

Saint Therese Church

February 18, 2018

Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars

Established 1924

www.StThereseChurchAlhambra.org

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

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

Pastor: Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD (222) **Associate Pastor:** Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD (232)

In Residence: Fr. Albert Busic, OCD (335); Dcn. Bro. Matthias Lambrecht, OCD (224); Bro. Jason Parrott, OCD

Deacon Couples: Deacon Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski (333); Deacon Gilbert & Frances Vargas (333)

Vocations: Carmelite: (909) 629-9495; Archdiocesan (213) 637-7515

Sacraments:

Confessions: Wednesday: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Saturday: 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Baptisms: Once a month on a Saturday

Weddings: Fill out an application (web-site or office) six months+ in advance.

- Facilitator: Ruben Beltran 284-0020 (2)
- Wedding Liturgy/Rehearsals: Mary Putman MerryPage@gmail.com or (760) 844-2725

Other Programs:

Annulments: Lorraine Mizerski (333)

-Avila Young Adult Group:

Paula Grimm (909) 703-1284

-Bible Study: Debbie Robles 679-6370

-Detention Ministry: Sonia Macias (323) 724-6443

-Grief Support-2nd/4th Wed 2:30-4p.m.

-Intercessors Prayer Group:

Blanca Ruvalcaba 281-7070

-Irish Step Dance Class: Marie Henrie, mariacahill11@yahoo.com

***Knights of Columbus:** Gran9d Knight:

Paul Gutierrez (888) 869-3124

-Legion of Mary: Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.

-Natural Family Planning:

Jack & Katrina Crow 292-1906

-OCDS: Stan Interrante 714-996-4164

-Retrouaille Marriage Ministry

909-900-5465 (help for marriages)

-Rosary Makers: Mondays, 6-8 p.m.

Magda Contreras (213) 300-7776

-St. Joseph Prayer Group: Wed, 6:15 p.m., Lucy Marikian 281-3706



For more info about our school, go to:
www.SaintThereseCarmeliteSchool.com

Masses & 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.

Holy Days:

6:00, 8:00, 10:00 a.m., & 7:30 p.m.

Devotions:

Rosary: After Mon-Sat 8:00 a.m. Mass;
Exposition/Benediction: Thursdays, 7:00-

8:00p.m.; Intercessors for Priests:

Thursdays, 8:00 p.m.; First Friday Mass
and Confessions: 7:30 p.m.

St. Therese Carmelite School:

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Respect Life Ministry / Vox Vitae:

Catherine Contreras (112)

Youth & Young Adults:

Bro. Matthias Lambrecht, OCD (224)

Ministry to the Sick:

Fred & Margaret Padilla (626) 282-0943

Religious Education and Liturgical Ministries:

Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (1)
rhondalstorey@gmail.com

Confirmation & RCIA

Ruben Beltran 284-0020 (2)

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. Therese! Please register online or in the Parish Office.

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. Coordinator: Ruben Beltran—284-0020 (2)

OBSERVING THE SEASON OF LENT

Soup Nights AND Stations of the Cross



All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (no meat). For details about the rules for fasting and abstinence, please see the Events section of our website.

Soup Nights (simple meatless meals) are held in the Parish Hall on all the Fridays of Lent from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. There will be a free-will offering basket available each week to help support various groups. The next sponsors are: **February 23:** Bible Study and Consecration Group leaders; **March 2:** Confirmation; **March 9:** STRE & RCIA; **March 16:** Saint Therese Carmelite School; and **March 23:** Knights of Columbus and Retrouvaille leaders

Stations of the Cross are held in the church every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m., following Soup Night.

