



Saint Therese Church



June 5, 2016

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 (332) **Associate Pastor:** Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD (232)

In Residence: Fr. Albert Bunsic, OCD, and Deacon Bro. Charles Nawodylo, OCD **Deacon Couple:**

Deacon Joe & Lorraine Mizerski (333) **Vocations:** Carmelite: (909) 629-9495 - Archdiocese (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 (on the website) at least six months in advance.

Facilitator: Ruben Beltran at 284-0020 (2)

Other Ministries/ Programs:

*Annulments:

Deacon Joe & 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.

*Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight

Tom Quintana: (626) 863-7061

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

*Natural Family Planning:

Jack & Katrina Crow 292-1906

*OCDS: Stan Interrante 714-996-4164

*Respect Life Ministry:

Catherine Contreras (213) 435-3942

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

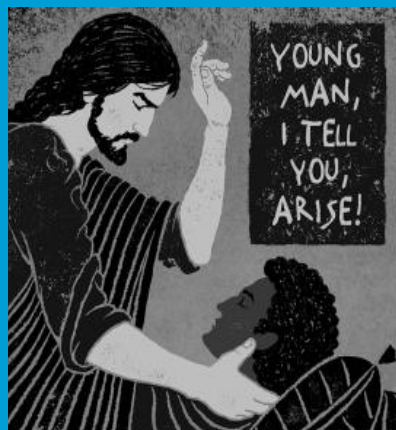
Magda Contreras (213) 300-7776

*St. Joseph Prayer Group: Wed,

6:15 p.m., Patricia Cervantes 260-2208

*Tea at Therese Women's Group:

Dara Barbosa (301)542-9701



You changed my mourning into dancing;
O LORD, my God, forever will I give
you thanks. -- Psalm 30:12, 13

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:

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Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (1)

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Ruben Beltran 284-0020 (2)

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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.

CATECHISM Q AND A: DEEPENING OUR KNOWLEDGE

"What are the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy?"



Since Pope Francis has declared the period from December 8, 2015, to November 20, 2016, to be a Year of Mercy, it is well to remember the teaching of the Church about the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. Mercy is said to be a virtue influencing one's will to have compassion for and, if possible, to alleviate another's misfortune. Practicing the works of mercy is extending God's compassion to those around us. Its motive is to alleviate the misery which one discerns in another, particularly in so far as this condition is deemed to be, in some sense at least, involuntary.

The Divine command is set forth in the most stringent terms by Christ, and the failure to comply with it is visited with the supreme penalty (Matthew 25:41): "Then He shall say to them, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire which was prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry, and you gave

me not to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave me not to drink. I was a stranger, and you took me not in; naked, and you covered me not; sick and in prison, and you did not visit me,'" etc. The Corporal Works of Mercy give us a model for how we should treat others in their physical needs, as if they were Christ Himself. They are charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their needs. They respond to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life. **The seven Corporal Works of Mercy are: To feed the hungry; to give drink to the thirsty; to clothe the naked; to shelter the homeless; to visit the sick; to visit the imprisoned; and to bury the dead.**

Since the Spiritual Works of Mercy also deal with distresses whose relief is even more imperative, the injunction must extend to them also. Including the plain references of Christ to such works as fraternal correction (Matthew 18:15) and the forgiveness of injuries (Matthew 6:14), the Spiritual Works of Mercy are also found in the teachings of Jesus. The Spiritual Works of Mercy have long been a part of the Christian tradition, appearing in the works of theologians and spiritual writers throughout history. Just as Jesus attended to the spiritual well-being of those He ministered to, these Spiritual Works of Mercy are acts of compassion which guide us to help our neighbor in their emotional and spiritual needs. **The seven Spiritual Works of Mercy are: To instruct the ignorant; to counsel the doubtful; to admonish sinners; to comfort the sorrowful; to bear wrongs patiently; to forgive offenses willingly; and to pray for the living and the dead.**

Though generally enjoined upon all the faithful, often, in particular cases, a given individual will not be obligated or even competent to perform three of the seven spiritual works of mercy, namely: instructing the ignorant, counseling the doubtful, and admonishing sinners. These works may generally require a superior level of authority or knowledge or an extraordinary amount of tact. The other four works (comforting the sorrowful, bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving offenses willingly, and praying for the living and the dead) are considered to be an obligation of all the faithful to practice unconditionally.

