

St. Therese Church



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November 1, 2026 | Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars | www.StThereseChurchAlhambra.org



MASSES | CONFESSIONS | DEVOTIONS

Weekend

Saturdays: 8:00 am & 5:00 pm Vigil
Sundays: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm
Latin Rite High Mass: 1:00 pm

CONFESSIONS
Wednesdays: 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Saturdays: 3:00 - 5:00 pm
Sundays: 12:00 - 1:00 pm

ANNULMENTS
Deacon Gilbert Vargas
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CARMELITE VOCATIONS
www.DiscalcedCarmeliteFriars.com

Weekday

M-F: 6:00 and 8:00 am
M-S: 7:30 am at Nuns' Chapel
M-S: Rosary after 8:00 am Mass

Mon & Tues: 7:15 pm (Tues, Spanish)

Thursday evenings: 7:00-8:00 pm:
Exposition and Adoration

First Fridays: Extra Mass: 7:15 pm

OFFICE HOURS
Mon-Fri: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm and
2:00 - 5:00 pm
(Closed for lunch: 1:00-2:00 pm)

CONTACTS

PASTOR: Fr. Peter Mary Vecellio, OCD 1+224

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- Deacon Rex Owens +

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ST. THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL

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SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: Register online
Weddings: Register online at least six months in advance
Anointing of the Sick:
Call the office

ONLINE GIVING

Please consider a gift to Saint Therese Church. Open your banking app; scan this Zelle QR code.
DonateSTC@gmail.com for ID. Recipient is THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF LA, ST THERESE CHURCH

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parishioners of St. Therese:

In this **month of November, dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory,** let us keep in mind that praying for the dead is a spiritual work of mercy. So, let us remember the Holy Souls in Purgatory, especially our own deceased loved ones, in our prayers as an act of charity. They depend on our prayers! You are all invited to a special Requiem Mass this Monday evening, November 2, for All Souls--especially for those parishioners of ours who have died in the last year.

Let us now resume with **St. John of the Cross' *Sayings of Light and Love***, Numbers 56 through 70, as we prepare for his novena in December.

Fr. Peter Mary Vecellio, O.C.D.



56. The soul that journeys to God, but does not shake off its cares and quit its appetites, is like one who drags a cart uphill.

57. It is not God's will that a soul be disturbed by anything or suffer trials, for if one suffers trials in the adversities of the world, it is because of a weakness in virtue. The perfect soul rejoices in what afflicts the imperfect one.

58. This way of life contains very little business and bustling, and demands mortification of the will more than knowledge. The less one takes of things and pleasures, the farther one advances along this way.

59. Think not that pleasing God lies so much in doing a great deal as in doing it with good will, without possessiveness and human respect.

60. When evening comes, you will be examined in love. Learn to love as God desires to be loved and abandon your own ways of acting.

61. See that you do not interfere in the affairs of others, nor even allow then to pass through your memory; for perhaps you will be unable to accomplish your own task.

62. Because the virtues you have in mind do not shine in your neighbor, do not think that your neighbor will not be precious in God's sight for reasons that you have not in mind.

63. Human beings know neither how to rejoice properly nor how to grieve properly, for they do not understand the distance between good and evil.

64. See that you are not suddenly saddened by the adversities of this world, for you do not know the good they bring, being ordained in the judgments of God for the everlasting joy of the elect.

65. Do not rejoice in temporal prosperity, since you do not know if it gives you assurance of eternal life.

66. In tribulation, immediately draw near to God with trust, and you will receive strength, enlightenment, and instruction.

67. In joys and pleasures, immediately draw near to God in fear and truth, and you will be neither deceived nor involved in vanity.

68. Take God for your bridegroom and friend, and walk with him continually; and you will not sin and will learn to love, and the things you must do will work out prosperously for you.

69. You will without labor subject the nations and bring things to serve you if you forget them and yourself as well.

70. Abide in peace, banish cares, take no account of all that happens, and you will serve God according to his good pleasure, and rest in him.





