

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

AUGUST 20, 2023

TWENTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekday: 8:30 am (Mon.-Fri.)

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am

(live-streamed on our YouTube channel for the sick and homebound)

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

PARISH CENTER SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday - Thursday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

The office is closed on Monday and Friday

Phone: 510.547.2777

After Hours Medical Emergency Line: 510.610.7715

 Parish Website: www.sttheresaokland.org

 Facebook: StTheresaChurch/Oakland

 https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5JX1e3QrQXTsa_7qmNCIw

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Baptisms and Marriages

by appointment (call parish office 510.547.2777)

To arrange a Funeral

call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120

Family Faith Formation (Grades TK-5) & R.C.I.C.

Keri Nims ~ keri@sttheresaokland.org

Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Cathy Brady ~ cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org

Parish Calendar: <https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>

Parish Organization Contacts

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R.C.I.A. ~ Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church?

ARE YOU UNBAPTIZED, SEEKING A FAITH COMMUNITY?

OR

ARE YOU BAPTIZED IN ANOTHER FAITH?

OR

ARE YOU A BAPTIZED CATHOLIC SEEKING TO COMPLETE THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST EUCHARIST AND/OR CONFIRMATION?

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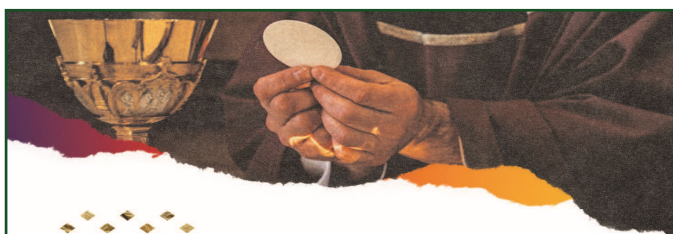
RCIA might be just what you are looking for. A new inquiry session will begin in September.

Contact Cathy Brady at [cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org) for more information, or to register for our sessions beginning in September.

## ST. THERESA PARISH



October 1, 2023



## Have You Heard?

### WE ARE IN THE MIDST OF A NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL!

The Church needs healing, and the world needs Jesus. The Holy Spirit is inviting us to return to the source and summit of our faith—the Eucharist.



[eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org)

## Back to School Mass 2023

### BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS



All students, teachers, and educators are invited to bring their backpacks with them to our **BACK TO SCHOOL MASS** for a special blessing.

Pack a picnic, bring some chairs and stay for our...

*Concert on the Lawn featuring...*

## Rock Solid



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

#### CURRENT NEEDS

Volunteers Needed for the Dining Room at the Direct Services Campus in West Oakland: 8:30am to 1pm Tuesday through Saturday. Volunteers help prepare, and bag warm meals for our guests and serve the meals.

**Men's Clothing** (casual, work, denim, and work pants, and shoes in good condition) and women's hygiene articles can be dropped off in the Church vestibule. These donations are distributed through SVDP Clothes Closet in our Downtown Community Center. They are experiencing a large surplus of women's clothes at this time. As a result, please only donate men's clothes.

**Nonperishable, non-expired food donations:** there is a monthly Food Drive to feed the hungry in the Sacred Heart Parish area. Cans of all sorts of food, bags of rice and beans, pasta and other non-perishables are needed. Your donation can be placed in the vestibule in the big baskets near the statue of St. Theresa.

Our Parish SVdP Conference meets bimonthly, every third Saturday at 9:30am. If interested in learning more about our Conference's work, contact Judy Bojorquez at [jtsbojorquez@yahoo.com](mailto:jtsbojorquez@yahoo.com) with any general questions. Call 510-547-091 if you have a specific question. You may use online giving to make a donation to the St. Theresa St. Vincent de Paul conference. <https://sttheresaokland.org/donate>.

The SVDP St. Theresa Conference monthly food drive and delivery is scheduled for Saturday, September 26. In the meantime our parishioners are encouraged to drop off their food donations of can goods and packages or bags of rice, beans, cereals, pasta, crackers, and other dry goods in the vestibule. Your generosity is making a difference for many needy families. Thank you so much.

### WEEKLY READINGS: AUGUST 21 - 27

| Monday:                              | Tuesday:                             | Wednesday:                        | Thursday:                           | Friday                                           | Saturday:                                          | Sunday:                                              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Jgs 2:11-19<br>Ps 106<br>Mt 19:16-22 | Jgs 6:11-24a<br>Ps 85<br>Mt 19:23-30 | Jgs 9:6-15<br>Ps 21<br>Mt 20:1-16 | Rv 21:9b-14<br>Ps 145<br>Jn 1:45-51 | Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22<br>Ps 146<br>Mt 22:34-40 | Ru 2:1-3, 8-11;<br>4:13-17<br>Ps 128<br>Mt 23:1-12 | Is 22:19-23<br>Ps 138<br>Rom 11:33-36<br>Mt 16:13-20 |

OPEN WIDE THE DOORS TO  
CHRIST



OAKLAND  
CURSILLO

### OAKLAND CURSILLO WEEKEND

A Three-Day long experience to discover Christ in ourselves and in each other. The Message of the Cursillo Weekend: God loves you, you are worthy of God's love and God needs you to be a person of faith in the world and to reach others.