In sum, our Final Judgment will be based largely on love of God but manifested in our love for neighbor. Indeed, using the words of Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, "We must find Jesus present in the distressing disguise of the poor."

CHRIST HAS
NO BODY NOW,
BUT YOURS.
NO HANDS, NO FEET
ON EARTH, BUT YOURS.
YOURS ARE THE EYES
THROUGH WHICH CHRIST
LOOKS COMPASSION
INTO THE WORLD.
YOURS ARE THE FEET
WITH WHICH CHRIST
WALKS TO DO GOOD.
YOURS ARE THE HANDS
WITH WHICH CHRIST
BLESSES THE WORLD.

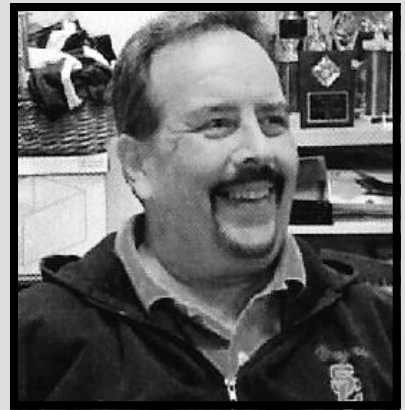
Memorial Mass for Ron Rivera, Former School Employee

*In
Loving
Memory
Of Ron Rivera*

Ronald M. Rivera, a long-time employee of St. Therese School, was born on June 25, 1950, in Los Angeles, and died on May 17, 2016. He was a dedicated employee of St. Therese School for twenty-nine years—until his retirement in 2013. During those years, he worked as the athletic director and coach, as well as the custodian and as a teacher’s assistant. He also volunteered to help in many other ways, including doing yard duty, cooking for the annual Grandparents’ Day lunch, and emceeding the school’s Halloween parade. Even after his retirement, he was a frequent visitor and volunteer.

Ron, who gained his inspiration from the students and staff of the school, was affectionately known as “Big Ron.” He was known for his sense of humor, his stentorian voice, his handiness with tools, and for being a “Jack-of-all-Trades.” Ron was one of those people who knew everybody’s name and everybody knew his. Not only that, but every year he would actually give nicknames to each of the kindergarten students—some of the names lasting all through the students’ school years.

A ROSARY AND MEMORIAL MASS will be held here at St. Therese Church this Tuesday evening, June 7th. The Rosary will be at 7:00 p.m., and the Mass at 7:30 p.m. A **RECEPTION** will follow in the Hall. All those who remember Ron and want to honor and pray for him are invited to attend. Please come ready to share your own “Big Ron” story at the reception.



SEEKING VOLUNTEER TEACHERS For 2016 / 2017



1ST COMMUNION CLASSES FOR PARENTS
and
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If you enjoy teaching and have the ability to “connect” with teens or adults, we are looking for you!

For more information about teaching **1ST COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASSES FOR PARENTS/ADULTS IN THE SUNDAY FAMILY PROGRAM**, contact Rhonda Storey, Director of Religious Education, at 284-0020 (225) OR rhondalstorey@gmail.com.

For more information about teaching **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES FOR HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH**, contact Ruben Beltran, the Confirmation Coordinator, at 284-0020 (235) OR rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com.

ORDINATION... of Bro. Charles Nawodylo, OCD



All parishioners are invited to attend the ordination to the priesthood of Deacon Brother Charles of Jesus and Mary, O.C.D.

