a.m.: Aroon Seeda INT

7:30 a.m.: Juliana Goh INT

9:00 a.m.: Maureen Castillo INT

11:00 a.m.: Elide Ayuso RIP

1:00 p.m. (Latin): Parishioners

5:00 p.m.: For an end to California's drought

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Carmy Andersen INT

*7:30 a.m.: Taylor, Wood, DeTardo, Mariani Families INT

8:00 a.m.: Rosie Francisco RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Joyce Hwee INT

*7:30 a.m.: Larry & Martha Campos RIP

8:00 a.m.: Josephine Raccippo RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Andrew Brunaczki RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Taylor, Wood, DeTardo, Mariani Families INT

8:00 a.m.: Eileen Brennan RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Mary Rose Go INT

*7:30 a.m.: Shirley Hall INT

8:00 a.m.: Marie Halpin INT

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Pat Kitchen-Master INT

*7:30 a.m.: Taylor, Wood, DeTardo, Mariani Families INT

8:00 a.m.: Rosie Francisco RIP

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Julianna Brunaczki RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community

8:00 a.m.: Rosie Francisco 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.

Floral Dedications

This week's dedications are:

♥ In honor of the 62nd Anniversary of
Martita & Virgilio Lopez

♥ In honor of the 50th Anniversary of
Carlos & Lourdes Bonilla

† In Loving Memory of
Fr. Jerome Lantry, OCD



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 are \$40 and up.

Congratulations!



To Bob and Fran Meyer

On celebrating their 58th Anniversary
this Monday, July 13.

May God continue to bless you with
many happy years together!
God love and keep you!

Intentions of our Holy Father for July 2015:

1) That political responsibility may be lived at all levels as a high form of charity; and 2) That, amid social inequalities, Latin American Christians may bear witness to love for the poor and contribute to a more fraternal society.

Lectors

Saturday:

5:00 p.m. Alice Cheung / Lucy Lopez

Sunday:

7:30 a.m. Flora Santoso / Ron Sandoval

9:00 a.m. Jim Raney / Lucas Setiady

11:00 a.m. Ignacio Verduzco / Marta Timar

5:00 p.m. Gil Vargas / Miriam Lopez

Outside the Parish

CARMELITE PILGRIMAGE WITH FR. PAUL KOENIG, OCD: In the Jubilee Year of Mercy, travel to Poland & Italy in the steps of St. John Paul II, the great "Mercy Pope," from April 13 - 26, 2016. For more info, contact Louisa Day at (323) 360-5186 or Jack Day at (323) 722-9339. Details available at <http://www.syversentouring.com/carmel>

EL CARMELO RETREAT HOUSE, operated by the Discalced Carmelite Friars, will receive a portion of the commission on any travel booked through www.elcarmelotravel.com. Save AND help maintain the center. Also book hotels, cars, cruises, etc.

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