An Excerpt from “The Agony of Jesus,” by St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

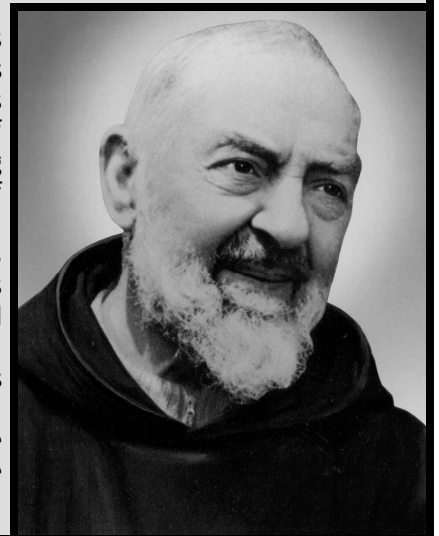
Most Divine Spirit, enlighten and inflame me in meditating on the Passion of Jesus. Help me to penetrate this mystery of love and suffering of a God, who, clothed with our humanity, suffers, agonizes, and dies for the love of us! The Eternal, the Immortal, who debases Himself to undergo an immense martyrdom, the ignominious death of the Cross, amidst insults, contempt and abuse, to save the creature which offended Him, and, which wallows in the slime of sin.

Man rejoices in his sin and his God, saddened because of sin, suffers and sweats blood, amidst a terrible agony of spirit. No, I cannot enter this wide ocean of love and pain unless Thou, with Thy grace, sustain me. Oh, that I could penetrate to the innermost recesses of the Heart of Jesus to read there the essence of His bitterness, which brought Him to the point of death in the Garden; that I could comfort Him in the abandonment by His Father and His own. Oh, that I could unite myself with Him in order to expiate sins with Him.

Mary, Mother of Sorrows, may I unite myself with Thee to follow Jesus and share His pains, and Thy sufferings. My Guardian Angel, guard my faculties and keep them recollected on Jesus' suffering, so that they will not stray far from Him. Arriving at the close of His earthly life, the Divine Redeemer, after having given Himself entirely to us as food and drink in the Sacrament of His Love, and, having nourished His Apostles with His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity, goes with His own to the Garden of Olives. There Jesus teaches His disciples. He prepares them for the impending separation, for His imminent Passion, and, prepares them to undergo, for love of Him, calumnies, persecutions and death itself.

He is there to begin His dolorous Passion. Instead of thinking of Himself, He is full of anxiety for you. Oh, what an immensity of love does this Heart contain! His face is covered with sadness and, at the same time, with love. His words proceed from His innermost Heart. He speaks with a profusion of affection, encouragement, and comfort. In comforting, He gives His promise and explains the most profound mysteries of His Passion.

This journey of Thine, O Jesus, has always touched my heart with an increase of love so profound and so deep for those who love Thee, with an increase of love that hurries to immolate itself for others, to ransom them from slavery.



Women's Retreat in Lent

Women! You are invited to join St. Therese Church on **March 9-11, 2018**, for a Lenten Weekend Retreat, led by our Carmelite Friars at beautiful El Carmelo Retreat House in Redlands.

Roundtrip Bus transportation will be available. Cost is \$20 (cash only) and will be collected in advance of boarding the bus. Board the bus in front of St. Therese Church on Friday, March 9, at 1:15 pm.

A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required to reserve your room. Applications can be found in the church vestibule and entrances (Single Occupancy, \$200; Double Occupancy per person, \$175).

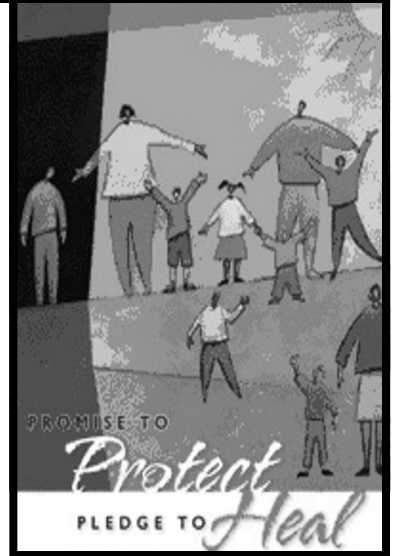


To submit your deposit or for more information, contact Louisa Day at (323) 3 6 0 - 5 1 8 6 o r louisaeday@yahoo.com.

