

SAINT THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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September 1, 2019 **MINISTERED BY THE DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS** Estab. 1924



Pastor: Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD X222;
Associate Pastor: Fr. David Guzman, OCD X232;
Carmelite Vocation Director: Fr. Matthias Lambrecht, OCD X224

In Residence: Fr. Albert Busic, OCD X335;
Fr. Donald Kinney, OCD (Chaplain for the Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles);
Bro. Jason Parrott, OCD (7th Grade Teacher)
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Deacons: Deacon Joseph Mizerski X333;
Deacon Gilbert Vargas X333

NEW PARISHIONERS

The office is at
510 N. El Molino
Street, Alhambra.

Office Hours are Monday through
Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm;
2:00 to 5:00 pm; and 6:00 to
8:00 pm (closed from 1:00 to
2:00 pm and from
5:00 to 6:00 pm).

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel
is open 24/7. An electronic key is
needed from 5:00 pm to 6:00 am
(available in the office for \$20).

SAINT THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL (626) 289-3364

[www.SaintThereseCarmelite
School.com](http://www.SaintThereseCarmeliteSchool.com)

Principal: Alma Cornejo
X661

Principal @[sainttheresecarmelite
school.com](mailto:sainttheresecarmelite
school.com)

Chaplain: Fr. Matthias
Lambrecht, OCD X224

See our VIDEOS on
the School's Facebook page
or on the Church's
Website: > Our School
> Videos



MASSES AND 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.

Confessions: Wed: 7:00-8:30 p.m.; Sat: 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Daily Rosary: Mon-Sat after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Exposition/Benediction: Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

First Friday: Mass and Confessions: 7:30 p.m.

Baptisms: Once a month on a Saturday

Weddings: Fill out an application (website or office) six months+ in advance

Holy Communion to the Sick: Fred & Margaret Padilla, (626) 282-0943

Anointing of the Sick: Call the office to schedule an appointment.



Parish Secretary:

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Music Director:

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Fr. Matthias Lambrecht,
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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(Grade School, Confirmation

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RCIA, and Liturgical
Ministries): Rhonda
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284-0020 X 1

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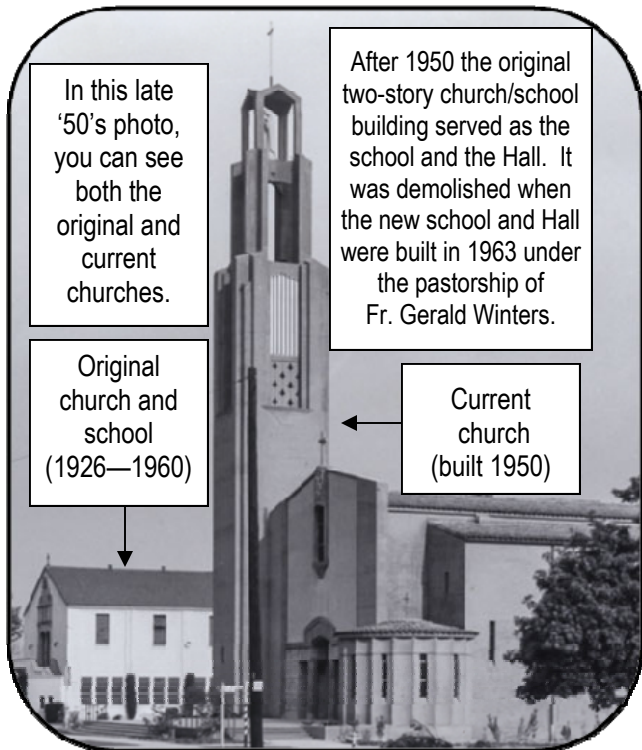
Now Celebrating our 95th Year of Ministry **1924—2019**

We are excited to celebrate the 95th Anniversary of St. Therese Parish! As part of our celebration, we are in the process of creating a special book that will, among other things, highlight those Carmelite Friars who made important contributions to the

growth of our Parish. In addition to other upcoming projects, we will also be producing a 95th Anniversary holy card and creating a new, more efficient website. We will share more information with you in upcoming bulletins.

As a culmination of the celebration, we will celebrate a special 95th Anniversary Mass on **Saturday evening, June 20, 2020**, to which we have invited Archbishop José Gomez to be the main celebrant. Following the Mass we will have a special dinner celebration in the Parish Hall.

Stay tuned for more news about this special year in the life of the Parish!



In this late '50's photo, you can see both the original and current churches.

