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Saint Therese Church

January 12, 2014 **Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars** Established 1924

Visit us on our website! 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 (Ext. 226) **Associate Pastors:** Fr. David Guzman, OCD (X222) and Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD (Ext. 232) **In Residence:** Fr. Albert Bunsic, OCD (X336) **Deacon Couple:** Deacon Joe & Lorraine Mizerski (X333) **Vocations:** Fr. David Guzman OCD (X 222); Regional: 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; St. Joseph Mass: Third Tuesday from November to April; Fatima Devotion: 13th of the month from May to October

Sacramental Programs:

Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession): Wed., 7:00 - 8:30 pm;
and Sat., 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Baptism: Register at 284-0020 X225

Weddings: Call six months before date

RCIA: Rhonda Storey 284-0020, X225

Other Ministries / Programs:

Bible Study: Aurora Juarez, 688-9349

Detention Ministry: Sonia Macias
323-724-6443

First Friday Mass/All-Night Prayer Vigil,
7:30 pm-6:00 am

Holy Family Infertility Support Group:
Katrina Crow, 292-1906

King's Men: 1st/3rd Thurs eves
Rex Owens, 323-273-8825

Knights of Columbus: Mike Pulciano,
641-0870

Legion of Mary: Mon., 7:00 pm

Natural Family Planning: 292-1906

Respect Life Ministry: Catherine
Contreras, 213-435-3942

Rosary Makers: Ed William
768-0758 / tieknt@gmail.com

St. Joseph Prayer Group: Wednesdays,
6:15 pm - Albert Grana 576-0872



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 (Ext. 223)

Finance: Noralyn Cailan, X228

Christian Services: Bridie McDermott
(Ext. 224)

Choir Directors/Organist:

11:00 a.m.: George and Barbara Klump
(818) 249-8472

9:00 a.m.: Marcia Martinez-Bateman
(775) 771-4992

Liturgical Coordinators:

Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers: Deacon
Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski (Ext. 333)

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

Youth / Adult Confirmation

Programs: Ruben Beltran, 284-0020,
Ext. 235. Email:

rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com

St. Therese Catholic School:

289-3364 - Principal: Carmela Lovano,
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** **Eucharistic Adoration** - Continuous, day and night. Sign up for an hour of adoration and pray for vocations. Coordinators: Carlos & Carla Johnson – 289-0388

A voice came from the Heavens, saying,
“This is my beloved Son, with whom
I am well pleased.” —Matthew 3:17

The Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2014

THIS MONDAY: JESSE ROMERO TO SPEAK AT ST. THERESE PARISH



Parents! On January 13, at 7:00 p.m., you are invited to come to our Parish Hall to hear Jesse Romero’s talk, *“Twelve Steps to Being a Good Catholic”*. Jesse will tell you how to talk to your children about the Faith and about how the media influences our culture. Jesse shares Catholic teaching with an exciting style that is guaranteed to strengthen, edify, and fortify everyone with a deeper love for God.

All Parents, as the primary catechists of their children, are encouraged to attend this important talk; attendance is MANDATORY for the parents of our Religious Ed and Confirmation students! Donations appreciated!

**“NO CAFETERIA CATHOLICISM!
NO COMPROMISING!”**

St. Therese School News

Please consider participating in the following:

- ◆ Ongoing New Student Registration for TK - 7th Grade
- ◆ Ongoing Guest Program—Your child is invited to experience a day with our students
- ◆ Ongoing Collection of Non-Perishable Food for our Christian Services Pantry
- ◆ Ongoing Collection of Box Tops for Education

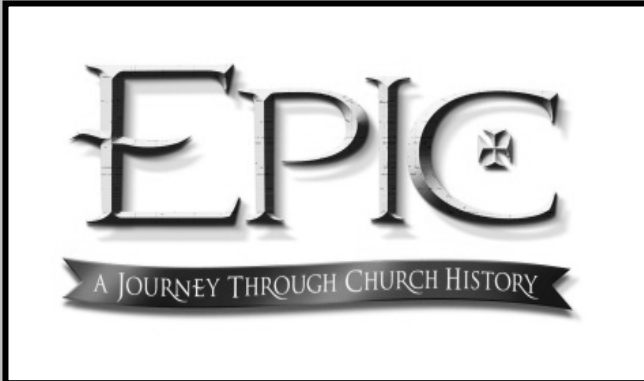


We encourage you to visit the school office or our website, www.stthereseschoolalhambra.org, for important information and updates. When school resumes, please feel free to contact our Principal, Mrs. Lovano, by phone at 289-3364 or by email at clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org. We look forward to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

Special

BIBLE STUDY RESUMES THIS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15!

