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Saint Therese Church

January 18, 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; 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

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

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 / pgimm.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

* Pre K through 8th Grade

* Adult Religious Ed

Youth & Adult Confirmation

Programs: Ruben Beltran 284-0020 (2)

Email: rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com

St. Therese Catholic School: 289-

3364 - Principal: Carmela Lovano (661)

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

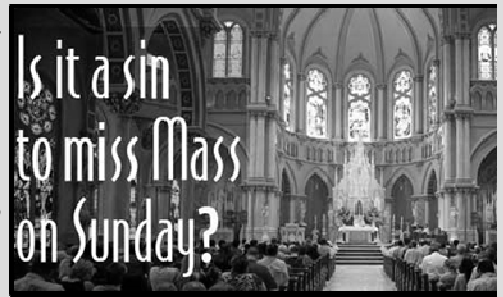
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 18, 2015

Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you. —1 Corinthians 6:19

CATECHESIS Q & A: DEEPENING OUR KNOWLEDGE

Excerpted from "What's The Smoke For?" by Johan Van Parys—Compiled by Rhonda Storey

Is it a sin to miss Mass on Sunday? Do we as Catholics still believe we are "obligated" to "keep holy the Sabbath day"? And why are there other days of "Holy Days of Obligation"?



When you love someone, do you see it as an obligation to spend time with them? Or, would the person who has been saved from drowning or a fire ever think it is a burden to thank their savior? These questions bespeak a legalistic and minimalist approach to the celebration of the mysteries of our faith, which is rather regrettable and supremely sad.

Our current understanding of Sunday and other holy days of obligation is that it has been imposed on us by the Church, and rightfully so. By contrast, the early Church had no such law because there simply was no need for it. The sense of "obligation" early Christians felt to celebrate Sunday Eucharist flowed from a deep personal and communal desire. There was an inner obligation to celebration of the Eucharist. St John Paul II in his apostolic letter *Dies Domini (On Keeping the Lord's Day Holy)*, calls it "obligation of conscience". As this "obligation of conscience" or inner desire started to wane, individual bishops found it necessary to remind the faithful that the Sunday assembly was not simply an option but rather a sacred duty. In 1917 the Code of Canon Law 1247 defined the obligation to celebrate Eucharist on Sundays and Holy days of obligation as universal law.

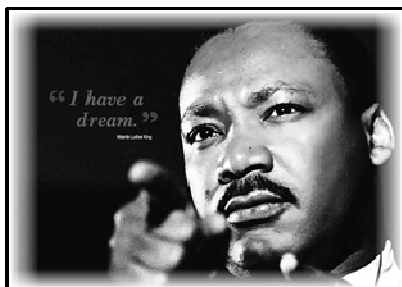
Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) 2181: *The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason the faithful are obligated to participate in the Eucharist on days of obligation, unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants, etc.) or dispensed by their own pastor. Those who deliberately fail in this obligation commit a grave sin.*

ST. THERESE SCHOOL NEWS

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

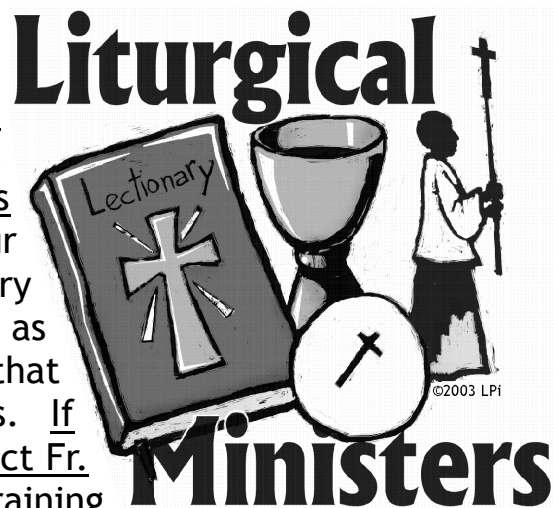
"Let this holiday be a day of reflection, a day of teaching nonviolent philosophy and strategy, a day of getting involved in nonviolent action for social and economic progress." —Corretta Scott King

- No School this Monday, 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.
 - Panda Express Fundraiser (located on Garfield & Main in Alhambra) on Jan. 26, between 11:30 am & 8:30 pm
- Catholic Schools Week Festivities from January 25 through 30
 - Parent Appreciation Day on January 27
- January 28: Grandparent/Wise Person Day—Mass at 10:30 am
 - Student Appreciation Day on January 29
 - Teacher/Staff Appreciation Day on January 30
 - Ongoing New Student Registration for TK - 8th Grade



