

# SAINT THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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October 27, 2019 **MINISTERED BY THE DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS** Estab. 1924



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## NEW PARISHIONERS,

Register in the office  
at 510 N. El Molino  
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Office Hours are Monday through  
Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm;  
from 2:00 to 5:00 pm; and from  
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

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**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.



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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(Grade School, Confirmation

for Youth & Adults,  
RCIA, and Liturgical  
Ministries): Call  
the main office

# "WELCOME BACK, SAINTS!"



And if this is your *first* year at Saint Therese Carmelite School, Welcome to our Learning Community! One of my favorite quotes from a Carmelite Priest named Fr. Titus Brandsma is, **“CREATE THE ENVIRONMENT WHEREIN EVERYONE AROUND YOU CAN BECOME A SAINT!”**

**That’s our goal at this school: To form Souls for Christ and build Him an Army of Saints! Saints change the world! Some of you will go on to become great and important people, including Moms and Dads, priests, nuns, teachers, nurses, doctors, lawyers, movie stars, athletes, comedians, waiters, chefs, investors, writers, church secretaries, and MORE! But each person here, no matter what your dreams may be, was created by GOD to Become a Saint!**

Did you know that the adult human brain weighs only about three pounds? Three pounds. That's not very much. Yet all the knowledge in a set of encyclopedias can fit into this little space. Think about all the mathematical equations we learn, the poems and prayers we memorize, and all the words we are taught to say in Latin! What about all the different languages some people can speak! Did you know that the pope knows eight different languages? Eight languages! How do we fit so much into our little three-pound brains? Very carefully!

As we begin this exciting new school year, just imagine how much information you will have stored up inside your brain by the end of the year 2020! We are going to teach you how beauty will save the world! You will learn how to read music and memorize prayers and hymns in Latin; you will learn about the Knights of the Round Table, Pythagorean theorem, and science; you will hear talks like, “What is Art?”, “Who is Frodo?”, and “Why are We Here?”. This is a short list of some of the things we will try to download into your three-pound brains! Isn't it a wonder that our little brains can hold so much knowledge?

This is a Catholic school. Besides reading, writing, and arithmetic, you will fill your brain with the knowledge of Jesus. You will learn about His life, including what He said, His actions, why He died for us, and what the Resurrection is. When we make Jesus the Source, the Summit, and Purpose of Education, then our brains become holy--the dwelling place of Truth, Beauty, the Good, and the One. But our School is not only interested in what is in your brain, it is also interested in what and who is in your heart.

Jesus once said, “...for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also” (Matthew 6:21). Did you know that the average adult heart weighs about eleven ounces. If we could look inside your heart, I bet we would find within it Jesus, your mother, your father, your brothers and sisters, your grandparents, your teachers, and maybe even your pastor. Yes, these little hearts can carry lots and lots of love for a lot of people.

# A Homily by the Pastor, Fr. Philip (From the "Back to School" Mass on August 26, 2019)

But sometimes, like our brains, we can put things into our hearts that don't belong there. I bet there are a lot of schools that don't bother with the heart at all. They focus only on the brain. I can assure you at Saint Therese Carmelite School, we are very interested in forming both the brain and the heart. It all begins with our love for God! The Bible teaches us "to love God with all our heart, mind soul, and strength" (Deuteronomy 6:4). It goes on to say, "And these words, which I command you today, shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up." So you see why the heart is very important to us, as well as the brain. Jesus wants to dwell in our thoughts and in our hearts!

But how does Jesus dwell in our thoughts and hearts? Well, think about all the Scripture we have memorized from prayers, from attending Mass, praying the Rosary, singing songs at Mass, and reading about the lives of the saints. Furthermore, every time we receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, He becomes a part of us as we become a part of Him! Like the saying goes, "You are what you eat!" St. Therese once said that, "we are the preferred tabernacle of Jesus." Because God is alive in His Word and because Jesus is really present in the Eucharist, we become the dwelling place of God's love on earth.

