

# SAINT THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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September 15, 2019 **MINISTERED BY THE DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS** Estab. 1924



**Pastor:** Fr. Philip Sullivan, OCD X222;  
**Associate Pastor:** Fr. David Guzman, OCD X232;  
**Carmelite Vocation Director:** Fr. Matthias Lambrecht, OCD X224

**In Residence:** Fr. Albert Busic, OCD X335;  
Fr. Donald Kinney, OCD (Chaplain for the Carmelite  
Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles);  
Bro. Jason Parrott, OCD (7th Grade Teacher)  
[brjasonoths@gmail.com](mailto:brjasonoths@gmail.com)

**Deacons:** Deacon Joseph Mizerski X333;  
Deacon Gilbert Vargas X333

## NEW PARISHIONERS

The office is at  
510 N. El Molino  
Street, Alhambra.

Office Hours are Monday through  
Friday from 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 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

[www.SaintThereseCarmelite  
School.com](http://www.SaintThereseCarmeliteSchool.com)

**Principal:** Alma Cornejo  
X661

Principal @[sainttheresecarmelite  
school.com](mailto:sainttheresecarmelite<br/>school.com)

**Chaplain:** Fr. Matthias  
Lambrecht, OCD X224

**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.



### Parish Secretary:

Denise McMaster-Holguin X223  
[denisekay@hotmail.com](mailto:denisekay@hotmail.com)

**Finance:** Noralyn Cailan X228  
[cailannocds@gmail.com](mailto:cailannocds@gmail.com)

### Music Director:

Charlotte Lansberg  
[cjlansberg@choochoorecords.com](mailto:cjlansberg@choochoorecords.com)

### Respect Life Ministry / Vox Vitae:

Catherine Contreras X112;  
[cathycforlife@gmail.com](mailto:cathycforlife@gmail.com)

### Cor Jesu Youth Ministry:

Fr. Matthias Lambrecht,  
OCD X224  
[frmatthias@sainttherese  
carmeliteschool.com](mailto:frmatthias@sainttherese<br/>carmeliteschool.com)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(Grade School, Confirmation

for Youth & Adults,  
RCIA, and Liturgical  
Ministries): Rhonda  
Storey, (626)  
284-0020 X 1

[Rhondalstorey  
@gmail.com](mailto:Rhondalstorey<br/>@gmail.com)



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*Now Celebrating our 95th Year of Ministry*

## The History of our Church Baptistry

Over thirty years ago, in an attempt to move the baptismal font out of the baptistry, the font was damaged beyond repair. A few years later, the Adoration Chapel was relocated into the baptistry from the side chapel to the left of the sanctuary. Then, on February 2, 2015, the current Adoration Chapel was dedicated, providing a truly fitting, accessible, secure, and exclusively-designed location for our Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration.

Since the baptistry was specifically designed for baptisms, it was only right that it be restored to its original purpose. From the time of the counter-reformation, the traditional location of a church baptistry has been at the northwest corner of the church entrance, as is the case with our own baptistry. This exceptional space, with its large, circular form, vaulted ceiling, stained glass windows, and intricate terrazzo floor, mystically draws you in from the vestibule—with the font as the stunning centerpiece. The octagonal shape of the font relates to the theological “Eighth Day.” Genesis speaks of God creating the world in six days and resting on the seventh, and so the “Eighth Day” is the metaphorical day of eternity as the day “after” the earthly Sabbath, a day of re-creation.

Although originally crafted out of poured concrete due to budget constraints, it was and remains the recommended practice to construct the font out of the same material as the altar to make a clear connection between the two, understanding that “the baptismal font and its location reflect the Christian’s journey through the waters of baptism to the altar.” The plans for the original baptismal font are in the parish archives, so the font was reproduced from these plans except that this time it was executed in the same Italian Calacatta marble as is the altar.

The hand-wrought, flamed-copper basin consists of two sides, per the original specifications. The right side is for the pure, blessed baptismal water, and the left side, the “sacrarium,” is where the water is to be poured. Both drain directly into the ground. The original bronze cover had been held in safekeeping in the church basement these many years and has now been restored to its original condition. The newly-restored font was formally dedicated on July 17, 2018.

The baptistry’s original massive wrought iron gate, again an important symbol of passage, has been in storage in the rectory garage. It was recently stripped down to bare metal and “primed.” It should be re-installed and painted in the next few months. Members of the Burghardt family were the principal benefactors of the original font. The donor who is funding the restoration insisted on anonymity out of respect for the Burghardts’ important act of generosity, which should continue to be recognized and never forgotten.



