

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

OCTOBER 15, 2023

TWENTY-EIGHTH 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 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.sttheresaoakland.org

 Facebook: [StTheresaChurch/Oakland](https://www.facebook.com/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@sttheresaoakland.org

Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

Keri Nims ~ keri@sttheresaoakland.org

High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

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

Cathy Brady ~ cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org

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

Parish Organization Contacts

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Additional information and events can be found in the Friday Flocknote available on our website: <https://sttheresaoakland.org/Bulletin/Flocknote>

30 MANDALAY ROAD -- OAKLAND, CA 94618 -- 510.547.2777

WINGS ~ WOMEN IN GOD'S SPIRIT

"WINGS commences this Fall on Wednesday mornings. This faith enhancement group for women encourages spiritual growth through prayer, scripture study, life-sharing and community. Our Fall session meetings, each with a different expert speaker generally focusing on different aspects of our faith, will take place from 9:15-11:15am, on Wednesday mornings. Our engaging speakers will uplift you and keep you informed. You'll experience a welcoming community as we support each other in our spiritual growth. Feel free to invite a friend! Women from local parishes and other denominations are most certainly welcome. If you're new to WINGS or wish to sample a meeting, feel free to attend the meeting at St. Theresa's. If you have any questions, contact Denise at molland@aol.com."



Our theme for the 2023/2024 year is:

"Walking the Journey of Faith"

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

THE SYNOD started October 4!!

Did you know that this is a historic moment in the Church? Remember the Synod? Well, the Synod is still going on and Church leaders around the world will be convening this October to discuss the future of the Church. To view the working document, Instrumentum Laboris, that participants of the synod will use that was based on all the local churches' synod gatherings held last year, click here. Or copy and paste this link in your browser: https://www.synod.va/content/dam/synod/common/phases/universal-stage/il/PAGINATED_ENG_INSTRUMENTUM-LABORIS-A4.pdf

This is a truly great document touching many of the issues of importance for the renewal of the church.

Additional information can be found in the Friday Flocknote.

Question? Want to get involved contact Lydia Deck ltdeck@me.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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 with any general questions. Call 510-547-0911 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>.

WEEKLY READINGS: OCTOBER 16 - 22

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday:	Friday:	Saturday:	Sunday:
Rom 1:1-7 Ps 98 Lk 11:29-32	Rom 1:16-25 Ps 19 Lk 11:37-41	2 Tm 4:10-17b Ps 145 Lk 10:1-9	Rom 3:21-30 Ps 130 Lk 11:47-54	Rom 4:1-8 Ps 32 Lk 12:1-7	Rom 4:13, 16-18 Ps 105 Lk 12:8-12	Is 45:1, 4-6 Ps 96 1 Thes 1:1-5b Mt 22:15-21

MASS INTENTIONS - OCTOBER 14 - 22

Sat.	5:00 pm	Parish Community of St. Theresa
Sun.	9:00 am	✠ Tom & Dorothy Donnelly
Mon.	8:30 am	✠ The Mc Artor Family & Friends
Tues.	8:30 am	For all who give of their time and talent in the parish
Wed.	8:30 am	For Peace and an end to warfare
Thurs.	8:30 am	✠ Pat Tynan
Fri.	8:30 am	For all who live in the shadow of war and violence
Sat.	5:00 pm	✠ Mary & Mike Christy
Sun.	9:00 am	Parish Community of St. Theresa

MASS INTENTIONS

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at
melody@sttheresaoakland.org
 or 510.547.2777, ext. 120

PARISH CALENDAR

Find out what is happening at the parish.
<https://sttheresaoakland.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

OR

Text: STT To: 84579

OR send an email to

cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org with a request to be added to the Friday Flocknote Group with you full name and email address.

SUNDAY OFFERING**ONLINE GIVING:**

(October 2 - 8) 58 DONORS **\$ 2,909.50**

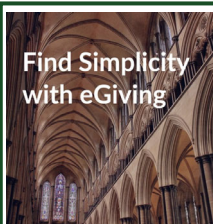
MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:

(October 2 - 8) 39 DONORS **\$ 2,836.00**

CATHOLIC VOICE:

ONLINE: 5 DONORS **\$ 350.00**

MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 23 DONORS **\$ 748.00**



**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 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://sttheresaoakland.org/donate>

Thank you for giving generously to St. Theresa Parish

2ND COLLECTION - WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.