The brain and the heart work simultaneously to make God's presence a reality. But how do we love God with all of our strength? Let's think about it. St. Ignatius of Loyola once said, "Love ought to manifest itself more by deed than by words." That's it! Our deeds have the ability to express **GOD'S LOVE** to the world. Think about great saints like the Little Flower, St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, or St. Damien of Molokai, just to name a few. By their works, their deeds, and their strength, they brought God's love to life. This is exactly what our Lord meant when He prayed, "Thy will be done..." The will is an amazing part of us. When our will tells our feet to jump, they jump. When our will tells our hands to clap, they clap. When our will tells our mouths to speak, they speak. When our will tells us to express God's Love, we express God's Love. By constantly working to make right choices, our wills become holy, bonded to God's law.

What is the goal of Saint Therese Carmelite School this year and every year? It is to unite our minds, our hearts, and our wills with the mind, the heart, and the will of God, so that we can move one year closer to our **ULTIMATE GOAL: TO BECOME A SAINT!** Granted, some may argue that this is an unrealistic goal. To them I say, "**HOGWASH!**" We are destined to be saints! Anything less is not God's will. I admit we may have a long way to go, but so be it. Let's go! What are we waiting for? Jesus would not ask it of us if it were not possible.

So let us ask God the Father to send His powerful Holy Spirit upon us. The Holy Spirit will come and enlighten our minds with lots of knowledge. The Holy Spirit will fill our hearts with the capacity to love. The Holy Spirit will strengthen our wills with the courage and the determination to make God's Love known and felt by our deeds. Echoing the Prophet Isaiah, "We are all the work of your hands" (Isaiah 64:7).

I will conclude this homily with the quote in which I began this homily: "*Create the environment wherein everyone around you can become a saint.*" That means the classroom and playground; the text books we read and the things we Google; the art we create and the music we sing. Yes, let us have minds and hearts filled with God for He is always with us, in us, and for us.

## Welcome Back, Saints!

# 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 November 9 /10).

Because the bulletin editor is on vacation, this bulletin was printed before the weekend of October 19 and 20. The totals for that weekend and the previous weekend (Oct. 12/13), as well as this weekend, will be published in the bulletin of November 3, 2019.

September 14 / 15.... \$27,526.00  
September 21 / 22.... \$19,008.00  
September 28 / 29.... \$13,161.00  
October 5 / 6..... \$17,252.00

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

## ALL SAINTS / ALL SOULS DAY

Friday, November 1st, is All Saints' Day, a holy day of obligation. Mass times will be at 6:00, 8:00 and 10:00 a.m., and at 7:30 p.m.



### ALL SAINTS' DAY

Saturday, November 2nd, is All Souls' Day. Although you are not obligated to attend Mass that day, you are encouraged to come and offer your Mass for the repose of the souls of all your departed friends and family members.

All Souls Day Mass times will be 6:00, 8:00, and \*11:00 a.m. (\*a special Requiem Mass to which all are invited—see the article to the right).

## REQUIEM MASS



On Saturday, November 2, at 11:00 a.m., there will be a solemn sung Requiem Mass to commemorate the souls of the faithful departed. Candles can be lit before Mass starting at 10:30 a.m., in remembrance of those who have died. There will also be special prayers offered during the whole month of November.

All our parishioners and loved ones who have passed away since All Souls' Day 2018 will be remembered by name in a sung litany. All are welcome to attend to pray for our dear departed loved ones and listen to uplifting and moving music.

## SAVE THE DATE FOR THE GUADALUPE DINNER: DECEMBER 14

This Annual Parish and School event will be held Saturday, December 14, in the Parish Hall. It will include a delicious dinner, entertainment (including mariachis and folklorico), prizes, and more. Raffle Tickets will be sold at the Dinner for the following cash prizes:

Grand: \$2,500; 2nd: \$1,000; 3rd: \$500.

The winning ticket will be drawn at the Silent Auction Gala in February.