We will study “Epic: The Early Church,” which will help you to discover



the first 500 years of the early Church and lead you through a powerful fast-paced journey—from the lives of the apostles through the rise and fall of Constantine. You will meet courageous saints, eloquent theologians, ruthless emperors, and heroic martyrs.

This 20-Part study features dynamic DVD presentations with Church history professor Steve Weidenkopf, and student materials including a full-color workbook, timeline chart, and bookmark

for a cost of \$30. Don’t miss this opportunity to take part in a compelling and inspiring learning experience that is sure to draw you closer to Christ through a deeper understanding of His Church! Sessions are on most Wednesday through June 25 [in the Parish Meeting Room (2nd Floor of the Parish Center) from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.].

For more information, contact Aurora Juarez at 688-9349 or ajuarez@dwcpackaging.com.

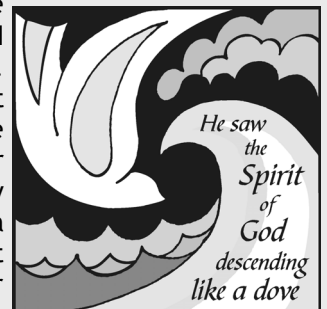


THANK YOU FROM THE CARMELITE FATHERS

The Discalced Carmelite Fathers of St. Therese Church would like to thank all our parishioners who sent us gifts and cards for Christmas. We truly appreciate your generosity, support, and prayers for us. We pray for you every day and, at this time of the New Year, we ask God to bless each of you with His abundant gift of love.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION:

Through the centuries, artists and craftspeople have depicted Jesus’ baptism in the Jordan River by John. At first in mosaics and frescoes, and later in tapestries, stained glass, and paintings, the scene is familiar. Jesus is standing waist-high in flowing water. Above him, standing on dry land, John the Baptist pours water over Jesus. The first artists to depict this were sketching from memory. This is exactly how most people were baptized in the early days: as adults, standing or kneeling in the water, with water poured over their heads. This method of baptizing, called immersion, is the favored way today. An adult enters a font, or an infant is lowered a bit into the water supported by a parent’s hand, and water is poured or splashed over them. The treasures of baptistry art attest that submersion, or plunging beneath the water’s surface, is not really in our tradition, and that “infusion,” the mere pouring of a few drops of water, yields too narrow an understanding of what it means to be plunged into Christ’s life. Jesus Christ has gone before us into the water, and waits for us there with abundant gifts. No wonder the tradition calls for abundant symbols!



Parish Ministries

Respect Life Ministry:

FAST & PRAY: Please join Foot Soldiers For Life every Wednesday in our weekly Fasting and extra Prayer for the needs of increasing Respect for Life in this world.

T-SHIRTS: Foot Soldiers for Life still has ProLife T-Shirts available for sale! Stop by the offices and see all the designs expressing support for Life!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

STRE NEWS: Classes are in session today, Sunday, January 12, from 9:00 to Noon, including the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

JESSE ROMERO will be here this Monday, January 13 to address the parents of our students! Attendance is mandatory for our STRE parents. Please see Page Two for details.

RCIA PART I: Interested in becoming Catholic or being fully initiated? Attend our classes in the Parish Meeting Room at 7:00 p.m. on selected Thursdays (next: January 16 and 30) and join us at selected 11:00 a.m. Masses (next: Jan. 19).

RCIA PART II: "Consuming the Word," is an Apologetics Course for those initiated into the Church through RCIA—either here or at another parish—who wish to take their Faith to the next level. Meetings are on

Tuesdays from 7:00 to 9:00 pm, in the Parish Meeting Room (next date is January 14), and are conducted by Rhonda Storey and Ruben Beltran. Call for details.



CONFIRMATION



YOUTH CONFIRMATION: Next classes are in session Sundays, January 19 and 26, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m., including 5:00 p.m. Mass.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES: Any baptized Catholics over 18, who made First Communion and wish to be Confirmed, are invited to attend Adult Confirmation Classes in the Parish Offices twice a month on Saturday afternoons from Noon to 1:00 pm. Next dates are January 25 and February 8 and 22.

