

Saint Therese Church

May 14, 2017

Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars Established 1924

www.StThereseChurchAlhambra.org

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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 (222) **Associate Pastors:** Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD (232)
and Fr. Charles Nawodylo, OCD (224) **In Residence:** Fr. Albert Bunsic, OCD

Deacon Couple: Deacon Joe & Lorraine Mizerski (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 Coordinator: Mary Putman
MerryPage@gmail.com or (760) 844-2725

Other Programs:

-Annulments:

Deacon Joe & Lorraine Mizerski (333)

-Avila Young Adult Group:

Paula Grimm (909) 703-1284

-Bible Study: Debbie Robles 679-6370

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

-Intercessors Prayer Group:

Blanca Ruvalcaba 281-7070

-Irish Step Dance Class: Kelly Mohun,

(805) 421-7548 / 1stkdcc@gmail.com

*Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight

Mike Stauffer (310) 916-8419

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

-Natural Family Planning:

Jack & Katrina Crow 292-1906

-OCDS: Stan Interrante 714-996-4164

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

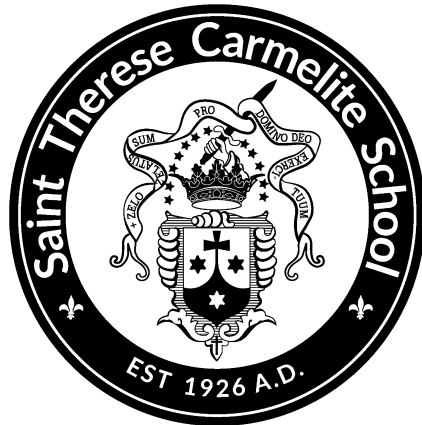
Magda Contreras (213) 300-7776

-Silver Legacy for Grandparents:

1st Mon., 7 pm; Susana Martinez 289-9362

-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 All-Night Vigil: 7:30 p.m.

St. Therese Carmelite School:

289-3364 - Principal: Alma Cornejo (661)

stprincipalcornejo@gmail.com

Web: SaintThereseCarmeliteSchool.com

Parish Secretary:

Denise McMaster-Holguin (223)

denisekay@hotmail.com

Finance: Noralyn Cailan (228)

Choir Directors:

9:00am: Marcia Martinez-Bateman
(775) 771-4992

11:00am: Charlotte Lansberg
cjlansberg@choochoorecords.com

Respect Life Ministry / Vox Vitae:

Catherine Contreras (112)

Altar Ministries:

Fr. Charles Nawodylo OCD (224)

Ministry to the Sick:

Fred & Margaret Padilla (626) 282-0943

Religious Education & RCIA:

Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (1)

rhondalstorey@gmail.com

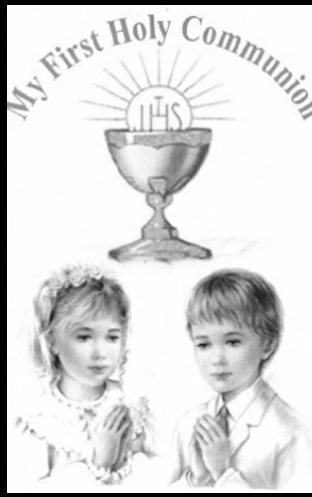
Youth & Adult Confirmation

Ruben Beltran 284-0020 (2)

rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com

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.



Why A Child's First Holy Communion Is A Big Deal By Whitney Hetzel

As Catholics, we know that the Eucharist is the Source and Summit of our faith: it is the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. "The Eucharist is at the heart of 'Christian initiation,' together with Baptism and Confirmation, and it constitutes the source of the Church's life itself. From this Sacrament of love, in fact, flows every authentic journey of faith, of communion, and of witness."

For children who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion, this is a big deal. And for all of us, no matter how many times we have received Our Lord in the Holy Eucharist, **it should always be a big deal.** What makes it so special the first time is the same thing that makes it special every time! Jesus comes to us Catholics in a unique way in the Eucharist. When He comes, we receive Him into our body and our soul. This is very beautiful, personal, and intimate. We should not take it for granted! This is why the first time a family member makes his or her Holy Communion, it is an exciting event for the whole family. The children preparing for this Sacrament are going to be profoundly united with Jesus in a way that they never have before! It is such a holy, joyful occasion. Our souls become the

Bride of Christ. That is why girls wear white dresses and boys wear suits. Relatives are invited. Parents take pictures. We celebrate. **And the very act of celebrating reveals our belief in the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.**

Fr. Roger Landry says, "...what makes one's first Communion a truly blessed event is not the adjective but the substantive: not the 'first' but the 'communion.' **Because of Whom we receive, the second, third, next, and last Communion should always be as special.**" Unfortunately, for many of us Catholics, First Holy Communion has become simply a right of passage. The essence of the celebration is lost among the parties and gifts. "Parties and gifts are fine," says one priest, "as long as the focus never strays from what the celebration is truly about." **First Holy Communion is, without question, a time of great joy.** The saints in heaven, who are delighted to intercede for us, are celebrating along with your family.

