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# Saint Therese Church

December 28, 2014 **Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars** Established 1924

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**510 North El Molino Street . Alhambra, California 91801 . 282-2744 . FAX 282-7560**

(Unless otherwise indicated, all the telephone numbers in the bulletin are in the (626) area code.)

**Pastor:** Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD (226) **Associate Pastors:** Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD (232) and Fr. Leonel Varela, OCD (222) **In Residence:** Fr. Albert Bunsic, OCD \* **Deacon Couple:** Deacon Joe & Lorraine Mizerski (333) **Vocations:** Carmelite: (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; Fatima Devotion: 13th of the month from May through October

## Sacramental Programs:

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

**(Confession):** Wed., 7-9 pm;  
and Sat., 3:30 - 5:00 pm

**Baptism:** Register at 284-0020 (1)

**Weddings:** Call 6 months before

**RCIA:** Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (1)

## Other Ministries / Programs:

Grief Support, 2nd/4th Wed.,

2:30-4 pm: Deacon Couple 333)

Bible Study: Debbie Robles 679-6370

Detention Ministry: Sonia Macias

(323) 724-6443

First Friday Mass/All-Night Prayer

Vigil—7:30 pm-6:00 am

Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight—

Mike Pulciano 641-0870

Legion of Mary: Tues., 7:00 pm

Natural Family Planning—

Jack & Katrina Crow 292-1906

Respect Life Ministry / Foot Soldiers:

Catherine Contreras (213) 435-3942

Rosary Makers/Mondays, 6-8 pm: Ed

William 975-1838 [tieknt@gmail.com](mailto:tieknt@gmail.com)

St. Joseph Prayer Group: Wednesdays,

6:15 pm - Albert Grana 576-0872

“Tea at Therese” Women’s Group:

(2nd & 4th Thursdays at 10 am)

Dara Barbosa (301)542-9701

## FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



## 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 (223);  
[denisekay@hotmail.com](mailto:denisekay@hotmail.com)

**Finance:** Noralyn Cailan (228)

**Christian Services:**

Bridie McDermott (224)

**Choir Directors:**

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

11:00 a.m.: Paula Grimm  
(909) 703-1284 / [pgrimm.dir@gmail.com](mailto:pgrimm.dir@gmail.com)

**Coordinator for Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at the Altar:**

Fr. Leonel Varela (222)

**Coordinators for Ministry to the Sick:** Fred & Margaret Padilla

282-0943

**St. Therese Religious Education:**

Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (1)

[rhondalstorey@gmail.com](mailto:rhondalstorey@gmail.com)

\* Pre K through 8th Grade

\* Adult Religious Ed

**Youth & Adult Confirmation**

**Programs:** Ruben Beltran 284-0020 (2)

Email: [rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com](mailto:rubenconfirmation@yahoo.com)

**St. Therese Catholic School:** 289-

3364 - Principal: Carmela Lovano (661)

[clovano@stthereseschoolalhabra.org](mailto:clovano@stthereseschoolalhabra.org)

Web Site: [stthereseschoolalhabra.org](http://stthereseschoolalhabra.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

# Feast of the Holy Family - December 28, 2014

*My eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all the peoples. —Luke 2:30-31*

## Schedule for New Year's Eve & Day

**New Year's Eve Celebration  
with the Carmelite Sisters of the  
Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles**

8:00 to 10:30 pm at Sacred Heart Retreat House,  
(920 East Alhambra Road, Alhambra)

11:00 pm to 1:00 am at St. Therese Church

**8:00-9:00 p.m.:** Registration at the Retreat Center,  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and a Conference

**9:00-10:00 p.m.:** Adoration & Confessions

**10:00-10:30 p.m.:** Benediction / Refreshments

**10:30 p.m.:** Candlelight Rosary Walk to St. Therese Church

**11:00 p.m.:** Conference

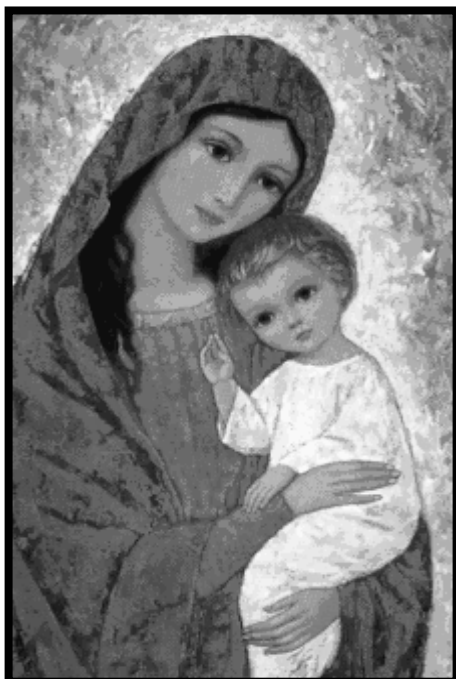
**Midnight:** Holy Mass at St. Therese Church

**New Year's Day at St. Therese Church  
(Feast of Mary, Mother of God):**

Masses at 6:00, 8:00, 10:00 a.m., and 7:30 p.m.



