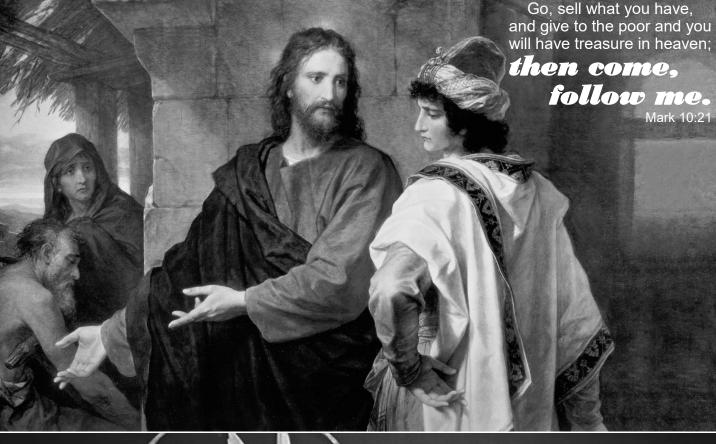


# SANTA CRUZ ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH DISCALCED CARMELITE FRIARS





# October 15th Feast of Saint Teresa of Hvila

Solemn Mass Friday, October 15th at 8:00 am

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OCTOBER 10TH, 2021 · 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Mk. 10:17

Today's Gospel is sometimes referred to as the Gospel of the Rich Young Man. There is a famous painting of this episode in the life of Jesus titled "Christ and the Rich Young Ruler" by Heinrich Hofmann. (I saw a copy of this painting every day as I made my way to the sacristy of St. Therese Church in Alhambra where I was Pastor.) The story of the encounter of Jesus and this young man is also found in the Gospel of Matthew 19:16–30 and the Gospel of Luke 18:18–30. Matthew, Mark, and Luke agree that the man is rich and has many possessions. Luke tells us that he is a ruler: "Then **a certain ruler** asked Him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Matthew informs us that he is young: "When the **young man** heard this, he went away sad, because he had great wealth." The man went away sad because Jesus told him, in answer to his question, that he must sell his possessions and then come follow Him.

The question that the rich young man asks, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" is really an important question. Nowadays, it is question on the minds of few, especially the young. We cannot even begin to know or be concerned with the answer until we can at least ask the question. Would that this were the burning question of the day. Alas, we are more concerned with temporal happiness. "Temporal" means it is related to time, or limited to time. It is something temporary. There is no proportion between the temporary and the eternal. Would we really want to exchange an eternal life of happiness for 80 or 90 years of life on earth, even a life of abundant wealth and health and friendship? The problem today is that few of us believe in eternal life, a life of eternal blessedness. Is the word "heaven" ever heard in our conversations?

"You know the commandments," Jesus says. This is not a question. Jesus is simply stating that this young man knows the commandments. The young man affirms that he does, indeed, keep the commandments. Keeping the commandments is a good beginning. Do we even know the commandments, the Ten Commandments? But then, "Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, 'You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me."

Jesus looked at the young man with love, just as He looks upon each of us. We are all called to follow Jesus. He is the Way to eternal life. Following Jesus means putting Him first. If we are more concerned about our possessions than following Jesus, we will follow Him with great difficulty. "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

We began the month of October with the feast of St. Therese of Lisieux also known as the Little Flower. I conclude this reflection with something she wrote: "When the way of perfection was opened out before me, I realized that to become a saint one must suffer much, always seek the most perfect path, and forget oneself. I also understood that there are many degrees of holiness, that each soul is free to respond to the call of Our Lord, to do much or little for His Love—in a word, to choose amongst the sacrifices He asks. And then also, as in the days of my childhood, I cried out: "My God, I choose everything, I will not be a Saint by halves, I am not afraid of suffering for Thee, I only fear one thing, and that is to do my own will."

~ Fr Stephen F. Watson, O.C.D.



Mark your Calendars' Kermes' Sunday, October 24 from 9 pm - 6pm. You are all invited to the Capilla of Guadalupe for the First Kermes (Food Festival) since it's renovation and Our Lady's Yard Sale event. There will be a variety of food, games for the children, music, entertainment, and affordable gifts for the whole family. Come and spend that Sunday with us at the Capilla of Guadalupe at 409 E 31 St. in South Tucson.

