

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

MARCH 30, 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY
OF LENT

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 or (direct line) 341.220.0077

After Hours Medical Emergency: 510.547.2777, Option #4

 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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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)

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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

St. Theresa Parish Lenten Opportunities

DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS

LENTEN RETREAT

'Our Lenten Journey through the Eyes of St. Theresa'
 Sunday April 6 & 13 10:15 am in the church

Fr. Ngema, Lenten Bible Journey

Enriching our Lenten Observance with Insights from Esther
 April 1, 8, 15
 Zoom link can be found in the Friday Flocknote

LENTEN COMPANION

“WALKING WITH MARY TO JERUSALEM”

Weekly Flocknote Reflection
 Sign-up for weekly reflection at:

<https://sttheresaokland.org/pray/lent-2025/lenten-companion-walking-mary-jerusalem>

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

March 21, 28, April 4, 11
 Provided by the school
 9:30 am & 2:30 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS BOOKLETS

These booklets are available at the back of the church for your use in praying the stations of the cross.

RICE BOWLS

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

April 6, 9:00 am Mass

SEDER DINNER

April 9, 6:00 pm

R.S.V.P. to attend the dinner or volunteer at

<https://sttheresaokland.org/pray/lent-2025/ seder-dinner>

Check out the Lent page on the parish website for details.

<https://sttheresaokland.org/lent-2025>

100th Jubilee Video

St. Theresa Catholic Church

REQUEST FOR STORIES:

We need your help in identifying the most amazing stories to include in St Theresa's Centennial Celebration video.

We are looking for people in the Saint Theresa community who have heartfelt stories to share about their personal journeys, challenges, and faith, family, friendships, school and community experiences.

How have you benefited from being part of our community? How has the St. Theresa's experience shaped your life, family and informed your hopes for a better future? We really need your participation to make this celebration special and inspiring.

Think about the story you want to share and why you want to share it.

Include a photo with your completed questionnaire, contact information and what family mementos (photo's, movies, keepsakes) you're willing to share to illustrate your story.

Questionnaire is available on the website

Deadline for submissions April 1.



ST. THERESA CHURCH 100TH JUBILEE CELEBRATION

The parish is celebrating its 100th Jubilee. There are monthly events leading up to the Anniversary.

Check out the Jubilee website to see many of the events that are being planned. <https://sttheresaokland.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@sttheresaokland.org.

Upcoming Events

MAY 16: JUBILEE GOLF OUTING, SPONSORED BY THE ST. THERESA MEN'S CLUB

St Theresa Men's Club Parish 100th Jubilee Golf Outing Friday May 16, 2025

Foursome Scramble Format ~ Tee off 11:30 -12:30 with Box Lunch Happy Hour with Hors d'Oeuvres to follow

Mark your calendars for the 2025 St Theresa's Men's Club Parish 100th Jubilee Golf Outing, Friday May 16 at the Richmond Golf Club. All adult parish & school golfers are invited for a great day of golf, competition, food & drink, and community fun!

RICHMOND GOLF CLUB
 1924
 Richmond Golf Club ~ 1 Markovich Lane ~ Richmond, CA 94806

Golf Tournament cost is \$175 per player and \$700 per foursome which includes:
 Warm up on driving range & practice green
 Green and cart fees
 Box lunch, beer, soda, and water included during golf
 Happy Hour with 2 drinks and heavy hors d'oeuvres to follow

To reserve yours or your foursome spot email your name(s) and email(s) to:
sttheresa.mensclub.golf@gmail.com
 *** There are only 28 spots for golf. Reservations will be ordered by date and time email is received.

Payment options (due by April 21):
 1) mail check payable to St. Theresa's Men's Club to
 Luigi Bonacini at 40 Hermosa Avenue Oakland, CA 94618
 2) PayPal to mensclubsttheresa@gmail.com

MAY 17: FIRST COMMUNION, 5:00 PM MASS

MAY 31: CONFIRMATION, 5:00 PM MASS, WITH ARCHBISHOP PETER CHONG

Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2025



St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800

There will be a collection for the Appeal on the weekend of April 12 & 13.

MINISTRIES of HOPE
 2025 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

Checks must be made out to the Roman Catholic Bishop of Oakland.

