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St. Therese Church

Established 1924

510 North El Molino Street • Alhambra, California 91801 • (626) 282-2744 • FAX (626) 282-7560 (Unless otherwise indicated, all telephone numbers are in the **626 area code**.) Web Page: <http://www.mysttherese.org>

Ministered by the Discalced Carmelite Friars

Masses & Services:

Monday-Saturday: 6:00 & 8:00 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm
Latin High Mass: Sundays at 1:00 pm
Holy Days: 6:00, 8:00, 10:00 am and 7:00 pm

Devotions:

Rosary: Following the Mon-Sat 8:00 am Mass
Exposition/Benediction: Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 pm
Warrior-Intercessors: Thursdays, 8:00 pm
St. Joseph Devotion: Tuesdays, 6:15-7:00 pm
St. Joseph Project: 3rd Tues. (Nov.-Apr.) Mass, 7:00 pm
Fatima Pilgrimage: 13th of the month (May-Oct.), 7:00 pm

Sacramental Programs:

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
-Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:30 pm
-Saturdays from 3:30 - 5:00 pm
Baptism: Call 284-0200, ext. 225, for schedule
Marriage: Contact priest at least six months before
RCIA (Sac. for adults) Rhonda Storey 284-0020, Ext. 225

Other Ministries / Programs:

Legion of Mary: Wed., 7:00 pm - Michelle Mestas 755-0564
Mary of Mt. Carmel Prayer Ministry: First Fridays, 7:00 p.m.
Peace & Justice Prayer Ministry:
Tuesdays at 6:15 PM - Edward William 768-0758
Respect Life Ministry: Call the rectory at 282-2744
Rosary Makers: Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 pm
Edward William 768-0758 / tielnt@gmail.com

Pastor:

Fr. Jan Lundberg, OCD (Ext. 222)

Associate Pastors:

Fr. Robert Elias Barcelos, OCD (Ext. 226)
Fr. David Guzman, OCD (Ext. 337)

In Residence:

Fr. Jerome Lantry, OCD (Ext. 334)

Deacon Couple:

Deacon Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski (Ext. 221)

Vocations: Parish: Fr. David Guzman OCD (X 337);
Regional: 909-629-9495; Archdiocesan: 213-637-7515

Parish Secretary: Denise McMaster (Ext. 223)

Finances/Donations: Please call Extension 228

Director of Music: Robert Prichard 441-5401

Christian Services: Bridie McDermott (Ext. 224)

Liturgical Coordinators:

Lectors: Deacon Joseph & Lorraine Mizerski (Ext. 221)
Eucharistic Ministers of the Altar: Dn J. & L. Mizerski (221)
Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick: M/M Padilla, 282-0943

St. Therese Religious Education:

Rhonda Storey 284-0020 (Ext. 225)

rhondalstorey@gmail.com

* Pre K through 8th Grade * Adult Religious Ed

Youth Ministry / Young Adult Ministry:

Rocio Avila 284-0020 (Ext. 235)

Confirmation Program for Youth:

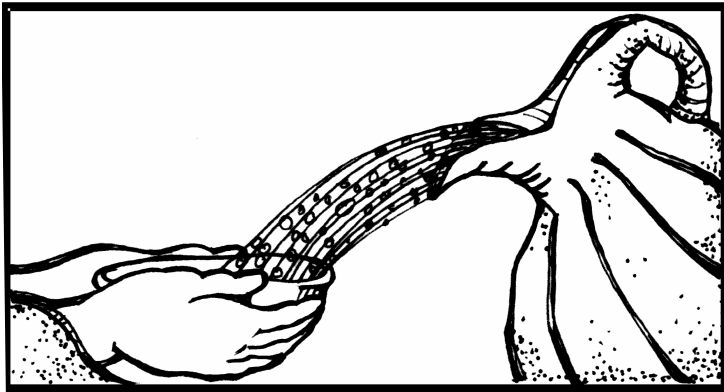
(9th and 10th Graders) Rocio Avila 284-0020 (Ext. 235)

St. Therese Catholic School: 289-3364, Ext. 660

Principal: Carmela Lovano, Clovano@stthereseschoolalhambra.org
Web Site: www.stthereseschoolalhambra.org

Eucharistic Adoration - Continuous, day and night. Sign up for an hour of adoration and pray for vocations.
Coordinators: Carlos & Carla Johnson – 289-0388

New Parishioners: WELCOME TO ST. THERESE! Please come to the Parish office to register
(Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm & 2:00 pm to 9:00 pm—**closed from 1:00 to 2:00 pm**).



