

# ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

TWENTY-SECOND 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, ext. 120

After Hours Medical Emergency Line: 510.610.7715

 Parish Website: [www.sttheresaokland.org](http://www.sttheresaokland.org)

 Facebook: [StTheresaChurch/Oakland](https://www.facebook.com/StTheresaChurch/Oakland)

 [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5JX1e3QrqXTsa\\_7qmNClw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5JX1e3QrqXTsa_7qmNClw)

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*St. Theresa School Principal*

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## Baptisms and Marriages

by appointment, call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120, or email [admin@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:admin@sttheresaokland.org)

## To arrange a Funeral

call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120, or email [admin@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:admin@sttheresaokland.org)

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

Keri Nims ~ [keri@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:keri@sttheresaokland.org)

## Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

Keri Nims ~ [keri@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:keri@sttheresaokland.org)

## High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

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

Cathy Brady ~ [cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org)

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

## Parish Organization Contacts

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### Kinderchurch

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

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



*your child belongs*

...in this church  
...in this community  
...in the body of Christ  
...in Faith Formation

Register now for the upcoming Faith Formation year!!

<b>KinderChurch</b> (ages 3 1/2—6 yrs old during 9am Mass)	<b>First Reconciliation and First Eucharist</b>
<b>Family Faith Formation</b> (1st-5th grade following our 9am Mass)	<b>Middle School Youth Ministry</b>
	<b>High School Confirmation Ministry</b>

Use the link below to register online or visit our parish website to print out a packet  
Questions: Keri@sttheresaoakland.org

## We need your help

Family Faith Formation and Kinderchurch are both in need of volunteers.

Consider helping as a class teacher for Family Faith Formation or as one of the volunteers in our KinderChurch Ministry.

You don't need to have a student in the program to volunteer.  
Ask a friend to partner with you and team up!!!

God does not call the equipped...God equips those he calls

WHAT IS GOD CALLING YOU TO????

Keri@sttheresaoakland.org...reach out to learn more details.  
Register at: <https://sttheresaoakland.org/FaithFormationRegistration>

### KinderChurch starts soon!

During the 9am Mass


Located in the Church Hall...all students must be signed in and out by a parent.

3.5 yrs old & potty-trained through 1st grade



Upcoming Dates  
9/8  
9/22  
9/29  
10/20

Register on the parish website or email  
keri@sttheresaoakland.org



### O.C.I.A. ~ Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

formerly R.C.I.A

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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OCIA might be just what you are looking for.  
A new inquiry session will begin in September.  
Contact Cathy Brady at [cathy\\_b@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org) for more information, or to register for our sessions beginning in September.

### HOPE FOR THE COMMON GROUND AND THE COMMON GOOD A 2024 ELECTION FORUM

The Oakland Catholic Worker – in collaboration with the Jesuit School of Theology of Santa Clara University, the Franciscan School of Theology at the University of San Diego and the parishes of St. Theresa and St. Joan of Arc – is offering a forum in preparation for this year's November elections.


This forum is non-partisan and is intended to offer participants an opportunity to pray, share and learn more about how to apply our faith and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching as a primary lens for discernment towards voting.

Date and Time: September 22, 2024, 1-3 PM

Location: St. Theresa Meeting Rooms

General questions: [bob.hernandez@mac.com](mailto:bob.hernandez@mac.com)

**Full details are in the Friday Flocknote Newsletter.**



The parish will celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in October 2025. There will be monthly events leading up to the Anniversary beginning January 2025.

If you would like to be a part of the planning process for these events, send an email to:

[anniversary@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:anniversary@sttheresaoakland.org).

**The next planning meeting is on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Hall, all are welcome.**

We would like to have a special logo for our anniversary. Let us know if you would like to help create or submit a logo design [anniversary@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:anniversary@sttheresaoakland.org). Current logo design submitted by Renee Lorda.