All Souls Requiem Mass

November 2, 2026
7:15 p.m.
St. Therese Catholic Church

St. Therese Parish invites you to join us at this Mass to pray for the souls of the faithful departed. The names of those whose funerals were held at St. Therese in the past twelve months will be chanted by the choir.

The choir will sing the Fauré Requiem, accompanied by harp, organ, and violin.

If you'd like your loved ones prayed for, write their names on one of the index cards provided in the front vestibule of the church on the evening of November 2nd and place it in the basket (between 7:00 and 7:15 p.m.) that will be in the front of the church that night.

THE "CALL OF GOD" SERIES

Is God Calling You?

Come hear how God is working in these people's lives.

THIS COMING TUESDAY!



Dan Johnson

"Trials and tribulations offer us a chance to make reparation for our past faults and sins. On such occasions, the Lord comes to us like a physician to heal the wounds left by our sins. Tribulation is the divine medicine."
—St. Augustine

Talk: Series 8
Date: Tuesday, November 3, 2026
Time: 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
Place: St. Therese Parish Hall
1108 East Alhambra Rd., Alhambra.



Alicia Rivera

"Lead me out of my prison, that I may give thanks to Your Name."

You are also invited to the next—and last—*Call of God event* on Tuesday, December 1—same time and place.

+ Testimonies + Fellowship + Light Snacks

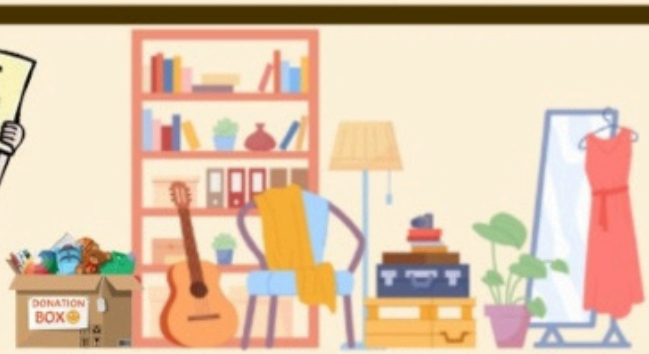
Saint Therese Carmelite School

Faith ⚜ Academics ⚜ Virtue

RUMMAGE SALE







Come find treasures for low prices! The school will be hosting their Fall rummage sale in three weeks! Come one, come all, and snatch things up before they sell out!

November 7th & 8th

Interested in donating items?
We accept the following items in good condition: Clothes, accessories, household decor, small household appliances (blenders, pressure cookers, slow cookers, etc.), books, toys, furniture

We do NOT accept the following:
Large electronics, (printers, fax machines, computers, TVs, etc) car parts

Due to space constraints, items only accepted between November 2-5. Thank you!

LECTIO DIVINA BIBLE STUDY

"Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light to my path."
Psalm 119:105

Read ⚜ Meditate ⚜ Pray

PREPARE FOR THE SUNDAY GOSPELS THROUGH MEDITATION AND SCRIPTURE COMMENTARY.

This group meets on **Fridays at 7:00 p.m.**—except on First Fridays and Fridays with special events in the church
(e.g., NOT on October 30 or November 6—next session will be November 13).

It is held in the **Avila Room** inside the **Parish Office** building
(enter through the sacristy/choir room door—just before you reach the Adoration Chapel—and then cross the Courtyard to the double glass doors).

EACH SESSION INCLUDES:

- **A themed social** to begin (if you'd like, you can bring a light, MEATLESS snack for three to four people).
- Meditation and discussion of the upcoming Sunday Gospel.
- Magisterial and saints' commentary on the Gospel.