Cursillo Weekend Schedule:

Men's #348, Sept. 14-17, 2023

Women's #349, Sept. 21-24, 2023

Location: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church  
4001 Stoneridge Drive, Pleasanton

Please take a brochure with information about the Cursillo Weekend from the information table in the vestibule. Contact Geri Tong at geritong1944@gmail.com for more information.

## St Theresa FAITH FORMATION

### SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE....

#### KINDER - 8TH GRADE

##### Family Faith Formation:

Sunday mornings after the 9am Mass

A mix of grade level meeting days and whole family sessions

#### HIGH SCHOOL

##### Confirmation:

Sunday mornings after the 9am Mass twice a month

2 year preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation

#### BAPTISM, RECONCILIATION, EUCARIST

##### RCIC/RCIT:

Rite of Christian Initiation of children/Teens

If you have a student still in need of one of the Sacraments this is the group for you!

SCAN TO REGISTER  
ONLINE



Keri@sttheresaokland.org  
with questions or to register

## REGISTER NOW!

SEPTEMBER 8-9, 2023  
SPANISH LANGUAGE TRACK

SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2023  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE TRACK

*"I Am With You Always"*

Diocese of Oakland Eucharistic Revival Congress

Join us for a weekend of renewing prayer, talks, discussion, Mass, Adoration, and a public procession of the Blessed Sacrament

WWW.OAKDIOCESE.ORG/EUCCHARISTICREVIVAL2023

### SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

#### Donations for fires in Maui can be made to:

American Red Cross in Maui

The Hawai'i Community Foundation – Maui Strong Fund

Maui United Way—Maui Fire and Disaster Relief Donations Page

Maui Food Bank

#### Laudate Si:

Join us as we pray with others during the Season of Creation. It is a time of prayer where we join our ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. We will use this time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration and commitment together.

The season starts September 1<sup>st</sup>, with a day of prayer for Creation and ends October 4<sup>th</sup>, the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi the patron saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations. Throughout this month long celebration the world's 2.2 billion Christians come together to care and pray for our common home.

#### The Synod.

What is the Synod 2021-2024?

So what happened after those meetings we had in 2021?

The Social Justice Committee invites you to look at how the Bigger Church is trying to move forward. How is the Spirit moving? How is Pope Francis trying to set the stage for Institutional Church to listen to US... YOU.

It is a time of GRACE. We are being invited to Enlarge the space of our tent.

"This tent is a space of *communion*, a place of *participation*, and a foundation for *mission*."

Why is the Social Justice Committee sending out this invitation?

It is probably best summarized by the 5 priorities that the North American document summarized:

- 1) the integration of the synodal consultation of the local Churches, including formation in synodality and the spirituality of discernment.
- 2) The challenge of welcoming those who feel excluded.
- 3) Co-responsibility in the Church;
- 4) Unity and communion in the Church amidst various kinds of polarization and division.
- 5) The need for a Church that goes out to the peripheries.

Stay tuned for Social Justice Committee Meetings coming soon. Question to Lydia Deck ltdeck@me.com

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING FOR PARISH & SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

KEEPING OUR PROMISE  
TO PROTECT  
Child and Youth Protection



For many parish and school volunteers it is time for you to renew your training. You will or have received an email reminder with a link for you to complete the online training. Please complete the training by the renewal date in the email.

If you have any problems or questions contact Cathy Brady at cathy\_b@sttheresaokland.org.

To renew or register for the first time, click on the link in your email or go to <https://www.virtusonline.org> or click on the link in the upper right corner of the parish website sttheresaokland.org.

Please remember that in order to volunteer at the parish in any capacity (Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Catechist, Choir Member, St. Vincent de Paul, Legion of Mary, CYO etc.), or school, you must complete the training.



