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New Year's Day, January 1, 2012



St. Therese Church

Established 1924

510 North El Molino Street • Alhambra, California 91801 • (626) 282-2744 • FAX (626) 282-7560 (Unless otherwise indicated, all telephone numbers are in the **626 area code**.) Web Page: <http://www.mysttherese.org>

Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars

Masses & Services:

Monday-Saturday: 6:00 & 8:00 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm
Latin High Mass: Sundays at 1:00 pm
Holy Days: 6:00, 8:00, 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

Devotions:

Rosary: Following the Mon-Sat 8:00 am Mass
Exposition/Benediction: Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 pm
Warrior-Intercessors: Thursdays, 8:00 pm
St. Joseph Devotion: Tuesdays, 6:15-7:00 pm
St. Joseph Project: 3rd Tues. (Nov.-Apr.) Mass, 7:00 pm
Fatima Pilgrimage: 13th of the month (May-Oct.), 7:00 pm

Sacramental Programs:

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
-Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:30 pm
-Saturdays from 3:30 - 5:00 pm
Baptism: Call 284-0200, ext. 225, for schedule
Marriage: Contact priest at least six months before
RCIA (Sac. for adults) Rhonda Storey 284-0020, Ext. 225

Other Ministries / Programs:

Detention Ministry: Sonia Macias 323-724-6443
Legion of Mary: Wed., 7:00 pm - Michelle Mestas 755-0564
Mary of Mt. Carmel Prayer Ministry: First Fridays, 7:00 p.m.
Peace & Justice Prayer Ministry:
Tuesdays at 6:15 PM - Edward William 768-0758
Respect Life Ministry: Call the rectory at 282-2744
Rosary Makers: Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 pm
Edward William 768-0758 / tielnt@gmail.com

Pastor:

Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD (Ext. 226)

Associate Pastors:

Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD (Ext. 232)
Fr. David Guzman, OCD (Ext. 337)

In Residence:

Fr. Jerome Lantry, OCD (Ext. 334)

Deacon Couple:

Deacon Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski (Ext. 221)

Vocations: Parish: Fr. David Guzman OCD (X 337);
Regional: 909-629-9495; Archdiocesan: 213-637-7515

Parish Secretary: Denise McMaster (Ext. 223)

Finances/Donations: Noralyn Cailan (Ext. 228)

Christian Services: Bridie McDermott (Ext. 224)

Liturgical Coordinators:

Lectors: Deacon Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski (Ext. 221)
Eucharistic Ministers of the Altar: Dn J. & L. Mizerski (221)
Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick: Fred & Margaret
Padilla, 282-0943

St. Therese Religious Education:

Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (Ext. 225)
rhondalstorey@gmail.com
* Pre K through 8th Grade * Adult Religious Ed

Confirmation Program for Youth:

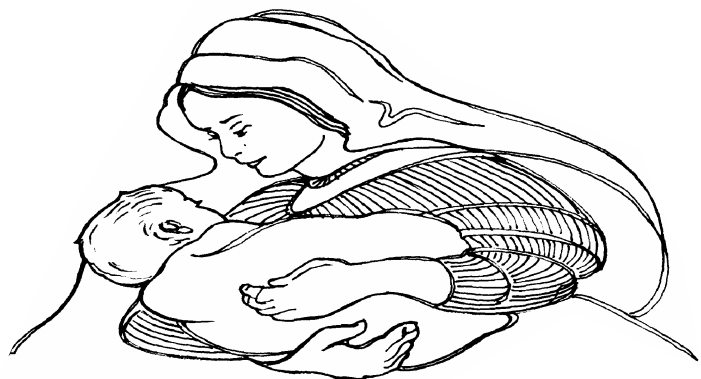
(9th and 10th Graders) Rhonda Storey 284-0020
(Ext. 225) rhondalstorey@gmail.com

St. Therese Catholic School: 289-3364, Ext. 660

Principal: Carmela Lovano, Clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org
Web Site: www.stthereseschoolalhambra.org

Eucharistic Adoration - Continuous, day and night. Sign up for an hour of adoration and pray for vocations.
Coordinators: Carlos & Carla Johnson - 289-0388

New Parishioners: WELCOME TO ST. THERESE! Please come to the Parish office to register. **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**



FEAST OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

January 1, 2012

Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. —Luke 2:19

Happy New Year!

to all our parishioners and friends!

