SAINT THERESE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MINISTERED BY THE DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS February 23, 2020

> 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 Bunsic, 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)**

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

NEW Partshtoners

Register in the office at 510 N. El Molino Street, Alhambra.

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

www.SaintThereseCarmelite School.com

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See our VIDEOS on

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RAIGIOUS EDUCATION (Grade School, Confirmation

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

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.

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

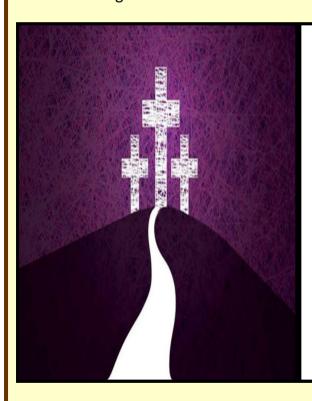
"SPRINGTIME OF THE SPIRIT: Preparing for Easter with the Lord!"

Presented by Fr. Brian Mullady, O.P.

March 14—19, 2020 (Saturday—Thursday)

Fr. Brian Mullady will come to St. Therese Church to give a Lenten Parish Mission beginning the weekend of **March 14 and 15 and continuing through Thursday, March 19.** During his talks, he will tell us how one grows in grace and will explain the three ages of the spiritual life. Don't miss this opportunity to become closer to the Lord!

Fr. Mullady will begin the retreat by preaching at all the Sunday Masses, from the 5:00 p.m. Saturday evening Mass on March 14, through all the Sunday Masses on March 15 (except for the Latin High Mass). The retreat will continue during the week as follows:



Monday, March 16

8:00 a.m.: Mass with Conference during the homily

7:00 p.m.: Conference

Tuesday, March 17

8:00 a.m.: Mass with Conference during the homily

7:00 p.m.: Conference

Wednesday, March 18

8:00 a.m.: Mass with Conference during the homily

7:00 p.m.: Conference

Note: Confessions will be heard 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 19

8:00 a.m.: Mass with Conference during the homily

ABOUT FR. MULLADY: Fr. Brian Thomas Becket Mullady is the son of an Air Force officer and was raised throughout the United States. He entered the Dominican Order in 1966 and was ordained in Oakland, California in 1972. He has been a parish priest, high school teacher, retreat master, mission preacher and university professor. He received his Doctorate in Sacred Theology (STD) from the Angelicum University in Rome, Italy and was professor there for six years. He has taught at several colleges and seminaries in the United States. He is currently a mission preacher and retreat master for the Western Dominican Province. He also teaches online at Holy Apostles Seminary in Cromwell, CT. He has had fourteen series on Mother Angelica's EWTN television network. He is the author of four books and numerous articles and writes the Answer column in Homiletic and Pastoral Review. He is also designed as an official Missionary of Mercy by Pope Francis. He is the theological consultant for the Institute on Religious Life.

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THIS WEDNESDAY IS "ASH WEDNESDAY"!

Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: these disciplines, prescribed by Jesus Himself in the Sermon on the Mount, along with strict instructions not to flaunt them in public to win recognition and praise (Matthew 6:1-18), have been embraced by all the saints at the beginning of every Lent for almost two thousand years. But mention Lent, and many react with a grimace or slight shudder even now, years after official obligations have been reduced to a wonder minimum! Nο the Eastern Rite's "Lenten Announcement" sounds surprising: "Let us receive with joy, O faithful people, the divinely inspired announcement of Lent! The Lenten Spring shines forth! Begin the fast with joy! Let us fast



from passions as well as food, taking pleasure in the good works of the Spirit, and accomplishing them in love!" St. John Chrysostom, whose feast is September 13, elaborates: "Do you fast? Give proof by your works. If you see a poor person, take pity. An enemy, be reconciled. A friend gaining honor, don't be jealous." A positive approach!

May the saints help us keep such a Lent!

FAST & ABSTAIN FROM MEAT ON ASH WEDNESDAY!



Ash Wednesday will be the "first day of the rest of your Lent"! Masses will be in the morning at 6:00, 8:00, and 10:00; and in the evening at 7:30 p.m. (all in English only).