"You come to me," says Saint Maximilian Kolbe to Jesus, speaking for all of us, "and unite Yourself intimately to me under the form of nourishment....What miracles! Who would have ever imagined such!" St. Mother Teresa also has words for us: "Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. **If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist...**" Yes, the celebration of a child's First Holy Communion IS a big deal. Just as our last Communion in the Sacrament of the Sick is, too! It is also why people have died for it and are celebrated as martyrs today. **St. Therese Church has already had two First Communion celebrations (May 6 and 13) and will celebrate a third this coming Saturday, May 20.**

God bless all our children!

RENOVATION

of the Parish Center Rooms and the Addition of a Patio

Please help us recover the cost of the renovation of the Parish Meeting Room and the addition of an outdoor patio (the details of the costs are shown to the left). Many of our Parish groups use this space, which means, of course, many parishioners use it (Bible Study, Knights of Columbus, Legion of Mary Curia / Discussion Group, Secular Carmelites, Religious Education, Confirmation, St. Therese Carmelite School, RCIA, Irish Dancing class on occasion, Catholic Tradition Talk, etc.)



Thank you to those who have already contributed. If you can help with this renovation project, we would be very appreciative (please write "PMR Renovation" on any checks).

72" Large-Screen TV	\$ 2,500
New Tables.....	\$ 4,056
New Vinyl Flooring.....	\$ 1,936
Carpeting.....	\$ 2,400
Patio Doors.....	\$ 1,342
New Paint	\$ 1,500
TOTAL.....	\$13,734
Donations to date.....	\$ 8,130
Still Needed.....	\$ 5,604

Saint Therese Carmelite School GOLF TOURNAMENT

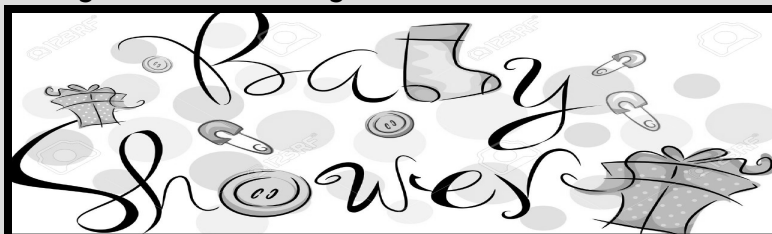


Join Fr. Charles and many of our golfers for the Saint Therese Carmelite School Golf Tournament & Dinner **THIS FRIDAY, MAY 19**, at Brookside Golf & Country Club in Pasadena. It will begin with the Golf Tournament (Shotgun Start at 2:00 p.m.), followed by a Dinner at the Country Club. During the evening, there will be both a Raffle and a Silent Auction. The fee is \$150 per golfer (including green fees, cart, and dinner). **For non-golfers, it will be \$50 for the Dinner only.** RSVP at the school's website:



GPS-Guadalupe Pregnancy Services MOTHER'S DAY BABY BOTTLE PROJECT and BABY SHOWER

GPS Volunteers will be at all the Masses this weekend, **May 13 and 14**, to distribute Baby Bottles. Please take one and use it like a piggy bank to collect coins, cash, or checks. The filled Baby Bottles will be collected on the weekend of May 27-28. Your donations will help support our services (parenting and personal development and spiritual enrichment programs). *Every Bottle Counts in helping mothers and their babies!* **THIS WEEKEND**, please bring a Baby Shower gift for Baby and Mom (suggestions are below) and place in the crib outside the church this weekend or bring to the office during the week.



