

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

TWENTY-FOURTH 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 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.sttheresaoakland.org

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

 https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5JX1e3QrqXTsa_7qmNClw

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ST. THERESA SCHOOL

Alicia Ortegon, 510.547.3146 a_ortegon@sttheresaschool.org
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Baptisms and Marriages

by appointment, call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120,
or email admin@sttheresaoakland.org

To arrange a Funeral

call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120, or email
admin@sttheresaoakland.org

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

Keri Nims ~ keri@sttheresaoakland.org

Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

Joey Gutierrez ~ joey@sttheresaoakland.org

High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

Joey Gutierrez ~ joey@sttheresaoakland.org

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



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!!

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

Use the link below to register online or visit our parish website to print out a packet
Questions: Keri@sttheresaokland.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@sttheresaokland.org...reach out to learn more details.
Register at: [https://sttheresaokland.org/Faith Formation Registration](https://sttheresaokland.org/Faith%20Formation%20Registration)

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@sttheresaokland.org

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@sttheresaokland.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?

OCIA might be just what you are looking for.
A new inquiry session will begin in September.
Contact Cathy Brady at cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org for more information, or to register for our sessions.



ST THERESA Feast Day Celebration

October 6

MASS AT 11 AM ON THE LAWN

GAMES | FOOD | LIVE MUSIC
BAKE SALE | CASH BAR


PRE-ORDER FOOD BY 9/30
USE LINK ON PARISH WEBSITE

PLACE FOOD ORDER AND SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER AT
<https://sttheresaokland.org/about-us/st-theresa-feast-day-celebration>

The Gift & Grace of Parenthood

How often do you take time out of your busy life to appreciate the gift of being a mother or father? How can I strengthen my faith and pass it on to my child?

Join other parents for a morning of reflection, as we appreciate our most important job, being a parent.




Who is invited: All TK & Kinder Parents
Catholic, non-Catholic, married, divorced, single,
St. Theresa School & Faith Formation
Both parents are encouraged to attend, parenting is a team effort

When & Where: Sunday, September 29, 2024, 9am-12noon
9am Mass in St. Theresa Church
10am Retreat in the Flex Meeting Rooms

Childcare will be available

Please RSVP by Friday, September 13th - Jenny Bruni @ j.bruni@sttheresaschool.org



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

Full details are in the Friday Flocknote Newsletter.

MASS INTENTIONS - SEPTEMBER 14-22

Sat. 5:00 pm † Silvano Giuntoli
 Sun. 9:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

Mon. 8:30 am † Tina Bruno
 Tues. 8:30 am † Gladys Jones
 Wed. 8:30 am Penny Isola
 Thurs. 8:30 am † Dorothy Donnelly
 Fri. 8:30 am † Diana Goss

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Sun. 9:00 am † Virginia Cuttitta

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://sttheresaokland.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 (SEPTEMBER (2-8)):
 ONLINE: 48 DONORS \$ 3,164.00
 MASS DONATIONS: 35 DONORS \$ 2,549.00

PRIEST RETIREMENT FUND:
 ONLINE: 4 DONORS \$ 450.00
 MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 19 DONORS \$ 1,019.00

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.

Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2024



St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800
 Percentage Achieved 50.30%
 \$18,788 as of August 31, 2024

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

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://sttheresaokland.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@sttheresaokland.org or call 510.547.2777, ext. 120 if you do not wish to use the online option.



The parish will celebrate its 100th 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@sttheresaokland.org.

The next planning meeting is on Tuesday, September 17th at 7pm in the Hall, all are welcome.

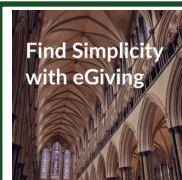
We would like to have a special logo for our anniversary. Let us know if you would like to help create or submit a logo design anniversary@sttheresaokland.org.

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 McEvilly, Joan Marchi, Diana Nelson Curtis, Charlie Schnellbacher, Theresa Joyce, Maureen Carver, Ernestine Pernecco, Vince Nims, Barrett Baker.

PARISH CALENDAR

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



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

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Today we celebrate ‘Catechetical Sunday,’ and we ask God’s blessing on all who teach our faith especially the children of the parish and the rest of us who are on a lifelong journey of growing closer to the Lord. I invite you to say this prayer this week and throughout the coming school year for our catechists. This prayer is taken from the USCCB website:



Loving Father we pray for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry within your Church.

Grant them your wisdom so that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son. We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

As you pray for our catechists, please thank them for their service and encourage them in the path that serves us all.

I am happy to welcome in everyone’s name, Joey Gutierrez who has been hired onto our parish staff to minister as a youth minister and Confirmation preparation coordinator. Joey has already experienced some culture shock as he has moved from Texas to primarily study and complete a M. Div theology program at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley as a step toward working and completing a doctoral program.

Joey has worked in several Catholic parishes in the San Antonio archdiocese where he has also ministered as a

pastoral musician, choir director, youth minister, parish administrator and facilitator of several outreaches to the homeless and poor. The parishes he leaves behind are upset that he has left them.

Recently I was in a conversation with someone who asked what the purpose of Catholic schools is, Catechetical programs, Confirmation programs and youth ministry. Before I could respond one of our parishioners who was nearby quickly interjected in the conversation and answered: to get our children to heaven.

I cannot say it better. Everything we do, from discussion groups and meetings, from retreats and small meditation books during Advent and Lent, Christmas and Easter, from feast day celebrations to back to school nights (and the list can go on) is to help each of us grow in a personal relationship with Jesus with that keep us on a firm path that will end in Heaven.

If you look up the ‘catechist prayer’ from the US bishops’ website, they also present an image of bundled poor or homeless family, out in the cold on a crisp night. The logo for catechists is: “Lord, when did we see you hungry” Matthew 25:37 The father, mother and small child all have golden halos behind their heads. Could they be the Holy Family?



We pray for catechists not simply to teach catechism, but to teach us how to act and respond to Jesus’ call who one day will separate us if we fed the hungry, gave clothes to the naked, consoled those who grieve, welcomed the immigrant, visited the imprisoned. May the prayer above be for all in this parish, so that we will pass the final test and one day be welcomed into the banquet of heaven!

WEEKLY READINGS: SEPTEMBER 16–22

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday	Friday	Saturday:	Sunday:
1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Ps 40 Lk 7:1-10	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Ps 100 Lk 7:11-17	1 Cor 12:31-13:13 Ps 33 Lk 7:31-35	1 Cor 15:1-11 Ps 118 Lk 7:36-50	1 Cor 15:12-20 Ps 17 Lk 8:1-3	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19 Mt 9:9-13	Wis 2:12, 17-20 Ps 54 Jas 3:16-4:3 Mk 9:30-37