SCRIPTURE
COMMUNITY
A DEEPER FAITH
TOGETHER

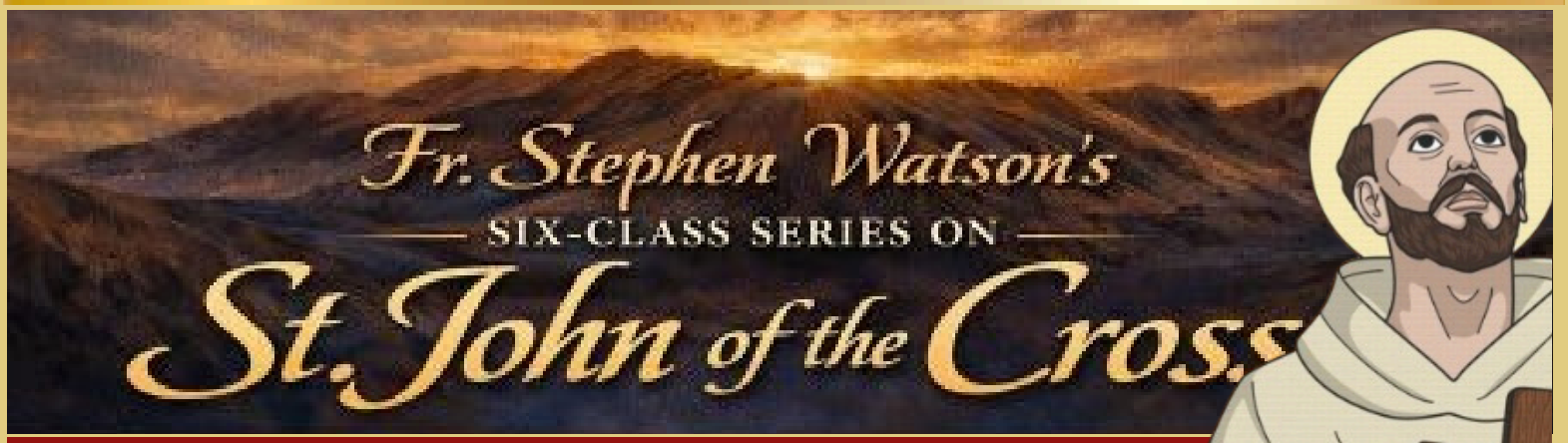
WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE! *All are welcome!*



SIX MONDAY EVENINGS
October 12, 19, 26
November 2, 9, 16
7:00–9:00 p.m.
Parish Meeting Room
FREE ADMISSION • ALL ARE WELCOME
For questions, please contact
Catherine Contreras
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St. Thérèse
Catholic Church

Join Leo Severino (author, movie producer, and longtime St. Therese parishioner) for his thoughtful, engaging exploration of God, reason, and the nature of Truth.

Whether you're new to philosophy or simply longing to strengthen your understanding of the Faith, this series offers a clear, compelling path into the heart of Catholic thought. Even Fr. Robert is attending! Don't miss it!



THE NEXT CLASS WILL BE TUES., NOVEMBER 10, 7:30 TO 9:00 P.M., PARISH MEETING ROOM (IN THE PARISH CENTER--JUST EAST OF THE CHURCH)

This week's subject will be The Living Flame of Love. We will examine the role of the Holy Spirit in the transformation of the soul and the attainment of perfect union with God. What does "union with God" mean?







Financial Offerings



October 24 / 25, 2026

Unrestricted.....$16,461.00
Restricted..... $11,005.00
TOTAL.....$27,466.00

September 26 / 27...$18,614.00
October 3 / 4.....$23,934.00
October 10 / 11.....$16,881.00
October 17 / 18 .....$17,518.00

CHECK USERS: Please use a donation envelope in order to accurately credit your account.

