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Saint Therese Church

May 3, 2015 Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars Established 1924

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

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)

Fifth Sunday of Easter - May 3, 2015

Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth. —1 John 3:18

CATECHESIS Q & A: DEEPENING OUR KNOWLEDGE

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO SOCIETY TO SAFEKEEP THE COVENANT OF MARRIAGE BETWEEN A MAN AND A WOMAN?

Pope Francis via Vatican Radio (Submitted by Rhonda Storey, Director of Religious Education)

At one of his recent general audiences, Pope Francis continued his catechesis on the family, focusing again on the complementary relationships of men and women. He commented on the second account of the creation of man in Genesis. The first man, Adam, is created “alone”—and God determines to make for him “a helper suited to him.” When the first woman is presented to the man, he recognizes in her “bone of my bone, and flesh of my flesh.” Finally there is a mirroring, a reciprocity. The Pope went on to say, “The woman is not a ‘replica’ of the man; she comes directly from the creative act of God. The image of the rib does not in any way express inferiority or subordination; but, on the contrary, that man and woman are of the same substance and are complementary.”



God is generous to the man and the woman, confiding the care of the earth to them. But, the Pope said, the “evil one” introduced “suspicion, disbelief, and mistrust” in their minds—and ultimately led them into the first sin: “Their sin generated distrust and division between the man and the woman, causing their relationship to be undermined by a thousand kinds of abuse and subjugation, of deceitful seduction and demeaning humiliations, up to the most dramatic and violent.” He also spoke about “the negative excesses of patriarchal cultures... the multiple forms of ‘machismo’... and the abuse and commodification of the female body in the current media culture.” But he also warned about “the recent epidemic of distrust, of skepticism, and even of hostility that is spreading throughout our culture—in particular, stemming from an understandable diffidence on the part of women—regarding a covenant between man and woman—at the same time achieving the intimacy of communion and the safeguarding of the dignity of difference.”

Pope Francis continued, “If we cannot generate sympathy for the covenant between men and women, children will be increasingly uprooted. The social devaluation of the stable and generative covenant of the man and of the woman is certainly a loss for everyone. We must recover the honor of marriage and the family. The safekeeping of this covenant between man and woman is for us believers, therefore, a challenging and exciting vocation in today’s world.”

The Pope concluded his catechesis with the image from Genesis of God clothing Adam and Eve after their sin: “It is an image of tenderness towards the sinful couple that leaves us open-mouthed with wonder. It is an image of paternal safeguarding of the human couple. God Himself cures and protects His masterpiece.”

A Brief Summary of the Pope’s Catechesis: Continuing our catechesis on the family, we recall God’s creation of man from the ground. He is placed in the garden, where he is to care for creation. Yet God sees that man is alone, and so he creates woman, someone complementary with whom man can share his life. Man and woman are created to live a life of reciprocity, to enter into a covenant together. Yet sin introduces discord into their relationship, lack of trust and suspicion. We see throughout history the fruit of this sin, especially towards women—oppression, violence and exploitation. Most recently, this mistrust and skepticism has led our culture to disregard the marriage covenant between a man and a woman, that covenant which deepens communion and safeguards the dignity of their uniqueness. When the stable and fruitful covenant between a man and a woman is devalued by society, it is a loss for everyone, especially the young. For all our sins and weaknesses, our vocation is to care for the covenant of marriage. It is a vital and energizing vocation, through which we cooperate with our Heavenly Father, who Himself always cares for and protects this great gift.