Safeguard the Children

DID YOU KNOW? Cyber Bullying Prevention: Thousands of children play games online with their friends and other gamers, but these forums are ripe with bullying, which can have serious negative effects on bullying victims. Cyber bullying can often be particularly cruel, since the bully targets victims from behind a keyboard, and his or her identity may remain hidden.

Always be aware of what games your children are playing, and whom they are connecting with online. Talk to them about cyber bullying and what to do if someone is targeting them.

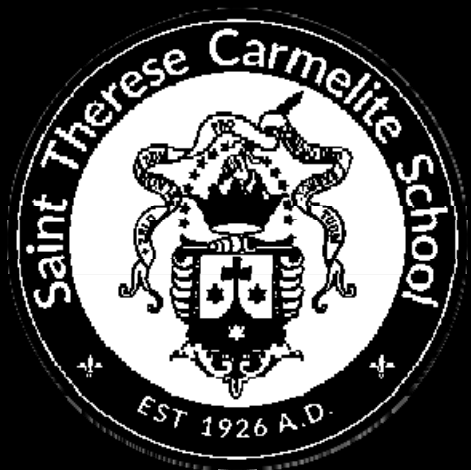


SAINT THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL

Deeply rooted in Carmelite spirituality, Saint Therese Carmelite School seeks to form students in faith, academics, and virtue through a Classical education.

"Go often to Holy Communion. Go very often!" -St. Therese of Lisieux

- February 19 (Monday): Presidents' Day - No School
- February 20 (Tuesday): Teachers' Retreat - No School
- February 23 (Friday): Mass at 8:00 a.m.; Stations at 12:30 p.m.
- March 2 (Friday): Mass at 8:00 a.m.; Stations of the Cross at 12:30 p.m.
- March 9 (Friday): Mass at 8:00 a.m.; Stations of the Cross at 12:30 p.m.
- March 16 (Friday): Mass at 8:00 a.m.; Stations of the Cross at 12:30 p.m.
- March 16 (Friday): SCHOOL-SPONSORED SOUP NIGHT from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.
- March 23 (Friday): Mass at 8:00 a.m.; Stations of the Cross at 12:30 p.m.
- March 29 (Thursday): Holy Thursday - No School
- March 30 (Friday): Good Friday - No School



We encourage you to visit the school office to learn more about our school, to take a tour, or to spend a day with our amazing students and wonderful teachers. Please feel free to contact us at 289-3364 or admin@sainttheresecarmeliteschool.com.

COR JESU YOUTH MINISTRY

“THE UNTOUCHABLES—Receiving and Giving Mercy,” is our Lenten Theme



Friar Benjamin

SERVICE OUTREACH (Ministry to the Homeless) Both Junior High and High School students (and their families) are invited to the Parish Hall **TODAY, Sunday, February 18**, beginning at 12:30 p.m., to prepare sandwiches for the homeless. Afterwards, **High School** students, along with their parents / guardians, will travel to Downtown LA's Skid Row to distribute the food. Youth and Families will be under the care and guidance of Bro. Matthias, Friar Benjamin, the Franciscan Sisters, and the Cor Jesu adult leaders. By making this a FAMILY MINISTRY, we will be PRIORITIZING SAFETY WITH MERCY! We will also be giving out rosaries and holy cards, as well as offering prayers and a loving presence to those we meet.

COR JESU HOLY HOUR The next one will be **March 1, at 7:00 p.m.**, in the church (for Youth, Young Adults, Family), followed by Social time at 8:00 p.m. for 1) High School students and 2) Young Adults (separate groups).

Flyers with all the details, as well as the Cor Jesu Registration form, are on our website (Cor Jesu).