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 31, 2011

All you who are thirsty, come to the water!
—Isaiah 55:1

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading – All you who thirst, come to the water! You without money, come to the feast! (Isaiah 55:1-3).

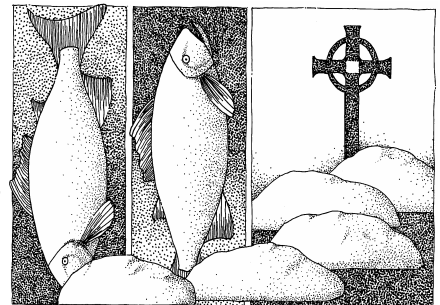
Psalms – The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading – Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ (Romans 8:35, 37-39).

Gospel – All ate until satisfied; they collected twelve baskets of what was left over (Matthew 14:13-21).

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION: *OUR DEEPEST NEEDS*

The word of God serves up a tremendous feast for us today. Isaiah beckons all who hunger and thirst to come to the Lord for satisfaction. The psalmist cries out, “The hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs” (Psalm 145:16). Saint Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. Finally, in the Gospel, we hear the story of the miraculous feeding of over five thousand people from a mere five loaves and two fish. Most of us have our material needs met on a day-to-day basis. These scriptures, nevertheless, have much to say to the contemporary believer. We must ask ourselves, “Where are my deepest hungers? Where are my thirsts?” After material needs are satisfied and, in some cases, over-satisfied, many people still experience a deep longing for spiritual balance and well-being. As the loaves and fish are multiplied in today’s Gospel, perhaps our prayer can be a longing for the satisfaction of the deepest needs that only God can fill.



ST. THERESE SCHOOL NEWS!

APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR are available **NOW** for Grades K-8. Visit our website at www.stthereseschoolalhambra.org.

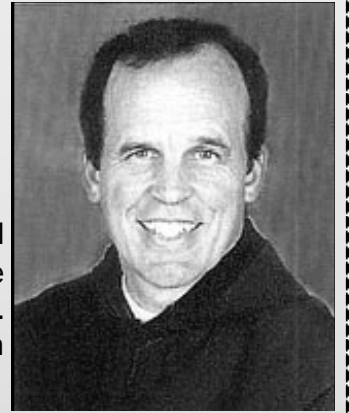


2011 / 2012 SCHOOL YEAR: The new school year will begin on **Monday, August 22**, with dismissal at Noon each day of the first week.

FAMILY FUN DAY: Join us for our “Welcome Back” picnic on **Sunday, August 28**, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

SHAPING FUTURES....TEACHING STUDENTS....SERVING FAMILIES

SPECIAL



AN EVENING WITH FR. PAUL KOENIG: We welcome Fr. Paul to St. Therese while he's on vacation from his assignment in Uganda. You are invited to come to the Hall on **Thursday, August 18, at 7:00 p.m.**, to hear Fr. Paul speak about the Carmelite Mission in Uganda, Africa, as well as his own personal experiences there for the last four-plus years. Don't miss it!

ST. THERESE PARISH FAMILY FESTIVAL: The theme for this year's Festival is "A BLAST FROM THE PAST." and the dates are October 14 through 16! We are looking for parish ministries and groups willing to volunteer to head or help out in the various Food Booths. To date, the MARRIAGE & FAMILY ministry will be running the Bakery Booth, along with the School; the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will be running the American Food Booth; and RETROUVAILLE will be working with the Mexican Food Booth. If any other groups or ministries would like to volunteer, please contact this year's Chairperson, Octavio Casado, at casado102498@yahoo.com or 510-209-4374.

VIRTUS CLASSES & FINGERPRINTING SESSION: Taking a VIRTUS class and being fingerprinted is an Archdiocesan mandate for all priests, staff, religious education volunteers, parish volunteers, school parents and volunteers, festival volunteers, coaches, etc—anyone who is around children and youth. Next classes will be in the Parish Library from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. on **Thursday, August 25**, and **Tuesday, September 20**. For anyone who took the VIRTUS class in 2008 or earlier, you need to be **re-certified** (every 4 years). There will be a **re-certification class on Tuesday, September 6**, in the Parish Library from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in our continuing compliance with the Archdiocesan guidelines. **FINGERPRINTING SESSION:** Fingerprints will be taken on **Saturday, September 17**, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please call Rhonda at 284-0020, ext. 225, to sign up for an appointment. These sessions fill up fast!!