ST. THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL ... ENROLL NOW! *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, Physical Education and Computer Skills
- Religious Education provided by the Carmelite Friars, in collaboration with the Carmelite Sisters of the

Sacred Heart of Los Angeles

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS



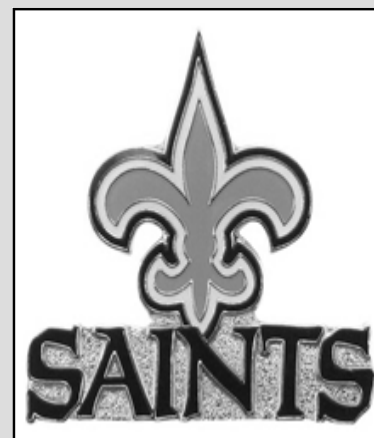
DIVIDENDS FOR LIFE

- Carmelite Spirituality, with an emphasis on the Carmelite saints
- Full-time Carmelite chaplain (Fr. Leonel Varela)
- Classical Components to our academic curriculum
- Rigorous academic schedule
- Small class sizes
- Before- and After-School Daycare

For more information, email the new principal, Mrs. Alma Cornejo, at stsprincipalcornejo@gmail.com.

UPCOMING & ONGOING EVENTS AT THE SCHOOL

- First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 2, at 11:30 a.m.
- STS Family Mass & May Crowning on Sunday, May 3, at 9:00 a.m.
- Spirit Day and Food Drive for the STC Pantry on Friday, May 8
- No School on Memorial Day on Monday, May 25
- Spirit Week Festivities from May 26 to 29 (Tuesday-Friday)
- 8th Grade Retreat on Thursday, June 4
- Spirit Day and Food Drive for STC Pantry on Friday, June 5
- Buddy Picnic (TK/K and 8th Grade) on Monday, June 8
- 8th Grade Farewell Assembly on Tuesday, June 9
- All School Mass on Thursday, June 11, at 10:00 a.m.
- 8th Grade Graduation on Friday, June 12
- All School Picnic on Tuesday, June 16
- All School Mass & Last Day of School on Thursday, June 18
- 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





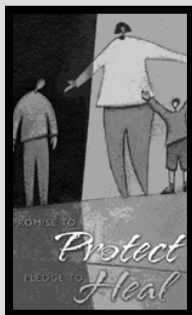
DISCALCED CARMELITE NUN, BLESSED MARIAM OF JESUS CRUCIFIED, OCD,

(Known as "The Little Arab" ~ 1846-1878)

Will be canonized in Rome on May 17, 2015

*Holy Spirit, inspire me.
Love of God, consume me.
Along the true road, lead me.
Mary my Mother, look upon me.
With Jesus, bless me.
From all evil, from all illusion,
from all danger, preserve me.
--Prayer of Bl. Sr. Mariam of Jesus Crucified*

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN—DID YOU KNOW?



Adults are responsible for reporting abuse - When any adult has reason to suspect that a child is being or has been abused, he or she has a moral (and often legal) responsibility to report suspicions to civil authorities. Reporting suspected abuse takes courage.

Adults who take a stand for children and make the call are often responsible for saving a child from terrible torment. Learn more about how to identify and report suspected abuse by reading chapter 9.8.1 of the Administrative Handbook for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. Go to: <http://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/chapter-9/section-9-8/topic-9-8-1>

GUADALUPE 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@ymail.com.

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.



EL CARMELO MEN'S RETREAT

COMING IN MAY: Come join us on of May 29, 30, and 31, for our Annual Retreat. The Theme will be *"Family: Today and in our Catholic Tradition"* and will be conducted by the Carmelite Fathers at El Carmelo Retreat House in Redlands. The rate for the weekend retreat is \$170 (shared room) or \$195 (single room) which includes a private bath, meals, and 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.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

May God reward you!
Below you will find the total collections for last weekend and for the previous four weekends.

April 25 / 26, 2015

Unrestricted.....	\$11,095.00
Restricted	\$ 592.00
T O T A L	\$11,687.00

March 28 / 29	\$14,116.00
April 4 / 5.....	\$12,015.00
April 11 / 12.....	\$14,022.00
April 18 / 19.....	\$15,208.00

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

STRE: Congratulations to all our First Communicants, who received for the first time on Saturday, May 2! God bless you all!

Students and families: Come to the Hall after today's 9:00 a.m. Mass for a celebration and to receive your certificates!

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

CONFIRMATION

FINAL CLASSES for this year are today, May 3, and on May 17.