# PRO-LIFE EVENTS WITH VOX VITAE

**Pray to End Abortion with Bishop O'Connell:** Join Vox Vitae, the families of St. Therese Church, and St. Therese's Cor Jesu Youth Ministry, as we **pray with Bishop O'Connell** for an end to abortion. Let us Be A Voice For Life together! We will meet at Planned Parenthood, 1045 North Lake Avenue, Pasadena, **THIS Monday, September 16, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.**



**40 Days for Life (September 25 – November 3):** 40 Days for Life is the largest internationally-coordinated pro-life mobilization in history, helping people in local communities end the injustice of abortion through *PRAYER & FASTING*. Knowing that "with God, all things are possible," people of faith and conscience unite internationally during these 40 days. Come join us in this focused, 40-day prayer vigil held outside Pasadena's PP, 1045 North Lake Ave, **any day between September 25 and November 3.**

For more info about these events OR if you would like to volunteer, contact Catherine Contreras at (213) 395-8977 or Catherine@VoxVitae.org or go to [www.VoxVitae.org](http://www.VoxVitae.org).

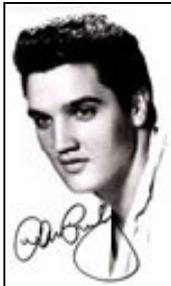
**Educating, Empowering, and Spiritually Nurturing People to Actively Be A Voice for Life!**

## 50's / 60's Dance in Our Hall on September 28



**VOX VITAE** invites all **TEENS AND ADULTS** to join us for a "Dance Down Memory Lane" at a 50's / 60's **DINNER AND DANCE PARTY!** It will be held on **Saturday, September 28**, in the Parish Hall, as follows:

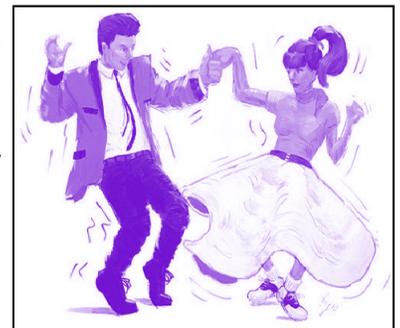
- 6:00 p.m.: Check-ins begin
- 6:30 p.m.: Italian Dinner
- 7:15 p.m.: Professional Dance Exhibition
- 7:30 p.m.: Dance Lessons
- 8:00 p.m.: Dancing until 11:00 p.m.!



We will also be entertained by an **Elvis impersonator!**

We encourage everyone to come dressed in 50's or 60's outfits. Your \$25 ticket will help to underwrite our annual bus trip to the Walk for Life in San Francisco and our annual Teen and Adult Catholic ProLife Camps next Summer (the cost per teen is approximately \$300). Donate \$100 and receive FIVE tickets! Come have fun with us AND support Vox Vitae in their mission to *Educate, Empower, and Spiritually Nurture People to Actively Be A Voice For Life!*

Tickets will be sold after the Sunday morning Masses or by calling (213) 395-8977 or going to [www.VoxVitae.org](http://www.VoxVitae.org).



# 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 this weekend).



**September 7 / 8, 2019**  
 Unrestricted..... \$11,472.00  
 Restricted ..... \$ 5,199.00  
**T O T A L ..... \$16,671.00**

August 10 / 11..... \$31,414.00  
 August 17 / 18..... \$31,415.00  
 August 24 / 25..... \$25,131.00  
 August 31 / Sept. 8...\$10,688.00

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

## VIRTUS CLASSES

**PROMISE to Protect** **Pledge to HEAL**

- We train everyone to prevent and report abuse. **2,400,627** adults trained
- 195 U.S. dioceses/eparchies have a victim assistance center to provide assistance and provide support for those abused. **4,484,609** children trained
- We provide outreach to those abused.
- We require background checks. **2,390,956** background checks for clerics, employees and volunteers
- 100% of U.S. dioceses/eparchies require allegations of sexual abuse to be reported to public authorities. **We report all allegations.**
- We work with law enforcement.

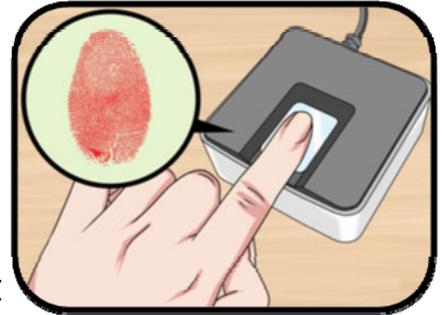
Anyone—whether employee or volunteer—who works with or around children in any L.A. Archdiocesan parish or school **MUST** take a VIRTUS CLASS.