ST. VITUS DANCE ACADEMY | SOUP NIGHTS / STATIONS



Attention: Students in Grades 5 through 12-beginning and intermediate levels! Want to learn to dance? This class is perfect for beginners experienced dancers alike! Ballroom styles will be covered. with a primary focus on East Coast Swing. In addition, students will be introduced to folk styles, such as Square, Contra, and English Country dancing. Through interactive lessons, students will learn how

to connect rhythms from the music to their steps. At the completion of the classes, students will have learned a wide variety of dance steps, preparing them to confidently approach the dance floor on any occasion.

Classes are held in the Hall from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Next dates are February 28. Cost is a \$20 flat fee for all four lessons. Questions? Contact Jessica Standage at jcpianjo@yahoo.com or Michelle Sandberg at (323) 346-5012 (call or text).

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! The first Soup Night will be held this coming Friday, February 28, and



will be sponsored by Saint Therese Carmelite School, followed by March 6, sponsored by BIBLE STUDY & THE CONSECRATION MINISTRY; March 13, sponsored by RELIGIOUS ED & RCIA; March 20, sponsored by the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS; March 27, sponsored by the ROSARY MAKERS & PARISH STAFF; and April 3, sponsored by the RETROUVAILLE MARRIAGE MINISTRY on April 3.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Our Parish Stations of the Cross take place in the church at **7:00 p.m.** every Friday beginning February 28 (held immediately after Soup Night). One of the Friars and the altar servers will lead the Stations.

JOIN US!

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WOMEN'S RETREAT

El Carmelo Women's Retreat March 13-15, 2020



Join the women from Saint Therese Church on March 13-15 for the annual

silent retreat by our Carmelite Friars in Redlands (Fr. Thomas Reeves, Fr. Bernard Perkins and Bro. Juan de la Cruz). Rates are \$175 per person (shared room) or \$200 (single room). The retreat includes private bath, buffet dining (staffed by the Oblatas de Santa Marta), conference talks, Holy Mass, reconciliation, and more. All this in an atmosphere of tranquility on the beautiful grounds of El Carmelo Retreat House.

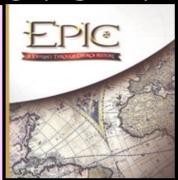
Theme:

"Being Transformed by the Eucharist"

Applications are available at the church entrances. Mail your \$50 nonrefundable deposit (check or money order made out to El Carmelo Retreat House) to Retreat Captain, Louisa Day 600 W. Gleason St., Monterey Park, CA 91754. Contact Louisa for more information at (323) 360-5186 or louisaeday@yahoo.com.

BIBLE STUDY

Discover the
"Epic" Story of
the Catholic
Church!
Experience
Church History
from a Catholic
Perspective!



Catholics are heirs to a remarkable heritage. The history of our Faith is so much more than a list of facts and dates. It is a fascinating story of adventure, rebellion, tragedy, and triumph. A story 2,000 years in the making is described best by one word: Epic.

"Epic: A Journey through Church History" is a captivating and fast-paced look at the story of the Catholic Church. Beginning with the lives of the apostles all the way up to almost-present day, Epic takes the immense history of the Church and simplifies into twelve. color-coded time periods. In the course of twenty sessions, participants learn about the major people, places, and events that comprise the captivating story of Christianity. This provides participants with understanding of Church history that enables them to greater sense of meaning identity as Catholics.

Join us for "Epic: A Journey through Church History" in the Parish Meeting Room every Wednesday evening. The program fee is \$30. For more information or to register for the study, contact Debbie Robles at 679-6370 or debrobles@me.com.

<u>EXTRAORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u> TO THE HOMEBOUND

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO BRING HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND!

Our Lord needs YOU for this special ministry which brings Holy Communion to those unable to come to Mass!

You will be trained and commissioned for this holy work. You would need to go to the homes of parishioners ONLY once a month to once every two months. If you are interested, please contact Fred Padilla at 282-0943.



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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 March 14 / 15).