**MASS INTENTIONS - AUGUST 19 - 27**

|        |         |                                 |
|--------|---------|---------------------------------|
| Sat.   | 5:00 pm | Parish Community of St. Theresa |
| Sun.   | 9:00 am | ✠ Tom & Dorothy Donnelly        |
| Mon.   | 8:30 am | Juanita B. Oliverez             |
| Tues.  | 8:30 am | ✠ Jackie Giacoletti             |
| Wed.   | 8:30 am | ✠ Philip Jelley                 |
| Thurs. | 8:30 am | ✠ Paul Dolan                    |
| Fri.   | 8:30 am | ✠ JoAnn Brunel                  |
| Sat.   | 5:00 pm | Parish Community of St. Theresa |
| Sun.   | 9:00 am | ✠ Tavaita Ganilau               |

**MASS INTENTIONS**

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at  
[melody@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:melody@sttheresaokland.org)  
 or 510.547.2777, ext. 120

**PARISH CALENDAR**

Find out what is happening at the parish.  
<https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>

**KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US**

- ◆ Receive the weekly Friday Flocknote



*You will receive everything contained in the bulletin plus additional information.*

- ◆ Unsubscribe anytime

**Sign-up at:** [flocknote.com/StTheresa30](https://flocknote.com/StTheresa30)

**OR**

**Text:** STT To: 84579

**OR** send an email to

[cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org) with a request to be added to the Friday Flocknote Group with you full name and email address.

**SUNDAY OFFERING****ONLINE GIVING:**

(August 7 - 13) 56 DONORS

**\$ 3,439.50**

**MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:**

(August 7 - 13) 31 DONORS

**\$ 2,365.00**



**Find Simplicity with eGiving**

You can use our online giving platform to deepen your commitment to the church and the ministries you care about most. Your recurring gifts will sustain our mission month after month. You will also help our parish by cutting costs for envelopes and paper, and allowing our staff to spend less time processing cash and checks and more time on ministries.

*It's easy to get started. Here are the ways to sign up:*



**Text**  
**510-876-9679**  
 Text "GIVE" to this number to receive a link to our online giving page.

Visit us at  
<https://sttheresaokland.org/donate>

*Thank you for giving generously to St. Theresa Parish*

**MAUI RELIEF**

Catholic Charities of Hawaii has set up a fund for the relief efforts on Maui. You can make a donation at:

<https://www.catholiccharitieshawaii.org/maui-relief/>

**PARISH/SCHOOL WORK DAY**

There is a work day planned on Saturday, September 9. We will work on things that need to be cleaned, fixed and replaced around the school and parish buildings.

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS**

Low Gluten hosts are available at all weekend Masses. They are less than 20 parts per million gluten, under .002%. For additional information go to <https://www.parishcrossroads.com/low-gluten.htm>.

Please use the presider's communion station to receive a low gluten host.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Matt Mercier, Heidi Parmelee, Dolores Gomez, Alegria Hipolito, Betty Wharton, Juanita Estrella, Olga Lamberti, Wendy Parmelee, Roger Baylocq, Alicia Gonzalez, Susan Springer, Badri Nakhjavani, Wendy Jones, Orlanda Gonzalez, Kevin Chapman, Diane Cerille, Ruth McCabe, Tom Wilberding, Shirley Roberts, Danny Ramos, Mark Leonard, Christopher Rodriguez, Maryanne Walsh, Rhonda Santeen, John Whatley, Bishop John Cummins, Nancy Coyne, Kevin Stallone, Della Spinelli, Jeanne Cuttitta, Susan Buller, Amy Kantowitz, Ann Springer, Guy Wallace, Ray Bertolotti, William McCarthy, Cindy Crimmins, Fred & Lidia Loupy, Rebecca Rogers, Kathleen Guevara, Clarence Robinson, Armando Diaz de Leon, Fr. Ron Schmidt, Laura Jones, Jeff Mills, Mary Pat Power, Bonnie & John Bouey, Susan Rubio, Martin Tierney, Fr. Paul Schmidt, Marley Malone, Isabella Guillot Williams, Violet Chancey, Ann Kirkman, Ann & Hal Lauth, Phil Stover, Joey Smith, Raymond Buckley, Jr., Dante Gambardella, Norma Ninalga, Helen Starosciak

**UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION**

Do you need to register, have you changed your email address, have a new telephone number, do you receive our Friday Flocknote Newsletter?

Let us know so we can update our parish database and keep you current with all upcoming events, news and year-end reports or send you a registration form.

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[melody@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:melody@sttheresaokland.org)



**Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2023**  
**St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800**

Percentage Achieved **68.55%**

**\$24,540** as of July 31, 2023

<https://www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-appeal-donation-page>

**SCAM ALERT**

A number of people have received phony emails from Fr. Bob and/or our principal Alicia Ortegon asking for gifts cards. If you receive an email from either of them requesting help with gifts, gift cards, money ..... PLEASE IGNORE and DELETE. It's a scam! They will never request help from you in this manner.