

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

OCTOBER 29, 2023

THIRTIETH 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)

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High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

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

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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

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE ~ NOVEMBER 2

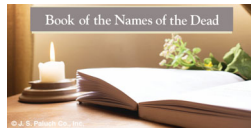


All are invited to attend the All Souls Day Mass on November 2nd at 7:00 PM (Thursday), where we will remember your loved ones who have died.

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

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.

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>.

ALL SAINTS DAY - NOVEMBER 1



This is a Holy Day of Obligation

Masses will be at
8:30 am and 7:30 pm

There will be a collection at all Masses. You may also use online giving.

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/2XH1GZPH4D159/guest-view>

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

PARISH CALENDAR

Find out what is happening at the parish.

<https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>

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"**

WEEKLY READINGS: OCTOBER 30 - NOVEMBER 5

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday:	Friday	Saturday:	Sunday:
Rom 8:12-17 Ps 68 Lk 13:10-17	Rom 8:18-25 Ps 126 Lk 13:18-21	Rev 7:2-4, 9-14 Ps 24 1Jn 3:12-3 Mt 5:1-12a	Wis 3:1-9 Ps 27 Rom 5:5-11 Jn 6:37-40	Rom 9:1-5 Ps 147 Lk 14:1-6	Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-59 Ps 94 Lk 14:1, 7-11	Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10 Ps 13 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13 Mt 23:1-12

MASS INTENTIONS - OCTOBER 28 - NOVEMBER 5

Sat. 5:00 pm ✠ Carlo Pernecco
 Sun. 9:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

Mon. 8:30 am ✠ The Donnelly Family & Friends
 Tues. 8:30 am ✠ For all who die by gun violence
 Wed. 8:30 am Puri Suarez, 100 year old
 7:00 pm ✠ Dorothy Donnelly
 Thurs. 8:30 am ✠ Deceased member of the parish
 7:00 pm ✠ Deceased members this past year
 Fri. 8:30 am ✠ Souls of the departed Legionaries of Mary

Sat. 5:00 pm ✠ Tina Bruno
 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

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 16 - 22) 55 DONORS **\$ 2,608.50**

MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:

(October 16 - 22) 39 DONORS **\$ 3,502.00**

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:

ONLINE: 5 DONORS **\$ 200.00**

MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 22 DONORS **\$ 675.00**



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

PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT

The second collection for the Parish Maintenance & Improvement Fund will be on November 4 & 5.

You may also use Online Giving for this collection.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

November 3rd

9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Benediction at 4:30 pm

DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Giovanna Dinello, mother of Joanne Karchmer.

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, Brendan Huey, Greg Govan.



I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2023

St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800

Percentage Achieved 78.35%

\$28,050 as of October 15, 2023

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

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

On the first day of a new semester in the Canon Law course I teach at the Jesuit School of Theology, after the preliminary introductions and explanations of the course expectations, I ask the students to turn and look at the last canon (law) in the Church's law code.



St. John Paul II, who was the lawgiver of the 1983 code now in use had a year to review it before it became our law. As the lawgiver, he had the ability to make changes personally. The last few canons review how a pastor can be transferred, but at the end of the last canon he concluded the whole code with: **"canonical equity is to be observed, and the salvation of souls, which must always be the supreme law in the Church, is to be kept before one's eyes."**

Why do we have a Church? Why do we have the Sacraments? Why do we have a code of laws? God wants us all in Heaven!

This coming week, we mark that 'supreme dream' of our God with the feast of All Saints and the feast of All Souls.

Heaven is packed. That is God's dream and hope for all of us! And All Saints Day recognizes that the process of canonizing a saint is their ticket to heaven but the assurance that living the Gospel and being disciples of Jesus is a pathway to heaven. Canonization points to examples of individuals through the ages who were not one hundred percent perfect but were like most of us trying to live a disciple's life by loving, forgiving, showing mercy, compassion care of the sick and lonely, the imprisoned, the homeless, the child and family who are hungry and the list of ways to this perfection goes on. The saints we know show us how we too can live.

And we know that many of our family, friends, teachers, co-workers, neighbors, who lived this way are now with God. And November 1st celebrates this Heaven that as mentioned above is packed with people we know, have lived with and experienced God's love because of who they were while they were with us.

In my office, I have a wonderful picture of meeting St. John Paul II. He is shaking my hand. Someone recently said upon seeing the picture: "Oh, you have a picture of yourself with a saint!" I smiled and said, yes, I believe Fr. Bill Macchi (who once lived at St. Theresa's) and who is in the picture is in heaven. I pray to him often when confronted with an administrative challenge. All Saints Day is a day that I invite you to think of the pictures you have of yourself and the saints that are in the picture with you. We are better along our own journey because these individuals loved us and helped us along the way. Say a prayer of thanksgiving for them and ask them to continue to help us.

All Souls Day is on November 2nd and it is the day we make sure our family and friends are in heaven. The Church has almost nothing to say in its theology other than Purgatory exists. Dante in the *Divine Comedy* has book two describe Purgatory, but it is great fiction and not the doctrine of the Church. Nevertheless, when someone dies, we pray for them and especially remember them at Mass. This is a day like the day before it when we pray for all the saints and all who are in line for a while to fully be in heaven.

We have a special Mass on the night of All Souls' Day and send out a special invitation to all the families who had a funeral here at St. Theresa during the year. Grief isn't something that just goes away in a week or two as most of you know. The whole parish is invited to this Mass whether your family had a funeral here or not. Many did have funerals in their family over the past year that were held in different churches or places. I invite all to come together so we can especially embrace each other along this path and assure one another that one day, God has promised us to wipe away every tear from our eyes.

I also ask that you continue to pray for the innocents lost recently through the wars in the Ukraine, Palestine and Israel and many other places where war ravages the earth. Please also pray for the victims of violence in our own city and throughout the country. We pray for peace and demonstrate that by our love, forgiveness and compassion as Jesus has taught us. May it counter the evil paths others have chosen instead.

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.