

Mount Carmel Center

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One of the most beautiful terms that the Second Vatican Council recaptured was in reference to the Church Herself and that title is the title of Pilgrim Church. This title serves as a reminder that the temporal order of things is headed to its culmination with the Second Coming of Our Lord. 'The glory of this world is passing away' – to make way for the True and Eternal Glory, that is Christ's full revelation in Glory. The term 'Pilgrim Church' also serves to remind us that we are continually in transition. There may be resting periods along the way; there may be an oasis that is tempting us to stay longer; but, they are merely goods God has provided us for the journey.

John of the Cross would warn us of inordinate attachments and ask to let go of our lesser loves for the greatest of loves. We are a caravan of mixed sorts all desirous of reaching the Heavenly Jerusalem. There are some who want to stay at a particular place because they are tired of traveling. They find security in things that have become familiar. However the purpose of the journey is not to find comfort with the familiar but to get us to the Ultimate Good that is found in Christ Himself.

PILGRIM CHURCH



This coming Advent the Church will initiate its revised English translation of the 'Order' for the Eucharist (most of the changes are for the presiding celebrant); it is a more faithful translation of the Latin text as well as it being richer in theological and spiritual language. As with any change, it may be difficult to adapt at first but the essence of the sacrifice is not changed [The Spanish Missal will have no changes since it is already closer to the Latin text]. This is only one more section of the journey that we are on. Let us not murmur as our forefathers did in the desert; let us not create a tempest in a teapot; let us

prepare and accept and pray that we will enter deeper into the central mystery of our sacramental faith, that we may truly offer ourselves with the Bread and the Wine as we pilgrim our way to our True Home.

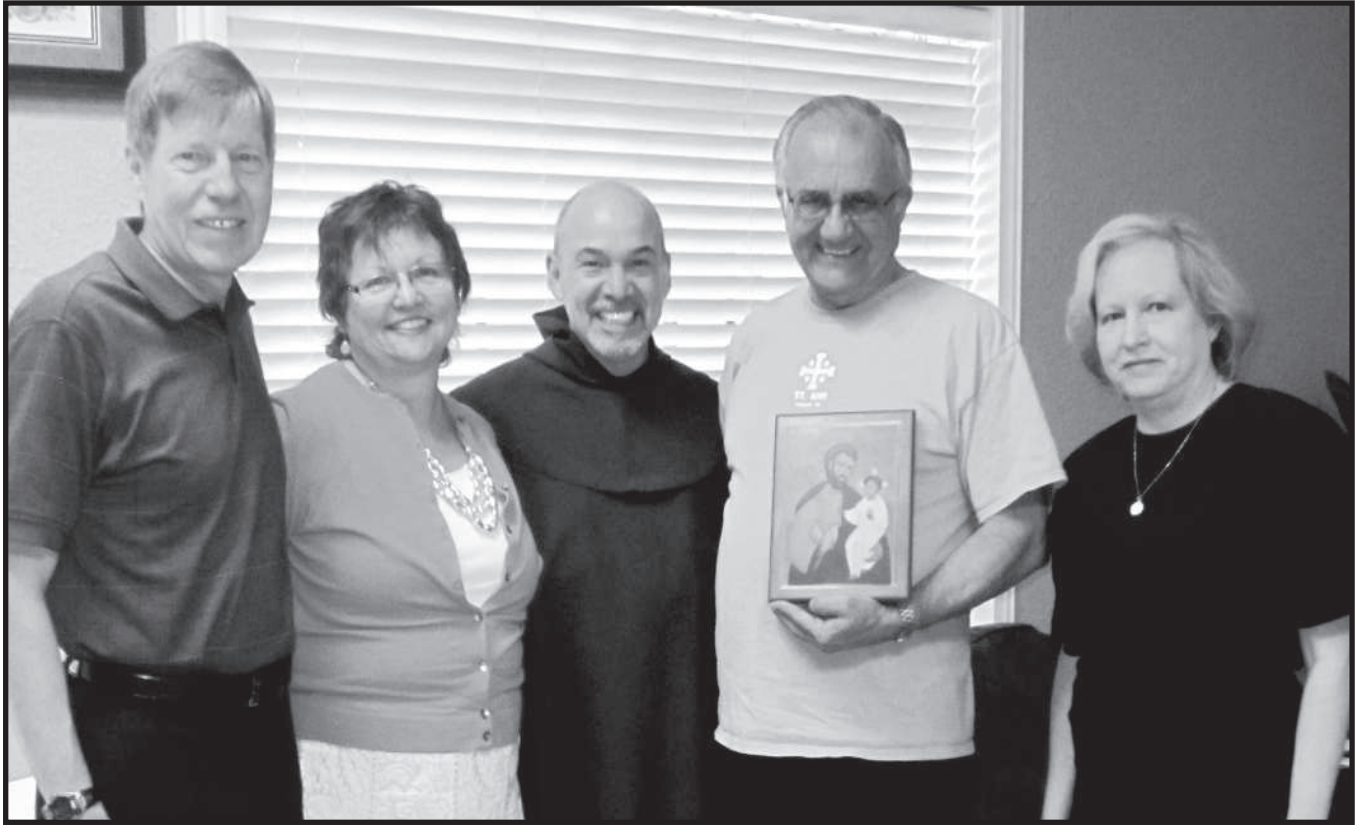
"Whatever did not fit in with my plan did lie within the plan of God" – St. Teresa Benedicta a Cruce (Edith Stein)

May the Light of the Holy Spirit light our pilgrim way, that we may find ourselves at the end of our journey in the bosom of the Holy Trinity –

In Him,
Fr. Stephen



PROFILE OF AN E-GIVER



Monsignor Duesman bring presented with an icon of St. Joseph as a thank you for his commitment.