Needed for BABIES:

- Newborn Diapers
- Pull-ups Size 2T/3T
- Wipes
- Baby Shampoo and Wash
- Baby Lotion
- Desitin
- Cornstarch Baby Powder
- Q-Tips
- Sippy Cups
- Spoons/Forks
- Socks Boys/Girls (12 to 18 months)
- Wash Cloths
- Towels
- Toys

Needed for MOMS:

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Tooth Brush
- Lotion
- Face Moisturizer
- Feminine Napkins
- **Food Pantry Items:**
 - ◆ Baby Cereal
 - ◆ Canned Fruits and Vegetables
 - ◆ Rice / Beans
 - ◆ Snacks

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) IS COMING BACK! Tracking Mary: Mysteries & Messages

If you'd like to volunteer by serving on the CORE GROUP, we will have our first meeting **THIS MONTH, May 15 at 5:30 p.m.**, at the lunch benches



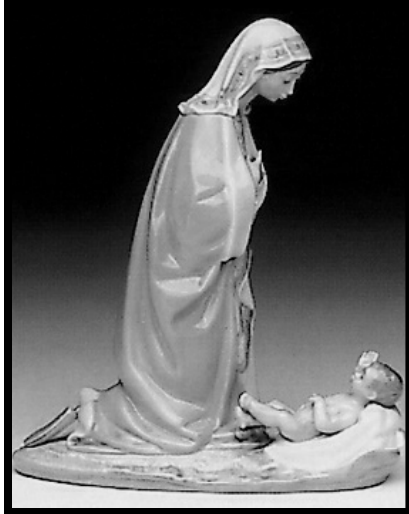
by the Hall. We are looking for volunteers from 8th Grade on up, including adults. We will do planning and make station assignments

VBS will be from July 24 to 28, from 9 am to 1 pm and is for Grades TK through 7th Grade. We will sing, play, eat snacks, explore, pray, and travel with Mary! We will learn about her apparitions as Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, as well as her appearances at Fatima, Guadalupe, Knock, and Lourdes. **\$30 per child.** Grades 6 & 7 will have a special Junior High Group with fun and engaging games and activities. Pre-K & Kindergarten Class is for those who are potty trained. They will have their own special room!

All participants need to bring their own bag lunch and water daily. 8th Grade and above can volunteer as crew leaders. \$15 per person for the t-shirts. This is also a great service hour opportunity!

For more info, contact Rhonda Storey, DRE, at 284-0020, ext 1, or rhondaLStorey@gmail.com.

RAFFLE of Lladro Figurine



LAST CHANCE! Today, Mother's Day, after the 5:00 p.m. Mass, the Cloistered Carmelite Auxiliary will draw the raffle ticket for a beautiful vintage Lladro figurine, "Holy Night," (mint condition, original box, with all documentation). Tickets are on sale in the Gift Shoppe after all the Masses.

YOU'RE INVITED TO CELEBRATE FATHER ALBERT BUNSIK'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Fr. Albert Bunsic will celebrate his 50th year as a priest on Saturday, June 3 (he was ordained June 3, 1967). To mark this very special day, we will celebrate a Mass at 5:00 p.m., followed by a dinner reception in the Hall.

RSVP! Call the office at (626) 282-2744 (223), or send an email to denisekay@hotmail.com. The first 200 people to RSVP will have a seat in the Hall. Those without a reservation may use the outdoor tables.

PHOTOS

If you have photos you have taken with Fr. Albert, please submit them to the office with names and dates. We will scan them and return them to you.

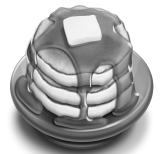


MASTER CALENDAR PLANNING MEETING

FOR MEETINGS/EVENTS TO BE HELD BETWEEN JULY–DECEMBER 2017: All groups and ministries in the parish who plan to use any of our conference or meeting rooms, the Parish Hall, etc., during the above dates **MUST send a representative to this meeting** in order to schedule your upcoming events, meetings, etc. The meeting will take place on **Monday, June 5, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Meeting Room. If you have any questions, please contact Rhonda Storey at 284-0020 (225).

SAVE THE DATE! PANCAKE BREAKFAST ON JUNE 4!

The Knights of Columbus will serve after the 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m. Masses. All proceeds will go towards the renovation of the Parish Center.



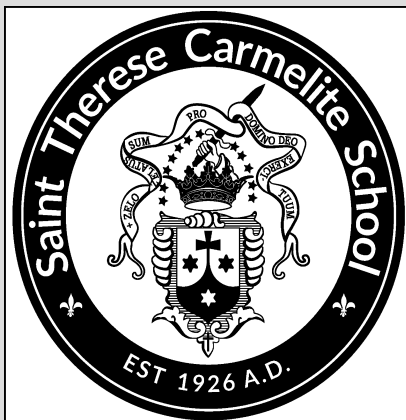
SAINT THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL



Deeply rooted in Carmelite spirituality, Saint Theresse Carmelite School seeks to

form students in faith, academics, and virtue through a Classical education.