February 15 / 16, 2020

Unrestricted........... \$ 9,302.00 Restricted <u>\$ 3,432.00</u> T O T A L \$12,734.00 January 18 / 19....... \$20,153.00 January 25 / 26...... \$37,934.00 February 1 / 2...... \$12,999.00 February 8 / 9...... \$19,156.00 Check Users:
Please use a donation
envelope in order
to more easily credit
your account.

RELIGIOUS ED

STRE (Kindergarten through 8th Grade, including Eucharist Preparation): Classes are in session Sunday, March 8 and March 22.

CONFIRMATION (High School): Next Classes for First Year (C1) are in session Sunday, March 8, at 9:00 a.m., and Tuesday, March 10, at 7:00 p.m.

Classes for Second Year (C2) are in session TODAY, Sunday, March 22, and Tuesday, March 24, at 7:00 p.m.

RCIA:



Next classes are March 5, 12, 19, and 26.

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION

Sometimes the idea of repentance seems old-fashioned, naïve, even foolish. But if you're looking for real foolishness, you'll find it in today's readings.

We begin with Leviticus wherein we hear the admonition, "Take no revenge and cherish no grudge" (Leviticus 19:18). We've heard that message before, of course, so we might forget how far it is from the so-called "practical realities of life." St. Paul warns us about being practical, though. Whoever considers



oneself wise had better "become a fool," because "the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God" (1 Corinthians 3:18, 19).

This "foolishness" continues in the Gospel: "Offer no resistance to one who is evil" (Matthew 5:39). In fact, offer the other cheek when you've been slapped. Hand over your coat as well as your shirt. Be like God, who sends sunshine and rain on the bad as well as the good. "So be perfect," says Jesus, "just as your heavenly Father is perfect" (5:48).

"AGAPE LOVE." A SPIRITUAL READING GROUP

Join our ongoing spiritual reading group, AGAPE LOVE, as we read through the book by Brant Pitre called, "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary". Our reading has helped us discover many important truths about Mary's role in God's great plan for our salvation. Extra books are available for you when we meet. For your convenience, we have TWO scheduled dates/times for you to choose from: Tuesday MORNINGS from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. <u>OR</u> Tuesday EVENINGS from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Maria Alejandra de Jesus by email at ale3767@yahoo.com or by phone at 993-4236.

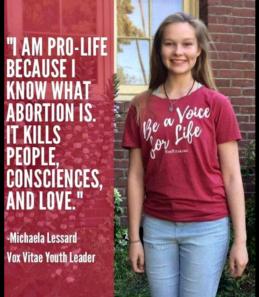


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VOX VITAE CAMP 2020

Early Bird registration for Day Camp for teens is \$125 each and will be available from Ash Wednesday (February 26) through Divine Mercy Sunday (April 29). The speakers and the titles of their talks for both day camp and Adult evening camp will be available on the Vox Vitae website beginning Ash Wednesday. *Join us at Camp* 2020! YOU will want to be a part of it! For more information or any questions, call Catherine at (213) 395-8977.



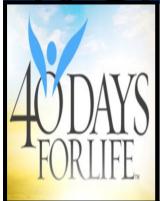


"I am prolife, because some choices are wrong, some choices kill people. I am pro-life because evervone. even the little child conceived in rape, has the potential to change the world, and make a difference."

Patricia Grimm, vox vitae youth leader



40 DAYS FOR LIFE Feb. 26-Apr. 5



Please join this powerful life-saving work to end abortion and save lives! All it involves is praying in front of the Pasadena Planned Parenthood. If you're interested, but aren't comfortable going alone, call Catherine at (213) 395-8977 or Maria Alejandra at 993-4236, and one of them will go with you at an agreed-upon time.

"For where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matt.18:20).

<u>FORMED: The Best of Catholic Movies, Books, Audio</u>

We have renewed FORMED through June of 2020! That means it's FREE for you, our parishioners! To get started, go to our website's home page (center column), scroll down until you see REGISTER NOW in the logo, click on it, and it will take you to the FORMED website. Then click on "Find your Parish or Organization," enter St. Therese, Alhambra, and then your name and your email address. That's it! You will have access to hundreds of movies, audios, and books!