(Left to right: Rich Piper, Debbie Matalone, Fr. Stephen Sanchez, Monsignor Leon Duesman, and Elizabeth Chanoine)

Monsignor Duesman has always been a very generous supporter of the Carmelite Order. As Pastor of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Coppell he ensured that the relationship started with Fr. Mary Phillip continued. Fr. Stephen and Fr. Jerome have been invited many times to help out at St. Ann. The parish has even become a monthly supporter to the Center, under Monsignor's leadership. In his appreciation for his commitment to the Carmelites, Fr. Stephen Sanchez presented him with a token of St. Joseph, the protector of the Order.

In July, in Monsignor's words, which he borrowed from a Bishop, "he retired from administration, but not ministry." Monsignor Duesman now lives in Pilot Point, but already has a busy calendar of help outs through the Dallas Diocese and travel plans. We're sure that his retirement will be busy!

Even though Monsignor has retired, he continues to be a part of the Mission of the Carmelites. As an E-Giver, he is able to make monthly donations through an automatic bank draft. His donations will go towards supporting the work the Friars throughout the Diocese for years to come. Thank you Monsignor D!

If you interested in joining Monsignor Duesman as an E-giver in faithful support of Mount Carmel Center, please contact Mary at 214-331-6224, or admin@mountcarmelcenter.org.



Program Calendar

2011 Summer-Fall

The suggested minimum donation for each program is \$25.
NO registrations will be accepted after the deadline.

You may stay for personal prayer until 4 pm after each conference.

*For more information, please contact Mary Bellman: admin@mountcarmelcenter.org
 or call 214-331-6224 ext. 314*

ST. THERESE CORRESPONDENCE I

by Fr. Stephen Sanchez

Wednesday, August 3rd or Saturday, August 6th – from 10am to 12pm

[Required for the second and third St. Therese conferences]

This series of conferences will examine the Spirituality of St. Therese as found in her letters. The first conference will examine the letters found in Volume I of the General Correspondence published by ICS. The second conference will examine the letters found in Volume II and the third conference will examine what is known as 'The Last Conversations'. It would be helpful to have a copy of the letters but it is not essential.

ST. THERESE CORRESPONDENCE II

by Fr. Stephen Sanchez

Wednesday, August 24th or Saturday, August the 27th – from 10am to 12pm

ST. THERESE CORRESPONDENCE III: LAST CONVERSATIONS

by Fr. Stephen Sanchez

Wednesday, October 5th or Saturday, October 8th – from 10am to 12pm

ST. TERESA MARGARET REDI

by Fr. Jerome Earley

Wednesday, September 14th or Saturday, September 17th – from 10am to 12pm

BL. AUGUSTINE OF THE EUCHARIST

by Fr. Jerome Earley

Wednesday, November 9th or Saturday, November 12th – from 10am to 12pm

PERE JACQUES DE JESUS (LUCIEN BUNEL)

by Fr. Jerome Earley

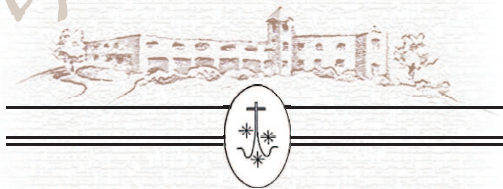
Saturday, December 3rd AND Saturday, December 10th – from 10am to 12pm

December 3rd we will have a brief introduction of the Saint followed by a viewing of the movie titled: 'Au Revoir, Les Enfants' directed by Louis Malle. (Louis Malle attended the school where Pere Jacques was headmaster and was arrested and sent to the concentration camp for harboring Jews.) A handout with questions for consideration will be provided after the program.

The following Saturday, the 10th will be the conference on Pere Jaques.

[Attendance at the December 3rd session is required for the conference on the 10th.]

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"Let nothing disturb you ~ Nothing frighten you ~ All things are passing ~ God never changes ~ With patience you attain all things ~ Who possesses God wants nothing ~ God alone suffices."

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As she was leaving Mount Carmel one day, she thought, "You know I really love this place. I want to help take care of it. I am going to change my will so I can help it continue." She worked with Mary to get the right wording for her will so that she could donate 25% of her estate to Mount Carmel Center.

The friars have gratefully thanked her and she has been enrolled in the St. Joseph Guild. As a member her intentions will be lifted in the daily prayers and liturgies of the friars.

If you, too, have a deep affection for the friars and their commitment to prayer and mission, please consider naming them as beneficiaries of your insurance or estate. Please contact **Mary** at 214-331-6224, or admin@mountcarmelcenter.org.



The Discalced Carmelite Friars live in gratitude for God's providence and your generosity. As you consider your spiritual legacy through wills, bequests, or insurance policies, should you choose to remember us, we humbly ask that you name us as The Discalced Carmelite Fathers of Dallas, Inc. We would like to recognize your generosity through membership in the St. Joseph Society.