

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

OCTOBER 22, 2023

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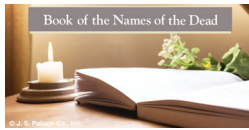
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Additional information and events can be found in the Friday Flocknote available on our website: <https://sttheresaoakland.org/Bulletin/Flocknote>

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

REMEMBER ALL SOULS THROUGHOUT NOVEMBER

The month of November is traditionally reserved in the Church for remembering loved ones who have died. Throughout the month there will be a book in the sanctuary which will include any name you submit or that you write in yourself. You may submit your All Souls envelope with the names of the people you wish to remember now, so we may enter them in the book for the All Souls Mass on November 2. Please feel welcome to write the names of your beloved in this book at any time during the month.



Beginning November 2nd there will also be a table in the sanctuary where you may place free standing framed pictures of your beloved dead. The table will be up for the month of November. Please make sure your name and phone number are on the back of the picture.

WINGS ~ WOMEN IN GOD'S SPIRIT

"WINGS is a faith enhancement group for women that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, scripture study, life-sharing and community. Our meetings, each with a different expert speaker generally focusing on different aspects of our faith, takes 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 have any questions, contact Denise at mollend@aol.com."



Our theme for the 2023/2024 year is:

"Walking the Journey of Faith"

SOCIAL JUSTICE CORNER

Praying for peace in our world!! Consider praying a decade of the rosary every day for peace.

Laudate Deum from the Holy Father Pope Francis. Read about calls to action on the climate crisis but also a beautiful way to think about our earth and its people.

https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/20231004-laudate-deum

Stay tuned for Social Justice Committee happenings!

For more information reach out to 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>.

St. Vincent de Paul Community Center
Socktober
SOCK DRIVE

Donate NEW socks to your neighbors in need

Donate From Monday, October 3rd-31st

Dropoff Spots:

St. Theresa Catholic School 4850 Clarewood Dr. Oakland, Ca 94618	St. Vincent de Paul 2272 San Pablo Ave Oakland, Ca 94612	St. Theresa Catholic Church 30 Mandalay Rd. Oakland, Ca 94618
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Purchase and Ship Socks and More on Our Online Registry!
<https://www.amazon.com/registries/custom/2XH1GZPH4D1S9/guest-view>

For more information: Please call Brenda Addison (510)593-5501 or baddison@svdp-alameda.org

Rock the 80s Auction News
ST. THERESA AUCTION | NOVEMBER 4TH, 6PM

Let's Celebrating St. T's!

You are invited to join us for an unforgettable evening of celebration and giving! This year's auction promises to be a night jam-packed with fun, including:

- Cocktails and silent auction
- Fabulous dinner buffet and drinks
- Best 80's outfit prizes
- Heads or Tails Game
- Exciting program and live auction hosted by the one and only FRANCO FINN!

And much more! Feeling some extra Titan spirit (or can't attend)? You can sponsor a teacher or staff member's ticket too! Check out the link below and reserve your tickets today!

For Auction tickets and information, click the links below.

Tickets and information.
<https://www.sttheresabenefit.com/>

LAST DAY TO ORDER TICKETS, OCTOBER 27.

WEEKLY READINGS: OCTOBER 23 - 29

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday:	Friday	Saturday:	Sunday:
Rom 4:20-25 Ps Lk 1 Lk 12:13-21	Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Ps 40 Lk 12:35-38	Rom 6:12-18 Ps 124 Lk 12:39-48	Rom 6:19-23 Ps 1 Lk 12:49-53	Rom 7:18-25a Ps 119 Lk 12:54-59	Eph 2:19-22 Ps 19 Lk 6:12-16	Ex 22:20-26 Ps 18 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40

MASS INTENTIONS - OCTOBER 21 - 29

Sat.	5:00 pm	✚ Mary & Mike Christy
Sun.	9:00 am	Parish Community of St. Theresa
Mon.	8:30 am	✚ Rosemarie Risso & Vito Calamonaci
Tues.	8:30 am	✚ Ernie Pricco
Wed.	8:30 am	✚ Ashton Carter
Thurs.	8:30 am	✚ Tom Donnelly
Fri.	8:30 am	✚ Joseph & Clementina Brignole
Sat.	5:00 pm	✚ Carlo Pernecco
Sun.	9:00 am	Parish Community of St. Theresa

MASS INTENTIONS

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at
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

OR

Text: STT To: 84579

OR send an email to

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

SUNDAY OFFERING**ONLINE GIVING:**

(October 9 - 15) 54 DONORS

\$ 2,864.50

MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:

(October 9 - 15) 38 DONORS

\$ 2,700.00



**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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLETION - OCTOBER

The 2nd collection for St. Vincent de Paul will be on October 28 & 29. This collection benefits the St. Vincent de Paul Society conference in our parish, 100% of your donation benefits people in our community. You may use Online Giving for this collection.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE ~ NOVEMBER 2

All are invited to attend the All Souls Day Mass on November 2nd at 7:00 PM (Thursday), where we will remember your loved ones who have died.