We held the initial class last week. This week we will host the recertification class, "Keeping the Promise Alive," which must be taken every four years by

all those who have already attended the initial class and who are still employees or volunteers who work with or around children in the LA. Archdiocese. It will be held **THIS Wednesday, September 18, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the Hall.** Call Rhonda Storey at 284-0020, ext. 1, for any questions about either class. **NO NEED TO REGISTER!** Just show up on time!

## FINGERPRINTING SESSION

Anyone—whether employee or volunteer—who works with or around children in any L.A. Archdiocesan parish or school **MUST BE FINGERPRINTED.**



Our next fingerprinting session will be on **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9**, in the Avila Room of the Parish Offices. There is no fee to have your fingerprints taken.

You **MUST** make an appointment (no walk-ins). To do so, call the DRE, Rhonda Storey, at 284-0020, ext. 1.

## CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



With great joy, we are blessed to announce the fourth year of the Saint Therese Carmelite School's "Little Flower Atrium," and we are grateful for the opportunity to offer the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program to our Parish families (for children ages 3 to 5). It is a Montessori-based form of Catholic religious education. Classes begin Friday, October 4.

Applications must be submitted by September 20. Space is limited.

To download your application, visit [www.sainttheresecarmeliteschool.com/cgs/](http://www.sainttheresecarmeliteschool.com/cgs/).

# Rummage Sale! Restrooms Renovation



We are gearing up for a two-day Rummage Sale on **November 9 and 10!** So we ask you to 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. If you have larger items or LOTS of stuff, stop by the office first so we can open the basement door for you.

**THANK YOU!** to all those who have generously donated towards this renovation project! The Hall bathrooms are in the process of being refurbished.



There is a saying, *"Many hands make work light..."* We'd like to add, *"Many dollars will help our plight"* of paying for these renovations.

Please make it clear on your checks that your donation is to go toward the restroom work.

God bless you for your good stewardship!

## STRE

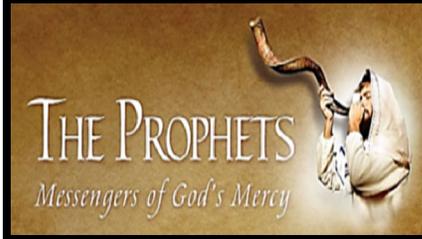
**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** To register, please call Rhonda Storey, DRE, at 284-0020, ext. 1, or arrive 15 to 20 minutes **BEFORE** class starts to register then.

\* **STRE** (Kindergarten through 8th Grade, including Eucharist Preparation): Classes are in session today, **September 15**, and then on **Sunday, October 6**.

- **CONFIRMATION** (High School): Class for **Second Year (C2)** is in session today, **September 15**, at 9:00 a.m., and on **Tuesday, September 17** at 7:00 p.m. The next class for **First Year (C1)** will be on **Sunday, October 6**, and **Tuesday, October 8**.

- **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 September 19 and October 3.

## BIBLE STUDY



This Wednesday, September 18, will be the third session of our current Bible Study. You may still join us at

7:00 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room for *"Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy."* Participants first view an engaging video presentation, followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. A program fee of \$30 is due at the first class you attend. 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).

# WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE...AND CATHOLIC KARATE!

**NEW CLASSES FORMING** as follows:

**New Youth (Boys & Girls from 7 to 17)**—Learn to defend yourself; understand why you're worth protecting; 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. ....**Women's Self-Defense (16-60)**—Learn to block, escape, and get home safe. Program is for five Thursday evenings (Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, and Nov. 7) from 6:45 to 7:30 p.m.).....**Men's Classes (18-60)**—Learn to protect yourself and your family; classes resume November 14 from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

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

**FEES:** 1st 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 ..... **Women:** \$60 for the five weeks, plus a \$5 registration fee.

For any questions, e-mail John at [SenseiJohnWrot@gmail.com](mailto:SenseiJohnWrot@gmail.com).

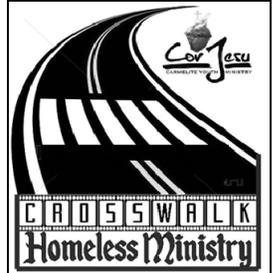
# COR JESU NIGHTS" KICK-OFF ON 9/27/19!