The ordination will take place in the church on **Saturday, June 18, at 10:00 a.m.**, followed by a reception in the Hall.

Please join us in this celebration and pray that this day will be the beginning of a very holy priesthood.

MASTER CALENDAR PLANNING MEETING

The semi-annual Master Calendar Planning Meeting—for all events taking place in the church or in any of the meeting areas of the church from July



through December—will take place in the **Parish Library THIS MONDAY, June 6, at 7:00 p.m.**

All ministries, groups, and organizations planning any event during the above time period need to send a representative to this meeting.

For any questions, please call the DRE, Rhonda Storey, at 284-002 (1).

SAINT THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL

www.SaintThereseCarmeliteSchool.com

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

“The world is your ship, but not your home.” —St. Thérèse de Lisieux



Last day of school is June 14. We are accepting applications for the 2016 - 2017 academic year. 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 teachers and students. Please feel free to contact us at 289-3364 or by email:

sainttheresecarmeliteschool@gmail.com.

Saint Therese Carmelite School



Scripture Meditations

HOPE AND LIFE: Today's readings tell the story of two widows. The first reading relates the plight of the widow with whom the prophet Elijah stayed; the Gospel tells about the widow of Nain. In each story, the widow's only son had died. For people who lived in those cultures, the son was the only support of a widow, and the carrying on of the family name by the son was equal to immortality. A widow whose only son has died could lose all hope.

Elijah and Jesus are the restorers of hope; they bring the sons back to life. Saint Paul was metaphorically raised from the dead when he experienced the conversion and call from God that he describes in today's second reading. What are Christians called to do today? We may not be able to raise the dead, but perhaps we can rekindle hope for a single parent. We may not be able to convert a persecutor like Paul, but if we speak the Gospel openly and gently with our lives, we might touch a life with the Good News.



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION: Unless Professor Einstein's theory of relativity can be translated into any useful kind of time-travel, most of our clues about life in the early Church will have to come from ancient letters and ancient prayer texts. A prayer text from a dusty library may yield, for example, an understanding of what "presbyters" actually did. We have such a prayer from the early third century from the hand of Hippolytus of Rome. While our modern prayers derive a great deal from his, some of the practices of the ancient Church have fallen away. In his day, bishops were chosen by the people, and the other bishops merely consented. Presbyters, by contrast, seem to have been chosen by the bishops. This makes sense, since it allowed the bishops to hand-pick their most trusted advisers.

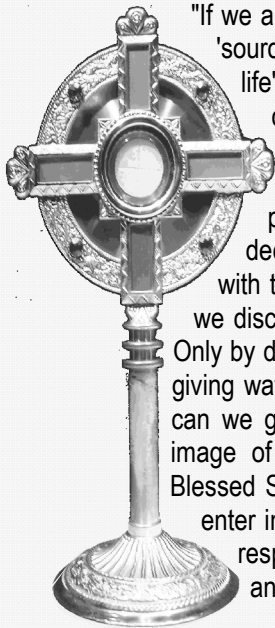
It seems that bishops were at first reluctant to share their presiding at the Eucharist with presbyters. In fact, by the time of the fourth-century, when the Church's was experiencing a growth spurt in Rome, the bishop sent deacons out with fragments of the host from his Eucharist to drop into the chalices of the presbyters at the outlying Eucharistic celebrations. We still have a vestige of this "fermentum" in the Mass today, a reminder of the early bishops' desire to give a powerful sign of the unity of all celebrations of the Eucharist with their ministry, and a clue to their reluctance to delegate a sacramental ministry to the presbyters.



