# ST. THERESA COMMUNITY

OCTOBER 27, 2024

# 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 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: <a href="https://www.sttheresaoakland.org">www.sttheresaoakland.org</a>
Facebook: <a href="https://www.sttheresaoakland.org">stTheresaChurch/Oakland</a>

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5JX1e3QrgXTsa 7gmNClw

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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.

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

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

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#### ALL SAINTS DAY - NOVEMBER 1



#### This is a Holy Day of Obligation

Masses will be at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm

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



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The parish will celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> Jubilee 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: <a href="mailto:anniversary@sttheresaoakland.org">anniversary@sttheresaoakland.org</a>.

The next planning meeting is on Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Hall, all are welcome.

#### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



November 1<sup>st</sup> 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

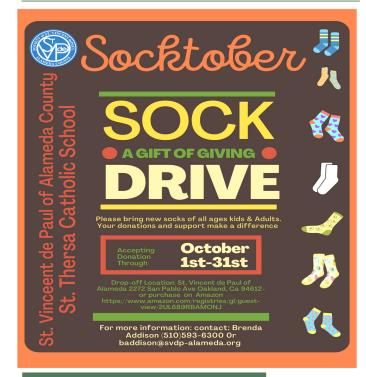
Benediction at 4:30 pm

#### Mass of Remembrance ~ November 2



All are invited to attend the All Souls Day Mass on November 2nd at 5:00 PM (Saturday), 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.



#### WINGS



Theme for the 2024/2025 year "Living in Hope"

Through prayer, thought provoking presentations on a variety of subjects, and small group faith-sharing and discussion of how the Spirit is working in their

lives, women journey together.

Our Fall session meetings, focusing on spirituality, each with a different expert speaker, takes place, from 9:15-11:15am, on Wednesday's in the Meeting Rooms. f 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 Dee McDonough at <a href="mailto:deesigns@comcast.net">deesigns@comcast.net</a>.

#### OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

ELOISE ROSENBLATT, RSM, PH.D., J.D. THEOLOGIAN & FAMILY LAW ATTORNEY Women's Ordination and the Synod

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#### Mass Intentions - October 26-November 3

| Sat.<br>Sun. | 5:00 pm<br>9:00 am   | † | Dermot Harris<br>Parish Community of St. Theresa   |
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| Wed.         | 8:30 am<br>8:30 am<br>8:30 am<br>8:30 am<br>8:30 am<br>7:00 pm | • | Armando Diaz de Leon Lozano<br>Michael Sean Donovan<br>Puri Suarez<br>Sandy Hermerding<br>Parish Community of St. Theresa<br>Parish Community of St. Theresa |
| Sat.         | 5:00 pm  | † | Deceased Family Members for Last<br>Year   |
| Sun.         | 9:00 am  | † | The souls of departed legionaries of Mary  |

## 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-andconfession-times

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

This form is not for Mass Intentions.

#### PARISH CALENDAR

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

#### **DECEASED**

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Nancy McDaniel.

#### **SUNDAY OFFERING**

SUNDAY COLLECTION (OCTOBER 14—20):

ONLINE: 48 DONORS \$ 2,043.00
MASS DONATIONS: 52 DONORS \$ 2,714.00

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:

Online: 6 Donors \$ 180.00 Mass/Drop-Off/Mailed: 21 Donors \$ 655.00

#### 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 **59.04%** 

\$21,958 as of October 15, 2024

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

#### 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.

#### PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT

The second collection for the Parish Maintenance & Improvement Fund will be on November 2 & 3.

You may also use Online Giving for this collection.

#### **VOTING AT THE EVENT CENTER**

The Event Center will be used as an Alameda County polling site for the upcoming election. This year the poll site is open for voting Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, (November 2—5). If you come through the parish parking lot you may see more cars than usual. If you come to Mass on November 3, you will see activity at the other end of the property. We are trying to cooperate with our civic duty in this process as we have most other years.

#### 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, Genevieve 'Beth' McElroy.



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

<u>https://</u> <u>sttheresaoakland.org/donate</u>

Thank you for giving generously to St. Theresa Parish

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#### A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

As we come to the end of October, November starts right off with the Feast of All Saints and the Feast of All Souls. I always encourage you to pray, but these feasts remind us of our mission: to one day gain heaven with our friends and family.