JESSE ROMERO TO SPEAK TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUTH: Parents! Please come to the Hall this Monday, January 13, at 7:00 p.m., to hear Jesse Romero speak on "How to be Good Catechists for Your Children". This talk, **MANDATORY FOR THE PARENTS OF OUR STUDENTS**, is sponsored by Ruben and Rhonda. See Page Two for more info.

YOUTH MINISTRY:

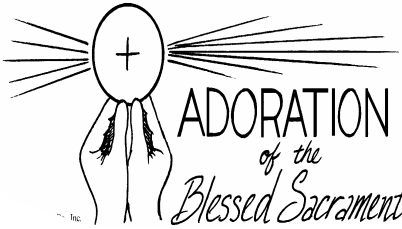
FAITH NIGHTS: All high-school youth are welcomed to join us in the Parish Center for Faith Nights on Confirmation Class days immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass—until 8:00 p.m. Next meetings are January 19 and 26.

CONTACT Ruben at 284-0024, e x t . 2 3 5 , o r rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com for more info about upcoming events or for other information.



Parish Ministries / News:

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL



ADORATION
of the
Blessed Sacrament

"It was love that motivated His self-emptying, that led Him to become a little lower than the angels, to be subject to His

parents, to bow His head beneath the Baptist's hands, to endure the weakness of the flesh, to submit to death—even upon the Cross—and to hide Himself under the forms of bread and wine."

--St. Bernard

To sign up for an hour every week, please call Carlos or Carla Johnson at 289-0388.

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS!

By patronizing the advertisers on the back of our bulletin, you are supporting our parish! When you call them for their services, be sure to tell them you saw their ad in our bulletin! If YOU would like to advertise YOUR business in the bulletin, please call Paluch at 1-800-231-0805.

BAPTISM MINISTRY

Rhonda Storey, 284-0020, Ext. 225 - In order to take part in our Baptism Program, **PARENTS & GODPARENTS** are required



to: 1) Attend a class (next are February 4 and March 4)—fee is \$100 per child or \$25 for the class only—from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Library; and 2) Attend a Presentation Sunday Mass (next open dates are February 16 and March 22) at the 9:00 a.m. Mass). Your child will then be baptized on a Saturday at Noon (next open Baptisms are February 22 and March 15).

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.

THANK YOU!

FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: Below are the unrestricted and restricted totals for the last three weekend's collections and for the totals of the four weeks previous to those:

December 21 / 22, 2013

Unrestricted.....	\$12,294.00
Restricted	\$ 2,080.00*
TOTAL.....	\$14,374.00

Christmas Eve / Day, 2013

Unrestricted.....	\$21,655.00
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December 28 / 29, 2013

Unrestricted.....	\$15,324.00
Restricted	\$ 1,438.00*
TOTAL.....	\$16,762.00

January 4 / 5, 2014

Unrestricted.....	\$17,818.00
Restricted	\$ 3,039.00
TOTAL.....	\$20,857.00

Previous Four Weeks

November 23 / 24, 2013.....	\$13,587.00
November 30 / Dec. 1, 2013.....	\$13,172.00
December 7 / 8, 2013.....	\$12,812.00
December 14 /15, 2013,.....	\$17,999.00

As a friendly suggestion for those who are employed, we propose a realistic donation of at least one hour of pay per week.

TOGETHER IN MISSION 2013

"Love Never Fails"

Our assigned goal.....	\$64,563.00
Donations received as of 1/7/13.....	\$67,129.00
Donations collected <u>OVER</u> goal.....	\$ 2,566.00

Thank you to everyone who donated and helped us to not only reach our goal, but also to go **OVER** it! God bless you for your generosity!

The 2014 Campaign will begin soon.



It was a voice out of nowhere.
It was a voice from everywhere.
It was the voice of love.
It was the voice from above.

“You are my beloved,” came the words;
“You are my Son;”
“You are the One.”

The words were spoken at the river
By One, who of all life, is the giver.
The words were spoken to identify Jesus;
The words were spoken that God might touch us.



MONTHLY MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT JOSEPH



The next monthly Mass in honor of St. Joseph will be on Tuesday, January 21, at 7:30 p.m.