**THE KICK-OFF  
WILL BE ON  
FRIDAY,  
SEPTEMBER  
THE 27TH!**

~ For High School ~ Middle School (6th - 8th)  
~ Parent Group ~ Children's Virtue Formation

**2019-2020 theme: "GET HOLY"**

**FOCUS: "Our Relationship with Christ through  
Deeper Prayer, Virtue, and the Saints of Carmel."**



We will go to  
Skid Row in  
Downtown LA  
for our Service  
Ministry on  
Saturday,  
September 28!

- 6:30 p.m.: Pizza/Social
- 7:00 p.m.: "LEAD Teams" for Skits & Testimonials  
♣ Mixers / Fun!
- 7:40 p.m.: Brotherhood/Sisterhood Cenacles with Mentors
- 8:15 p.m.: Holy Hour & Confessions



The 2019-2020 calendar can be found on the tables by the doors AND inserted into this bulletin.

The Cor Jesu SERVICE OUTREACH, **CrossWalk Homeless Ministry**, will be held on Saturday, September 28—**details will be available next week!**

 **Discipleship Nights for for 2019 will  
be held from 6:30 to 9:15 p.m. on:  
Sept. 27 (Kick-Off); Oct. 25; Nov. 22; and Dec. 20**



## JOIN US!



# Mass Intentions

For the Week of  
September 14 through September 21, 2019

Saturday:

5:00 p.m.: Beatriz de Castro, RIP

Sunday

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

7:30 a.m.: John Santoso, INT

9:00 a.m.: Parishioners

11:00 a.m.: Bernie Tittmann, Birthday Intention

1:00 p.m.: (Latin): Celso Aquino, INT

5:00 p.m.: Darey, Penny, Tristan, & Zarah Huo, INT

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Anthony Cailan, Birthday Intention

\*7:30 a.m.: Fr. Bernard Perkins, OCD, INT

8:00 a.m.: Doc Hart, RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Jose N. Vales, RIP

\*7:30 a.m.: Edith & Tommy Ysip, INT

8:00 a.m.: Ruth Van Buren, RIP

Wednesday:

6:00 a.m.: Lilian V. Arevalo, INT

\*7:30 a.m.: Michael Anthony Odoño, Birthday Intention

8:00 a.m.: Eugene Chavez, RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Guadalupe

\*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Anna, OCD, INT

8:00 am: Rodolfo Deypalan, Birthday Intention

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: In Thanksgiving to St. Jude

\*7:30 a.m.: Gina Aclaro, INT

8:00 a.m.: Pam Katase, INT

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Basilia Cailan, RIP

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

8:00 a.m.: Mother Mercedes Romero, RIP

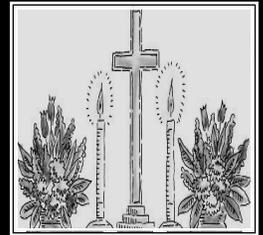
\*Held at the Carmelite Chapel, 215 East Alhambra Road. Open to the public except on Sundays and holidays.

# Floral Dedications

This week's Dedications are:

† In Loving Memory of  
 Danny Parra

† In Loving Memory of  
 Paul & Joseph Tassi



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

# Outside the Parish

Beautiful Marian Pilgrimage to **FATIMA, PORTUGAL**, from **OCTOBER 7 - 15**, with Fr. Matthew Wheeler. All inclusive from LAX: \$2995. For more info go to [www.syversentouring.com/portugal](http://www.syversentouring.com/portugal) or call Louisa Day at 323-360-5186.

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 *Retrouaille* (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)

# Personal Ads

**FOR RENT TO FEMALE STUDENTS:** Two furnished rooms in my Temple City home. \$700 and \$600 per month, including utilities. Rooms include shared access to kitchen, bath, and patio. 15-minute drive to PCC and CalTech. Parking/bike space. Call 215-3159 between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.

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

Retired woman **SEEKING TO RENT A ROOM** with a separate entrance, non-sharing bathroom, and kitchen privileges. Can pay \$685/mo + \$500 security. Pays on time, doesn't smoke/drink, has no pets. If you have availability, please call 627-1899.

# Lectors

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Rebeca Willis / Marta Timar

Sunday

7:30 a.m. Jackie Johnson / Thu Nguyen

9:00 a.m. Rosa Natividad / Ron Sandoval

11:00 a.m. Jeff Storey / Pat Cervantes

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