We would like to extend to each of you a wish for a very happy, healthy New Year!

May God bless you and all your family and friends.

—The Priests & Staff of St. Therese Parish



PLEASE NOTE THAT THE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JANUARY 2.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION: On this feast, we can see how devotion to Mary has been a beacon of hope to the sick throughout history. In the cathedral here in Los Angeles, the faithful enter through a single door topped by a sculpture of Mary with arms stretched down in compassion. Sculpted into the massive bronze doors are the titles of Mary most treasured by various cultures. Many of them speak of how the sick are consoled by a sense of Mary's presence.

Dorothy Day once recalled St. Bonaventure's remark that after the Lord's long forty days of fasting in the desert, when He was diminished and weak from His struggle, the angels who ministered to Him went first to the Blessed Mother's house. There they saw the soup that was on her stove, and took some to the Lord so that He would delight in it even more since His mother had prepared it. "Of course," said Dorothy Day matter-of-factly.

In praying the Rosary and savoring the stories of Mary's steadfast love in the face of all suffering, the sick are strengthened by one of our tradition's most shining treasures, and the whole Church is enriched.

ST. THERESE SCHOOL NEWS:

The STS Faculty & Staff wish the St. Therese Parish & Community a Happy New Year! May all your prayers be answered in this Holy Season and may God bless you and your family!



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK...begins on **January 29** with the **9:00 a.m. Mass**, followed by an Open House & Science Fair until Noon. Join us as we celebrate Catholic Schools: **FAITH, ACADEMICS, SERVICE.**

Applications are now available for 2011-2012. Call the school office for more information at 289-3364. For more information, visit our website at www.sttheresseschoolalhambra.org.

Please shop at the **STS Marketplace** through the link on our web page. The school earns a percentage of all your purchases.

NEW SCRIP GIFT CARDS AVAILABLE! We now have scrip gift cards for Amazon, Taco Bell, and Chipotle Mexican Grill.

SHAPING FUTURES....TEACHING STUDENTS....SERVING FAMILIES

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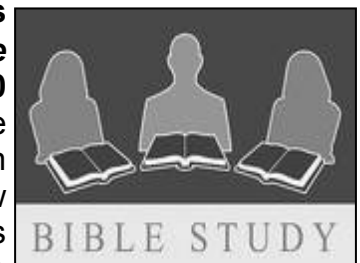


MARY OF MOUNT CARMEL PRAYER MINISTRY: You are invited to come to the Mary of Mount Carmel Prayer Ministry in the church this **Friday, January 6, beginning with Mass at 7:30 p.m.** This monthly prayer ministry includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a conference by Fr. David Guzman, led meditations, the five-decade Rosary, prayers of recollection, the Divine Praises and Benediction. Please note that this will be an **all-night Eucharistic vigil**; refreshments will be available in front of the church throughout the night. If you can't stay for the entire service, please join us for at least part of it.



PILGRIMAGE TO THE WALK FOR LIFE in San Francisco on Friday, January 20 through Sunday, January 22, 2012: Guadalupe Pregnancy Services (GPS) will host the 2nd Annual pilgrimage to the Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco. **Cars & Drivers are needed!** Are you interested in driving your vehicle and sharing your car with a group to and from the Walk for Life? **Sponsors needed!** Please support GPS by sponsoring a Walker. All proceed will benefit **Guadalupe Pregnancy Services.** For full itinerary (Meet-Up, Masses, Walk for Life and Youth Rally times), visit www.pregnancy-gps.org or contact Louisa Day at (323) 360-5186 or GPS at 872-2483.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING: It's not too late to join us in our study of **"ACTS: The Spread of the Kingdom."** Classes are held most **Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.**, in the Parish Meeting Room of the Parish Center. Share with the early Christians the joys and struggles of living the life of Christ and learn how these apply to us today. See your place in Christ's Church, and how you should live day-to-day as a disciple of Christ. This DVD-study series features Jeff Cavins, creator of the Great Adventure Bible Study. The study manual is \$30 per person. For more info and the date of the next class, contact Victoria at 323-343-9064.