BELIEVE WHAT YOU READ

TEACH WHAT YOU BELIEVE

PRACTICE WHAT YOU TEACH

WITH GRATITUDE TO GOD
 THE ORDER OF FRIARS MINOR CAPUCHIN
 AND THE SOCIETY OF JESUS
 ANNOUNCE THE

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE OF
CHRISTOPHER E. ALT, SJ
NIKOLAS A. BARTH, OFM CAP
BRENDAN G. COFFEY, SJ
L. RYEN DWYER, SJ
DANIEL J. EVERSON, SJ
HONGCHEOL JEONG, SJ
CHIA-YANG "C-Y" KAO, SJ
DAVID KROL, SJ
BRYAN D. PAULSEN, SJ
MICHAEL J. TEDONE, SJ

TO BE CONFERRED BY
 MOST REVEREND MICHAEL C. BARBER, SJ
 BISHOP OF OAKLAND
 SATURDAY, THE TWENTY-FIRST OF OCTOBER
 TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE
 AT TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING
 THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE LIGHT
 2121 HARRISON ST., OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Live streaming at youtube.com/etlcathedral/streams

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee has a need for someone whose background includes being a controller.

It will not be a big time commitment but we need your skills. If you'd like to explore this, please call Carolyn Mahoney at 510-918-1987.

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, Fr. Paul Schmidt, Marley Malone, Isabella Guillot Williams, Violet Chancey, Ann Kirkman, Hal Lauth, Phil Stover, Joey Smith, Raymond Buckley, Jr., Norma Ninalga, Betty Jo Olson, baby Juanito, Jennifer Walwark.



I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2023

St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800

Percentage Achieved **78.35%**

\$28,050 as of September 30, 2023

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

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

October is always a busy month in the Church. We honor the Blessed Mother in a special way and every day in the church a group of your fellow parishioners recite the rosary together usually beginning just after 8am and ending before the 8:30am Mass begins.



On a more mundane note, I hope you will consider supporting the parish school and buy a ticket to attend the annual Auction. It occurs on November 4 here at the parish Event Center and it has a long legacy of being a great night that truly makes a difference for the good of our students and staff. Last year there was a great reunion of parents who went to many an auction when their children were in school at St. Theresa's. Come and join the fun and reconnect with a friend or two that you haven't seen for a while you also meet the current great group of parents who now have their children in our parish school.

Our bishops for many years have called October: 'Respect Life Month' in which we are called to remember and pray for the respect of all life from the moment of conception to a natural death after a ripe old age. This year I have not devoted each of the four October bulletin columns to a facet of the gift of life because we have had the Eucharistic Revival and Synod to think about, but I hope you will spend some time thanking God for the gift of life that we have received and think and act on how we can promote respect for life.

Pope Francis has expanded his call for us all not simply to respect life, but to also take care of one another and the world God entrusts to our care. His newly published Apostolic Exhortation: *Laudate Deum* published on the feast of St. Francis is shorter than *Laudate Si*, but builds on this exhortation. I have not had the time personally to entirely read it but will try

this week and look forward to hearing your thoughts about it as we go forward.

The first month of the Synod is currently taking place and we will pray for its success each week at the end of Mass. I encourage you to pray each day that the Holy Spirit will guide the Church in this age. My understanding is that no recommendations or changes will be made after this session. The time for those things to be presented will be a year from now, after all the world has time to reflect on the current deliberations. Let us keep our hearts and ears open and pray for the Holy Spirit to be the main guide.

I was shocked as I know you were when we heard about the war in Israel and Palestine. Like the senseless war in the Ukraine and the twenty other places where war is ravaging the earth at this time, let us grieve and pray that all wars come to a peaceful conclusion respecting the dignity of every human being. Many of you may remember learning about a 'just war' theory that seemed to say there can be reasons for war. More recent theological progress would limit this theory to only the most extreme of circumstances. It is challenging to use this theory to justify most of the current wars by the current criteria that the Church puts forth. Let us pray for peace and a conversion of hearts to God's will.

As I said, October is a busy month and I hope we can all spend time in prayer and the promotion of God's way in our families, schools, communities, country, and world. I also pray for the wisdom to know when to speak up and act when others vilify and scare us for political advancement over the good advancement of all people in all places and time. We are all equal and made in God's image and likeness. To say anything less is wrong! Check out the scriptures that God has revealed that support my assertion. I think November may be busier than October and we pray for God's help and intervention.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING FOR PARISH & SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS



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.