(Vatican Radio) Using the example of the Blessed Virgin for his reflections on May 31st (the Feast of the Visitation), Pope Francis said, "Christians with a grimace or disgruntled expression on their faces are a very ugly thing. They think they are (Christians) but they are not fully so. The attitude of Christians should be one of service--of helping others." The Pope pointed out how the Gospel describes Mary as setting off immediately and without hesitation to visit her cousin, despite being pregnant and despite the risk of meeting robbers along the route. He continued, "The courageous women who are present in the Church are like Mary. These women who bring up their

families, who are responsible for rearing their children, who have to face so many hardships, so much pain, women who look after the sick..." Referring once again to Mary's meeting with her cousin, he noted that the two kinswomen greeted each other with joy and their encounter was very festive. In conclusion, he said, "Being of service and reaching out to others requires going out of ourselves. Through Mary's service towards others, through that encounter, our Lord's promise is renewed and makes it happen now, just as it did then. And it is really our Lord—just as we heard during the first Reading: 'The Lord, your God, is in your midst,' the Lord is about helping other people, the Lord is about meeting other people."

Be one with Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration



"If we are to experience the Eucharist as the 'source and summit of all Christian life' (Lumen Gentium 11), then we must celebrate it with faith, receive it with reverence, and allow it to transform our minds and hearts through the prayer of adoration. Only by deepening our Eucharist Communion with the Lord through personal prayer can we discover what He asks of us in daily life. Only by drinking deeply from the source of life-giving water "welling up within us" (John 4:14) can we grow in faith, hope, and charity. The image of the Church in worship before the Blessed Sacrament reminds us of the need to enter into a dialogue with our Redeemer, to respond to His love and to love one another."

--St. John Paul the Great

To sign up as a committed adorer, please contact Ruben Beltran at 284-0020 (235) or rubenconfirmatio@yahoo.com.

GUADALUPE PREGNANCY SERVICES (GPS)



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.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

May God reward you!

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

May 28 / 29, 2016

Unrestricted.....\$11,142.00
Restricted \$ 1,165.00
T O T A L\$12,307.00

April 30 / May 1.....\$18,077.00
May 7 / 8.....\$12,588.00
May 14 / 15.....\$13,813.00
May 21 / 22.....\$18,607.00



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

ON-GOING MEETINGS/CLASSES

AVILA YOUNG ADULT GROUP (Ages 21–39, singles and couples): Join us on the first Saturdays of the month at 6:00 p.m., in the Guadalupe Courtyard (next meeting will be June 4), as well as for social events (movie/pub nights, sports events, concerts, dances, etc.). For more information, contact Paula Grimm at (909-703-1284 or pgrimm.dir@gmail.com).

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: This group (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 meetings will be June 8 and 22.

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 Mohun at (805) 421-7548 or 1stkdoc@gmail.com.

"TEA AT THERESE" WOMEN'S PRAYER AND DISCUSSION GROUP: Join us for prayer and discussion, along with tea and treats! (play area if you have children!). Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 10:00 a.m., in the Avila Room of the Parish Offices. The next meetings will be **June 9 and 23**. For more info, contact Dara at (301) 542-9701.



Mass Intentions

For Week of 6/4/16 TO 6/11/16

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Sara Spata INT

Sunday:

*7:30 a.m.: Isidore Arrambide INT
 7:30 a.m.: Goh & Cheah Families INT
 9:00 a.m.: Piedad Lakindanum RIP
 11:00 a.m.: Rosie Rivanis B-Day INT
 1:00 pm (Latin) Parishioners
 5:00 p.m.: Bolivar Jordan RIP

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Taylor Fieux INT
 *7:30 a.m.: Thelma Weaver INT
 8:00 a.m.: Martita Lopez INT

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Martha & Larry Campos RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: Sr. Frances, OCD INT
 8:00 a.m.: Arsenia & Rustico Gatica RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Douglas Gatica & Children INT
 *7:30 a.m.: Isidore Arrambide INT
 8:00 a.m.: Jacqueline Grace Smith RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Bibiano Valbuena RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: Thelma Weaver INT
 8:00 a.m.: Maria Agapito RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Enrique Barroso RIP
 *7:30 a.m.: Sam Casper & Jacob, Monica, and John Park RIP
 8:00 a.m.: Linda K. Hesse RIP

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Thelma Weaver INT
 *7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community
 8:00 a.m.: Luis Figueroa RIP

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

Intentions of our Holy Father for June 2016:

1) That the aged, marginalized, and those who have no one may find—even within the huge cities of the world—opportunities for encounter and solidarity; and
 2) That seminarians and men and women entering religious life may have mentors who live the joy of the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their missions.

