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There was a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years. She touched Jesus' cloak, saying, "If I but touch His clothes, I shall be cured." Immediately her flow of blood dried up. Jesus turned around and asked, "Who has touched me?" The woman approached in fear and fell down before Jesus. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction" (from today's Gospel from Mark 5:21-43).

MASSES | CONFESSIONS

Masses: Saturdays: 8:00 a.m. & Vigil at 5:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

And Traditional Latin High Mass at 1:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday Masses: 6:00 & 8:00 a.m.

Rosary: Monday-Saturday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Monday and Tuesday evenings: *7:15 p.m. Mass
(*Monday evening Mass followed by Healing Service;
Tuesday's 7:15 p.m. is in **Spanish**).

Thursday evenings: 7:00 pm Exposition & Adoration

First Fridays: 6:00 & 8:00 a.m. and 7:15 p.m.

Carmelite Nuns' Chapel: 7:30 a.m., Mon.-Sat.

CONFESSIONS: Wednesdays from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.;

Saturdays from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. and

Sundays from Noon to 1:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS | CONTACTS

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or on the Church's website >Our School > Videos



SACRAMENTS

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

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Parishioners of St. Therese,

I had the great privilege of being a part of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage last week on the northern Marian Route! This is truly an historic event! These pilgrimages are part of the National Eucharistic Revival, which culminates with the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July. On each of these pilgrimages, Our Lord is being processed throughout our country on four different routes in what is the longest Eucharistic Procession in human history! That alone makes it epic! But what makes this powerful witness to our Faith so personal is the 24 young adults who have given up two months of their summer to walk with Jesus and witness to their faith and love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist! Read their inspiring bios here: www.eucharisticpilgrimage.org/perpetual-pilgrims

The National Eucharist Pilgrimage combines the best of Catholic culture with devotion to the Eucharist, a long and sacrificial pilgrimage walk, and our young people's zeal and desire to be challenged. In this way, it truly witnesses to the hopefulness of our young Church! These 24 perpetual pilgrims, as they are called, have already given powerful testimonies in the media to how the procession has been touching people's lives as they make their way to Indianapolis. Many priests are also participating by carrying the Blessed Sacrament for various stretches of the four routes. Please continue to pray for a Eucharistic Revival in our Church in America so that more and more Catholics may deepen their love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist!

Below are some of the photos I took while the procession was at **Holy Hill**, a Carmelite shrine in Wisconsin.

—Fr. Peter Mary



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



We will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel on **Tuesday, July 16**, preceded by three days of special Masses to prepare for it (**July 13, 14, and 15**). On Sunday, July 14, there will also be a **sung Vespers service** (See the picture to the right and the info below it!)

Don't miss these days of celebration to honor Our Lady!



HANDEL'S CARMELITE VESPERS

Solemn Sung Vespers with orchestra and choir in honor of the Feast of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Credo Catholic Choir and Friends
Music Director, Charlotte Lansberg

JULY 14, 7:30 P.M.

St. Therese Church
1100 Alhambra Road, Alhambra, CA

MISSION CO-OP SPEAKER HERE THIS WEEKEND



Every summer, the Archdiocese of L.A. sends missionaries to speak at its parishes via the Mission Co-op Plan. **THIS WEEKEND**, June 29 and 30, we welcome **Deacon Al Austin from the Lay Mission-Helpers Association (LMH)**—an organization that makes

it possible for lay Catholics to share their talents and witness to their faith around the world. Since its foundation in Los Angeles in 1955, LMH has sent over 750 lay men, women, and families on mission to 37 countries. Currently, LMH serves in Ghana, Uganda, and Peru. Their missionaries come from across the United States and serve three-year terms as teachers, nurses, computer technicians, project managers, accountants, administrators, pastoral workers and other professionals. Deacon Al served as a lay missionary in Papua New Guinea. For more information about LMH, visit www.laymissionhelpers.org. Thank you for your generosity in supporting the missionary work of Lay Mission-Helpers!

Envelopes are in the pews!

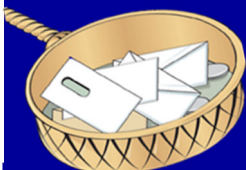
VESPERS FOR O.L. OF MT CARMEL

On **Sunday, July 14, at 7:30 p.m.**, in the church, Credo Catholic Choir (with music director Charlotte Lansberg) and friends will sing a Solemn Vespers with Baroque orchestra, incorporating portions of Handel's settings of three Vespers' psalms (Dixit Dominus, Laudate Pueri, and Nisi Dominus) commissioned in 1707 in Rome for the Carmelite Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

The antiphons and selected verses will be chanted in Latin, and the Magnificat will be chanted and sung in polyphony.