"For me, prayer is an aspiration of the heart." -St. Theresse of Lisieux



- Friday, May 19: Mass at 8 am
- Friday, May 19: Golf Tournament at Brookside Golf Course at 2:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 26: Mass at 8:00 a.m.
- Friday, May 26: "Walk Through the Ancient World"
- Monday, May 29: Memorial Day, No School

Applications are being accepted for the 2017-2018 school year. Open Enrollment will continue through June. Reserve your child's spot as soon as possible. We encourage you to visit the school office to learn more about our wonderful school, to take a tour, or to spend a day with our amazing students and teachers.

Please feel free to contact us at 289-3364 or admin@sainttheressecarmeliteschool.com.



Happy Mother's Day!



Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless all the mothers of St. Therese Parish, that they may be strengthened in their vocations. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

El Carmelo Men's Silent Retreat Documentary Film on Forgiveness

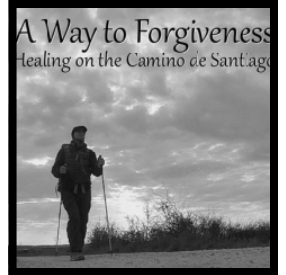
June 2-4, 2017



The Carmelite Friars of El Carmelo Retreat House invite the men of St. Therese Parish to the Annual Men's Retreat from **June 2 through 4**. A \$50 non-refundable deposit (check or money order made out to El

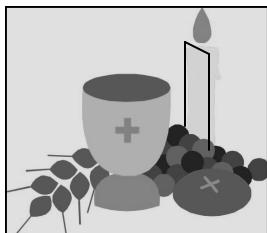
Carmelo) is required to reserve your room. The retreat includes private bath, family-style meals, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Stations of the Cross, Holy Mass, and daily Conferences on the beautiful ground of El Carmelo in Redlands. For more information, call Jack Day, at (323)722-9339. Registration forms can be found in the vestibule and church entrances.

THIS FRIDAY, MAY 19, all are invited to the Hall to explore the topic of forgiveness at a film screening event. The film follows parishioner Erin Dooley along the Camino de Santiago, a religious pilgrimage in northern Spain, as she tries to forgive. Following the screening, the filmmaker will give a talk on forgiveness and host a Q&A session, followed by time for small group discussions. **The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m., and the cost of the event is \$10; tickets will be available at the door.**



For more info, visit www.awaytoforgiveness.weebly.com or contact Erin Dooley at (630) 212-0908/ dashentertainment@mail.com.

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS ED (STRE) & YOUTH CONFIRMATION



Elementary Catechesis (STRE) Classes are in session on **Sunday, May 7**, from 9:00 to 10:45 a.m., including the 11:00 a.m. Mass. **FIRST COMMUNION:** Saturday, May 20 at 10 am, for STRE.

Confirmation—High School Teens (9th Grade through 12th Grade) in public and Catholic High Schools! **Upcoming class dates** for candidates, parents, and C-2 sponsors:

C1 (1st year): TODAY, Sunday, May 7, from 9:00 to 10:45 a.m., including the 11:00 a.m. Mass; AND Tuesday, May 9, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

C2 (2nd year): Sunday, May 21, from 9:00 to 10:45 a.m., including the 11:00 a.m. Mass; AND Tuesday, May 23, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

"GOING DEEPER" TO TAKE A "BREAK"

"GOING DEEPER," the adult education class held on Wednesday evenings will be taking a break due to Leo's work schedule!

This Wednesday, May 17 (7:30 p.m. in the Hall), will be the LAST class until sometime in the Fall of 2017 (to be announced later).

See you then!



FATIMA PRAYER PETITIONS Centenary Year 2017



You may place your prayer petitions in the box located in the church vestibule. These prayer petitions will be offered at daily Mass during the Fatima Centenary Pilgrimage from June 7 through 15. Fr. Robert Elias Barcelos O.C.D., the pilgrimage chaplain, will then leave these petitions at the Sanctuary Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, Portugal. For more

information, contact Louisa Day at (323) 360-5186.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

May God reward you!