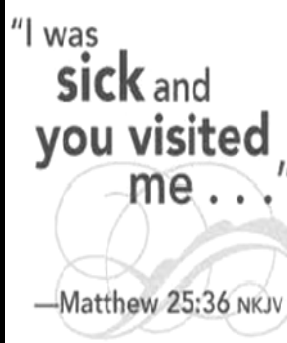
Things You Can Do for Lent (besides giving up chocolate)

Challenge yourself this year by going beyond the usual practice of “giving up” something. Take stock of your spiritual life and grow in it. Not sure where to start? Check out these fifteen ideas:

- Make a commitment to read the Sunday scriptures *before* you go to Mass.
- Try a new spiritual practice. Sign up for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Attend Mass at a parish that's made up of people from a different racial/ethnic group. Sign up for a silent retreat or spend at least one hour in silent meditation each weekend.
- Think about what you usually spend your money on. Pick one type of expenditure that you'll “fast” from during Lent, and then give the money you would usually spend to a local charity.
- Take something on—40 days of letter writing, 40 acts of kindness, 40 phone calls to the important people in your life.
- Go to a weekday Mass one day during the week. Daily Masses are often more intimate and shorter than Sunday Mass.
- If you don't have a cross in your apartment or house, buy a simple one and put it in your bedroom.
- Read the entire Gospel of Mark in one sitting. As the shortest Gospel, it is the most concise story of Jesus' life, and the cross, a central Lenten symbol, plays an even more prominent role than in the other Gospels.
- Unplug from your iPhone or turn off your car radio on your commute. The silence may be jarring at first, but you may find that you are able to concentrate better and will be more observant of your surroundings.
- Buy a book of daily reflections and keep it by your bed.
- Think about a habit that has kept you from being whom God is calling you to be. Consciously give up that habit for Lent.
- Spend at least one weekend or evening volunteering during Lent. Serve a meal at your local soup kitchen. Visit the elderly. Stock shelves at a food pantry.
- Make a commitment to fast from insensitive, cruel comments about others. So, no gossiping.
- As a part of your Lenten almsgiving, make a point to learn more about a particular social issue (immigration, human trafficking, racism, the environment, public education, child poverty, etc.). Give money to an organization related to your chosen issue.
- Pray for somebody. As you're walking the streets, driving the highways, or sitting in your cubicle at work, pick out a person who appears to be in need and pray for that person. Be mindful of the words of philosopher Philo of Alexandria: “Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a great battle.”
- Read the Works of Mercy as Jesus describes them in Matthew 25:31-46. Then put this teaching into practice and choose an act of service you can perform throughout Lent.

NEEDED: EMs OF HOLY COMMUNION

We are in **DESPERATE NEED** of Extraordinary Ministers to bring Holy Communion to the homebound. Those who volunteer would need to go **ONLY ONE DAY EVERY TWO MONTHS**. This is a very special ministry as, of course, it is an opportunity to bring Jesus to those Catholics who are not able to attend Mass to receive Him. Please prayerfully consider if the Lord is calling YOU for this noble position. To volunteer or for more information about volunteering, please contact Fred Padilla at fjpadilla@earthlink.net or 282-0943. God bless!



BAPTISM

PARENTS & GODPARENTS are required to attend a class from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., in the Parish Library (next will be April 5 and May 3). The fee is \$100 per child OR \$25 for the class only. Baptisms are on Saturdays (next open are at 11:00 a.m., on April 28 and May 26).

TO REGISTER...

go to our website and click on Sacraments > Baptism. You will also need to bring a copy of your child's birth certificate to the class.

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 needs to be signed by a priest from the parish of each prospective godparent.

For more information, contact Rhonda Storey at 284-0020, Ext. 225, or rhondalstorey@gmail.com.

PARISH CHOIR IN CONCERT TONIGHT!



Emmet Cahill

The St. Therese Traditional Choir will join Credo Catholic Choir in a concert with Emmet Cahill, Irish tenor and member of *Celtic Thunder*. The combined choirs will open the concert with a set of sacred music. Emmet will perform a solo and then rejoin the choirs to sing "Ave Verum," by Karl Jenkins, and "An Irish Blessing," by our own Charlotte Lansberg. The performance is **FEBRUARY 18, at 7:00 p.m.**, at the Pasadena Presbyterian Church, 585 East Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena. For more information, contact our Music Director, Charlotte Lansburg, at cjlansberg@choochoorecords.com or go to www.emmetcahill.com.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ELEMENTARY GRADES, HIGH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION, and ADULT RCIA

ELEMENTARY: The next classes will be Sunday, February 25, at 9:00 a.m.