MEN'S RETREAT – RESERVE SPACE NOW! The weekend of **SEPTEMBER 23 –25** will be the Parish Retreat for Men at Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center in Sierra Madre. The retreat, which is preached by the Passionist Retreat Team, begins that Friday evening and concludes the following Sunday afternoon. The beautiful grounds and peaceful atmosphere make this a perfect spot for a weekend of spiritual renewal and growth. **Space is very limited this year**, so reserve your spot early by calling Rex Owens at (323) 273-8825 or sending an email to owens.rex@gmail.com.

FLORAL DEDICATION PROGRAM: If you would like to honor or memorialize a loved one AND help to beautify the church at the same time, then take advantage of our Floral Dedication Program. You may choose the flowers and the colors of the bouquet(s) for not only memorial remembrances, but also for anniversaries, birthdays, engagements, weddings, baptisms, get-well wishes, etc. For each dedication, a notice will be posted in the bulletin (on the Mass intentions page) under "Floral Dedication" and will include your loved one's name and the occasion. A donation of \$40 is requested for each dedication bouquet (this is the actual cost of the flowers). In order to schedule a memorial or a dedication, please contact Giovanna Setiady at 281-9049.

PARISH MINISTRIES



ST. THERESE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Rhonda Storey, 284-0020X 225

STRE: 2011-2012 registration dates will be **Sundays, August 21 & 28** from 8:00 a.m. to Noon.

Parents, please bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate and the registration fees as follows: \$95 for the 1st year Eucharist class; \$120 for the 2nd year Eucharist class (includes a Saturday workshop/retreat—which will be \$40 for Grades 3 – 8); \$50 for the pre-K & Kinder classes.

NOTE: We also offer a payment plan. **Catechetical Sunday:** The STRE teachers will be presented and blessed on **September 18 at the 9:00 a.m. Mass**. Please come and support them on this special day. **Parent Meeting:** Parents of all Grades will meet on **September 25 at 10:00 a.m.** to discuss the STRE calendar. **Official classes begin on September 25** from 9:00 to 10:45 a.m. Attendance at the 11:00 a.m. Mass is required for all families in the STRE program.

RELIGIOUS ED VOLUNTEER TEACHERS NEEDED: We are looking for adult volunteers to teach in our Baptismal and Adult Eucharist classes. If you like to teach, please contact Rhonda.

R.C.I.A.: ORIENTATION/WELCOME MEETING FOR YEAR 2011-2012: Anyone desiring to enter into the Catholic Church or needing the Sacrament of Confirmation is invited. The first class will meet on **September 8** in the Parish Meeting Room from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

ALTAR SERVERS: Altar service is open to anyone entering the 5th Grade or higher. If you are interested in joining the ministry of serving at the Altar, please contact Rhonda Storey at 284-0020, ext. 225.

PEACE & JUSTICE MINISTRY Edward William, 768-0758 / tieknt@gmail.com (Prayer with Action:

Strengthening of Families, Conversion of Sinners, and Peace in the World) - **St. Joseph Prayer Devotion:** Join us on **Tuesdays at 6:15 p.m. in front of the St. Joseph statue** in the church. Let us all join together in solidarity to *pray* for peace and justice in every aspect of life, with the help of St. Joseph, patron of the Universal Church; **The Rosary Makers:** We meet on **Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., in the Parish Meeting Room** (following the St. Joseph Prayer Devotion). You are invited to help us make the rosaries (we'll show you how!), which are then shipped to missions throughout the world. This is our *action* aspect of the Peace & Justice Ministry.