## ST. THERESE SCHOOL NEWS



*Saint Therese School is proud to be a Community of  
Faith, Knowledge, and Service.*

Wishing you a New Year filled with God's eternal love! Happy New Year!  
The School Office opens and classes resume on January 5.

- All School Mass on January 9 at 10:00 a.m.
- No School on January 19 in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- Open House on January 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Catholic Schools Week Festivities from January 25 through 30
- Ongoing New Student Registration for TK - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Ongoing Student 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](http://www.stthereseschoolalhambra.org) for important information and updates. Please feel free to contact our Principal, Mrs. Carmela Lovano, by phone at 289-3364 or by email at [clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org](mailto:clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org) to schedule a tour. We look forward to hearing from you!

# RESPECT LIFE NEWS & EVENTS

**CATHOLIC ONLINE—Inform, Inspire, Ignite:** We are excited to share with you that our **Respect Life Ministry Coordinator, Catherine Contreras, is a new Contributing Writer for Catholic Online!** The focus will be on Pro-Life issues, events, people, and organizations. You will be able to read Catherine’s articles on the Catholic Online and St. Therese websites.

**RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY MEETING:** Is God calling you to be part of Respect Life Ministry? Are you interested in being part of **40 Days for Life?** Do you have questions about **OneLife LA?** Then come and join us at Respect Life Ministry’s first meeting of 2015! It will be on **Monday, January 5,** at 7:30 p.m., in the Parish Offices. We will be discussing the following items:

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE (February 18 – March 30):** By the grace of God, since its launching as a worldwide movement in 2007, *40 Days for Life* has achieved a stunning track record, as follows: *650,000 Pro-Life Volunteers Assisted in 3,336 Pro-Life Campaigns, which were held in 559 Cities in 27 Nations Resulting in: 9,699 Lives Saved \* 107 Abortion Workers Quitting \* 59 Abortion Centers Being Closed!*

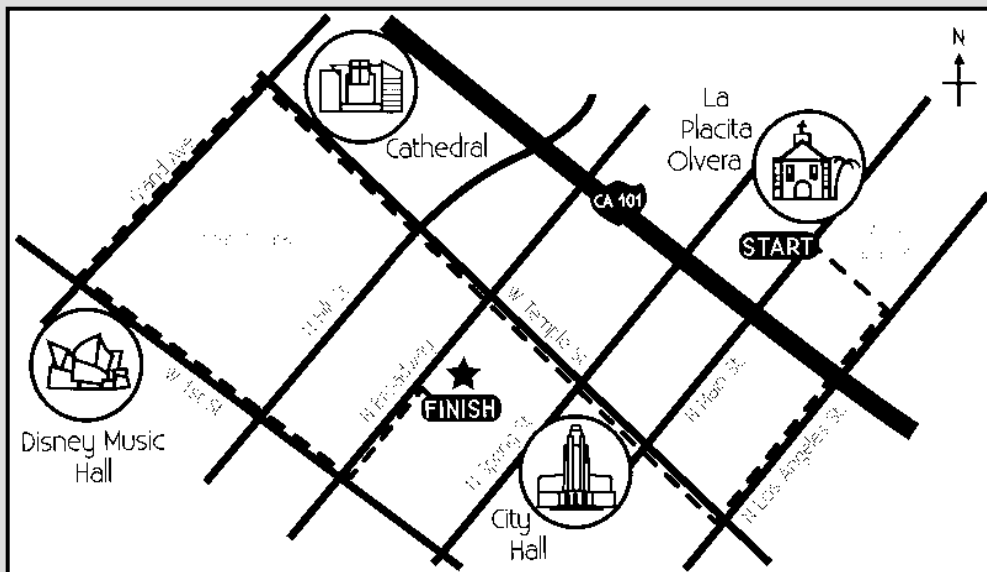
**THE TREE OF LIFE –“ Let Every Baby’s Light Shine”:** St. Therese Church has adopted LAPS (Los Angeles Pregnancy Services). LAPS, which has nine abortion facilities within one mile from its location, **has helped save 299 babies in the last year.** They continue to help mothers and babies who are desperately in need of our help. To help with this support, please **take a STAR from the Tree of Life in the church and return the item written on it by January 4** (just place it under the tree). The presents will be delivered to LAPS on January 6 (Feast of the Epiphany).



