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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; First Friday & All-Night Vigil: Every first Friday of the month at 7:30 pm

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:** Annulment Facilitator: Deacon Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski-282-2744 (333) Grief Support, 2nd/4th Wed., 2:30-4 pm: 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: Magda Contreras (213) 300-7776 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



Parish Vision Statement:

To be a spiritual Catholic Family focused on prayer as well as service to the Gospel through a Sacramental life. We envision our Parish as a community of stewards dedicated to building up the Body of Christ through active ministry while living the example of simplicity, humility, confidence and love of our Patroness, St. Therese of Lisieux.

Parish Secretary:

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Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (I) rhondalstorey@gmail.com * Pre K through 8th Grade * Adult Religious Ed

Youth & Adult Confirmation

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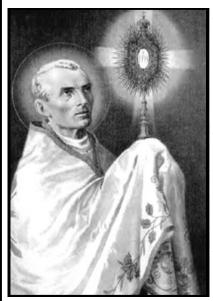
New Parishioners: Welcome to St. Therese! Please come to the Parish Office to register.

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—<u>closed from 1:00 to 2:00 pm & 5:00 to 6:00 pm</u> EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - Continuous, day and night. Sign up for an hour of adoration and pray for vocations. **Coordinator**: Ruben Beltran – 284-0020 (2)

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 21, 2015

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation. -2 Corinthians 5:17

CATECHESIS Q & A: DEEPENING OUR KNOWLEDGE "WHY CAN'T WOMEN BE ORDAINED AS CATHOLIC PRIESTS?" By Scott P. Richert (Catholic Apologist and Author) - Edited by Denise Holguin



Among the most vocal controversies in the Catholic Church has been the question of the ordination of women. As more Protestant denominations have begun ordaining women, the Catholic Church's teaching on the all-male priesthood has come under attack, with some claiming that the ordination of women is simply a matter of justice, and the lack of such ordination is proof that the Catholic Church does not value women. The Church's teaching on this matter, however, is doctrine and thus cannot change. So . . . why can't women be priests?

At the most basic level, the answer to the question is simple: The New Testament priesthood is the priesthood of Christ Himself. All men who, through the Sacrament of Holy Orders, have become priests or bishops participate in Christ's priesthood in a very special way: They act in persona *Christi Capitis*, in the person of Christ, the Head of His Body, the Church. Christ, of course, was a man; but some who argue for the ordination of women insist that His sex is irrelevant, that a woman can act in the person of Christ as well as a man can. This is a misunderstanding of Catholic teaching on the differences between men and women, which the Church insists are irreducible; men and women, by their natures, are suited to different, yet complementary, roles and functions. Yet even if we disregard the differences between the sexes, as many advocates of women's ordination do, we have to face the fact that the ordination of men is an

unbroken tradition that goes back not only to the Apostles but to Christ Himself.

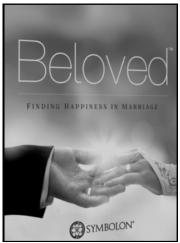
As the Catechism of the Catholic Church (Para. 1577) states: "Only a baptized man validly receives sacred ordination." The Lord Jesus chose men to form the college of the twelve apostles, and the apostles did the same when they chose collaborators to succeed them in their ministry. The college of bishops, with whom the priests are united in the priesthood, makes the college of the twelve an ever-present and ever-active reality until Christ's return. The Church recognizes herself to be bound by this choice made by the Lord Himself. For this reason the ordination of women is not possible. Still, the argument continues, some traditions are made to be broken. But again, that misunderstands the nature of the priesthood. Ordination does not simply give a man permission to perform the functions of a priest; it imparts to him an indelible (permanent) spiritual character that makes him a priest, and since Christ and His Apostles chose only men to be priests, only men can validly become priests.

In other words, it's not simply that the Catholic Church does not allow women to be ordained. If a validly-ordained bishop were to perform the rite of the Sacrament of Holy Orders exactly, but the person supposedly being ordained were a woman rather than a man, the woman would no more be a priest at the end of the rite than she was before it began. The bishop's action in attempting the ordination of a woman would be both illicit (against the laws and regulations of the Church) and invalid (ineffective, and hence null and void).