(Note: There will be a special collection on July 16.)

Financial Offerings



June 22 / 23, 2024

Unrestricted..... \$16,196.00
Restricted \$ 2,865.00
TOTAL.....\$19,061.00

May 25 / 26 \$18,995.00
June 1 / 2 \$18,593.00
June 8 / 9 \$19,124.00
June 15 / 16 \$13,970.00

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

COMMEMORATIVE T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE GIFT COUNTER AFTER MASSES

ST. THERESE CENTENNIAL MERCHANDISE will be sold at the tables in front of the church following the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses.

Item Design / Color	Sizes Available	Price Each
<u>Tee</u> - St. Therese Centennial – White or Black	S / M / L / XL / 2XL	\$15
<u>Tee</u> - 100 Years – White	S / M / L / XL	\$15
<u>Tee</u> - St. Therese Parish — Full Print	2XL	\$30
<u>Hoodie</u> – Carmelite Crest – White or Sand	S / M / L / XL	\$40



*While
Supplies
Last!*



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS' FIREWORKS STAND IS NOW OPEN!



Conveniently located in the parking lot of SMART AND FINAL, 725 East Main Street, Alhambra, the Knights of Columbus FIREWORKS TNT STAND is just a short distance away!

Purchase your celebratory fireworks and show your support! Booth hours are: 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. every day—from now through Thursday, July 4. You are encouraged to come early and come often *for your big bang boxes!*

"LET ME INTRODUCE YOU..." By Fr. Stephen F. Watson OCD



Have you ever read *Victory: An Island Tale* by Joseph Conrad? If you have, then you know where Surabaya is. It is located on the eastern side of Java, one of the greater islands that make up the Indonesian archipelago. In the 18th and 19th centuries, Surabaya was the largest city in the Dutch East Indies. Today, it is one of the busiest trading city ports in Asia. It has a fascinating history with its mixture of races, religions, languages, and cultures. **Seng and Suzy Tan** are from this city. This is the story of the Tan Family.

Seng and Suzy, who each come from good Catholic families, met while attending St. Louis Catholic High School in Surabaya. Seng is the oldest of five—three boys and two girls—and Suzy is the oldest of four girls. Suzy says her father named her after the character portrayed in *The World of Suzie Wong*. When she was only fifteen years old, Suzy lived in Los Angeles for eight months. Believe it or not, she was enrolled at USC! However, she was homesick and returned to Indonesia. Seng and Suzy attended dental school at Airlangga University and were married on July 6, 1985. (This Saturday will be their 39th anniversary!) The following year, the newlyweds came to Los Angeles to pursue their dental careers at USC's International Student Program for Dentistry. They lived in Monterey Park with Suzy's sister Wanda, who was a graduate student at USC. The next year, with parental help, the Tans bought a house on De Sales Street in San Gabriel within St. Therese Parish and have lived there ever since. Wanda, who was already attending Masses at St. Therese, introduced her sister to the Parish.

In October of 1990, Seng and Suzy went to San Francisco to take the dental board exams. They both passed! Suzy, already pregnant with her first child, went to work right away as a dentist. She stopped when she was eight months pregnant with their son Kevin, who was born on July 21, 1991. Seng worked with Lucas Setiady for a couple of years until he got his U.S. residency, i.e., his Green Card. Then he went to work for Western Dental in Los Angeles, where he still works today. Suzy went back to work as a dentist part time. Their second child, Clarissa, was born on June 28, 1993. The Tan children were baptized at St. Therese and both attended Mayfield Primary School. Kevin then went to Loyola High School and Clarissa continued at Mayfield. They are both married now. Clarissa celebrated her nuptial Mass here at St. Therese last October (as shown in the picture).

For the past fifteen years or so, Suzy has helped clean the church on Mondays with Giovanna Setiady and Kitty Ellis (both of whom were featured in this column earlier), Tammy Pham, and other good ladies who have helped off and on. You have perhaps seen Suzy arranging or watering flowers. She is immensely helpful (*membantu*) when it comes to preparing for big liturgies. Actually, Suzy is helpful when it comes to *anything*. Among her friends, she has a reputation for her warm hospitality. There are always visitors at the Tans' home, including Suzy's sisters, Wanda and Irma, who both have their own families. On occasion, all three families will be at Mass together. You will also often see the Tans with their close friends, the Setiadys. After all, they not only came from the same country, but they also went to the same schools and pursued the same careers.

The Parish of St. Therese is enriched by its families with diverse histories who come together as one Parish family—one Lord, one Faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, through all, and in all.

**The Tan Family is part of the rich 100-year history of St. Therese Parish.
Let us all walk with St. Therese as we journey together in faith during our Centennial year.**

Saint Therese Carmelite School

Deeply rooted in Carmelite spirituality, Saint Therese Carmelite School, united with our parents who are the primary educators of their children, seeks to form students in faith, academics, and virtue through a Classical education.