FLORAL DEDICATION PROGRAM: If you would like to honor or memorialize a loved one AND help to beautify the church at the same time, then take advantage of our Floral Dedication Program. You may choose the kind of flowers and the colors for not only memorial remembrances, but also for anniversaries, birthdays, engagements, weddings, baptisms, get-well wishes, etc. For each dedication, a notice will be posted in the bulletin (on the Mass intentions page) under "Floral Dedication" and will include your loved one's name and the occasion. A donation of \$40 is requested for each dedication bouquet (this is the actual cost of the flowers).

In order to schedule a memorial or a dedication, please contact Giovanna Setiady at 281-9049.

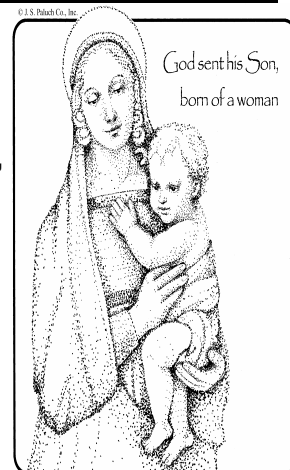
PARISH MINISTRIES

ST. THERESE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Rhonda Storey,
284-0020X 225

STRE: Happy New Year to all our students and families!
We will see you back on Sunday, January 8, after the break.



R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) 2011-2012: If you are interested in becoming Catholic and learning about the Church—or know someone who is—then come, or have the person you know come, to the RCIA



YOUTH MINISTRY: The Youth Ministry is for high school students and is now up and running! Our first event is a **Kickball game in the parking lot on January 14**. We will have food and fun!! Don't miss out. After the game there will be a raffle.

February 11 is Movie Night! Before the movie, we will be selling popcorn and drinks. Come join us for a fun evening & bring your own chair for a "MOST CREATIVELY DECORATED CHAIR" contest! Don't miss out on all the fun!

February 26 will be a pancake "dinner" after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. So skip Twohey's & IHOP and join us for a nice evening of pancakes, sausage, eggs & juice.

YOUTH CONFIRMATION: Rhonda Storey, 284-0020 X225.

Happy New Year! We will see you in class on January 8!



PEACE & JUSTICE MINISTRY Edward William, 768-0758 / tieknt@gmail.com (Prayer with Action: Strengthening of Families, Conversion of Sinners, and Peace in the World) - **St. Joseph Prayer Devotion:** Join us on **Tuesdays at 6:15 p.m. in front of the St. Joseph statue** in the church. **The Rosary Makers:** We meet on **Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room** (following the St. Joseph Devotion). You are invited to help us make the rosaries, which are then shipped to missions throughout the world. This is our **action** aspect of the Peace & Justice Ministry.

BAPTISM MINISTRY: Blanca Ruvalcaba, 284-0020, X 225 ~ In order to take part in our Baptism Program, **BOTH PARENTS AND GODPARENTS** are required to: 1) Have an interview (must be held the month BEFORE the Baptism); 2) Attend one class (next are on **Jan. 9 & Feb. 13**) from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Library); And 3) Be presented at Mass at a Presentation Sunday (next are **Jan. 15 & Feb. 19**) at the 9:00 a.m. Mass). After completing these, your child will be baptized on a Saturday (next OPEN Baptisms are at Noon on **Jan. 21 & Feb. 25**). **SELECTING THE GODPARENTS:** Canon Law requires you to have at least one godparent (may have two) who: 1) **is at least 16;** 2) **has received Confirmation;** and 3) **is a practicing Catholic.**

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY: **RESPECT LIFE QUOTE:** We must not be surprised when we hear of murders, of killings, of wars, of hatred. If a mother can kill her own child, what is left but for us to kill each other." ~ Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

PARISH MINISTRIES / NEWS:

PERPETUAL ADORATION



"I adore and venerate you as much as ever I can, though my love is so cold, my devotion so poor. Thank you for the good gift of this your holy Body and Blood, which I desire to receive.."