# Rummage Sale!



We are getting closer to our two-day Rummage Sale on **November 9 and 10**, and **we STILL need your donations!** Please 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. For these larger items or LOTS of stuff, stop by the office first so we can lend you a key for the basement door.

# October is the Month of the Rosary

When the Mother of Jesus appeared to the three shepherd children in Fatima in 1917, her plea at each appearance was, "Pray the Rosary!"



If you have allowed this devotion to fade away from your prayer life or have never had a Rosary devotion, you are encouraged to begin praying the Rosary now.

Pray the Rosary for World Peace! Pray the Rosary for an end to abortion! Pray the Rosary in reparation for sin! Pray the Rosary every day!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

\* **STRE** (Kindergarten through 8th Grade, including Eucharist Preparation): The next classes will be in session on **Sunday, November 3, at 9:00 a.m.**

- **CONFIRMATION** (High School): The next classes for First Year (C1) will be on **Sunday, November 3, at 9:00 a.m., and on Tuesday, November 5, at 7:00 p.m.** Classes for Second Year (C2) will be **Sunday, November 17, at 9:00 a.m., and Tuesday, November 19, at 7:00 p.m.**

- **RCIA:** If you wish to become Catholic or to complete your Sacraments, join us! Classes are held in the Parish Meeting Room on most Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Upcoming dates are November 7, 14, and 21.

## BIBLE STUDY GUIDEBOOKS



Study Guide books for our current Bible study, "*The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy*," are available now for any persons wishing

to watch lecture presentations online and do individual studies at their own pace.

If interested, call Debbie Robles at 679-6370 to register, drop off a \$30 book fee (checks payable to St. Therese Church), then pick up your Guide from the Rectory. For more information, visit [www.ascensionpress.com](http://www.ascensionpress.com) or contact Debbie at 679-6370 or [debrobles@me.com](mailto:debrobles@me.com).

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"Give thanks in all circumstances" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). As Catholics, we have a preeminent source of thanksgiving in the Holy Eucharist. In fact, the word "Eucharist" itself means "thanksgiving"! May we be especially grateful for this most holy gift from Jesus. There are so many choices from our collection about the Eucharist. In the month of November, why not explore gratitude and the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist!

Find your interests by using the search feature.

# AVILA YOUNG ADULT SILENT RETREAT

**"Saint Theresse:  
The Little Way  
in Today's World"**



**November 8, 9, and 10, 2019**

The Discalced Carmelite Friars and the Avila Young Adults of Alhambra and Tucson invite all



young adult Catholics (singles or couples in their 20s and 30s) to join us for this silent retreat from **November 8 through 10**. The theme is **"Saint Theresse: The Little Way in Today's World"**. The retreat will include conferences, adoration, private prayer and reflection, opportunities for spiritual direction/confession, Holy Mass, Lauds/Vespers, and a Eucharistic Procession. It will begin and end with a social.

The fee is \$155 per person, which includes two nights accommodation and six meals. Space is limited! **To reserve your room**, please mail your non-refundable deposit of \$50 to: El Carmelo Retreat House, Post Office Box 8067, Redlands, CA 92374 (must be paid by check or money order only—no debit or credit cards—made out to "El Carmelo Retreat House").



Along with your deposit, please include your name, phone number, and your email address. For more info on the retreat, go to "Avila Outreach Young Adults" on Facebook or contact Dalal by TEXT at (619) 333-9619 or EMAIL at dalalsaid@gmail.com. For questions about your deposit/fee, email elcarmeloh@gmail.com or call Nellie at (909) 792-1047.

# CATHOLIC KARATE CLASSES

The following KARATE CLASSES will resume Thursday, November 14, from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

-New Youth (Boys & Girls from 7 to 17)—Learn to defend yourself; understand why you're worth protecting; and earn your black belt. Meet from 5:15 to 5:55 p.m.

-Yellow & Orange Belts meet from 6:00 to 6:40 p.m.