;Kermes en Capilla de Guadalupe! Domingo 24 de Octubre de 9 am - 6 pm. Están invitados a la Kermes de la Capilla de Guadalupe - Vengan con toda la familia a disfrutar ricas comidas, entretenimiento, música, juegos y divertimiento para toda la familia. Disfruten de Mercadito Guadalupano donde encontrará regalos para toda la familia y amigos. ; Vente y disfruta!

> 15th Annual Fr. Bach—Bro. Angel De Santa Cruz Knights of Columbus Council #14139 Benefit Golf Tournament

Sewailo Golf Club at the Casino Del Sol Resort, 5655 W. Valencia Rd. Saturday, October 23, 2021

#### 7:30am Shotgun Start 6:30am Check In

\$95/per player • Four Person Scramble
Includes: Golf fees, cart, range balls and lunch
Prizes of 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place
Longest Drive for Ladies and Men
Closest to the Pin for Ladies and Men
Hole-In-One Contest
Many more prizes and raffles!

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Our Lady of Sorrows, Pray for Us

"Save the Date" for the Arizona Rosary Celebration

The Arizona Rosary Celebration will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2021, honoring our Blessed Mother Mary under her title, Our Lady of Sorrows. The location for the celebration is St. Augustine Cathedral, 192 South Stone Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85701. The celebration begins at 10:00 am and ends at 12:15 pm. The Most Reverend Edward Weisenburger will preside. The guest speaker for this year's event is Reverend Wilfred "Willie" Raymond, C.S.C., president of Holy Cross Family Ministries. Come celebrate our 11th year in the Diocese of Tucson and 46th year of the Arizona Rosary Celebration tradition. Attend the Arizona Celebration at the St. Augustine Cathedral or watch it through live stream on that same day. For more information, contact www.AZrosary.net

## **LEGION OF MARY**

Legion of Mary Meeting • Spanish Praesidium Mondays at 4 pm • Guadalupe Chapel 409 E. 31st Street

## **LEGIÓN DE MARÍA**

Junta de la Legión de María • Praesidium en Español Cada lunes a las 4 pm • Capilla de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe 409 E. 31st Street

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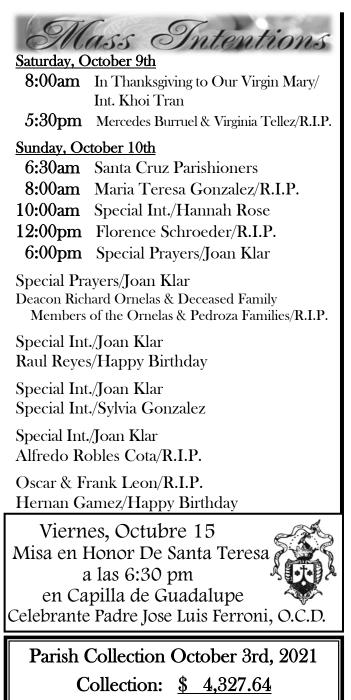
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Rev. Stephen Watson, O.C.D. Rev. Jose Luis Ferroni, O.C.D. Rev. David Costello, O.C.D.



Thank you and God bless your generosity! ¡Gracias y que Dios bendiga su generosidad!

New Parishioners: Always welcome! Please register by using our forms available in the church. \*Please note that the 12 noon Mass is following full COVID protocols: social distancing, masks required and distancing in pews Masses: Sun. 6:30 am, 10 am, \*12 noon & 6 pm 8 am Spanish at Capilla de Guadalupe (409 E. 31st Street) Mon. - Fri. 8:00 am, Sat. 8 am & 5:30 pm (Vigil) Confession: Sat. 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm Baptisms: Call the parish office for more information / Llame a la oficina parroquial Matrimony: Please call at least six months in advance. Por favor de llamar con seis meses de anticipación. Parish Administrative Assistant: Hada Reyes (520) 623-3833 Religious Education: Martin Doe, Director (520) 882-9687

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