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Saint Therese Church

April 19, 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 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 / pgrimm.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** **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** - Continuous, day and night. Sign up for an hour of adoration and pray for vocations. **Coordinator:** Ruben Beltran – 284-0020 (2)

Third Sunday of Easter - April 19, 2015

You alone, O Lord, bring security to my dwelling. —Psalm 4:9

CATECHESIS Q & A: DEEPENING OUR KNOWLEDGE

HOW DO WE PARTICIPATE IN THE PASCHAL MYSTERY?

By Saint Mary's Press - Living in Christ Series (Submitted by Rhonda Storey, Director of Religious Education)

The Paschal Mystery is not just about our own salvation; it also calls us to continue Christ's mission, inviting other people to know God's saving power. Consider the Ascension, the final event in the Paschal Mystery definition. Christ's Ascension marks the beginning of the mission of the Church. At His Ascension, Christ gives the Apostles their mission: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19–20). Soon after this, the Apostles receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit, empowering them for this mission. **Individual Christians participate in the Paschal Mystery through their own sacrifices and through the sacramental life of the Church.**



Christ Himself set the foundation for uniting our sacrifices with His for the sake of our salvation and for the salvation of others. He instructs His disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it" (Matthew 16:24–25). After we have been redeemed through our Baptism, we want to share the Gospel with others, even though doing so often requires some form of sacrifice. We might need to sacrifice comfort, popularity, or personal freedom. Or our sacrifice might be the pain of being rejected, misunderstood, or even tortured for speaking the truth and acting on it. The Church holds martyrs as exemplars of the Paschal Mystery because of the high price they paid in following Christ. **We endure these sacrifices not on our own power, but by seeing them as extensions of Christ's Passion.** In prayer we consciously unite our sacrifices—even the suffering we do not choose, such as the suffering caused by illness or accidents—with Christ's Passion and death.

There is a fine distinction to be made here. Taking up our cross does not mean that we earn our own salvation; that work is Christ's alone. However, our willingness to endure suffering and even death to continue Christ's mission earns us merit in the sight of God. We avoid egoism and give God His rightful glory by remembering that we can take up our cross only because God first reaches out to us and gives us the needed strength to do so. The sacramental life of the Church is the superlative source for experiencing God's saving power and receiving the grace necessary to continue Christ's mission. In the **Sacrament of Baptism** we are redeemed from our slavery to sin, and our original justice is restored. In the **Sacrament of Confirmation** we receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit to continue Christ's saving mission. In the **Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation**, we are again freed from slavery to sin when sin reenters our lives. In the **Sacraments of Matrimony and Holy Orders**, we receive the graces needed to continue Christ's mission of salvation in family life or as an ordained minister of the Church. And in the **Sacrament of Anointing** of the Sick, we receive God's healing power and the grace to unite our suffering with Christ's Passion.

The **Sacrament of the Eucharist** has a special place in our participation in the Paschal Mystery. In the Eucharist we receive Christ's Body and Blood, the same Body and Blood that was broken and poured out to redeem us. We receive the same Christ who was raised as the promise of our own eternal life with God. Our hearing of the Word of God and our reception of the Eucharist is both the sign and the reality of our full communion with God. The Eucharist makes Christ's Paschal Sacrifice present to us, so that we truly and actively participate in its saving power.

"La Dolce Vita,"

A Wine Tasting, Dinner and Dessert Spring Fund Raiser,

Hosted by GPS - Guadalupe Pregnancy Services

You are invited to this special event in the Hall this coming Saturday, April 25, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

TICKETS

...are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door (subject to availability). To purchase a ticket, call Louisa Day at 360-5186 or Ernie O'Connor at 445-4333.

Proceeds from admissions will support the free programs and services of the pregnancy center (counseling, education and resources to mothers).



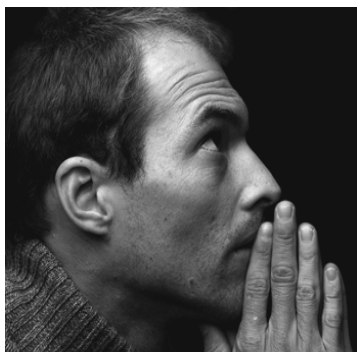
SILENT AUCTION

A Silent Auction will be included in this event. The proceeds from the Auction will benefit the Bus Fund for next year's Women's Parish Retreat to El Carmelo in Redlands.

If you would like to donate a prize (worth at least \$20), call one of the numbers to the left.