In his Apostolic Letter <u>Ordinatio sacerdotalis</u> (1994), St. Pope John Paul II declared that "the Church has no authority whatsoever to confer priestly ordination on women and that this judgment is to be definitively held by all the Church's faithful." This definitive statement leaves no "wiggle room" for those who would like to continue debating the question. As the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith made clear in 1995, the statement that, "the Church has no authority to ordain women as priests," is not merely a matter of Church discipline (which can be changed), but belongs to the deposit of faith (which cannot be changed).

The movement for women's ordination in the Catholic Church, therefore, will never get anywhere. Other Christian denominations, to justify ordaining women, have had to change their understanding of the nature of the priesthood from one which conveys an indelible spiritual character on the man who is ordained to one in which *the priesthood is treated as a mere function*. But to abandon the 2,000-year-old understanding of the nature of the priesthood would be a *doctrinal* change. The Catholic Church cannot change doctrine and remain Christ's true Church.

CATHOLICISM 101 Begins This Week! Deepening Your Knowledge: Understanding the Basics of Marriage



Everyone—singles, couples, those discerning marriage—who would like to know more about what the Church teaches about marriage and the family is invited to attend these sessions. We will present the Symbolon series, **"BELOVED: FINDING HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE,"** which explores the meaning of marriage and how to live it out together. In these sessions, you will discover the deepest spiritual, emotional, and practical realities of marriage through Scripture, Tradition, and Church teaching. **BABYSITTING** will be available... please **RSVP** to the numbers below if you will need child care.

Summer classes will meet on Tuesday evenings in the Parish Meeting Room from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Dates are as follows: June 23, July 7 and 21, and August 4 and 18.

For more info, contact the class leaders, Rhonda Storey (225) or Ruben Beltran (235).

WORD OF LIFE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Likewise, if we really believe that abortion is an intimate act of violence - and of course, it is - then we can't aim at anything less than ending abortion. It doesn't matter that some abortions have always occurred, or that some will always occur. If we really believe that abortion kills a developing, unborn human life, then we can never be satisfied with mere 'reductions' in the body count."

~ Archbishop Charles J. Chaput





WHAT DOES ST. THERESE CARMELITE SCHOOL OFFER?

St. Therese Carmelite School is fully accredited through the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) and the Western Catholic Education Association (WCEA). It offers:

Transitional Kindergarten through Eighth Grade; Fine Arts and Physical Education; Religious Education provided by the Carmelite Friars, in collaboration with the Carmelite Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Los Angeles; Carmelite Spirituality, with an emphasis on the Carmelite saints; Full-time Carmelite chaplain (Fr. Leonel Varela); Rigorous Classical Curriculum; Small class sizes; Before- and After-School Academic Enrichment program available, and more!

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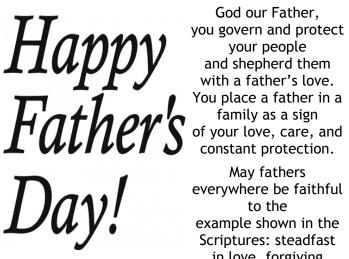


Priestly Ordination

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDINATION OF FR. THOMAS KOLLER, OCD, and FR. MATTHEW WILLIAMS, OCD

St. Therese Church invites you to celebrate the Anniversary of the Ordinations of 25th two Carmelite Friars, Fr. Thomas Koller, OCD, and Fr. Matthew Williams, OCD, who were both ordained here at St. Therese on June 30, 1990, and who both ministered here at St. Therese.

The Mass will be held on Tuesday, June 30, at 7:00 p.m. in the church. It will be followed by a reception in the Avila Room and the Guadalupe Courtyard (enter through the gate on El Molino Street.



God our Father, you govern and protect vour people and shepherd them with a father's love. constant protection.

May fathers everywhere be faithful to the example shown in the Scriptures: steadfast in love, forgiving

transgressions, sustaining the family, caring for those in need.

Give your wisdom to fathers that they may encourage and guide their children. Keep them healthy so they may support a family. Guide every father with the Spirit of your love that they may grow in holiness and draw their family ever closer to you.