Mass Intentions

October 31 – November 7, 2026

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass:
5:00 p.m.: Deceased Religious, Relatives, and Benefactors of Carmel of St. Teresa

Sunday:
*7:30 a.m.: The Discalced Carmelite Order, INT
7:30 a.m.: Kim Sajulga Sia, INT
9:00 a.m.: José & Engracia Vales, RIP
11 am: Michael Alexander & Lauren Cheah, INT
1:00 p.m.: Fr. Nicholas Rosal, RIP
5:00 p.m.: Parishioners

Monday:
6 a.m.: Simeona Rosal/All Souls in Purgatory, RIP
*7:30 a.m.: Joseph Cheah Kin Hun, RIP
8:00 a.m.: Deceased Religious, Relatives, and Benefactors of Carmel of St. Teresa
7:15 p.m.: Ronaldo Cuarto/Victor Minoza, RIP

Tuesday (+7:15 p.m. in Spanish):
6:00 a.m.: Reynante Pasok, RIP
*7:30 am: Gabriel Gomez, INT
8:00 a.m.: Elsa Lara, INT
7:15 p.m.: All Souls Novena 1

Wednesday:
6:00 a.m.: Rosemarie Reyes, INT
*7:30 a.m.: George Rossy, INT
8:00 a.m.: All Souls Novena 2

Thursday:
6:00 a.m.: All Souls Novena 3
*7:30 a.m.: Joann Vu, INT
8:00 a.m.: Carlos Ibarra & Family, INT

Friday:
6:00 a.m.: Danilo Matro, RIP
*7:30 a.m.: Averyl Rose Sia, RIP
8:00 a.m.: All Souls Novena 4
7:15 p.m.: Fr. Raymond Bueno, INT

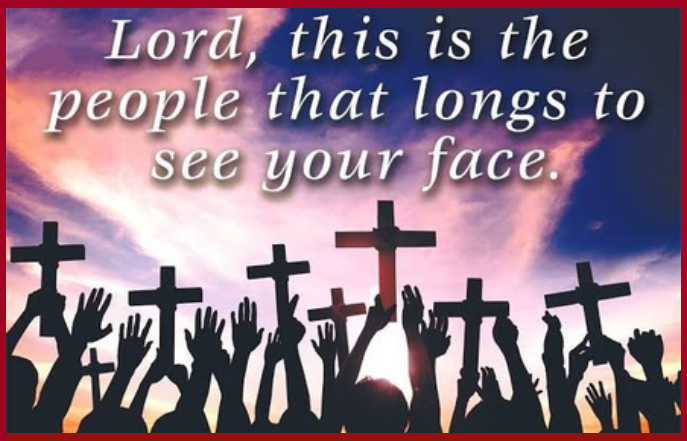
Saturday Morning
*7:30 a.m.: Alhambra Cloistered Carm Nuns
8:00 a.m.: Edna Mancao, INT

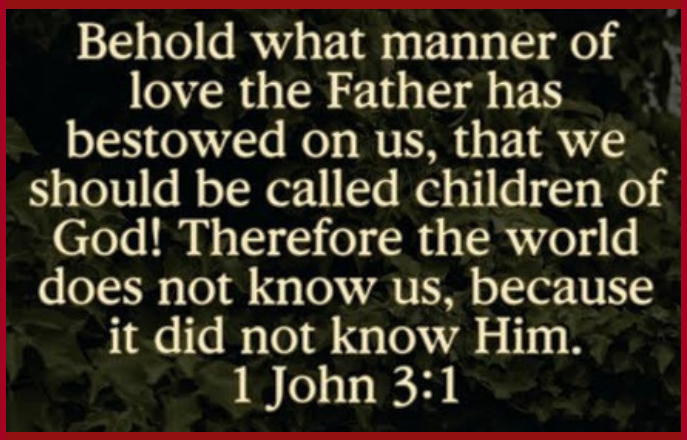
*Held at the Cloistered Carmelite Chapel (215 East Alhambra Road, Alhambra)
*Open to the public except Sundays and holidays.)

LIVE STREAMED MASSES:

We livestream the daily 8:00 a.m. Mass and the HOMILIES from the Sunday 11:00 a.m. and the Monday 7:15 p.m. Masses. Be sure to "tune in."

Today's Scriptures







PERSONAL AD

Reliable House & Pet Sitting by Fellow Parishioner: I can care for your home, pets, and plants while you're away. I am honest and caring. References provided. Contact (626)840-8575.