Please bring photographs of the people you are remembering to place on a table in the sanctuary.

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

Congratulations Deacon Mike Tedone ordained on Saturday morning!



I am yielding my column with some direct words from the Vatican:

Cardinal Secretary of State Pietro Parolin speaks to Vatican Media about the outbreak of war in the Holy Land, saying the priority is the release of hostages and affirming that the Holy See is willing to mediate.

By Andrea Tornielli & Roberto Cetera

"The Holy See is ready for any necessary mediation, as always."

Six days after the terrorist attack on Israel, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, the Vatican Secretary of State, describes the attack last Saturday as "inhuman".

In an interview with Vatican Media, he also reiterates Pope Francis's appeal for the release of all hostages held by Hamas and calls for proportionality in Israel's legitimate defense.

The Cardinal expresses concern for the civilian casualties in Gaza due to bombings, emphasizing that despite the ongoing events a truly just peace requires a two-state solution, "which would allow Palestinians and Israelis to live side by side in peace and security."

Q: Your Eminence, all conflicts are terrible, but as we learned last Saturday, there has been a crescendo of unprecedented cruelty. We are witnessing a total loss of humanity. Do you think there is still room to avoid the worst?

The terrorist attack carried out by Hamas and other militias last Saturday against thousands of Israelis who were about to celebrate the day of Simchat Torah, concluding the week of the Sukkot festival, is inhuman. The Holy See expresses complete and firm condemnation.

Furthermore, we are concerned for the men, women, children, and the elderly held hostage in Gaza. We express our solidarity with the affected families, the vast majority of whom are Jewish, and we pray for them, for those still in shock, for the wounded.

It is necessary to regain a sense of reason, abandon the blind logic of hatred, and reject violence as a solution. It is the right of those who are attacked to defend themselves, but even legitimate defense must respect the parameter of proportionality.

I do not know how much room for dialogue there can be between Israel and the Hamas militia, but if there is—and we hope there is—it should be pursued immediately and without delay. This is to avoid further bloodshed, as is happening in

Gaza, where many innocent civilian victims have been caused by the Israeli army's attacks.

Q: Pope Francis reiterates that peace is built on justice. There is no peace that is not just. How is this call for justice for both parties in conflict articulated today?

Peace can only be based on justice. The Latins liked to say, "*Opus iustitiae pax*," there can be no peace among men without justice. It seems to me that the greatest possible justice in the Holy Land is the two-state solution, which would allow Palestinians and Israelis to live side by side in peace and security, meeting the aspirations of the majority.

This solution, which is supported by the international community, has recently seemed to some, on both sides, to be no longer feasible. For others, it never was. The Holy See is convinced of the opposite and continues to support it.

Now, however, what is just? It is just for the hostages to be returned immediately, even those held by Hamas since previous conflicts. In this sense, I strongly renew the heartfelt appeal made and repeated by Pope Francis in recent days. It is just that in Israel's legitimate defense, the lives of Palestinian civilians living in Gaza should not be endangered. It is just—indeed, essential—that in this conflict, as in any other, humanitarian law be fully respected.

Q: In two recent interviews granted to L'Osservatore Romano by Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and Israeli President Isaac Herzog, both expressed their appreciation for the constant words of peace that come from the Christian minority of the Holy Land, which is the 'salt' of this land.

First and foremost, with prayer and spiritual and material support. These words of mine are meant to be a renewed affirmation of the affectionate closeness of the Pope and the Holy See. Christians are an essential part of the land where Jesus was born, lived, died, and rose again.

No one can imagine Palestine or Israel without a Christian presence, which has been there from the beginning and will be there forever. It is true that the small Catholic community in Gaza, about 150 families, is suffering immensely. When one member suffers, the whole Church suffers, and so we all suffer. We know they have gathered in the parish. The parish priest could not return and remains in Bethlehem. Everything is at a standstill, paralyzed, as if gripped by fear and anger.

Let us pray for the Israelis; let us pray for the Palestinians; let us pray for Christians, Jews, and Muslims: For the peace of Jerusalem pray... For the sake of my brothers and friends I say, 'Peace be with you.' For the sake of the house of the Lord, our God, I pray for your good." (Psalm 122:6-9).

<https://www.unicef.org/parenting/how-talk-your-children-about-conflict-and-war>

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.