**OneLife L.A.** will be on **Saturday, January 17.** It is the first-ever, large-scale pro-life event held in downtown L.A. Its mission is to unite communities and inspire positive action through an annual event that promotes the beauty and dignity of every human life—from conception to natural death. **St. Therese will have t-shirts available for you to wear at this event (\$8 each).** The event

begins at La Placita on Olvera Street. From there we will walk up Temple Street, then cross Grand Avenue,

and continue down 1st Street, where it will culminate in a family-friendly picnic with music, entertainment, food trucks, and exhibits from community organizations. (The walk is largely uphill, so bring comfy shoes!) Please check the article in the website about this event for details about **Public Transit, including directions from the various stations.** Help us celebrate the beauty and dignity of every human life by joining us on January 17!



# BLOOD DRIVE



St. Therese will sponsor a Blood Drive in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, January 18**, between 8:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. All donations will benefit Cedars Sinai Hospital in continued gratitude for the care given to Deacon Joe Mizerski. Your gift may save someone's life! **To make an appointment, please call Lorraine Mizerski at 282-2744, ext. 333**, and leave your name, phone number, and the approximate time you'd like to come. Walk-ins are also welcome! God bless you for thinking of others!

## LEGION OF MARY DISCUSSION GROUP:

"Divorce, Annulments, and Remarriage" will be the topic for the next session, held on **Saturday, January 3**, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the Parish Library. Learn and Defend the Catholic Faith through Mary. Just listen or add to the conversation. Bring a friend or meet new people. Refreshments served. For more information, call 457-1564 or email [placenci@sbcglobal.net](mailto:placenci@sbcglobal.net).



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**STRE:** Happy New Year! Enjoy the remainder of your Christmas break. We will see you back in class on Sunday, January 4.



## RCIA—New Inquiries to the Faith

This class is for all those who are unbaptized or were baptized in another Christian faith and desire to begin the journey towards becoming a Catholic. Classes are held in the Parish Meeting Room from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on selected Thursday evenings. **Next date is January 8**. We wish everyone a blessed and joyful Christmas celebration!

# CONFIRMATION

Your Journey Begins at St. Therese



## CONFIRMATION FOR YOUTH

We wish you a wonderful 2015 and hope you have a great last few days of your Christmas break. See you next Sunday, January 4!

## CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS

All baptized Catholics who have made their First Communion but who have NOT received the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to join the RCIA classes. Classes are held in the Parish Meeting Room from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings. **Next date is January 8**. Contact Ruben Beltran at 284-0020 (2) for more info.



*New is the year;  
New are the hopes;  
New is the resolution;  
New are the spirits;  
And new are my warm wishes just for you.  
Have a promising and fulfilling New Year!  
Happy New Year*



**ADORATION CHAPEL**

"Farmers everywhere provide bread for all humanity, but it is Christ alone who is the Bread of Life...Even if all the physical hunger of the world were satisfied, even if everyone who is hungry were fed by his or her own labor or by the generosity of others, the deepest hunger of man would still exist...Therefore, I say, Come, all of you, to Christ. He is the Bread of Life. Come to Christ and you will *never* be hungry again..." - St. Pope John Paul II

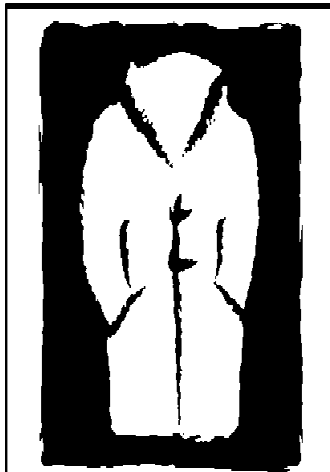
To sign up for an hour every week, please call Carlos or Carla Johnson at 289-0388.

**SEEKING DONATIONS OF COATS**

"For I was naked and you clothed me..." Mt 25:35-36

Colder weather is just around the corner—and some people do not have protection from it. Diaconate Formation Couple, Frances and Gil Vargas, are collecting un-needed coats to distribute to local homeless individuals and families. If you have a clean coat to spare (child's small through Adult XX, we would be most happy to find someone to share it with.

