

SAINT THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 31, 2019 MINISTERED BY THE DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS Etab. 1924

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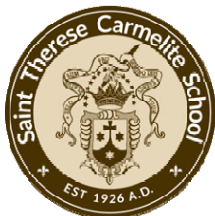
SACRAMENTS:

Baptisms: Once a month on a Saturday

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

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

Anointing of the Sick: Call the office



SAINT THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL
(626) 289-3364

www.SaintThereseCarmeliteSchool.com

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

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

"But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found'" (Luke 15:22-24).



NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME TO ST. THERESE! PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE OR IN THE PARISH OFFICE

The office is at 510 N. El Molino St., Alhambra. Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 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 & 5:00 to 6:00 pm. 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).

COR JESU YOUTH MINISTRY



Bro. John ministering in Skid Row

THANK YOU! to everyone in the Parish who donated the toiletries, food, etc., that Cor Jesu brought to the homeless in Skid Row! Also, thank you to everyone who helped assemble the care packages and served in our prayerful "Ministry of Presence" on Skid Row. God bless you all for your love and care for others!

The next **Cor Jesu Discipleship Night** will be **Friday, April 12**. All youth—in Middle School and High School—and their families are invited to join us! The schedule is as follows:

6:00 p.m. in the Hall: Social - 6:30 p.m.: Break into groups: (*High School *Middle School *Parents and Children) - 8:15 p.m.: Holy Hour and Confessions
ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME to join Cor Jesu for Holy Hour!



Care Package Preparers



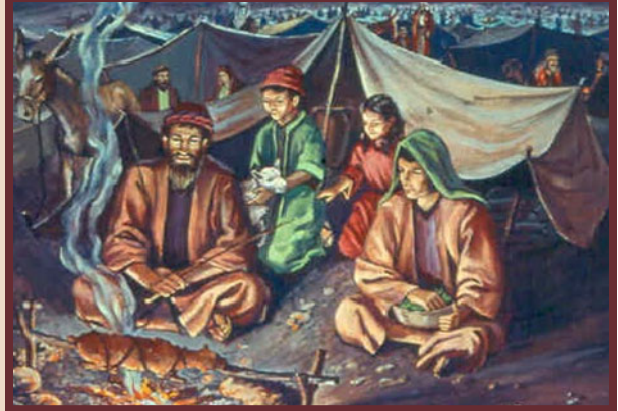
Witnessing at Planned Parenthood in Pasadena

The next **Cor Jesu Outreach Ministry** will be on **Saturday, April 13**. We invite all youth and their families to join us in **Praying the Rosary and WITNESSING TO LIFE** at **Planned Parenthood in Pasadena** (1045 North Oak Avenue) from **10:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon**. Youth must be accompanied by a parent. (Note: this outreach event is a change from the original plan to offer service at the Carmelite Cloister.)

See the church website for future events.

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION

Today, the Third Sunday of Lent, is “Laetare Sunday.” It breaks the somberness of Lent for a little rejoicing, and the readings all summon us to an awareness of reconciliation. Part of the excitement of this Laetare Sunday is rooted in the ancient catechumenate. Long ago, midway through Lent, the elect were focusing more and more on the gift of reconciliation accomplished for them by Christ and about to be realized in the Easter sacraments they were preparing to celebrate. In some places, the elect were even bedecked with roses on this day. A person bedecked with roses sticks out in a crowd; a person formed by the Eucharist and committed to living a life of reconciliation does, too.



One of the best-loved stories of Scripture is today’s Gospel story of the Prodigal Son. The word “prodigal” is an adjective meaning “spendthrift” or “extravagant to a degree bordering on recklessness.” Although the young man in the parable is the one who “maxes out the credit cards,” it is really his father who is prodigal with his forgiveness.

EASTER FLOWER OFFERINGS

Easter Flower Offering Envelopes are in the pews for anyone who would like to make a donation towards the flowers that will decorate the church for Easter.

Each envelope has space to write the name of a deceased loved one in whose memory you wish to make the offering. A Mass will be offered at 8:00 a.m., on July 18, for all those whose names are entered on the envelopes.



In today’s First Reading, the Lord said to Joshua, “*Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you.*” After forty years of wandering in the desert, this hard-headed people have finally reached the Promised Land. No more do they eat the manna in the desert, but they partake of the fruits of their new homeland. God has kept the promise to their parents in Egypt. Even though they were a sinful people, many times questioning God and even worshipping false gods, God has forgiven them and fulfilled His promise.