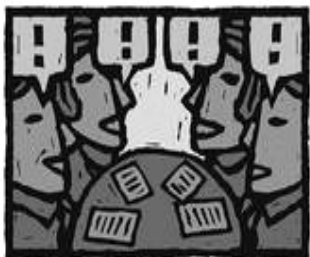
--St. Anselm

SIGN UP! The Adoration Chapel is open day and night to adore Jesus in the exposed Blessed Sacrament. To sign up, call Carlos or Carla Johnson at 289-0388.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN:

DID YOU KNOW? Bullying Is a Form of Abuse. Did you know that bullying is a form of abuse, and therefore is forbidden in our Catholic schools? Bullying typically consists of direct behaviors, such as teasing, taunting, threatening, hitting, shoving and stealing. But it might also be indirect, such as spreading rumors that cause victims to be socially isolated through intentional exclusion. Cyberbullying, which involves the use of the Internet or mobile phones to send inappropriate messages and images to or about others, is also behavior that is not tolerated in our Catholic schools. If you suspect bullying of a child at school, please contact the school principal with your concerns. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

QUEEN BEAUTY OF CARMEL CATHOLIC DISCUSSION GROUP



will meet to discuss **Confession and Forgiveness** on January 7 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm in the Parish Library. Just listen or add to the conversation. Bring a friend or meet new people. Refreshments served. For more information contact

placenci@sbcglobal.net or 282-5340

F I N A N C I A L:

The totals for the previous four weekends are below:

- November 26 / 27, 2011.....\$13,017.00
- December 3 / 4, 2011.....\$13,218.00
- December 10 / 11, 2011.....\$14,997.00
- December 17 / 18, 2011.....\$12,045.00

As a friendly suggestion for those of you who are employed, may we propose a realistic donation to St. Therese Church of at least one hour of pay per week.



WARRIOR INTERCESSORS FOR PRIESTS: MOTHER OF GOD:

Mother of the Church, Mother of the Apostles, Mother of the Redeemer (of OUR Redeemer), Mother of the Clergy and of every consecrated soul. Mother and Queen of Heaven and Earth—yet she is more Mother than queen; because she is also a refuge of sinners and our Advocate, our Intercessor before the Throne of god, before the Most Precious and Holy Heart of her Son Jesus.



Let us come to her, trusting in her motherly love, to grant us what we need most: a clean and pure heart, so she can bring the Most Holy and Beloved son to abide, to be born in our hearts. May it be so for the Glory of God and for the salvation of our souls "Asi sea." Amen.

Join us every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. in the church to pray His beloved priests. For more information, you may call Blanca at 284-0020, ext. 225.

MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of 12/31/11 to 1/7/12



Saturday-New Year's Eve:
 5:00 p.m. Christmas Novena 6
 idnight: Private INT

Sunday-New Year's Day:
 *7:30am: Christmas Novena 7
 7:30 am: Mary Stewart RIP
 9:00 am: All Catholic Priests in the World
 11:00am: Parishioners
 1:00 pm: Mohamadzadeh Family INT
 5:00 p.m. Gloria Lima INT

Monday:
 6:00 am: Christmas Novena 8
 *7:30 am: Jack & Marjorie Bell INT
 8:00 a.m.: Vicente Dy RIP

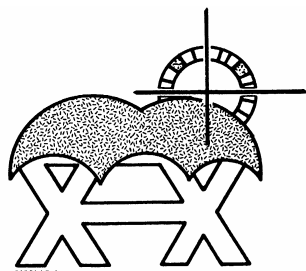
Tuesday:
 6:00 am: Fr. Wm Wagner ORC & Scholastica Keimon INT
 *7:30 am: Christmas Novena 9
 8:00 am: Merven & Vera Nolan RIP