-Men's Classes (18-60)—Learn to protect yourself and your family. Meet 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

Classes are held in the Parish Hall; register on site. Please arrive 15 minutes early!

## FEES:

One Youth: \$10 per week; 2nd Youth: +\$7 per week; 3rd Youth: +\$7 per week; Additional Youths: +\$5 per week. Pay in full to save \$1 per week, per kid!

Men: \$10 per week, plus a \$5 registration fee.

QUESTIONS? Email John at SenseiJohnWrot@gmail.com.



# Mass Intentions

For the Week of  
**October 26 through  
 November 2, 2019**

**Saturday:**

5:00 p.m.: Anis Zubairi, RIP

**Sunday**

\*7:30 a.m.: Lucia Nguyen, INT

7:30 a.m.: Parishioners

9:00 a.m.: Myrna Tanalega Marcilla, RIP

11:00 a.m.: Irene Grimm, 90th Birthday Intention

1:00 p.m.: (Latin): Griffin Cannon, INT

5:00 p.m.: John Okamoto, RIP

**Monday:**

6:00 a.m.: Maria de Socorro, RIP

\*7:30 a.m.: Cecilia Nguyen, INT

8:00 a.m.: Giovanna Setiady, Birthday Intention

**Tuesday:**

6:00 a.m.: Dietmar Farkas, RIP

\*7:30 a.m.: Mother Brenda Marie, OCD, INT

8:00 a.m.: Marie Cisneros, RIP

**Wednesday:**

6:00 a.m.: Maria de Socorro, RIP

\*7:30 a.m.: Cecilia Nguyen, INT

8:00 a.m.: Arthur P. Salvador, RIP

**Thursday:**

6:00 a.m.: Nida Vales Nazarene, INT

\*7:30 a.m.: Cecilia Nguyen, INT

8:00 a.m.: Susan Aguilar, RIP

**Friday—All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation):**

6:00 a.m.: Belen Guerrero, RIP

\*7:30 a.m.: Cecilia Diep Nguyen, INT

8:00 a.m.: Arenas-Ortega Family, INT

10:00 a.m. Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD, INT

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

**Saturday—All Souls Day**

6:00 a.m.: Kuo-Shang, Yu-Mei, and Tai-Seng Huo, RIP

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

8:00 a.m.: Elide Ayuso, RIP

11:00 a.m.: All Deceased St. Therese Parishioners

# Floral Dedications

This week's Dedications are:

♥ In Loving Memory of  
 Esperanza Lopez

- and -

♥ In Loving Memory of  
 Felix Zamora



Make a dedication in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of loved ones! Bouquets are \$50+ each. Call Giovanna at 281-9049.

# Outside the Parish

"John Paul II & the New Evangelization" Dinner Conference on Sat., October 26, from 6-9 p.m., at St. Charles Borromeo, North Hollywood. Enjoy a delicious dinner and an inspiring talk by San Fernando Pastoral Region Auxiliary Bishop Alex Aclan as he shares his insights on Pope St. John Paul II and the New Evangelization. Tickets are \$75. To purchase yours and for more info, visit [www.JP2dinnerconference.eventbrite.com](http://www.JP2dinnerconference.eventbrite.com).

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](mailto:maddatubeth@gmail.com).

**HELP FOR MARRIAGES:** 82% of marriages that complete the nine month *Retrouvaille* (REH-tro-v-eye) program are still together five years later? Your marriage and family are worth trying this successful Catholic, non-profit program. For questions or registration, make a confidential call to 909-900-5465 or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).

# Lectors

**Saturday**

5:00 p.m. Rebeca Willis / Larry Dumont

**Sunday**

7:30 a.m. Rex Owens / Jackie Johnson

9:00 a.m. Lucas Setiady / Rosa Natividad

11:00 a.m. Jason Perez / Pat Cervantes

5:00 p.m. Charlie Gopez

# Personal Ads

LADY SEEKS TO RENT A ROOM. Call Irene Morales at 250-8639.

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

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