BAPTISM MINISTRY: Rhonda Storey, 284-0020, X 225

There will be no Baptisms in August, as the Priests and ministers are taking various summer breaks. In order to take part in our Baptism Program, **BOTH PARENTS AND GODPARENTS** are required to: 1) Have an interview (must be held the month BEFORE the Baptism); 2) Attend one class (next class is **September 6**) from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Library); And 3) Be presented at Mass (the next Presentation Sunday is **September 18** at the 9:00 a.m. Mass). After completing these, your child will be baptized on a Saturday (next OPEN Baptism is at Noon on **September 24**). **SELECTING THE GODPARENTS:** Canon Law requires you to have at least one godparent (may have two) who: **1) is at least 16 years old; 2) has received the Sacrament of Confirmation; and 3) is a practicing Catholic.**



RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY: PRO-LIFE QUOTES:

"The sophistry is overwhelming: If I choose and desire my child, then ipso facto I have granted it the right to live, and it will live. But the inverse is equally the case, by means of nothing more or less than my choice: Caesar's thumb is up, or Caesar's thumb is down." ~ Lord Nicholas Windsor, Caesar's Thumb, First Things, Dec. 1, 2010

"We must not be surprised when we hear of murders, of killings, of wars, of hatred. If a mother can kill her own child, what is left but for us to kill each other." ~Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

"Amnesty International was founded to protect human rights, yet it now treads upon the most fundamental human right, the right to life. To fail to protect the right to life renders suspect one's advocacy of any other human right." ~ Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director, Priests for Life, August 20, 2007

ST. THERESE 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 and fostering a contemplative life, resulting in Christian formation and spiritual growth of our members.

PARISH MINISTRIES / NEWS:

PERPETUAL ADORATION



"How can this come about?" Mary asked. 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you,' the angel answered, 'and the power of the Most High will cover you with its shadow.' And now you are the one who puts the question: 'How can bread become Christ and wine, His Blood?' I answer: 'The power of the Holy Spirit will be at work to

give us a marvel which surpasses understanding.' "
--St. John Damascene (d. 749)

SIGN UP! The Adoration Chapel is open day and night to adore Jesus in the exposed Blessed Sacrament. To sign up, call Carlos or Carla Johnson at 289-0388.

FR. JEROME'S BIBLE SPIRITUALITY

CLASS: Fr. Jerome's next class will be this **Monday, August 1**. Classes are held in the Bro. Francis Room on the first Monday of the month at **10:30 a.m.** (park on the street—not on the school grounds—and enter on El Molino Street). All are welcome to join this lively group, whose purpose is to help people develop a personal relationship with God.

QUEEN BEAUTY OF CARMEL CATHOLIC

DISCUSSION GROUP: The next meeting will be on **Saturday, August 6, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**, in the Parish Library. The topic will be *"The Dignity of the Priesthood."* Just listen or add to the conversation. Bring a friend or meet new people. Refreshments served. For more information, write to placenci@sbcglobal.net or call 282-5340.

SAFEGUARD THE CHILDREN: "DID YOU

KNOW?" - Bullying Is a Form of Abuse—Did you know that bullying is a form of abuse, and therefore is forbidden in our Catholic schools? Bullying typically consists of direct behaviors, such as teasing, taunting, threatening, hitting, shoving, etc. But it might also be indirect, such as spreading rumors that cause victims to be socially isolated through intentional exclusion. Cyberbullying, which involves the use of the Internet or mobile phones to send inappropriate messages and images to or about others, is also behavior that is not tolerated in our Catholic schools. If you suspect bullying of a child at school, please contact the school principal with your concerns. For particular help, you may call Assistance Ministry at (213) 637-7650.

F I N A N C I A L:

WEEKLY OFFERINGS: Below are the totals for the collections for last weekend and for the previous month.

Collection for July 23 / 24, 2011

Unrestricted.....\$11,319.00
Restricted\$ 874.00
T O T A L.....\$12,193.00

June 25 / 26, 2011: \$ 9,950.00
July 2 / 3, 2011: \$13,945.00
July 9 / 10, 2011: \$17,270.00
July 16 / 17, 2011: \$12,099.00



As a friendly suggestion for those of you who are employed, may we propose a realistic donation to St. Therese Church of **at least one hour of pay per week.**

MONTHLY COLLECTION FOR THE SCHOOL: Please be generous! Our children are our future!

TOGETHER IN MISSION 2011

"My Hope Comes From God" Psalm 62:6

Amount of 2011 Goal: \$53,286.00

Donations received as of 6/26/11: \$47,445.00
Donations received as of 7/3/11: \$47,655.00
Donations received as of 7/10/11: \$48,495.00
Donations received as of 7/17/11: \$48,821.00
Donations received as of 7/24/11: \$49,007.00
Donations Needed..... \$4,279.00

THANK YOU!