*Sacrament Prep*

Baptism  
1st Reconciliation  
1st Communion

For anyone past 2nd grade still needing Sacraments

I missed out on 1st Communion

You can do the Sacraments at any age

Classes start soon, contact Keri for details

I'm curious about Baptism

Questions or to register email...  
[Keri@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:Keri@sttheresaoakland.org)

**MASS INTENTIONS - AUGUST 31—SEPTEMBER 8**

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa  
 Sun. 9:00 am † Suzette Bertrand

Mon. 8:30 am For the people of Israel, Palestine & Gaza

Tues. 8:30 am † Tom Donnelly  
 Wed. 8:30 am Penny Isola  
 Thurs. 8:30 am † Mary Elizabeth Toomey  
 Fri. 8:30 am For all deceased members for the parish

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

**ONLINE PRAYER REQUEST FOR THE SICK OR RECENTLY DECEASED**

You can submit names for the Prayers of the Faithful for our Weekend Masses and the bulletin prayer list (*Prayers for the Sick or Recently Deceased*) online.

Please complete the form on the parish website page:

<https://sttheresaoakland.org/pray/mass-and-confession-times>

their name will be included in the weekly bulletin, Friday Flocknote, and Weekend Masses.

*This form is not for Mass Intentions.*

**RECEPTION OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD**

Reception of the Precious Blood Guideline from Bishop Barber, May 15, 2023. "Other than the priest, no communicant may ever dip the Sacred Host into the chalice to communicate himself."

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION (AUGUST 19—25):**  
 ONLINE: 42 DONORS \$ 1,839.00  
 MASS DONATIONS: 43 DONORS \$ 3,854.43

**PARISH CALENDAR**

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

**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 president's communion station to receive a low gluten host.

**Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2024**



**St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800**  
 Percentage Achieved **45.8%**  
**\$17,263** as of July 31, 2024

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

**DIOCESAN PRIEST RETIREMENT BENEFIT TRUST**

Let us remember our retired priests. Although they are officially retired, some of the priests in this category are still "laboring in the vineyard" as chaplains, pastor emeriti, spiritual directors and more.

On **September 7 & 8** we will have the opportunity to contribute to the Diocesan Priest Retirement Benefit Trust. Prayerfully consider how you can match their generosity to the Church.

You may also use Online Giving for this collection. Choose the Diocesan Priest Retirement - September fund option

**SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION ONLINE!**

You can now schedule and pay for a Mass Intention online.

Use this link to schedule a Mass Intention:

<https://sttheresaoakland.org/pray/mass-confession-times/mass-intention>.


**Mass Intentions may only be made up to a year in advance.** You may only submit one Mass Intention per form. We will make every effort to use the date you have requested. If there is a conflict with the date we will contact you. If a date shows **BUSY** on the calendar, there is already a Mass Intention scheduled for that date.

You can also send an email to:

[admin@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:admin@sttheresaoakland.org) or call 510.547.2777, ext. 120 if you do not wish to use the online option.


**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, Wendy Jones, Orlanda Gonzalez, Kevin Chapman, Diane Cerille, 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, 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, Bonnie & John Bouey, Susan Rubio, Fr. Paul Schmidt, Marley Malone, Isabella Guillot Williams, Ann Kirkman, Hal Lauth, Phil Stover, Joey Smith, Raymond Buckley, Jr., Norma Ninalga, Betty Jo Olson, Jennifer Walwark, Greg Govan, Anita Lim, Marilyn McCabe, Helen Lightner-Smith, Steve Lauth, Mary Malloy, Peter Cuttitta, James Lang, John Donovan, Mary & Leo Martinez, Sr., James Spalding, Tiffany Converse, Adrian McEville, Joan Marchi, Diana Nelson Curtis, Charlie Schnellbacher, Theresa Joyce, Maureen Carver, Ellen Corbett, Ernestine Pernecco, Vince Nims.