CONFIRMATION:

C1—The next classes will be Sunday, March 11, at 9:00 a.m.; and Tuesday, March 13, at 7:00 p.m.

C2—The next classes will be Sunday, February 25, at 9:00 a.m.; and Tuesday, February 27, at 7:00 p.m.

RCIA

Upcoming class dates are Thursdays, February 22 and March 1, 8, and 22—at 7:00 p.m. For questions, contact the DRE, Rhonda Storey, at 284-0020 (1) or Ruben Beltran, Confirmation Coordinator, at 284-0020 (2).

	RCIA
	Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults



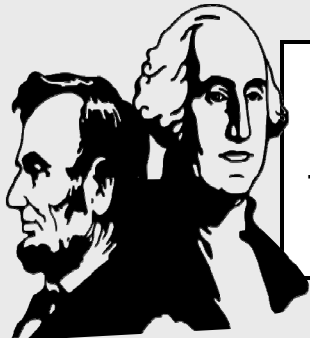
K OF C PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please help the Rancho San Antonio Boys' Home by joining the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, February 24, for a PANCAKE BREAKFAST at Applebee's, 21 East Main, Alhambra, between 8 and 10 a.m. Get tickets (\$10 each) by contacting Victor Martinez at (323) 253-4265 or vmartinez@gmail.com.



OFFICES CLOSED

Please make note that the parish offices will be closed on the following dates:



Monday, February 19:
Presidents' Day

Tuesday, February 20:
Staff Retreat

We will reopen on Wednesday, February 21.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

February 10 / 11, 2018

Unrestricted..... \$10,449.00
Restricted \$ 4,463.00
T O T A L.....\$14,912.00

January 20 / 21, 2018.....\$24,066.00
January 27 / 28, 2018.....\$11,662.00
February 3 / 4.....\$11,662.00
February 10 / 11.....\$17,339.00

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

Check Users:

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

ON-GOING MEETINGS / CLASSES / MINISTRIES

AVILA YOUNG ADULT GROUP (Ages 21–39, singles/couples): Join us on most first Saturdays of the month at 6:15 p.m., in the Guadalupe Courtyard, as well as for socials. For more info, go to Avila Outreach on Facebook OR contact the Coordinator, Paula Grimm, at (909) 703-1284 or pgrimm.dir@gmail.com.

BIBLE STUDY: Classes meet Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. Following time for gathering, each session then begins at 7:30 p.m. Current session ("The Story of Salvation") continues through June 2018 (you can catch up on the Ascension Press website: www.ascensionpress.com). For more info, contact Debbie Robles at debrobles@me.com or 679-6370.

CHOIR REHEARSAL for the 11:00 a.m. Mass is every Wednesday (September-June) from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

DETENTION MINISTRY: If you're 21 or older, join us in visiting the youth (ages 8 to 18) in the Juvenile Detention Center in L.A. To sign up or for more info, call Sonia at (323) 724-6443.

EnCOURAGE: Standing fully by the teachings of the Church, we are a group of faithful Catholic parents who support one another and our loved ones with same sex attraction, through discussion, prayer, fellowship and sacrifice. Meet monthly in the LA Archdiocese with our chaplain in a safe confidential setting. For more info, contact your local chapter (EnCourage for parents: EnCourage.LosAngeles@gmail.com; OR Courage LA for persons struggling with same sex attraction: CourageCA.LosAngeles@gmail.com).

FIRST FRIDAY MASS: Every First Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. (confessions are available during the Mass).

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: This group (originally formed in honor of Patricia Bordonaro) is for those grieving 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 Wednesday, February 28.