LITURGICAL CATECHESIS RETREAT/TRAINING

There will be a MANDATORY liturgical ministry retreat/training day for ALL current & new Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Sacristans, and Ushers on Saturday, February 7, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in the church. This training is required to remain on the serving schedules. Our goal is to come together as liturgical ministry groups for the purpose of prayer and reflection, as well as to review procedures for each ministry so that we can all be on the “same page” of instructions. If you cannot make this date, you will need to contact Fr. Leonel or Rhonda Storey to arrange a private training session before continuing. Reflections will be led by Fr. Leonel & Fr. Philip. The Religious Education staff will lead the training breakout sessions. Please mark your calendars now and save the date. We hope to see everyone there!



RESPECT LIFE NEWS

RESPECT LIFE ROSARY: This Thursday, January 22, marks the 42nd anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* Supreme Court decision. The San Gabriel Valley Chapter of the Knights of Columbus will once again hold their annual Respect Life Rosary in front of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Building (125 S. Grand Avenue, Pasadena, CA). This peaceful one-hour event will begin at 12 noon and conclude around 1:00 p.m. All are invited to attend and pray the Rosary. Contact David Flores at (626) 422-3211 or legisperitis@yahoo.com OR Tim O'Donnell at (818) 731-4983 or jayod@verizon.net.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE (Feb. 18 - Mar. 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!

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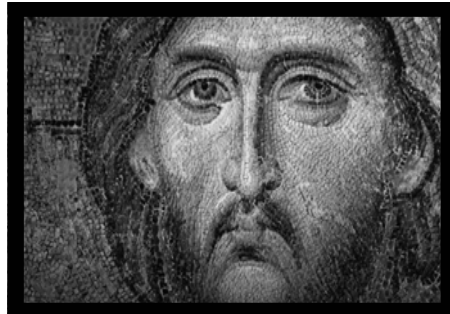
We will continue to pray the Novena to the Infant of Prague (a Carmelite tradition) at our daily and Sunday Masses through Sunday, January 25 (it began January 16). Novena prayer cards are on the altar rail, and the prayer is printed below.



Divine Infant Jesus, I want to give You my hands to touch those I meet with Your love and peace. I want to serve You with all my heart and make You known and loved. I ask You to heal those in pain, to encourage the hopeless, to console the sorrowing, and to provide for those in want. I ask You to reach out to the lonely. I especially plead for the many people suffering from great poverty and injustice. Miraculous Infant, I believe that You love me and know all of my needs. I place them in Your hands, especially my present concerns (mention silently). I trust in Your love and care. I love you and want to honor and praise You, now and forever. Amen.

BIBLE STUDY

NEW SESSION OF ADULT BIBLE STUDY The 2015 Bible Study began last week and continues every Wednesday through June 3! All adults are invited! We are 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 are 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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

"So often people say that we should look to the elderly, learn from their wisdom, their many years. I disagree, I say we should look to the young: untarnished, without stereotypes implanted in their minds, no poison, no hatred in their hearts. When we learn to see life through the eyes of a child, that is when we become truly wise."

--Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

"Jesus...said to them, 'Let the children come to me, do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.' And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands upon them." -Mk 10:14-16

STRE: Next scheduled classes will be February 8 and 22. Please remember that all families are required to attend the 11:00 a.m. Mass together.



RCIA—Adult Faith Formation

TODAY, Sunday, January 18, we will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance for the Catechumens and Candidates at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Please pray for the catechumens, candidates and confirmandi who continue on their faith journeys. The next class will be Thursday, January 29, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

CONFIRMATION

CONFIRMATION FOR YOUTH

Your Journey
Begins at
St. Therese



Next Class is January 25, followed by the Rite of Welcome (for the 1st year candidates) at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Please remember that all students and their families are required to attend the 5:00 p.m. Mass together.





ADORATION CHAPEL

"My sweetest Joy is to be in the presence of Jesus in the holy Sacrament. I beg that when obliged to withdraw in body, I may leave my heart before the holy Sacrament. How I would miss Our Lord if He were to be away from me by His presence in the Blessed Sacrament! The Eucharist is a never-ending sacrifice. It is the Sacrament of love, the supreme love, the act of love."

--St. Katherine Drexel

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

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

May God reward you!