Please email your information to [gil\\_vargas@att.net](mailto:gil_vargas@att.net), and we will contact you to arrange for pick up.



**ONE WARM COAT**

**"Word of Life" Quote of the Week:**



"The right to life is the foundation of every other right and liberty and the true foundation of justice and peace in society."

~Archbishop José Gomez

**GUADALUPE PREGNANCY SERVICES (GPS)**

Are you pregnant? Do you need help?

Guadalupe Pregnancy Services (GPS) counselors are available to help you with any situation



regarding your pregnancy. All services are local and are offered privately and confidentially. We offer counseling, education, resources and referrals. Contact Louisa Day at 872-2483 or email [gps.pregnancy@ymail.com](mailto:gps.pregnancy@ymail.com).

**FINANCIAL OFFERINGS**

May God reward you!

Below you will find the total collections for the weekend of December 13 and 14 and for the previous four weeks. Because of the advanced printing schedule of the bulletin for the holidays, the collections for the weekends of December 20/21 and December 27/28 will be in the January 11th bulletin.

December 13 / 14, 2014

Unrestricted.....	\$16,065.50
Restricted .....	\$ 710.50
<b>TOTAL .....</b>	<b>\$16,876.00</b>

November 15 / 16.....	\$11,690.00
November 22 / 23.....	\$13,010.00
November 29 / 30.....	\$16,015.00
December 6 / 7.....	\$16,343.00

**TOGETHER IN MISSION 2014**

Amount of 2014 Goal.....\$65,693.00

Donations received to date.....\$61,431.00

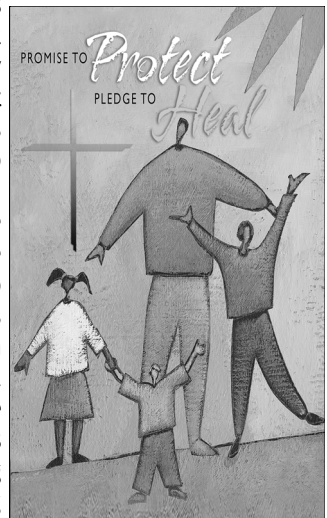
Donations still needed.....\$4,262.00

**T H A N K   Y O U !**

**SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN—  
"DID YOU KNOW?"**

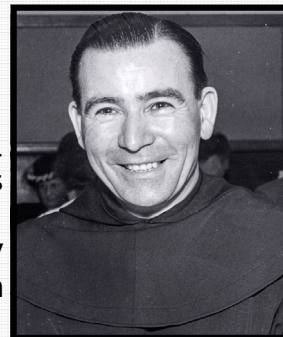
Holiday Cooking Safety Tips - "Food plays a major part in holiday celebrations...When it comes to keeping little ones protected from burns, keep them out of the kitchen while you're cooking. Create a 3-foot kid-free zone around the stove, or put up a safety gate. If your kids are old enough, give them kitchen chores that won't require them to be near the stove or oven, such as mixing ingredients, setting the table, or arranging veggies on a tray." For

more important holiday safety tips, go to <http://www.parents.com/holiday/christmas/safety/holiday-safety-hazards/>



## ST. THERESE 90TH ANNIVERSARY DESKTOP CALENDARS FOR SALE!

This is a beautiful, customized desktop calendar. It contains over 35 historical photos from when our current church was first built. It is definitely a collector's item, but you can also use it to schedule your events and appointments during 2015. You may purchase yours at the Religious Goods Counter after the Sunday Masses or in the Parish Offices during our open hours. They are \$12 each or two for \$20!



### BAPTISM MINISTRY

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



required to attend a class from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Library (next dates Jan. 6 and Feb. 3). The fee is \$100 per child or \$25 for the class

only. Your child will then be baptized on a Saturday (next open Baptisms are January 24 and February 14—both dates at Noon).

**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.

### ONGOING MINISTRIES & CLASSES

**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP:** This group, formed in honor of Patricia Bordonaro, is for anyone who is grieving for 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 January 7 and 21. For additional information, please contact Deacon Joe and Lorraine Mizerski at 282-2744 (333).

### WOMEN'S PRAYER AND DISCUSSION GROUP:

Come join us for a prayer and discussion group, along with tea and treats! Children are welcome (play area available). We NORMALLY hold these meetings at 10:00 a.m., on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month (In the Avila Room in



the Parish Offices, 510 North El Molino Street). Our next meetings will be on January 8 and 22. We will return to our normal schedule in January. For more information, contact Dara Barbosa at (301) 542-9701.