Wednesday:
 6:00 am: Aquilina Dada RIP
 *7:30 am: Jane Campbell INT
 8:00 a.m.: Rose Brownlee INT

Thursday:
 6:00 am: Clemente Del Cruz RIP
 *7:30 am Fukow Wang RIP
 8:00 am: L. A. McGrath INT

Friday:
 6:00 a.m.: Vicente Dy RIP
 *7:30am Dens Mang RIP
 8:00 am: Michelle Martinez INT

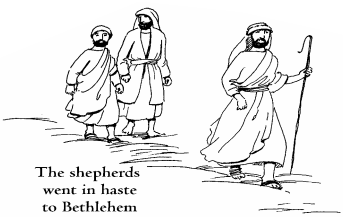
Saturday:
 6:00 a.m.: Tom Davidson RIP
 *7:30 am: Carmelite Community
 8:00 am: Family of Sr. Clara, MC



Held in the Cloistered Carmelite Chapel, 215 E. 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:

1) That the nations of the earth, through knowledge and mutual respect, may grow in harmony and peace; and 2) That children and young people may be messengers of the Gospel and that their dignity may always be respected and preserved from all violence.



The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem

LECTORS:

Saturday:
 5:00 p.m. Alice Gamez / Susan Gamez
 Midnight: Marta Timar / Franklin Teng

Sunday:
 7:30 a.m. Thu Nguyen / Aurora Dolores
 9:00 a.m. Lorraine Mizerski / Jim Raney
 11:00 a.m. Lucas Setiady / Jackie Johnson
 5:00 p.m. Heinrich Ranches / Vickie Blair

FLORAL DEDICATIONS

Thank you to all who made a donation towards our Christmas Flowers!

To dedicate a floral arrangement in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of a loved one, contact Giovanna Setiady at 281-9049.

PERSONAL ADS

FOR RENT: Studio guest house in Alhambra—female preferred. Call Socorro at 943-9637.

HOME FOR LEASE--beautifully remodeled, new everything, 3 BR, 2 BA, 1824 sq. ft., walking distance to St. Therese. \$2,650/mo. Call Edith at 760-940-1914

OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Open House for the San Gabriel Pregnancy Help Center, 5626 North Rosemead Blvd., Temple City. Enjoy an opportunity to see the caring support and assistance given at the Pregnancy Help Center on Light refreshments will be served. Please reply at 309-0788.

Join Fr. Jose Parathanal on a "Marian & Other Great Saints" Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain and France from May 17 to 29. Join Fr. Greg Neri to Portugal, Spain, France & Italy on Oct. 19 to Nov. 1. For more information, please contact Bernadette at bcorp1114@hotmail.com or 323-344-1548/323-547-6618.

Avenue of Travel with Fr. Jan Lundberg presents "**Footsteps of Apostle Paul**" **June 23 to July 3, 2012.** Visiting Athens, Thessalonika, Philippi, Corinth, etc. 3 nights cruising to Mykonos, Kusadasi, Patmos & Santorini. Daily breakfast and 5 dinners, including welcome and farewell dinner, in addition to full meals onboard. LAND COST is \$2279 per person based on double occupancy and inside cabin on the ship. Upgrades available. For details or flyers, please check our website AVENUEOFORG.COM or contact us at 877-914-7888 or aokyang@gmail.com. Non refundable deposit of USD250 per person for reservation.

14-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND on June 27-July 10, 2012, with Frs. Robt. Bishop, CMF, and Darrin Merlino, CMF, to Jacob's Well, Hebron, Mamre, and Jericho; and to Galilee, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, Bethany, Jerusalem, and more! Cost is \$3,757 (includes airport taxes) from LAX. For more info, please call Albert & Mary Helen Estrada at 285-6687

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