The take-away for us is that there is no sin that is unforgivable. We may have offended our neighbors, given a bad example to someone, even worshipped the false gods of money and power. But God is a merciful God, true to the words spoken to us. God forgives all and calls us all back to Love.

RESPECT LIFE (VOX VITAE)

The 40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN is taking place now through April 14. During this Campaign, Vox Vitae will be in front of Planned Parenthood in Pasadena on Fridays (Noon-5:00 p.m.) and Saturdays (10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.) All are welcome to join us at those times or pray there any day of the week.

- **Friday, April 5:** 40 Days for Life, Prayer and witness at Planned Parenthood in Pasadena. Vox Vitae will be there praying from Noon-5 p.m. on that day.
- **Saturday, April 6:** 40 Days for Life, Prayer witness at Planned Parenthood in Pasadena. Vox Vitae will be there praying from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. on that day.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



STRE EUCHARIST CLASSES:

Saturday, April 6, Noon to 6:00 p.m.: Eucharist Family Workshop for the students in the second year AND their parents. Meet in the Hall!

May 14 & 16, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.: First Communion practice in the church (NO HOLY HOUR!)

May 18, 10:00 a.m.: First Communion Mass for students of both the St. Therese Religious Education Program AND the students of Divine Mercy Home School

CONFIRMATION YEAR TWO

April 28, 11:00 a.m. Mass: Rite of Presentation

May 28 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.: Confirmation Practice in the church. Bring your Sponsor!

June 2: Rite of Confirmation at the 5:00 p.m. Mass (with Bishop David O'Connell)

ALL STRE GRADES:

May 19: Mary's Crowning at the 9:00 a.m. Mass—FOR ALL STUDENTS

May 19: Last day of Religious Education classes until the Fall



THE CLOISTERED DISCALCED CARMELITE NUNS

Fr. Jerome Appeal for the Nuns

Thank you to everyone who made a donation last weekend to help our **Cloistered Carmelite Nuns in the Carmel of St. Teresa**. The **PINK ENVELOPES** are still in the pews; please use one to make a donation for the nuns. These funds will help provide for the Nuns' daily needs and the upkeep of the monastery.

The Carmelite Monastery was instrumental in St. Therese Parish being established in Alhambra.

You may also go to their website to request prayers.

God bless and reward your generosity.

Shower of Roses Luncheon

SAVE THE DATE! The Shower of Roses Luncheon, the annual fundraiser for the **Cloistered Discalced Carmelite Nuns in Alhambra**, will be on **Wednesday, April 24**. Lian Dolan, writer and podcaster, will be the guest speaker. Lian is the author of the novel, "*Helen of Pasadena*," and has appeared on Oprah Winfrey, CBS Sunday Morning, The Today Show, and several local stations. Expect to enjoy a funny, passionate, and wise presentation. More information, including how to RSVP, will be available soon. Thank you in advance for your attendance and participation.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Please join us as we study the Gospel of St. Matthew this Lent. While we journey through reading about the life of Jesus, we will focus particularly on our own repentance and God's mercy—using the book, "Hosanna," by Elizabeth Foss (available on Amazon). We meet weekly through April 11 in the Parish Offices. You can choose to attend either Wednesday mornings (9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the Mt. Carmel Room) or Thursday evenings (6:45 to 8:15 p.m. in the Lisieux Room). No need to sign up ahead of time; just come!

For more details, email Micaela Darr at Micaela.darr@gmail.com or call or text her at 236-6147.

FRIDAYS OF LENT

SOUP NIGHTS: Join your Parish Family in the Hall from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., every Friday in Lent for Soup (and more!) Nights! Last two dates and sponsors are: April 5: Bible Study; and April 12: Retrouvaille Marriage Ministry.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Our Parish Stations of the Cross take place in the church at 7:00 p.m. every Friday (right after Soup Night). One of the Friars and the altar servers will lead the Stations. You may also join the School Students for Stations on Fridays at 1:30 p.m., or the Home School-ers on Fridays at 5:00 p.m.



Saint Therese Carmelite School

www.SaintThereseCarmeliteSchool.com

Deeply rooted in Carmelite spirituality, Saint Therese Carmelite School seeks to form students in faith, academics, and virtue through a Classical education.