Open Enrollment

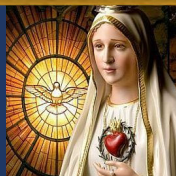
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FIRST SATURDAYS DEVOTION
to honor & make reparation to the
IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY



Mark your calendar for our next First Saturdays Devotion on **July 6, 2024!** On that day, join us after the 8:00 a.m. Mass to pray the Rosary and make a 15-minutes meditation.

Writings and Prophecies of Sister Lúcia of Fatima: Our Lady had asked little Lúcia to learn to read and write. In 1925, she received a mission from the bishop to write her memories on Jacinta. This work, the first of Sister Lúcia's Memoirs, had a great impact. In all, Sister Lúcia wrote six Memoirs during her lifetime. She also wrote the book, *"The Calling of the Message of Fatima"*.

Lúcia wrote many letters to respond to those who wished to know "the Third Secret of Fatima," revealing it only to the bishop and the pope. She was also asked to interpret the requests of the Virgin Mary, especially regarding the "Consecration of Russia". Sister Lúcia met Pope John Paul II several times to talk to him about the three secrets.

The interview that took place between Sister Lúcia and Fr. Fuentes in 1957 contains important prophecies. Here is an excerpt: *"The Most Blessed Virgin did not tell me that we are in the last times of the world, but I understood it for three reasons: The first is because she told me that the demon is fighting a decisive battle with the Virgin. [...] The second, because she said, (...) that God gave the last two remedies to the world: the Holy Rosary and devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and these being the last two remedies, it means that there are no others. [...] And the third, because in the plans of the Divine Providence, when God is going to chastise the world, He always first exhausts all other remedies."*



Mass Intentions

June 29—July 6, 2024

Saturday Evening:

5:00 p.m.: Matthew & Vikki Ng, Anniversary INT

Sunday

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

7:30 a.m.: Mr. and Mrs. Marc Giambalvo, INT

9:00 a.m.: Sr. Mary Michael, OCD, INT

11:00 a.m.: Gustav Tittmann, RIP

1 pm (Latin): Carm. Srs. of the Sacred Heart INT

5:00 p.m.: Sr. Mary James, OCD, INT

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Souls in Purgatory

*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Elizabeth Cristina, INT

8:00 a.m.: Walter Kaufmann, RIP

7:15 p.m.: Clara Hartman, RIP

Tuesday

6:00 a.m.: Richard Calagna, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Pablo Saucillo, INT

8:00 a.m.: Teresa Deresma, INT

7:15 p.m.: Zeferina Gomez, RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Richard Evans, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Zeferina Gomez, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Jaime Gomez, RIP

Thursday

6:00 a.m.: Ms. Jessie Martinez, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Aurelio Gomez, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Ruth Campos, RIP

First Friday—July 5:

6:00 a.m.: Poor Souls in Purgatory

*7:30 a.m.: Amy Lynn Ball, INT

8:00 a.m.: Praxedis Gomez, RIP

7:15 p.m.: Martha Lacayo & Coyle Lacayo (new-born granddaughter), INT

Saturday (Morning):

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Nuns' Community INT

8:00 a.m.: Nida Vales Nazareno, RIP

***Held at the Cloistered Carmelite Chapel (located at 215 East Alhambra Road, Alhambra).**

Open to the public except on Sundays and holidays.

LIVE STREAMED MASSES:

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

Pilgrimages

OUR LADY OF CHAMPION (approved Apparition) **PILGRIMAGE** with Saint Therese Parish's **Father David**: to visit the Shrines of Wisconsin, **AUGUST 10-16, 2024**. This is a Spiritual Retreat Pilgrimage including visits to Our Lady of Champion Shrine and our Carmelite Holy Hill Basilica. Two additional groups flying out of San Francisco and Tucson will be joining us on this fabulous journey. The per person/double occupancy total rate is \$2348 (from LAX). We will visit various Shrines of Our Lady, including Holy Hill Basilica and the Carmelite Nuns Cloister in Denmark, WI. Pick up a Pilgrimage Flyer for more information or email denisekay@hotmail.com.

CARMEHITE PILGRIMAGE TO FRENCH CANADA: St. Joseph Oratory, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Anne Beaupre, Cathedral -Basilica of Notre-Dame, and more... **August 23-30, 2024**. LAX to Montreal, Cost: \$3250 double occupancy (\$150 off for early bird discount by April 15th). For more information contact Louisa Day at (323) 360-5186 Or go to: www.SacredHeartTours.com.

*I will
praise you,
Lord,
for you have
rescued me.*