INTERCESSORS FOR PRIESTS PRAYER GROUP: Join us in the Avila Room in the Parish Offices to pray for priests every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. (following Benediction in the church). For more info, call Blanca at 281-7070.

IRISH STEP-DANCING CLASSES: Irish dance classes are held on Tuesdays at 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall (for 45 minutes to one hour). Classes are for kids 4+ and for adults. Contact Maria Henrie at mariacahill11@yahoo.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: We are a fraternal order of Catholic men (18 or over) looking to strengthen our faith through serving the Church & community. Call the Alhambra Grand Knight, Paul Gutierrez, at (888) 869-3124.

LEGION OF MARY: The object of the Legion is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active cooperation. Meetings are Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Offices (Lisieux Room).

ROSARY MAKERS: Help make rosaries to be sent to Catholics in third-world countries. Sessions are held on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the Avila Room of the Parish Offices. For more info, call Magda at (213) 300-7776.

ST. JOSEPH PRAYER GROUP: Come to the church every Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. to pray for peace and justice issues in our community and around the world. For more info, call Lucy at 281-3706.

Mass Intentions

For Week of 2/17/18 TO 2/24/18

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Maria & Raymond Pimentel, INT

Sunday

*7:30 am: The Ponet Family, RIP

7:30 a.m.: Frank Wing, RIP

9:00 a.m.: Alvin deGuzman, RIP

11:00 a.m.: Kenneth Locke, RIP

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

5:00 p.m.: Sr. Nicole Kim-thanh Nguyen, DC, RIP

Monday

6:00 a.m.: Sherrene Tan, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Therese Painter, INT

8:00 a.m.: Varkey Varkey, RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Special Intention

*7:30 a.m.: Therese Painter, INT

8:00 a.m.: Sherrene Tan, INT

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Andres Silva, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Teresa Mesina, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Edna Sanchez, RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Special Intention

*7:30 a.m.: Roger Burschinger, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Dina Shum, RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Special Intention

*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Anne of the Imm. Heart of Mary, OCD, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Joseph Lan Tran, RIP

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Felisa Delorito, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community

8:00 a.m.: Tina De La Cruz, INT

*Held at the Carmelite Chapel, 215 East Alhambra Road. Open to the public. every day except Sundays/holidays.

Floral Dedication

There will be no floral dedications during Lent as there are no flowers on the altar during this Season.

However, you may set up a future dedication (for after April 1) in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of loved ones!

Just leave a message for Giovanna Setiady at 281-9049. Prices start at \$45.



Outside the Parish

Save the Date for the West Coast National Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Humanae Vitae! It will take place at the Ontario Convention Center on July 27 and 28, 2018. It will include a special day just for clergy on Thursday, July 26th. Featured speakers include: Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, Patrick Coffin, Professor Janet Smith, Dr. Thomas Hilgers, George Weigel, and more! For more information, go to <http://celebratehv50.com/>. If you would like to volunteer in any capacity, please contact Katrina Crow at katrina.fcp@gmail.com or 292-1906.



Personal Ads

Lady seeks to RENT ROOM IN A HOME. Call Kelly at 297-2103.

Former seminarian (now in full-time ministry, senior in good health, very dedicated and trustworthy) SEEKS TO RENT A ROOM, SMALL APT. OR GUEST HOUSE. Can do some work and offer security. Call Larry at 213-265-9556.

APARTMENT FOR RENT—available now—at 101 North Granada, Alhambra. Lower level 1Bd / 1Bth unit, full kitchen. \$1,400/mo., utilities included. No pets. No Laundry. To see, please call Marlene at 940-7768.

Lady seeks to rent a room in a home near St. Therese Church. Please call Irene at 213-458-9944.

Lectors

Saturday:

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

Sunday:

7:30 a.m.: Flora Santoso / Blanca Ruvalcaba

9:00 a.m.: Nancy King / Rosa Natividad

11:00 a.m.: Jason Perez / Pat Cervantes

5:00 p.m.: TBD

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