After 1950 the original two-story church/school building served as the school and the Hall. It was demolished when the new school and Hall were built in 1963 under the pastorship of Fr. Gerald Winters.

Original church and school (1926—1960)

Current church (built 1950)

Who's On Your Invitation List?

You Scratch My Back And I'll scratch yours. For many, life is about leverage; for them, good deeds are only investments that will reap profits for the future. future profits for themselves. In today's Gospel, Jesus' parable invites us to think outside that human box and more in the divine one. God derives no personal benefits through showing us immeasurable love. We can't, after



all, give Him

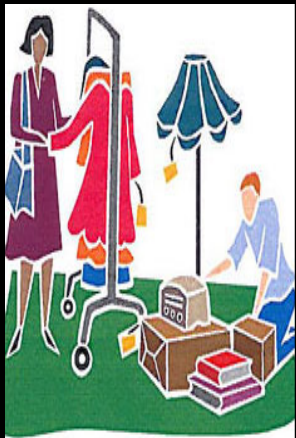
anything that He doesn't already have. Maybe we should be expanding our list of dinner invitations?

Jesus...said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or sisters or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Poor, the Crippled, the Lame, the Blind: St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa—whose feast is this Thursday, September 5th) lived this Gospel verse in exemplary fashion. The story is told of a dying man, found lying in the street and brought to the Missionaries of Charity's House of the Dying, where the sisters gave him dignity that he had never known. He said, *"I have lived like a dog all my life. But now I will die like an angel."* Sometimes we are given opportunities to help others in dire need. More often, however, we receive chances to come to the aid of those who are **spiritually** poor or crippled. Perhaps that person will be someone who seems to always be in a foul mood or someone who once spread a rumor about you. If you reach out to him or her, you will be abundantly blessed by God because of that person's inability to repay you.

Self-interest vs. Resurrection: It has been said about the priesthood and the religious life: *"The pay is lousy, but the retirement benefits are out of this world!"* As Christians we are called to live for eternity and not to keep score cards. Let's ask the Lord to give us a better sense of the big picture, to give us the true charity to perform unrequited good deeds. Your sacrifices will indeed find their reward in the resurrection of the righteous.

Rummage Sale!



We are gearing up for a two-day Rummage Sale on **November 9 and 10!** So we ask you to go through your homes, including your closets, garages, basements, attics, etc., and gather all the things you no longer need or want but which are still in good useable condition (no junk please!). Please bring small items to the office and larger items to the Bro. John Room (entrance on El Molino between the church entrance and the office entrance) during our open hours. If you have larger items, stop by the office first so we can open the basement door for you.

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

May God reward you! Below you will find the total collections for the last few weekends.

NOTE: The second collection on the 2ND WEEKEND each month is for our School (next is September 14/15).



August 24 / 25, 2019
 Unrestricted..... \$20,486.00
 Restricted \$ 4,645.00
T O T A L \$25,131.00

July 27 / 28..... \$16,018.00
 August 3 / 4..... \$12,290.00
 August 10 / 11..... \$31,414.00
 August 17 / 18..... \$31,415.00

Check Users:
 Please use a donation envelope in order to more easily credit your account.

VIRTUS CLASSES

Anyone—whether employee or volunteer—who works with or around children in any L.A. Archdiocesan parish or school **MUST** take a VIRTUS CLASS.

INITIAL CLASS: "Protecting God's Children" is the initial three-hour class. It will be held **Wednesday, September 11, from 6:00 to 9:00**

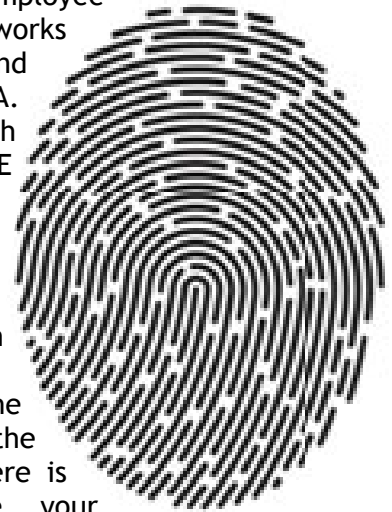
p.m., in the Hall.