For instance. . .

WATCH... "What's the Big Deal with Ashes on Ash Wednesday?", and learn more about this important day. LISTEN... to "Holiness is Always in Season" on the feast of St. Peter Damian (February 23).

READ... "The Noonday Devil," on the feast of St. John Cassian (February 29).

Note: All the E-books are totally downloadable to any Fire or Kindle device.

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Mass Intentions

For the Week of

February 22 through February 29, 2020

Saturday:

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

*7:30 a.m.: Sr. Veronica, OCD, RIP 7:30 a.m.: Theresa Lim, RIP 9:00 a.m.: Roland de la Rosa, RIP 11:00 a.m.: Jovanni De Pedro, RIP 1:00 p.m.: (Latin): Parishioners 5:00 p.m.: Fr. John Eudes, ORC, INT

Monday:

6:00 a.m.: Andrew & Jonathan Garibian, INT *7:30 a.m.: Sr. Kim Marie, OCD, RIP 8:00 a.m.: Leo Paul James. RIP

Tuesday:

6:00 a.m.: Michael Uhlmann, RIP *7:30 a.m.: Sr. Veronica, OCD, RIP 8:00 a.m.: Unity in Families

ASH WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m.: Tony, Alvin, and Anthony Cailan, INT *7:30 a.m.: Sr. Veronica, OCD, RIP 8:00 a.m.: Bridget Frei, INT 10:00 a.m.:

7:30 p.m.: Annette Simmons, RIP

Thursday:

6:00 a.m.: Ester Stattle, RIP *7:30 a.m.: Sr. Veronica, OCD, RIP 8:00 a.m.: Sam Clarkin, RIP

Friday:

6:00 a.m.: Ester Stattle, RIP *7:30 a.m.: Sr. Kim Marie, OCD, INT 8:00 a.m.: Louisa Stearns, RIP

Saturday:

6:00 a.m.: Fr. Ed Brown, INT

*7:30 a.m.: Carmelite Community
8:00 a.m.: Joan McConville, RIP

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

Lectors

Saturday

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

Sunday

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

9:00 a.m. Lucas Setiady

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

5:00 p.m. Charlie Gopez

Floral Dedications

This week's dedications are:

In Loving Memory of:

† George Watson

and

† Clara Grace Maringka

Consider making a floral dedication in someone's honor, for a special occasion, or in memory of a loved one! Bouquets are \$50+ each. To arrange for a dedication, call Giovanna at 281-9049.

Outside the Parish

"Blessed by the Cross," A Special Lenten Conference for Women Sunday, March 1, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in St. Joseph's Chapel at Santa Teresita, 819 Buena Vista St., Duarte. Please register early! \$25 per registrant; \$35 after February 22 or at the door (No Refunds). For more information, call 615-5773 or e-mail YourWonderCoach@ vahoo.com.

Pilgrimage to the Most Blessed Sacrament Shrine, Hanceville, Alabama, on **July 21 - 28**, with a visit to EWTN! Enjoy Mother Angelica's little piece of heaven. More info: Albert & Mary Helen Estrada (626) 285-6687 (space is limited).

Personal Ads

Lady would like to **buy your unused portable heater.** If you have one, please call Irene at 213-247-5734.

FOR RENT: 1 BR semi-furnished back house in Temple City. Includes toaster oven, microwave, dining set, fridge, TV, shared patio. \$1,300 + \$1,300 deposit (water/trash paid). Call 215-3159.

ROOM FOR RENT in Rosemead apartment to a clean, quiet person. Shared bathroom, kitchen privileges. \$630/mo., incl. utilities. Prefer woman but must be non-smoker/non-drug user. Call Rosa at 756-2072.

Do your out-of-town guests need a place to stay? **AirBnB** Private Suite w/private bath in Monterey Park is offered by a St. Therese parishioner. Special discount available. Go to www.airbnb.com/rooms/32517189.

LADY SEEKS TO RENT a studio or 1-BR apt. Goodpaying, quiet tenant. Can pay up to \$750/mo, plus a \$500 security deposit. Call Irene at 627-1899.