

The Rose

SANTA TERESITA'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS!

Every Saturday

9:00 am – 12:30 pm

Rosary Makers

Cafeteria

626-408-7802

Tuesday, July 30, 2013

11:00 am

Manor Family Council

Manor-1st Floor Media Room

626-359-3243, ext. 3434

Saturday, August 17, 2013

Our Lady's Luncheon

Madonna Hall

Info: 626-408-7821

Thursday, September 12, 2013

8:00 am – 10:30 am

LIFE Breakfast

Madonna Hall

RSVP: 626-408-7802

Wednesday, September 18, 2013

7:00 pm

Hayden Back to School Night

Madonna Hall

626-359-9592

Thursday, September 19, 2013

10:30-11:30 am

Senior University

Madonna Hall

Info: 626-408-7815

Visit: www.santa-teresita.org
for event updates!



The 2013 DAISY AWARD for Extraordinary Nurses!

The Daisy Foundation was created in 1999 in honor of a young 33 year old man named Patrick Barnes, who died of an auto-immune disease, ITP (*idiopathic thrombocytopenia Purpura*). During those last weeks of Patrick's life, his family witnessed extraordinary professional care of nurses delivered with kindness and compassion that moved them to found the Daisy Foundation (www.daisyfoundation.org). The Daisy Award was created to recognize nurses who put their education, training, brainpower, and skill to work with care and compassion.

At Santa Teresita, we are proud to recognize Rosalina Larino-Virata, L.V.N. at our Manor Skilled Nursing Facility as the 2013 Daisy Award recipient. Rosalina has shown extraordinary care and compassion in her profession by being a tremendous support to families, residents and CNAs. She consistently applies excellent clinical skills and is willing to put aside her plans in order to assist the residents. She is a positive role model to all our staff members and a true joy to have at Santa Teresita!

CONGRATULATIONS, ROSALINA! MAY GOD REWARD YOU for all your hard work!

The Incomparable Worth of the Human Person



In 1995, Blessed John Paul II wrote *Evangelium Vitae* (1995), on the Value and Inviolability of Human Life that "Man is called to a fullness of life which far exceeds the dimensions of his earthly existence, because it consists in sharing the very life of God." In sum, our life on earth is the initial stage of the cycle, which ultimately ends in a life of eternal happiness in heaven. Even

so, life on earth "remains a sacred reality entrusted to us, to be preserved with a sense of responsibility and brought to perfection in love and in the gift of ourselves to God and to our brothers and sisters."

A person who is sincerely open to truth and goodness can come to recognize the natural law written in the heart (cf. Rom 2:14-15) of the sacred value of every human life. When this is recognized, believers and non-believers alike are impelled to defend and promote this right. As Catholic Christians, we promote life from conception to natural death because God Himself became a human being in the second person of the Trinity, Jesus Christ. Jesus says: "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly" (Jn 10:10).

To learn more, visit the Los Angeles Archdiocese website at:
<http://www.la-archdiocese.org>, Respect Life Ministry or the
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at:
<http://usccb.org>, Pro Life Activities.



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Catechetical Corner

The Brown Scapular &

Our Lady

of Mount Carmel

Have you ever wondered what that long brown piece of cloth is that hangs over the shoulders of the Carmelite Sisters?



This brown piece of cloth is called a scapular (*scapula – shoulders*), which was traditionally worn as an apron to protect the habit during work. Over time, the garment was invested on religious and laity alike, with spiritual significance, consecration or dedication to God. The most highly esteemed scapular, the one most favored by the Church, and by the Blessed Virgin in many of her apparitions, is the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. These are small scapulars, adapted from the scapular of the Carmelite Order, made of two pieces of cloth (*generally about an inch square*), connected by cords and worn over the head. The Blessed Mother of God appeared to Saint Simon Stock on July 16, 1251 as he knelt in prayer in the White Friars' convent at Cambridge, England. She appeared before him and presented him with the scapular, in assurance of her protection. Wearing the scapular represents a special Consecration to Our Lady under the title of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel. Those who wear it practice a special devotion to Mary and strive to follow the teachings of Jesus just as Mary did so perfectly.



WHY?

WHY Religious Freedom?

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This month, we celebrated July 4th, which is commonly known as Independence Day commemorating the adoption of the Declaration of Independence from the British Empire in 1776 and declaring certain unalienable rights such as Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. A certain unalienable right, which is a right that cannot be taken away, is religious freedom.

The 2nd Vatican Council declared that the human person has a right to religious freedom. This freedom means that “all men are to be immune from coercion on the part of individuals or of social groups and of any human power, in such wise that no one is to be forced to act in a manner contrary to his own beliefs, whether privately or publicly, whether alone or in association with others, within due limits. The right to religious freedom has its foundation in the very dignity of the human person as this dignity is known through the revealed word of God and by reason itself. This right of the human person to religious freedom is to be recognized in the constitutional law whereby society is governed and thus it is to become a civil right” (Declaration on Religious Freedom, Pope Paul VI, December 7, 1965).

In 2013, we face many challenges to religious freedom, including the latest Supreme Court rulings in June, which has redefined marriage between man and woman, causing serious religious liberty issues for Catholic adoption agencies and many others; the August 1st, 2013 deadline for religious organizations to comply with the HHS mandate; and religious liberty concerns in other areas, such as immigration and humanitarian services. For more information, please visit: <http://fortnightforfreedom.org/>.



Welcoming Our Sisters to Santa Teresita!

In August, you will be seeing new faces of Carmelite Sisters on campus who will be joining our mission in the following roles:



Sister Lourdes –
Director of Hayden Child Care



Sister Mary Paul –
Pastoral Care & Activities



Sister Miriam Amata –
Pastoral Care

Let us greet them with our
typical heartfelt welcome
as we join together
in our continued
“... Service of the Family for LIFE!”