RECERTIFICATION CLASS: "Keeping the Promise Alive" is the recertification class, which must be taken every four years by all those who have already attended the initial class and who are still employees or volunteers who work with or around children in the LA. Archdiocese. It will be held on **Wednesday, September 18, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the Hall.**

Call Rhonda Storey at 284-0020, ext. 1, for any questions about either class. **NO NEED TO REGISTER! Just show up on time!**

FINGERPRINTING SESSION

Anyone—whether employee or volunteer—who works with or around children in any L.A. Archdiocesan parish or school **MUST BE FINGERPRINTED.**



Our next fingerprinting session will be on **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9**, in the Avila Room of the Parish Offices. There is no fee to have your fingerprints taken.

You MUST make an appointment (no walk-ins). To do so, call the DRE, Rhonda Storey, at 284-0020, ext. 1.

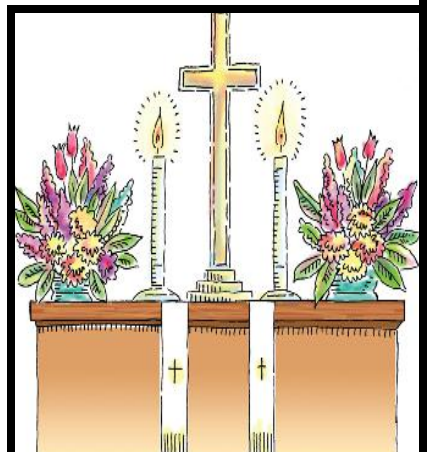
C.M.A. MEETING



Join us for the next **Catholic Medical Association (CMA) Meeting on Sunday, September 8, from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m., in the Lisieux Conference Room of the Parish Offices.** We begin with a Rosary at 2:30, followed by discussion and the meeting. This is a great opportunity to meet other Catholics in the medical profession. For more information, contact Katrina Crow at Katrina.fcp@gmail.com.

Thank You, Altar Society!

Thank you to all the members of our Altar Society for all the work you do for the church. The Friars and your fellow parishioners very much appreciate all you do to create a beautiful environment in which to worship Our Lord.



Feast Day Mass

Restrooms Renovation



The Missionaries of Charity contemplatives (on Granada Avenue) INVITE YOU TO JOIN THEM for Holy Mass in honor of their founder, **St. Teresa of Calcutta**. It will be celebrated at St. Therese Church on her feast day, **Wednesday, September 5, at 7:30 p.m.**

"In this life, we cannot do GREAT things. We can only do small things with GREAT love."
-Mother Teresa

THANK YOU to all those who have generously donated towards this renovation project! The Hall bathrooms are in the process of being refurbished.



There is a saying, "Many hands make work light..." We'd like to add, "Many dollars will help our plight" of paying for these renovations.

Please make it clear on your checks that your donation is to go toward the restroom work.

God bless you for your good stewardship!

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BIBLE STUDY

If you missed the Orientation last week, please call Rhonda Storey, DRE, at 284-0020, ext. 1, or arrive 15 to 20 minutes BEFORE class starts.

* STRE (Kindergarten through 8th Grade, including Eucharist Preparation): Classes begin NEXT SUNDAY, September 8 at 9:00 a.m.

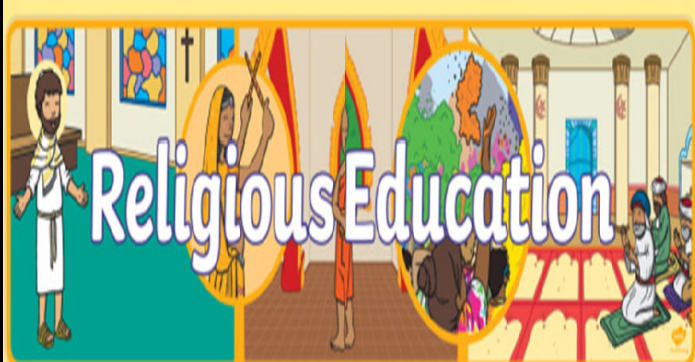
• CONFIRMATION (High School): Classes begin as follows: First Year (C1) begins September 8 at 9:00 a.m.; Second Year (C2) begins September 15 at 9:00 a.m.

RCIA: Anyone wishing to become Catholic or to complete their Sacraments is welcome to join us! Classes are held in the Parish Meeting Room on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming dates are September 5, 12, and 19.



The next Bible Study begins this Wednesday, September 4, in the Parish Meeting Room for ten weeks; we will be studying "Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy." Participants will view an engaging video presentation, followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. A program fee of \$30 is due at the first class you attend.

For more information, visit www.ascensionpress.com, or contact Debbie at 679-6370 or debables@me.com.



11 AM Choir



The Choir for the 11:00 a.m. Mass meets for its weekly rehearsals every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., in the choir room. For more information, call Charlotte Lansberg, Music Director, at 807-8611.