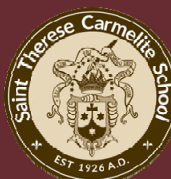
"If a little flower could speak, it seems to me that it would tell us quite simply all that God has done for it, without hiding any of its gifts." -St. Therese



- April 1st (Monday): Re-Enrollment Contract and Registration Deadline
- April 4th (Thursday): Awards Assembly at 8:00 a.m.
- April 5th (Friday): Mass at 8:00 a.m., Stations of the Cross at 1:30 p.m.
- April 6th (Saturday): Eucharistic Workshop for STCS 2nd Grade Families
- April 8th (Monday): PSO Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

We are accepting applications for the 2019 - 2020 school year!

(289-3364 or admin@sainttheresecarmeliteschool.com)



Perpetual Adoration

"Peoples of the entire world need to hear these words.

Their conscience needs to grow in the certainty that Someone exists who holds in His Hands the destiny of this passing world... And this Someone is Love—Love that became Man, Love crucified and risen, Love unceasingly present among men. It is Eucharistic Love."

-St. John Paul II



The Adoration Chapel is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You must get an electronic key for \$20 from the office in order to use the chapel between 5:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. as it is locked for security purposes.

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 previous four weekends.

NOTE: There is a second collection on the 2ND WEEKEND each month for our School (next is April 13 / 14).



March 23 / 24, 2019

Unrestricted.....\$18,488.00

Restricted\$ 2,683.00

T O T A L \$21,171.00

February 23/ 24.....\$22,771.00

March 2 / 3.....\$13,074.00

March 9 / 10..... \$34,830.00

March 16 / 17..... \$13,591.00

Check Users:

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

Ongoing Parish Meetings / Events

BIBLE STUDY: Classes meet at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays in the Parish Meeting Room. For more information, email Debbie Robles at debrobles@me.com or call or text her at 679-6370.

CATHOLIC KARATE is for boys, girls, and men from 7 to 55. Learn self-defense, increased self-control, confidence. Held in the Hall on THURSDAYS (7 to 17 from 5:15 to 5:55 p.m.; 18-55 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.). Youth, \$9/week; 18+, \$10/week (discounts for additional youths). For questions, contact John at SenseiJohnWrot@gmail.com.

CHOIR REHEARSAL for the 11:00 a.m. Mass is every Wednesday (September-June) from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

CONSECRATION TO MARY: Follow-up group for those already consecrated to Jesus through His mother, the Mother of God. Meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month. For more info, call Angela at (310) 701-8386.

DETENTION MINISTRY: If you're 21 or older, join us in visiting the youth (ages 8 to 18) in the Juvenile Detention Center in L.A. To sign up or for more info, call Sonia at (323) 724-6443.

EnCOURAGE: Standing fully by the teachings of the Church, we are a group of faithful Catholic parents who support one another and our loved ones with same sex attraction, through discussion, prayer, fellowship and sacrifice. Meet monthly in the LA Archdiocese with our chaplain in a safe confidential setting. For more info, contact your local chapter (EnCourage for parents: EnCourage.LosAngeles@gmail.com; OR Courage LA for persons struggling with same sex attraction: CourageCA.LosAngeles@gmail.com.).

FIRST FRIDAY MASS: Every First Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. (confessions are available during the Mass).

"FORMED" CATHOLIC MEDIA is available for FREE to ALL our parishioners! Discover all the best Catholic content in one place: movies, talks, audio dramas, and a great selection of popular e-books. To register, go to FORMED.ORG on our website, click on the icon, enter your name, email address, a password, and your zip code--and get started!

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: This group (originally formed in honor of Patricia Bordonaro) is for those grieving 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 Wednesdays, April 10 and 24.

INTERCESSORS FOR PRIESTS PRAYER GROUP: Join us in the Avila Room in the Parish Offices to pray for priests every Thursday at 8:00 p.m. (following Benediction in the church). For more info, call Blanca at 281-7070.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: For Catholic men (18 or over) looking to strengthen their faith through serving the Church & community. Call the Alhambra Grand Knight, Ramon Burce, at 695-2842 or the national line at (888) 869-3124.

LEGION OF MARY: The object of the Legion is the glory of God through the holiness of its members developed by prayer and active cooperation. Meetings are Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Offices (Lisieux Room).

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING: For info on Church teaches about openness to life, contact Jack & Katrina Crow at 292-1906 or katrina.fcp@gmail.com. Introductory sessions to the Creighton Model FertilityCare System/NaproTechnology are normally on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Please contact them to register for the classes.

