

# ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

JANUARY 19, 2025

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 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](http://www.sttheresaoakland.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@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:admin@sttheresaoakland.org)

## To arrange a Funeral

call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120, or email  
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## 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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## ST. THERESA CHURCH 100<sup>TH</sup> JUBILEE CELEBRATION

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

Check out the Jubilee website to see many of the events that are being planned. <https://sttheresaoakland.org/about-us/100th-jubilee>

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).

## Upcoming Events

### JANUARY 26: CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

We will celebrate Catholic Schools Week on at the 9 am Mass. Followed by an Open House at the School.

### JANUARY 26: 8TH GRADE OPEN HOUSE LUNCHEON (DETAILS ON PAGE 3)

### FEBRUARY 9: CYO MASS AND CELEBRATION

"The Catholic Youth Organization (CYO), through the vehicle of sports, provides youth with an opportunity to practice Christian attitudes and responsibilities and to become friends with other children throughout the diocese. CYO activities should be examples of the meaning of Christian sportsmanship." --CYO Code of Conduct

We will celebrate the CYO program our athletes and coaches at the 9 am Mass.

### MARCH 8: IRENE CROSETTI RAVIOLI DINNER

## 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 [deesigns@comcast.net](mailto:deesigns@comcast.net).

JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>

KAREN PERMILLION

PREACHER, RETREAT FACILITATOR & MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCATE, ST. COLUMBA CATHOLIC CHURCH

*The Hope of Our Ancestors*

**MASS INTENTIONS - JANUARY 18-26**

Sat. 5:00 pm	Parish Community of St. Theresa
Sun. 9:00 am	Parish Community of St. Theresa
Mon. 8:30 am	Chas Burrige
Tues. 8:30 am	For the children of the parish
Wed. 8:30 am	For all who have lost homes, jobs, or property to wildfires
Thurs. 8:30 am	For Peace and an end to warfare
Fri. 8:30 am	For the poor and those in need
Sat. 5:00 pm	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://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.*

**PARISH CALENDAR**

Find out what is happening at the parish:

<https://sttheresaokland.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 presider's communion station to receive a low gluten host.

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

<b>SUNDAY COLLECTION (JANUARY 6-12):</b>	
ONLINE: 42 DONORS	\$ 2,839.20
MASS DONATIONS: 42 DONORS	\$ 2,248.00
<b>DIOCESAN SEMINARIAN FUND:</b>	
ONLINE: 5 DONORS	\$ 250.00
MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 21 DONORS	\$ 851.00

**Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2024**



St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800  
Percentage Achieved **70.87%**

**\$25,583.00 as of January 15, 2025**

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

**SCHEDULE A MASS INTENTION ONLINE!**

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

The St. Theresa class of 2025 warmly invites you to our Fiesta Luncheon. This special event, hosted by our 8th Grade class, aims to raise funds for their Graduation Dinner Dance and a gift to our wonderful school. Come fill your belly with delicious food while enjoying the wonderful company of our community and delightful performances from our talented students - past and present!

Order your tickets before they sell out!

[\\_https://paybee.io/quickpay.html?handle=sttheresa&ppid=119#optionList](https://paybee.io/quickpay.html?handle=sttheresa&ppid=119#optionList)

Note: children 6 and under are free.

**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, 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, 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, Ernestine Pernecco, Vince Nims, Barrett Baker, Genevieve 'Beth' McElroy, Rick Fama, Eleanor Ceccarelli, Maureen Querio, Karin Milliman.



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

Ordinary time is anything but ordinary because we continue to hear God speak to us through Word and Sacraments. Pope Francis has declared this a Jubilee year. In opening the Jubilee a few days ago, the pope said:



“Everyone knows what it is to hope,” the Pope wrote in the introduction to the Bull. “In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future will bring.”

Expressing his desire that the Jubilee might be “an opportunity for us to be renewed in hope, Pope Francis recalled that pilgrimage is “a fundamental event of every Jubilee event,” traditionally associated with the human quest for the meaning of life. The artistic masterpieces and the beauty of creation we see on our journey inspire us to praise and thank God for His wondrous works.