"COR JESU NIGHTS" KICK-OFF ON 9/27/19!

~ For High School ~ Middle School (6th - 8th)
~ Parent Group ~ Children's Virtue Formation

This year's theme is: "GET HOLY!"

Our focus will be on *"Our Relationship with Christ through Prayer, Virtue, and the Saints of Carmel."*

- More Social time
- Brotherhood/Sisterhood Cenacles with Mentors
- Holy Hour & Confessions
- LEAD Teams for Skits & Testimonials

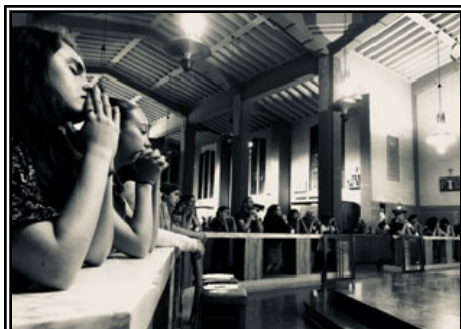


The complete calendar and more info will be available by the weekend of September 14 / 15.

The Cor Jesu SERVICE OUTREACH is held on Saturdays (late morning or afternoon) the day after Cor Jesu Nights.

The **2019 COR JESU NIGHTS** will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. on:

- Sept. 27 (Kick-Off)
 - Oct. 25
 - Nov. 22
 - Dec. 20
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Mass Intentions

Floral Dedications

**Week of
August 31 through September 7, 2019**

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Fr. Stephen Watson, OCD, Birthday Intention

Sunday

*7:30 a.m.: Peter Kretschmer, Birthday Intention

7:30 a.m.: Avelino Torreiro, RIP

9:00 a.m.: Christina Chernick, INT

11:00 a.m.: Peter Kretschmer, 23rd Birthday INT

1:00 p.m.: (Latin): Nicole Sanchez, INT

5:00 p.m.: Nancy Holman, INT

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Park Ho Soon Maria, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Manon Borromeo Labarsouque, INT

8:00 a.m.: Gusty Steite, RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Teddy Yang, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Kim Marie, OCD, INT

8:00 a.m.: Felida Adan, RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: David Lopez, RIP, & Teresita Lopez, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Richard Rodriguez, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Nicole Tittmann Grimm, Birthday Intention

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Nicolas & Christina Yang, IINT

*7:30 a.m.: Jeremy Aclaro, INT

8:00 am: Jerry & Marjorie Fairbanks, RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Corazon Aclaro, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Sarah Sandoval, INT

8:00 a.m.: Fidelina Adan, RIP

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Hector Torres, Birthday Intention

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community

8:00 a.m.: Eric Truong, INT

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

This week's Dedication is:

† In Thanksgiving
from
Daniel Riley



Outside the Parish

Fr. Stephen Watson, OCD, a former pastor of ours, will lead a 6-day SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE to Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in Mexico City (December 8 to 13). \$1,599 per person, double occupancy. For more info, contact Beth Maddatu at (408) 903-6305 or maddatubeth@gmail.com.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend for Healing after Abortion for men and women struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. The retreat helps participants work through repressed grief and anger in a safe, nonjudgmental setting and come to acceptance, healing, and hope. It utilizes spiritual exercises to help grieve the loss of unborn children and to accept God's forgiveness. All inquiries and registrations are confidential. Dates are **October 4-6 in San Fernando**. Cost is \$300 per person. For registration or more information, call 323-577-5693 and leave a message. See more at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Personal Ads

FOR RENT TO FEMALE STUDENTS: Two furnished rooms in my Temple City home. \$700 and \$600 per month, including utilities. Rooms include shared access to kitchen, bath, and patio. 15-minute drive to PCC and CalTech. Parking/bike space. Call 215-3159 between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.

SEEKING CARETAKERS for my elderly mother: 1) live-in Monday through Friday and 2) live in on weekends. Call 500-7612 for an interview.

Retired woman **SEEKING TO RENT A ROOM** with a separate entrance, non-sharing bathroom, and kitchen privileges. Can pay \$685/mo + \$500 security. Pays on time, doesn't smoke/drink, has no pets. If you have availability, please call 627-1899.

Lectors

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Larry Dumont / Alice Cheung

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Jackie Johnson/ Blanca Ruvalcaba

9:00 a.m. John Kienker

11:00 a.m. Jason Perez / Lucy Lopeza

5:00 p.m. Peter Chiu / Charlie Gopez