**IRISH STEP-DANCING CLASSES:** Join us for these Irish Dance classes—for adults AND kids ages 4 and up. The classes are taught by Mrs. Kelly Mohun and are held in the Parish Hall every Wednesday from 3:15 to 5:45 p.m. To sign up or for more information, please contact Kelly at (805) 421-7548.

### ST. THERESE PARISH NEW YEAR'S RAFFLE WINNER'S CHOICE: A TWO-YEAR LEASE ON A NISSAN VERSA AUTOMOBILE OR A CASH PRIZE OF \$3,000:



Tickets can be purchased at the Religious Goods counter after the Sunday Masses or during open hours in the Parish Offices at 510 North El Molino Street. Tickets are \$15 each, and the drawing will be after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Sun., Jan. 4, 2015. Some restrictions may apply.

By entering this raffle, participants agree to be bound by the Official Rules. St. Therese Parish's interpretation and application of the Official Rules shall be final. Please see the website (News/Events) for the Official Rules and Regulations:

[www.sttheresechurchalhambra.org](http://www.sttheresechurchalhambra.org)

# Mass Intentions

**For the Week of 12/27/14 to 1/3/2015**

**Saturday:**

5:00 p.m.: Fung Tung RIP

**Sunday:**

\*7:30 a.m.: Laurel Kuhn INT

7:30 a.m.: Parishioners

9:00 a.m.: Christmas Novena 3

11:00 a.m.: Cheah & Goh Families INT

1:00 p.m. (Latin): Richard Iredale RIP

5:00 p.m.: Cailan Family INT

**Monday:**

6:00 a.m.: Guillermina Leyritana RIP

\*7:30 a.m.: Gil Leyritana RIP

8:00 a.m.: Christmas Novena 4

**Tuesday:**

6:00 a.m.: Christmas Novena 5

\*7:30 a.m.: Laurel Kuhn INT

8:00 a.m.: Fernando Fuentesbella RIP

**Wednesday—New Year's Eve:**

6:00 a.m.: Fr. William Fenton OCD RIP

\*7:30 a.m.: Christmas Novena 6

8:00 a.m.: Lupe A. Cano RIP

Midnight: Priests of St. Therese INT

**Thursday—New Year's Day (Mary, Mother of God):**

6:00 a.m.: Christmas Novena 7

\*7:30 a.m.: Mary Rose Go INT

8:00 a.m.: Mary Stewart RIP

10:00 a.m.: Angelina Brajkovich RIP

7:30 p.m.: Steven Garcia INT

**Friday:**

6:00 a.m.: Christmas Novena 8

\*7:30 a.m.: Budiardjono Family INT

8:00 a.m.: Alvin Cailan INT

7:30 p.m. Carmina & Julius Doria INT

**Saturday:**

6:00 a.m. Laigo Family INT

\*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community

8:00 a.m.: Christmas Novena 9

\*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 2015:**

1) That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace; and 2) That in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.

# Lectors

**Saturday:**

5:00 p.m. Charitt Torres / Alice Cheung

**Sunday:**

7:30 a.m. Lucy Lopez / Florence Goh

9:00 a.m. Lucas Setiady / Jim Raney

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

5:00 p.m. Vickie Blair

# Floral Dedication

Through January 11 there will be only poinsettias and Christmas trees on the altar.

However, you may request a floral dedication for January 18 or after.

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. Bouquets start at \$40.



# Personal Ads

**FOR RENT:** Lovely home, 104 S. Fremont, Alh. (3BR, 1BA, nice kitchen, laundry rm. hook-ups, small gated front yd, garage pkg for 1 small car & carport for 1. \$1,700/mo, with 1st/last due upfront. Call Pedro at 487-5312

# Outside the Parish

**NEW CATHOLIC TALK RADIO STATION!** Immaculate Heart Radio KHJ 930AM began in July 2014. Check it out!

**Pilgrimage to Fatima & Spain** (with attendance at Teresian Int'l Mtg in Avila) with **FR. LEONEL & FR. ROBERT BARCELOS** from Aug. 3-18, 2015 (16 days, 14 nights). \$4,568 each (dbl occ), includes airfare, lodging, 14 b'fasts/dinners, and 13 lunches. Contact Angela Yang, Avenue of Travel, at [aokyang@gmail.com](mailto:aokyang@gmail.com) or 394-4367.

**13-DAY HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE** with Fr. Darrin Merlin, CMF, **June 23-July 5, 2015**, for \$4379 (all inclusive). For more info, call Albert or Mary Helen Estrada at 285-6687 or email [remembertoatl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:remembertoatl@sbcglobal.net)

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