In a special way, Pope Francis invited the faithful of the Eastern Churches, especially those already in union with the Successor of Peter, to take part in the Jubilee, and to feel welcome in the city of Rome, noting how many are already “enduring their own way of the Cross,” forced to leave their lands by violence and instability.

The Holy Father prayed, too, that during the Holy Year, “the light of Christian hope might illumine every man and woman, as a message of God’s love addressed to all,” and that “the Church might bear faithful witness to this message in every part of the world.”

Reading the “signs of the times,” Pope Francis noted the desire for peace in a world increasingly marked by violence and conflict, and the loss of a desire to have children, with many countries facing a “demographic winter.” He called for a social covenant to support and foster hope.

The Pope appealed especially for prisoners, recalling the tradition of offering amnesty or pardons during Jubilees, and said he hopes to personally open a Holy Door in a prison, “as a sign inviting prisoners to look to the future with hope and a renewed sense of confidence.” And he called for prisoners to be treated in accord with their rights and dignity, while once again pleading for the abolition of the death penalty.

The Bull continues with Pope Francis urging that hope be offered to the sick, to the young and to the elderly – especially grandparents, to migrants and to the poor.

The Holy Father recalled that the fruits of the earth are intended for all and encouraged everyone to come to the

assistance of the poor. In particular, he called on richer nations to forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them.

Pope Francis insisted that Christian hope, rooted in Christ’s death and resurrection for each human person, points to our final destiny, eternal happiness with God in heaven.

The Holy Father concludes the Bull with a final note of hope, praying that “the coming Jubilee will be a Holy Year marked by the hope that does not fade, our hope in God”; and that it might help us recover “the confident trust we require in the Church and in society, in our interpersonal relationships, in international relations, and in our task of promoting the dignity of all persons and respect for God’s gift of creation.”

It is with the sense of hope that we in a special way have in our parish this year as we mark the hundred anniversary of the establishment of St. Theresa parish. Many were delighted last week with a few pictures of baptisms that had occurred at St. Theresa’s over the years. The ability to add more pictures is closed now as we move to the next exposition of CYO pictures. If you have any pictures of teams through these 100 years, please load them up on the Jubilee page of the parish website. On CYO Sunday coming up in February, they will be displayed as the baptism pictures when you arrive for Mass and depart. The baptism pictures have been placed on the website and can be viewed when you want to look at them. Communion, Confirmation, Wedding pictures will all get their time as the year progresses.

With great gratitude and sadness, we say farewell and good luck to Fr. Abraham who has been with us for seven years. He was successful with great honor to achieve his doctorate and had hoped to stay in our parish at least until this coming fall, but U. S. Immigration rules are pushing him to leave next Sunday, and he will not be allowed to re-enter the U.S. for at least three years.

It has been a wonderful pleasure to have lived with him these seven years. His gentle manner of approaching ministry and helping whenever he could has made a wonderful, good difference for so many. He was the most astute in fixing technology issues and always had good advice on administration situations. His preaching always had a depth that guided all of us and his willingness to work in a garden and celebrate its harvest or walk in our neighborhood has inspired many. He returns to Ethiopia and awaits the next ministry, but I know he will forever keep us in his prayer and way of doing things. Thank you doesn’t say enough, but we assure him that when he can, he will always have a place here at St. Theresa. May God bless him as he begins the next part of his personal journey.

### WEEKLY READINGS: JANUARY 20–26

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday	Friday	Saturday:	Sunday:
Heb 5:1-10 Ps 110 Mk 2:18-22	Heb 6:10-20 Ps 111 Mk 2:23-28	Heb7:1-3, 15-17 Ps 110 Mk 3:1-6	Heb 7:25-8:6 Ps 40 Mk 3:7-12	Heb 8:6-13 Ps 85 Mk 3:13-19	Acts 22:3-16 Ps 117 Mk 16:15-18	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 Ps 19 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21