GUADALUPE PREGNANCY SERVICES: GPS Are you pregnant and in need of help? GPS counselors are available to help with any situation regarding your pregnancy. All services are local and are private and confidential. We offer counseling, education, resources and referrals. Contact Louisa Day at 872-2483 or email gps.pregnancy@ymail.com.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN— "DID YOU KNOW?"

The important impact of fathers and father figures on children:

Whether you've seen a child light up when you encourage them, succeed with a little bit of mentoring, or problem solve after lending your listening ear, it is clear that fathers and father figures are a gift in the life of children. While nothing can replace the presence



of a father, many of us know from experience the influence that other trusted adults can have on the life of children. Children thrive when they have adults that they can trust and learn from. For complete VIRTUS® Article email: jvienna@laarchdiocese.org.

PRESENTATION CHAPEL OF PERPETUAL ADORATION



"O outstanding miracle! O marvelous and most divine Sacrament!... What the priest takes up is not what he replaces on the altar. That which is taken up and placed down seems to be the same in appearance, colors and taste. Completely different, however, is that which appears from that which lies within. Common bread is lifted up from the altar; the immortal Flesh of Christ is set down upon it. What was natural food has

become spiritual food. What was the momentary refreshment of man has been made the eternal and unfailing nourishment of angels." - Stephen, Bishop of Autun

Become a Committed Adorer: To make a commitment to come to the chapel <u>once a week at</u> <u>the same hour</u>, please contact the Coordinator, Ruben Beltran, at 284-0020 (2).

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



STRE: Registration will be Sunday, August 23, from 9:00 a.m. to Noon in front of the church.

August 30: Parent Meeting

and Registration at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall. First class will be September 13 at 9:00 a.m.

RCIA Adult Faith Formation:

The next class sessions will begin in September.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

May God reward you! Below you will find the total collections for last weekend and for the previous four weekends.

June 13/ 14, 2015

Unrestricted	\$11,758.50
Restricted	<u>\$ 515.50</u>
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May 16 / 17	\$13.474.00
May 23 / 24	
May 30 / 31	\$13,617.00
June 6 / 7	\$14,269.00

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS: Please use your **pre-printed envelopes**! It makes it easier to properly record your donations! Thank you.

CONFIRMATION

REGISTRATION will be Sunday, August 23, from 9:00 am to Noon in front of the church.

August 30: Parent Meeting and Registration will be held at 3:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The first class will be held on September 20 at 3:00 p.m. Your Journey Begins at Saint Therese Church

SEEKING CATECHISTS / TEACHERS FOR YOUTH CONFIRMATION

If you are a practicing Catholic who knows your faith and would like to share it with high schoolaged teens, then consider volunteering as a catechist for the Youth Confirmation Program at St. Therese Church. Classes are held three times a month, which includes attendance at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. If you are interested and would like further information, please contact Ruben Beltran at 284-0020 (2). Page Six

PICK UP YOUR 90TH ANNIVERSARY PICTORIAL DIRECTORY-DAY OR

Getebrating Our Oth Anniversary 1921 - 2011

EVENING! This beautiful, spiral-bound, keepsake directory has 110-pages and is in full-color. There are articles on *our history, *our patroness, *her parents, and *her sisters, among others. Don't miss out on owning one!

They are free to those who had a photo taken by the directory photographer OR submitted a photo for the **family section** along with a fee OR pre-paid the fee. You may pick up your **free** directory at the offices

<u>during open hours</u> (being in a group photo or submitting wedding/anniversary photos does **not** qualify for a free directory.) For those who were in a group photo or submitted wedding photos, etc., we also have additional copies available **for sale at \$20 each.**



We regret to have to announce that **we will** not be able to have Vacation Bible School this Summer. This is because we will be doing some much needed painting of the church and as well as a general "overhaul" of the Parish Center and School classrooms. There will be cranes and heavy equipment, which will present an unsafe environment for your children.

However, we are working towards bringing back VBS for the Summer of 2016!