The primary feast of St. Joseph is March 19, as it is believed that his death occurred on that day. This feast was fixed in the 15th century and was extended to the whole Church by Pope Gregory XV in 1621. On December 8, 1870, Pope Pius IX ordered that this feast be celebrated throughout the Church. The Church also dedicates to St. Joseph the entire month of March.

Isidore of Isolanis, a pious Dominican of the 16th century, prophesied that "the sound of victory" will be heard in the Church Militant "when the faithful recognize the sanctity of St. Joseph." He continues: "The Lord will let his light shine. He will lift the veil, and great men will search out the interior gifts of God that are hidden in St. Joseph; they will find in him a priceless treasure, the likes of which they had never found in saints of the Old Testament."

MEN! HAVE YOU MADE YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS?

Why not resolve to make this the year you join t h e

Knights of Columbus!

Join now and see what you've been missing.



Members! Watch for your dues packet in the mail later this month. It will include an Order Form to get a Knights of Columbus T-shirt.

For more information, call Mike Pulciano, the Grand Knight for the Alhambra Council, at 641-0870. Mike will be happy to answer any questions you may have!

Mass Intentions

**For the Week of
1/11/14 to 1/18/2014**

Saturday:

5:00 p.m. Lessard/Emond/McGrath Families INT

Sunday:

*7:30 am Christmas Flower Memorial

7:30 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

9:00 a.m.: Paul and Joseph Tassi RIP

11:00 a.m.: Jill Wing INT

1:00 p.m. (Latin): Sandy Soden RIP

5:00 p.m. Parishioners

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Crescencio Gort RIP

*7:30 am Adelaida Hernandez INT

8:00 a.m.: John Connelly RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 am: Amelia Estrada INT

*7:30 a.m.: Aroon Seeda INT

8:00 a.m. Wiliam & Kathleen Ellis RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Mary Rose Go INT

7:30 a.m. Zeferina Gomez RIP

8:00 a.m.: Lori Duardo RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Holy Souls, especially members of FOSS

*7:30 a.m. Marguerite Grimm INT

8:00 am The Sutter Family INT

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Peter Santoso INT

*7:30 am Wallace Family INT

8:00 am: David Singh INT

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Pedro de Villa INT

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community

8:00 a.m. Giancarlo Moretti 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 January 2014:

1) That all may promote authentic economic development that respects the dignity of all peoples; and 2) That Christians of diverse denominations may walk toward the unity desired by Christ.

Lectors

Saturday:

5:00 p.m. Rebeca Willis Irma Kearney

Sunday:

7:30 a.m. Florence Goh / Ron Sandoval

9:00 a.m. Jim Raney / Lorraine Mizerski

11:00 a.m. Ignacio Verduzco / Andy Zepeda

5:00 p.m. Vickie Blair

Floral Dedications

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. *Each bouquet is \$40 (two for \$80).*



Deaths

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

✠ Brandy Saucedo

Personal Ads

Mature, responsible Parishioner (non-smoker, non-drinker) SEEKS A 1 BR APT. AVAILABLE FOR RENT (Can pay \$1,000 or less per month). If you have availability, leave a msg. at 282-2744, ext. 223.

SEEKING A ROOMMATE to share a 2-BR, 1 BA apt. Complete access to living room, kitchen, pool. \$500 per month. Call Kelly at 297-2103.

Outside the Parish

CARMELITE MISSIONARY PILGRIMAGE TO UGANDA: February 14-24, 2014, with Chaplain Fr. David Costello, OCD, and tour guide Sr. Antonia. \$2,892 per person including r/t air, housing, most meals, and daily Mass. Call 394-4367; email aokyang@gmail.com for more info.

You are invited to join Fr. Joseph Parathanal of Holy Family, So. Pas, on two Pilgrimages: GRAND MARIAN Pilgrimage-MEDJUGORJE, FATIMA, LOURDES, SPAIN, & ITALY (May 2014); and ROYAL TOUR TO INDIA-ST. THOMAS, MOTHER TERESA (Sept. 2014). Contact Bernadette at bcorp1114@hotmail.com or call (323-344-1548 or 323-547-6618).

Discover what a life-changing MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND can do for your marital relationship. Your spouse is God's gift to you. What you make of your marriage is your thanks to God. Find out how to make a good marriage better and a better marriage great. For more info, contact Winston and Dinah Perez at 818-527-MEMC (6362)

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