May 6 / 7, 2017



Unrestricted.....	\$15,739.00
Restricted	\$ 1,948 .00
T O T A L	\$17,687.00

April 8 / 9.....	\$23,733.00
April 15 / 16.....	\$24,218.00
April 22 / 23.....	\$15,155.00
April 29 / 30.....	\$14,669.00

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

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 social events. For more information, contact Paula at (909) 703-1284 or pgrimm.dir@gmail.com.

BIBLE STUDY: Join us Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. as we study the Psalms. Following time for gathering, each session will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. For more info about these sessions, visit www.AscensionPress.com, or contact Debbie Robles at debrobles@me.com or 679-6370.

COURAGE: Standing fully by the teachings of the Church, this group of faithful Catholic parents support one another and their loved ones who have same sex attraction (SSA). Safe, confidential meetings are held monthly in the LA Archdiocese. For more information, go to the website, www.CourageRC.org. PARENTS may email EnCourage.LosAngeles@Gmail.com; those with SSA may email CourageCaLosAngeles@Gmail.com.

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 May 24.

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. For more information, please contact Kelly at (805) 421-7548 or 1stkdoc@gmail.com.

LEGION OF MARY: Consider becoming a member of the Legion. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Offices (Lisieux Room). The object of the Legion is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active cooperation. Every legionary is required to carry out a weekly apostolic work in the spirit of faith and in union with Mary.

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.

SILVER LEGACY: Grandparents are invited to discover how to support and assist their children with their own families. Meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the FIRST MONDAY of each month in the Parent Service Association Room of the school classroom building (last room on the lower level—across from the south side of the Parish Hall). For more info, call Susana Martinez at 289- 9362. Next meeting is Monday, June 5.

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.

Get involved.



Mass Intentions

For Week of 5/13/17 TO 5/20/17

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Bernabe & Maria Agapito, RIP

Sunday:

*7:30 a.m.: Parishioners

7:30 a.m.: Theresa Lim & Lim Ah Wee, RIP

9:00 a.m.: Elena & Socorro Bejar, RIP

11:00 a.m.: Connie Salazar & Esther Caballero, INT

1:00 p.m. (Latin): Roman Aquino, RIP

5:00 p.m.: Madeline Purdy, RIP

Monday:

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

*7:30 a.m.: John Catalano, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Mary DeSantis, RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Mr. and Mrs. Priscilla Espinosa, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 2

8:00 a.m.: Rainer & Arthur Gatch, RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Alvin & Anthony Cailan, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Indimar Acosta, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 3

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 4

*7:30 a.m.: Bart Whittmer, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Maria Hernandez, INT

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Joseph Dampf, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Mother's Day Novena 5

8:00 a.m.: Charles and Alice Hunt, INT

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Tai-Seng, Yu-Mei, Kuo Shang Wo, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community

8:00 a.m.: Larry Hoh, RIP

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

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR MAY:

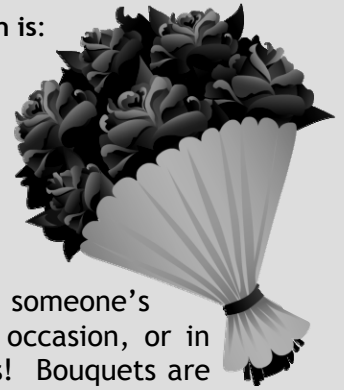


That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

Floral Dedication

This week's dedication is:

*† In Loving
Memory of
Giancarlo
Moretti*



Make a dedication in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of loved ones! Bouquets are \$45 plus. Call Giovanna at 281-9049.

Outside the Parish

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE JUNE 25 - JULY 6, with Fr. Darrin Merlino, CMF, & Fr. Gaspar Masilamani, CMF, to Nazareth, Caesarea, Bethlehem, Capernaum, Galilee, Cana, Bethany, Jerusalem, etc. \$3,999, Dbl. occ. Includes daily Mass, direct flights from LAX, fabulous hotels, breakfasts/dinners, airport taxes, entrance fees. Contact Albert and Mary Helen Estrada at 285-6687.

Deaths

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

✠ Emma Landberg

(Sister of Helen Courson)

Lectors

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.

Rebeca Willis / Marta Timar

Sunday:

7:30 a.m.

Lily Edusma / Jackie Johnson

9:00 a.m.

Jeff Storey / Lorraine Mizerski

11:00 a.m.

Lucy Lopez / Sarah Halpin

5:00 p.m.

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