RISE MEN'S MINISTRY: All men who have made the challenge at www.MenRiseUp.org are encouraged to join us on Saturday mornings for the Rosary at 6:45 a.m., followed by a video and discussion from 7:00 to 7:30 a.m. in the Parish Meeting Room. For questions, contact Andy Acosta at 703-8939 or A.Acosta2046@gmail.com.

ROSARY MAKERS: Help make rosaries to be sent to Catholics in third-world countries. Sessions are held on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in the Avila Room of the Parish Offices. For more info, call Magda at (213) 300-7776.

ST. JOSEPH PRAYER GROUP: Come to the church every Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. to pray for peace and justice issues in our community and around the world. For more info, call Lucy at 281-3706.

Mass Intentions

For the Week of:
March 30 through April 6, 2019

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Carmen Chavez and Oscar Chavez, RIP

Sunday

*7:30 a.m.: Henry Berber, RIP

7:30 a.m.: Henry Guanzon, RIP

9:00 a.m.: Rita Camuccio, RIP

11:00 a.m.: Alfredo Torres, RIP

1:00 p.m.: (Latin): Parishioners

5:00 p.m.: Linda Dvorak, RIP

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Leona & Lee Arce, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Gilda Polanco, RIP

8:00 a.m.: Vilma Gargano, RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Bernice & Michael Tobin, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Teresita, OCD, INT

8:00 a.m.: Elena Saucillo, INT

Wednesday:

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

*7:30 a.m.: Melody Costello, INT

8:00 a.m.: Vilma Gargano, RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: William & Agnes Bechtold, RIP

*7:30 a.m.: Kortney Blythe Gordon, INT

8:00 a.m.: Vilma Gargano, RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Martha Grace N. Vergara, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Angelle Francisce & Karina Therese, INT

8:00 a.m.: Rosalinda "Myrna" Therese Navarro, RIP

7:30 p.m.: Lorraine Vasquez, RIP

Saturday:

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

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community

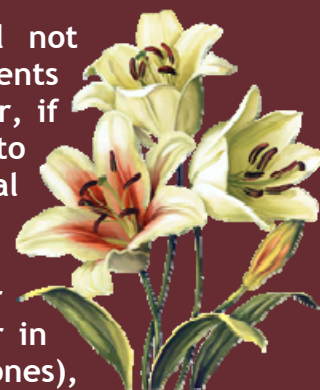
8:00 a.m.: Hector Sanchez, RIP

*Held at the Carmelite Chapel, 215 East Alhambra Road. Open to the public

Floral Dedications

During Lent we will not have floral arrangements on the altar. However, if you would like to arrange for a floral dedication for a time after Easter (in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of loved ones), call Giovanna at 281-9049.

Prices start at \$90 for two arrangements.



Outside the Parish

Mary Cassidy Keith, a 1971 graduate of St. Therese School and a 1975 graduate of Ramona Convent, has been named by Ramona Convent as a "Distinguished Alumna" for her achievement in Entrepreneurship. Mary will be honored at Ramona Convent's annual auction and dinner dance on March 30th. Mary was a founding member of Global Product Sourcing, a company which provides custom merchandise to its clients, and has been its president since 2015.

You are invited to join us (along with some families from St. Monica's Academy) on a trip to the Holy Land—and Rome, Vatican City, Assisi, Florence, etc. It will be from June 15 through July 1. For more information, call Cecilia at 379-0944 or email her at sanmiguel1cecilia@yahoo.com.

As part of the year-long 100th Anniversary Celebration of Santa Cruz Church in Tucson, their Pastor, Fr. Stephen Watson, OCD, will lead a six-day "Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage" to Mexico City December 8-13 (SFO/LA/TUCSON) at \$1,599 per person. Includes air-land transportation, hotel, and b/d meals, daily Mass, and visits to holy sites. For more info, contact Beth Maddatu at maddatubeth@gmail.com or (408) 903-6305.

Lectors

Saturday

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

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Florence Goh / Rex Owens

9:00 a.m. Rosa Natividad / Beatriz Pelayo-Garcia

11:00 a.m. Pat Cervantes / Sarah Halpin

5:00 p.m. Heinrich Ranches / Ian Ranches

Deaths

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

† Efrain Parra (Uncle of Nancy Holman)

† Barbara Bushere (brother of Jim Junio)

† Evangelina Holman (funeral on 4/5/19)
(mother of Nancy Holman)

† Rachel Heredia (mother of Debbie Robles)