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

January 10 /11, 2015

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| Unrestricted..... | \$17,604.00 |
| Restricted | \$ 1,029.00 |
| T O T A L..... | \$18,633.00 |

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| December 6 / 7..... | \$16,343.00 |
| December 13 / 14..... | \$16,876.00 |
| December 27/28 | \$17,861.00 |
| January 3 / 4 | \$34,184.00 |

SAVE THE DATES FOR THE WOMEN'S RETREAT!

The annual Women's Retreat at El Carmelo Retreat House in Redlands will be on March 13, 14, and 15. Call one of the Captains for information and to reserve your room: Ernie O'Conner at 445-4333; Louisa Day at (323) 722-9399; or Cecilia Tweedy at 712-3478.

TOGETHER IN MISSION 2014

We surpassed our Archdiocesan goal for 2014! Thank you for all your continued support and generosity.

Please use your Contribution Envelopes when possible.

CAR LEASE RAFFLE

As stated in the rules (SEE the complete rules on the website under the Raffle info in the Events section), in the paragraph entitled "ODDS": "If fewer than 500 tickets are sold by 5:00 p.m. on December 31, 2014, St. Therese Church may, at its sole discretion, elect to cancel the car lease raffle and convert the raffle to a 50/50 Cash Raffle."

As there were only approximately 300 tickets sold (many of them during the festival for only \$5 each), we do so elect to convert this raffle to a 50/50 Cash Raffle, as shown in the rules (the full amount of the prize will be shown in next week's bulletin).



"Word of Life" Quote of the Week:

"Lord, you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made."



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.



THANK YOU FOR THE DONATIONS OF COATS

"...whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Matt 25:40

We would like to thank the parish for the generous response to our coat drive. We collected over 80 coats plus additional clothing items to share with our community members in need. Our first official distribution will be at the East San Gabriel Valley Coalition homeless shelter, on January 24, where we and the other members of our Diaconate Formation Class will serve 180 homeless men and women. We will also be distributing to some homeless in our immediate community during the next few weeks. God bless you, --Frances and Gil Vargas



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 date is 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 Baptism is February 14th at Noon). There are no Baptisms during Lent.

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 meeting will be January 21st. 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 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 meeting will be on January 22. 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.



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 \$10 each or two for \$15!

Mass Intentions

For the Week of 1/17/15 to 1/24/15

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Terry Kirchheiner INT

Sunday:

*7:30 a.m.: Peter R. Santoso INT

7:30 a.m.: Parishioners

9:00 a.m.: Gian Carlo Moretti RIP

11:00 a.m.: Pedro De Villa RIP

1:00 p.m. (Latin): Elena Grant Cahir RIP

5:00 p.m.: Elaine Wood Nonno RIP

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Teddy Yang INT

*7:30 a.m.: Ann Meade Whalen RIP

8:00 a.m.: Phoebe Homans RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Injo Tek Hok RIP

*7:30 a.m.: In Thanksgiving

8:00 a.m.: Edison De Villa INT

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Nicolas & Christina Yang INT

*7:30 a.m.: Exuperto Tejero RIP

8:00 a.m.: Thy Tran INT

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Flora & John Santoso INT

*7:30 a.m.: David Singh INT

8:00 a.m.: Lorraine Grant RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Antonia Francisco INT

*7:30 a.m.: Xavier Singh INT

8:00 a.m.: Belen Juarez RIP

Saturday:

6:00 a.m. Huo Chen Yu Mei & Huo Kuo Shung RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community

8:00 a.m.: Rodolfo Pinetta 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 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.

Lectors

Saturday:

5:00 p.m. Charitt Torres / Lucy Lopez

Sunday:

7:30 a.m. Blanca Ruvalcaba / Aurora Dolores

9:00 a.m. Jim Raney / Rosa Natividad

11:00 a.m. Andy Zepeda / Ignacio Verduzco

5:00 p.m. Vickie Blair / Gil Vargas

Floral Dedication

This week's floral dedications are:

In Honor of
Keenan & Lora Afram,
married on January 17
at St. Therese Church

And

In Loving Memory of
Fr. Richard Mandoli, 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.

Deaths

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Death leaves a heartache
No one can heal.
Love leaves a memory
No one can steal.

- † Anthony Ponce
- † Adam Cortinas
- † Mario Caruso
- † Elsie Apocada
- † Angelina Velano

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). Price reduced to \$4,170 each (dbl occ), includes airfare, lodging, 14 b'fasts/dinners, and 13 lunches. **SPACE IS LIMITED!** Contact Angela Yang, Avenue of Travel, at 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 rememberto1@sbcglobal.net

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NEW CATHOLIC TALK RADIO STATION! Immaculate Heart Radio KHJ 930AM. Check it out!

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