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://sttheresaoakland.org/donate>

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

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Thanks to all who made the annual 'Back to School' Mass and picnic a great success. The music in church and in the yard was great, but the connections and fellowship wonderful. Special thanks to Peter Krawic for bringing together the band mostly made up of St. Theresa's dads and several spectacular performances by students among us. Due to the rain the night before, the event was held on the asphalt with the school lunch tables in use. This may set the pattern for future events with or without rain.



The next parish wide event will be the St. Theresa Day celebration with an outdoor Mass at 11am on October 6. There will be no 9am Mass on that Sunday and all will move from the outdoor Mass right to the festival. Please plan on being part of this celebration!

This weekend marks in some minds the end of summer. Schools have started, vacations are over until the next one and we begin to reflect and celebrate the work and study we do. Labor Day is a revered national holiday. We work to sustain ourselves and our families and to help others in the world with the work we do. Here are some comments from both Pope Benedict and Pope Francis on our labor. (More can be found on the USCCB.org website where these came from). I hope it will give us all something to think and pray about as we enjoy a Monday off.

"The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continuing participation in God's creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected--the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages, to the organization and joining of unions, to private property, and to economic initiative.

"Work should be the setting for this rich personal growth, where many aspects of life enter into play: creativity, planning for the future, developing our talents, living out our values, relating to others, giving

glory to God. It follows that, in the reality of today's global society, it is essential that 'we continue to prioritize the goal of access to steady employment for everyone,' no matter the limited interests of business and dubious economic reasoning. We were created with a vocation to work. The goal should not be that technological progress increasingly replaces human work, for this would be detrimental to humanity. Work is a necessity, part of the meaning of life on this earth, a path to growth, human development, and personal fulfillment. Helping the poor financially must always be a provisional solution in the face of pressing needs. The broader objective should always be to allow them a dignified life through work." (Pope Francis, *On Care for Our Common Home* [Laudato Si'], nos. 127-28)

"Growth in justice requires more than economic growth, while presupposing such growth: it requires decisions, programs, mechanisms and processes specifically geared to a better distribution of income, the creation of sources of employment and an integral promotion of the poor which goes beyond a simple welfare mentality. I am far from proposing irresponsible populism, but the economy can no longer turn to remedies that are a new poison, such as attempting to increase profits by reducing the work force and thereby adding to the ranks of the excluded." (Pope Francis, *The Joy of the Gospel* [Evangelii Gaudium], no. 204)

"I would like to remind everyone, especially governments engaged in boosting the world's economic and social assets, that the primary capital to be safeguarded and valued is man, the human person in his or her integrity: 'Man is the source, the focus and the aim of all economic and social life'." (Pope Benedict XVI, *Charity in Truth* [Caritas in Veritate], no. 25, quoting Second Vatican Council, *The Church in the Modern World* [Gaudium et Spes], no. 63)

"The economic sphere is neither ethically neutral, or inherently inhuman or opposed to society. It is part and parcel of human activity and precisely because it is human, it must be structured and governed in an ethical manner." (Pope Benedict XVI, *Charity in Truth* [Caritas in Veritate], no. 36)

### WEEKLY READINGS: SEPTEMBER 2-8

| Monday:                             | Tuesday:                               | Wednesday:                         | Thursday                            | Friday                             | Saturday:                           | Sunday:                                         |
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| 1 Cor 2:1-5<br>Ps 119<br>Lk 4:16-30 | 1 Cor 2:10b-16<br>Ps 145<br>Lk 4:31-37 | 1 Cor 3:1-9<br>Ps 33<br>Lk 4:38-44 | 1 Cor 3:18-23<br>Ps 24<br>Lk 5:1-11 | 1 Cor 4:1-5<br>Ps 37<br>Lk 5:33-39 | 1 Cor 4:6b-15<br>Ps 145<br>Lk 6:1-5 | Is 35:4-7a<br>Ps 146<br>Jas 2:1-5<br>Mk 7:31-37 |