Your Journey
Begins at
St. Therese
Church



WORD OF LIFE QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"Whoever refuses to defend a conceived but unborn person is committing a serious violation of moral order. The death of an innocent can never be legitimized. To do so is to undermine the basis of society." -Emeritus Pope Benedict to Spain's Conference of Catholic Bishops, January 10, 2012



PRESENTATION CHAPEL OF PERPETUAL ADORATION

"Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is our Lady's 'Peace Plan.' I am absolutely certain that through Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, peace will come to our country and to the whole world. When we do on earth what is done in heaven, adore God perpetually, then there will be 'a new heaven and a new earth.' The only name, the only power, the only love that will bring an everlasting peace on the face of the earth, is The Name, The Power, and The Love of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament."

- Rev. Msgr. Josefino S. Ramirez

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, the Chapel is locked between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. To go there in those hours, you will need to register for a key (\$20 fee) Please call Ruben Beltran at 284-0020 (2).

CATHOLIC TRADITION TALK:

The next Catholic Tradition Talk will be **Friday, May 8**, at 7:30 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room of the Parish Center (2nd floor). Live lecture—the topic will be announced at the meeting. All are welcome!

FAMILY VIDEO NIGHT

We invite everyone—especially families—to our next video night. It will be on **Saturday, May 9**, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room of the Parish Center (2nd floor). We have a **VERY SPECIAL MOVIE**, "UNCLE NINO," an excellent family film about bringing a too-busy modern family back together—thanks to the surprise visit of Uncle Nino from Italy. His schedule permitting, the star of the movie, Pierrino Mascarino, will be present to give us an insight about the movie.



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 (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

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.

NFP CLASSES: Natural Family Planning can be used to achieve or postpone a pregnancy; and 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.

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 meetings will be on **May 13 and 27**. 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 meetings will be on **May 14 and 28**. 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 5/2/15 to 5/9/15

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Bolivar Jordan RIP

Sunday

*7:30 a.m.: Christopher Tran INT
 7:30 a.m.: Exuperto Tejero RIP
 9:00 a.m.: Leslie & Jay Ribaya INT
 11:00 a.m.: Elide Ayuso RIP
 1:00 p.m. (Latin): Sinh Tran and Dep Tran RIP
 5:00 p.m.: Antonio Cailan INT

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Rita Cortez RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: Joseph & Paul Tassi RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Robert Philipp Sweeney RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Park Ho Soon Maria RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: John Chan RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Joy Ribaya INT

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Souls in Purgatory, esp FOSS members
 *7:30 a.m.: John Chan RIPP
 8:00 a.m.: Janessa Ribaya INT

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Kathleen Kelly RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: Giancarlo Moretti RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Fr. Albert Bunsic B-day INT

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Nicolas & Christina Yang INT
 *7:30 a.m.: Julia Munoz RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Martita Lopez INT

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Carmina & Julius Doria 4th Anniv INT
 *7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community
 8:00 a.m.: Magdalena Gomez 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 May 2015:

1) That, rejecting the culture of indifference, we may care for our neighbors who suffer, especially the sick and the poor; and 2) That Mary's intercession may help Christians in secularized cultures be ready to proclaim Jesus.

Lectors

Saturday:

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

Sunday:

7:30 a.m. Blanca Ruvalcaba / Flora Santoso
 9:00 a.m. Jim Raney / Rosa Natividad
 11:00 a.m. Lorraine Mizerski / Jeff Storey
 5:00 p.m. Gil Vargas / Heinrich Ranches

Floral Dedication

This week's Floral Dedication is:

In Loving Memory of
 Giancarlo Moretti



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

Please pray for the
 repose of the souls of:

† **Tony Brajkovich,**

long-time sacristan and parishioner
 (father of Maryanne Losorelli)
 Tony, who died on Sunday, April 26, will
 have his funeral services as follows:
Sunday, May 3, 7:00 pm: Vigil at St. Therese
Monday, May 4, 10:00 am: Funeral Mass

† **Beatriz Castro,**

Long-time parishioner
 (wife of Hector Castro)
 (February 8, 1935–April 21, 2015)
 (Funeral was on Thursday, April 30)

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.

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