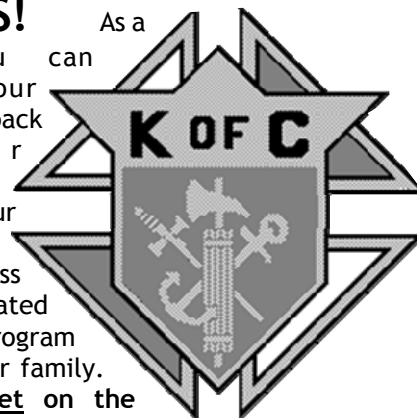
EL CARMELO MEN'S RETREAT COMING IN MAY:

Come join the Men of St. Therese Parish on the weekend of **May 29, 30, and 31**, for our Annual Men's Retreat. The Theme of the retreat will be "Family: Today and in our Catholic Tradition" and it will be conducted by the Carmelite Fathers at El Carmelo Retreat House in Redlands. We have a great retreat Team: Fr. Adam Gonzales, OCD, Fr. Raymond Bueno, OCD, and Brother Jason Parrot OCD. The rate for the weekend retreat is \$170 (shared room) or \$195 (single room) which includes a private bath, family-style meals, and an atmosphere of peace and tranquility. The retreat also includes the Sacraments, Conferences, private consultations, etc. A non-refundable \$50 deposit (check or money order made out to El Carmelo) is required to reserve your room. For reservations and/or information, contact Jack Day at (323) 722-9339 or Dean Tweedy at 712-3452.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: MEN! CONSIDER BECOMING KNIGHTS!

As a Knight, 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.

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION

Today we heard how two of Christ's disciples were so depressed by His death that they were giving up all interest in their dead Master and were returning home at the first opportunity. Even the Apostles may have left Jerusalem that Sunday were it not for Mary Magdalene telling them that Christ's body had been taken from the tomb. When the risen Christ appeared to the ten Apostles (Thomas was absent), they thought He was a ghost, so far were their thoughts from a possible resurrection. When the truth sank into their minds, however, they became changed men. We are fortunate to have the written accounts of the four Evangelists, as well as the exceptional witness of St. Paul whose radical change of life can have only one explanation: he saw the risen Christ on the road to Damascus. A more important point for consideration today is what this resurrection means to us. "If Christ has not risen," says St. Paul (1 Cor. 15:17), "vain is your faith, for you are still in your sins." But "Christ has risen from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep." Our faith then is not in vain, for the Founder and foundation of our faith is the Word of God who cannot deceive or be deceived, and His resurrection is the guarantee of our own resurrection.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

STRE: The next classes will be next Sunday, April 26 (final formal classes).

On Saturday, April 18, the 2nd-year Eucharist students will attend a **RETREAT/WORKSHOP** in the Hall and church with their parents (from Noon to 5:00 p.m., followed by attendance of the 5:00 p.m. Mass, at which they will celebrate their Rite of Covenant and blessing).

RCIA Adult Faith Formation

The next classes will be Thursdays, April 23 and 30, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. (Adult Confirmation students should also attend).

CONFIRMATION

CONFIRMATION FOR YOUTH

THIS MONDAY, APRIL 20, at 7:00 p.m., JESSE ROMERO will be in the Hall to speak about the errors of RELATIVISM. All Parents of Confirmation Students are **REQUIRED** to attend (free admission for them). (See page Six for more information.)

The next classes are today, Sunday, April 19, and next Sunday, April 26.

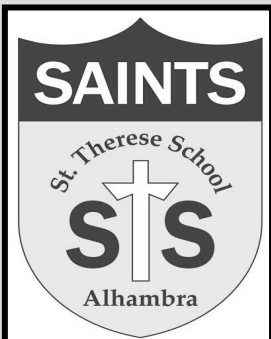
Your Journey Begins at St. Therese



SAINT THERESE SCHOOL

...Proud to be a Community of Faith, Knowledge, and Service!

"When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now." —Blessed Mother Teresa



- Family Mass today, April 19, at 9:00 a.m.
- First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 2
- No School on Memorial Day, May 25
- Spirit Week Festivities from May 26 to 29
- Ongoing New Student Registration for TK - 8th Grade
- Ongoing Student Guest Program - Your child can experience a day at school!
- Ongoing Collection of Non-Perishable Food for our Christian Services Pantry
- Ongoing Collection of Box Tops for Education



We encourage you to visit the school office or our website at www.stthereseschoolalhambra.org for important information and updates. Please feel free to contact our Principal, Mrs. Carmela Lovano, by phone at 289-3364 or by email at clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org to schedule a tour. We look forward to hearing from you!

THE PRESENTATION CHAPEL OF PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



"Upon reception of the Communion Host, we are in Christ and Christ is truly within us, and we have all power over the enemy. As one of the documents from Vatican II proclaimed: 'From this it follows that every liturgical celebration, because it is an action of Christ the Priest, is a sacred action surpassing all others. Grace is poured forth upon us as from a fountain, and our sanctification in Christ and the glorification of God are achieved with maximum effectiveness.'"
- M. Brown, *Secrets of the Eucharist*

BECOME A COMMITTED ADORER: If you would like 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) to sign up.

ELECTRONIC KEY: Also, if you come to the Chapel between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., you will need to register for an electronic key (\$20 fee) as the chapel will be locked during those hours (it is **NOT** locked during the day). Please call Ruben Beltran at 284-0020 (2).


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.

GUADALUPE PREGNANCY SERVICES

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@gmail.com.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

May God reward you!