All Saints honors all who have gone before us and are now with God. Last week, was the feast of St. John Paul II and a parishioner commented seeing a picture of me shaking hands with the pope. She exclaimed that I shook hands with a saint. My reply is that I have shaking hands with many saints and am grateful to all of them for their example, faith, perseverance and most importantly love! I encourage you to think of those in your own lives who you know because in their own way and because they loved, are now saints with God. It will make this feast a true jubilee for you.

All Souls remembers those who have died who loved us and who we love. This feast is a special day that we again commend them to God, trusting God's hope for all of us, that we will speed our way to heaven when we die. We remember them all year round, but the Church gives us this special day and month to also remember their love and kindness and pray their passage was fast and swift to God. Come up to the tables in the sanctuary and say an extra prayer for those whose pictures are exhibited.

Our patron, St. Therese of Lisieux, teaches us a spirituality she called 'the little way.' She believed that everyday life presents us with enough challenges and opportunities for grace. She believed that in our spiritual life that we should seek to do ordinary things with extraordinary love. She says, "Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, nor even their difficulty, but at the love with which we do them." So, as we remember the saints let us do little things and do them with extraordinary love!

Finally, this week will at last bring us to Election Day! I hope the resources from the bishops and Vatican have been helpful.

If you need them before you vote they are available with a fast internet search with the links I have given you the past few weeks. I and others hope a peaceful resolution will move us and our country forward, but I know I and others are nervous. One of our parishioners wrote a prayer that consoled me when he handed it to me this week and with a few edits, I hope this will be your prayer as we go through the election process:

#### How would Jesus Vote!

Brother Jesus, we come to You in this time of need.

Our world appears to be crumbling around us. The principles and values that we have treasured and that have nourished us in the past seem to be in a downward spiral.

Dear God, help us find You in these troubling times.

Violence and negative thinking appear to hold the day. Those who were once political adversaries now appear as mortal enemies. We ask ourselves, "Are we no longer sisters and brothers?" We wonder, "How can we reconcile with one another when we can barely speak rationally with each other?"

Jesus, as we complete our ballots help us discover those candidates who embrace Your peaceful ways .... and who are committed to the poor and marginalized as you were when you walked on this earth and revealed God's Kingdom. Let us be mindful of all You have taught us and enable us to act and live your way!

God of Peace come to us and be with us at this time. Help us stay close to You in our thinking and in our actions. Enable us to follow your moral compass so that we can recapture a world where all can live in Your Love and Peace.

We humbly ask Your blessings for us, our families, our friends, our parish, our neighbors, our country, those who will be elected and those who will not. May your example of love, forgiveness and service bless everyone in our nation. Amen!

#### SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING FOR PARISH/SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS



It is that time of year when notices of expiring Virtus training will be arriving in your email. Please use the link in the email to log into Virtus and take the training that you have been assigned. Training must be renewed every three years.

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 sttheresaoakland.org.

Please remember that in order to volunteer at the parish in any capacity at the parish or school (Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Catechist, Choir Member, St. Vincent de Paul, Legion of Mary, CYO etc.), you must complete the training. If you have any problems or questions contact Cathy Brady at <a href="mailto:cathy-b@sttheresaoakland.org">cathy-b@sttheresaoakland.org</a>.

| WEEKLY READINGS: | OCTOBER 28 | -November 3 |
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| Monday: Tuesday: | Wednesday:                         | Thursday                             | Friday  | Saturday:                                      | Sunday:  |
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| Eph 2:19-22      | Eph 6:1-9<br>Ps 145<br>Lk 13:22-30 | Eph 6:20-20<br>Ps 144<br>Lk 13:31-35 | Rv 7:2-4, 9-14<br>Ps 24<br>1 Jn 3:1-3<br>Mt 5:1-12a | Wis 3:1-9<br>Ps 23<br>Rom 5:5-11<br>Jn 6:37-40 | Dt 6:2-6<br>Ps 18<br>Heb 7:23-28<br>Mk 12:28b-34 |