WARRIOR-INTERCESSORS FOR PRIESTS:

"TEACH US TO PRAY," the disciples said

to Jesus. (Luke 11:1). He answered by teaching them the prayer we call the *Our Father* or *The Lord's Prayer*. The Lord's Prayer is a basic Christian prayer learned by every Christian. It appears everywhere in the Church's life: in its liturgy and sacraments, in public and private prayer. Though we memorize it as a set formula, the Lord's Prayer shouldn't be repeated mechanically. Its purpose is to awaken and stimulate our faith. Through this prayer Jesus invites us to approach God as Father. Indeed, the Lord's Prayer has been called a Summary of the Gospel. It is also a prayer that offers the grace of Jesus: His reverence for God, His childlike confidence in His Father, and His power to go bravely through life no matter what comes. When we pray His prayer, His spirit becomes our own. **Join us in the church every Thursday at 8:00 p.m.** to pray for priests! You may leave a message for Blanca at 282-2744.



MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of 7/30/11 to 8/6/11



Saturday:
5:00 p.m.: Joseph Ngan RIP

Sunday:
*7:30 am: Robert & Teresa Koenig RIP
7:30 am: Fr. Ed Broom OVM INT
9:00 am: Josua Joseph Ribaya INT
11:00 a.m. Ethel Mulvihll RIP
1:00 pm: Elena Ceballos RIP
5:00 pm: Parishioners

Monday:
6:00 am: Julius Kasenda RIP
*7:30 am: Robert & Teresa Koenig RIP
8:00 a.m.: Deacon Joe & Lorraine Mizerski INT



TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD August 6

Held in the Cloistered Carmelite Chapel, 215 E. Alhambra Road—open to the public every day except on Sundays, Vigils and major holy days and holidays, including Holy Saturday & Easter.

INTENTIONS OF OUR HOLY FATHER FOR JULY 2011:

1) That the World Youth Day taking place in Madrid this month may encourage all the young people of the world to root and found their lives in Christ; 2) That Christians of the West, docile to the action of the Holy Spirit, may re-encounter the freshness and enthusiasm of their faith.



LECTORS:

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

Sunday:
7:30 a.m. Bill Hall / Pat Rosenthal
9:00 a.m. Jim Raney / Madeline Nguyen
11:00 a.m. Ignacio Verduzco / Andy Zepeda
5:00 p.m. Gil Vargas / Heinrich Ranches

FLORAL DEDICATIONS

The Floral Dedication for this weekend is:

**THIS SPACE OPEN FOR
YOUR DEDICATION!**



To dedicate a Floral Arrangement in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of a loved one, contact Giovanna Setiady at 281-9049.

PERSONAL ADS

FOR LEASE: HOUSE IN ALHAMBRA, north of Valley, near Garfield (2 BR, 1 1/2 BA). Call 664-1060.

FOR RENT: Very lovely 1 BR apt with 1-car garage (\$950/month, with first and last). Must have good credit. If interested, contact Pedro at 487-5312

SEEKING COMPANION: Need gentle female companion for my elderly mother (living accommodations exchanged for light cooking & housekeeping). Call Christine at 975-7797.

FOR RENT to non-smoker: Alhambra upstairs 1 BR apt, fully renovated, with garage, free use of washer & dryer. \$895 per month, plus sec. dep. Call 284-0519.



OUTSIDE THE PARISH

Join Fr. Robert Elias, OCD, on a 15-Day Spiritual Pilgrimage to **FATIMA, HOLY LAND, MT. SINAI**, in July 2012, featuring 5 nights at the Carmelite Convent in Mt. Carmel, Haifa. Join in the celebration of the Feasts of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and St. Elijah. For more information, call 408-903-6305

or e-mail emaddatu@yahoo.com or ask Fr. Robert or the parish for a flyer.

Join Fr. Jose Parathanal to walk in the Footsteps of Moses and Jesus in The Land of the Bible (Egypt, Jordan, Israel) from **October 3 to October 16, 2011**. For more information, cost and reservation, contact Bernadette Corpuz: bcorp1114@hotmail.com, (323) 344-1548 OR (323) 547-6618.

SANTA TERESITA HEALTHCARE COMMUNITY is seeking volunteers to help serve meals to the residents in the Manor. This is a wonderful opportunity to interact with residents and to give of yourself. Call Sr. Rosario Therese at 408-7825.