Lectors

Saturday:

5:00 p.m. Lucy Lopez / Rebeca Willis

Sunday:

7:30 a.m. Blanca Ruvalcaba / Florence Goh
 9:00 a.m. Jim Raney / Beatriz Pelayo-Garcia
 11:00 a.m. Jeff Storey / Lorraine Mizerski
 5:00 p.m. Heinrich Ranches

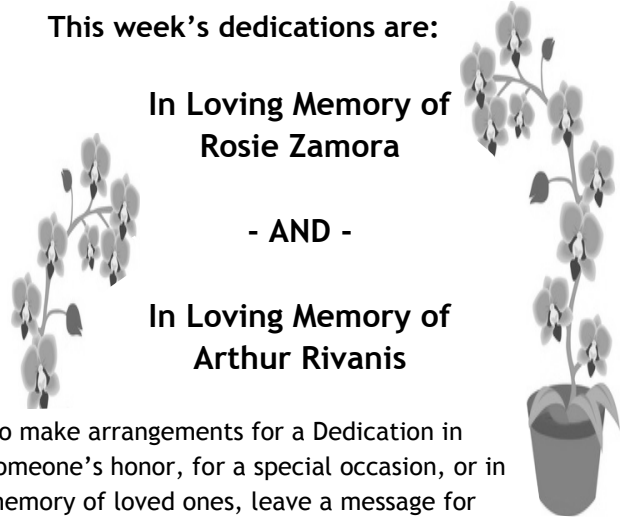
Floral Dedications

This week's dedications are:

In Loving Memory of
 Rosie Zamora

- AND -

In Loving Memory of
 Arthur Rivanis



To make arrangements for a Dedication in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of loved ones, leave a message for Giovanna Setiady at 281-9049. Bouquets are \$40 plus.

Personal Ads

FEMALE (contemplative, professional, pro-life missionary) SEEKING TO RENT A ROOM in a quiet home or studio - I have a house-trained dog. Prefer month to month rent Excellent references. Call 818-378-3978.

Outside the Parish

Avenue of Travel presents "Marian Shrines of Europe" with Fr. Jan Lundberg, on Sep. 16-30 (15 days 13 nights). \$4141 per person, double occ., includes airfare from LAX (single supp, add \$571). Ask us about departures from other cities. Visits to Madrid, Avila, Fatima, Santiago DeCompostela, Lourdes, Barcelona, Monserrat, etc. Cost includes daily buffet breakfast, 13 dinners, daily Mass, Travel Protection included. Contact Angela Yang at aokyang@gmail.com or 394-4367. Book ASAP with deposit of \$559 per person before rates go up. Final pymt. due 6/1/2016. Send check to Avenue of Travel, P.O. Box 60068, San Angelo, TX 76906. Contact Angela Yang at aokyang@gmail.com or 394-4367.

Fr. Joseph Parathanal's Pilgrimage to INDIA in September 2016. Contact Bernadette at bcorp1114@hotmail.com/323-344-1548

Fr. Stephen Watson, OCD, will be the Chaplain for a Pilgrimage to Mexico (Mexico City, Tlaxcala, Ocotlan, Guadalupe, etc. December 8 to 13, 2016. \$1,599 per person (round-trip air, 1st-class hotels, daily b'fast/dinner, tours, a/c bus. Contact Beth Maddatu at (408) 903-6305 / maddatubeth@gmail.com / www.adriatictours.com

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