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

April 11 / 12, 2015

Unrestricted.....\$13,425.00
Restricted \$ 597.00
T O T A L\$14,022.00

March 14 / 15\$14,116.00
March 21 / 22\$12,537.00
March 28 / 29\$14,116.00
April 4 / 5.....\$129,015.00

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

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN— “DID YOU KNOW?”

Administrative Handbook for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles: For the first time, the Archdiocese has a Handbook that integrates a wide range of pre-existing resources, guides, manuals and other publications to offer a single comprehensive source of information on archdiocesan administrative policies and procedures. This new resource also includes Chapter 9, a special section which provides detailed information about all of the Safe Environment policies, procedures, programs, forms and other resources utilized by the archdiocese of the protection of our children and young people. Go to: <http://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/chapter-9/section-9-1>.



“WORD OF LIFE” Quote of the Week:

"Abortion is not just a sin against life. It is a sin against hope... Not only is that mother called to trust, but it is you and I who are called to encourage her."

-Fr. Frank Pavone



THIS MONDAY: NATIONAL SPEAKER **JESSE ROMERO TO SPEAK ON RELATIVISM**

Everyone is invited to hear this talk on Monday, April 20, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Parish Hall. Admission is \$10 per person.

Parents of Confirmation students are REQUIRED to attend, and admission for them is free.



WHAT IS RELATIVISM?

It is the false belief that there is no universal, absolute truth, but that truth differs from person to person and from culture to culture. In other words, those who believe in Relativism think that truth is relative to what each person or culture thinks.



NFP CLASSES: Do you know that Natural Family Planning can be used to achieve or postpone a pregnancy? It can also be used to diagnose and treat various women's health issues like repetitive miscarriage, infertility, PMS, post-partum depression, painful cycles, and so much more! Our next Introductory Session will be Saturday, May 16, at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Offices. For more information, contact Katrina Crow at 292-1906 or Katrina.fcp@gmail.com or Martha Lacayo at 372-0808.

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 dates are May 5, June 2, and July 6). The fee is \$100 per child OR \$25 for the class only. Your child will then be baptized on a Saturday (next open Baptisms are on May 23, June 20, and July 25—at Noon each date).

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 on April 22. 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). The next meeting will be on April 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.



Mass Intentions

For the Week of 4/18/15 to 4/25/15



Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Carmen Chavez RIP

Sunday

*7:30 a.m.: Huong Tran INT
 8:30 a.m.: Parishioners of St. Therese
 9:00 a.m.: Bill & Rosie Francisco INT
 11:00 a.m.: Eli Ayuso RIP
 1:00 p.m. (Latin): Sinh & Dep Tran RIP
 5:00 p.m.: Virginia Ohanesian RIP

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Barney Johansing RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: Joan Schaefer RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Mary Stites RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Shelia Sutton INT
 *7:30 a.m.: Paul Hoffman Family INT
 8:00 a.m.: Samra Emond RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Richard Baumann RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: Theresa Flagstad RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Thomas Chang RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Matthew Ng INT
 *7:30 a.m.: Joseph Dampf RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Robert Philipp Sweeney RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Lois Johnson 90th B-day INT
 *7:30 a.m.: Theresa Flagstad RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Sheny Lopez INT

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Matea Miranda RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community
 8:00 a.m.: Huo ChenYuMei, Huo KuoShung



*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 April 2015:

1) That people may learn to respect creation and care for it as a gift of God; and 2) That persecuted Christians may feel the consoling presence of the Risen Lord and the solidarity of all the Church.

Lectors

Saturday:

5:00 p.m. Lorraine Mizerski / Rebeca Willis

Sunday:

7:30 a.m. Olivia Carnegie / Aurora Dolores
 9:00 a.m. Lily Edusma / Rosa Natividad
 11:00 a.m. Jeff Storey / Pat Cervantes
 5:00 p.m. Gil Vargas

Floral Dedication



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.

Personal Ads

HELP WANTED: Pt-time companion/caregiver for senior in North SG. Main duties: Light assistance with bathing, dressing, meals. Mon-Fri., approx. times: 6-9 am and/or 5-9 pm. Must provide multiple references. For more info, call 818-620-9629.

Deaths

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

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:
 † Mary Catherine Stites
 † So Tang

Outside the Parish

Pilgrimage to Fatima & Spain (with attendance at Teresian Int'l Mtg in Avila) with **FR. LEONEL VARELA AND 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.

EL CARMELO RETREAT HOUSE, operated by the Discalced Carmelite Friars, will receive a portion of the commission on any travel you book through their site: www.elcarmelotravel.com. Same low rates as other travel websites—AND help maintain the center. Also book hotels, cars, cruises, concerts, etc.

YOU CAN SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE! Feel alone? Frustrated or angry with your spouse? Have you stopped speaking to each other? Does talking only make it worse? Retrouvaille (retro-vee) has helped 1000's of couples experiencing problems. To register, call Jane and Pete Lauder at 714-871-5953. or email: lauderpj@yahoo.com.

If you have a relative with **Alzheimer's**, join our **Family Support Group** every 1st Friday at 6 p.m. at Vista Cove, 901 W. Santa Anita, SG. Call 289-8889.

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