B A P T I S M M I N I S T R Y



Rhonda Storey, **284-0020** (X225) In order to take part in our Baptism Program, **PARENTS** <u>&</u> **GODPARENTS** are required to attend a class from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Parish Library (<u>next date is July 6</u>). The fee is \$100 per child OR \$25 for the class only. Your child will then be baptized on a Saturday (<u>next open Baptism</u> is on July 25th—at Noon).

REQUIREMENTS FOR 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

CARMELITE SPIRITUAL READING GROUP: All are invited to join us every Monday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the Mt. Carmel Room in the Parish Offices). Meetings consist of spiritual reading, discussion, and prayer. All are welcome! For more info, contact Jim Gillett at 323-262-5721 or jimgillett@me.com.

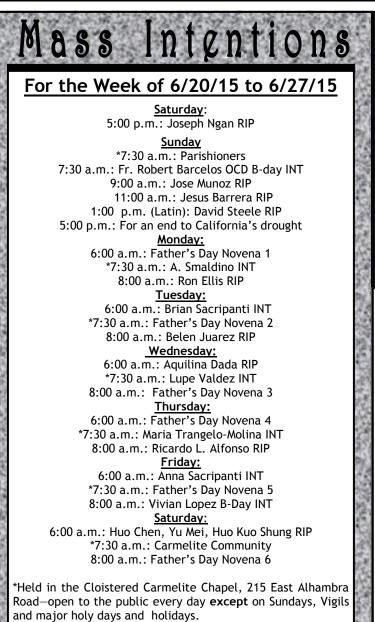
GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: This group, formed in honor of Patricia Bordonaro, is for anyone who is grieving for a loved one—no matter how long or for whom. We meet in the Parish Offices from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month. The next meeting will be on June 24. For additional information, call the office at 282-2744.

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 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).

The next meeting will be on June 25. 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 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.





Intentions of our Holy Father for June 2015:

1) That immigrants and refugees may find welcome and respect in the countries to which they come; and 2) That the personal encounter with Jesus may arouse in many young people the desire to offer their own lives in the priesthood or consecrated life.



<u>Saturday:</u>

5:00 p.m. Franklin Teng / Marta Timar

<u>Sunday</u>:

7:30 a.m. Ron Sandoval / Flora Santoso
9:00 a.m. Lorraine Mizerski / Rosa Natividad
11:00 a.m. Pat Cervantes
5:00 p.m. Gil Vargas

Floral Dedications

This week's dedication is:

In Loving Memory of Lucy Reynoso Rolon

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 are \$40 and up.

Outside the Parish

Southern California Catholic Home School Educators Conference & Curriculum Fair on Sat., June 27, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Costa Mesa. Featured speakers are Andrew Pudewa, Laura Berguist, Susan Peterson, etc. You'll find encouraging speakers, favorite vendors, used curriculum, and live music for the teens. Also, come join us for the pre-conference dinner on Friday, June 26th at the Costa Mesa Country Club, including an inspiring talk and a question and answer session with Andrew Pudewa. For more information, visit http://www.southerncaliforniacatholichomeeducator s.org (includes all the details, updates, and registration information) OR contact Theresa Marji at (626) 393-12450 /tbmarji@yahoo.com.

Pilgrimage to Fatima & Spain (with attendance at Teresian Int'l Mtg in Avila) with **FR. LEONEL VARELA & FR. ROBERT BARCELOS** from Aug. 3-18, 2015 (16 days, 14 nights). Price is \$4,170 each (dbl occ), includes airfare, lodging, 14 b'fasts/dinners, and 13 lunches. Contact Angela Yang, Avenue of Travel, at <u>aokyang@gmail.com</u> or 394-4367.

EL CARMELO RETREAT HOUSE, operated by the Discalced Carmelite Friars, will receive a portion of the commission on any travel booked through www.elcarmelotravel.com. Save AND help maintain the center. Also book hotels, cars, cruises, etc.

YOU CAN SAVE YOUR MARRIAGE! Feel alone? Frustrated or angry with your spouse? Have you stopped speaking to each other? Does talking only make it worse? Retrouvaille (retro-vee) has helped 1000's of couples experiencing problems. To register, call Jane and Pete Lauder at 714-871-5953 or email: lauderpj@yahoo.com.

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