MASS INTENTIONS - MARCH 29—APRIL 6

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

Mon. 8:30 am † Beth Murphy
 Tues. 8:30 am † Michael McShane
 Wed. 8:30 am † Peter Cuttitta
 Thurs. 8:30 am Parish Benefactors
 Fri. 8:30 am For all who struggle to have basic human needs, especially food and shelter

Sat. 5:00 pm † Donnelly Family and Friends
 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://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>

SUNDAY OFFERING

SUNDAY COLLECTION (MARCH 17—23):
 ONLINE: 45 DONORS \$ 2,052.00
 MASS DONATIONS: 47 DONORS \$ 3,025.00

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES:
 ONLINE: 6 DONORS \$ 566.00
 MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 27 DONORS \$ 1,018.00



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:

Thank you for giving generously to St. Theresa Parish

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>

PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT

The second collection for the Parish Maintenance & Improvement Fund will be on April 5 & 6.

You may also use Online Giving for this collection.



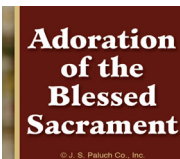
April Collection Envelopes

If you receive monthly collection envelopes by mail, please know that you will not receive envelopes for April.

We are changing envelope service providers and the new envelopes will not be available for our early April collections—interim envelopes will be available in the church for your use.

Once the change in providers is completed, you will be given a box of envelopes for the calendar year rather than receive monthly mailings. This change will save us more than \$4000 a year.

Pick up an envelope for the Sunday collection and Parish Maintenance collection in the vestibule.



April 4th
9:00 am to 4:30 pm
 Benediction at 4:30 pm

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 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 Bayloq, Susan Springer, Wendy Jones, Orlanda Gonzalez, Kevin Chapman, Diane Cerille, Tom Wilberding, Danny Ramos, Mark Leonard, Christopher Rodriguez, Maryanne Walsh, Rhonda Santeen, John Whatley, Nancy Coyne, Kevin Stallone, Della Spinelli, 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, Bonnie & John Bouey, Susan Rubio, Fr. Paul Schmidt, Marley Malone, Isabella Guillot Williams, 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, John Donovan, Mary Martinez, James Spalding, Tiffany Converse, Adrian McEvelly, Joan Marchi, Diana Nelson Curtis, Charlie Schnellbacher, Theresa Joyce, Maureen Carver, Vince Nims, Barret Baker, Rick Fama, Eleanor Ceccarelli, Maureen Querio, Karin Milliman, Lois Johnson, Antoinette Tamburrino, Anne Marie Roseme.



APRIL 2ND
BLASE BOVA
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OF ALAMEDA COUNTY

*Feed, Clothe, House and Heal:
 Help us House and Heal our Neighbors*

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.

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Many, many thanks to all who participated in the 'parish workday' this weekend. I think St. Theresa knowing that we are celebrating our 100th anniversary, gave us a fairly nice day in the middle of some regular rainy days. She helps us spiff up this church site that bears her name.



The church building in many theological writings is called: 'the house of the Church.' We, the members are the Church and this is our house. Like your own house/home, you keep it clean and in repair. New paint inside and out is applied every few years and we try to keep it warm in winter and cool in summer heat.

In the understanding, there are moments when we all contract out to keep our home in shape: putting on a new roof or installing solar, plumbing issues and of course the heating system.

As a digression to the above, Luigi Bonacini has watched every day our old system, adjusting here and there and has tried to identify why it is using so much water and why some areas are not getting the circulation. It has bought us time to really evaluate what to replace it with going forward. Luigi epitomizes what I am speaking about above, that we take pride and personal care of 'our house' where we come together to pray, adore, beseech, give thanks, petition and journey with each other and our God in this life.

This is why we all should say a prayer for those who worked in and on the church building, on the vines that grow on the school yard fences, trimming the trees hanging over the children's lunch areas, changing out burnt-out lights on the event center building, cleaning windows in the parish meeting rooms and getting the school garden raised beds ready for another year of crops and learning for our students. And did I mention cleaning out the sump pumps by the church hall and STEP site?

Next week we will begin a parish Lenten retreat. Since it is our anniversary, the theme chosen is to see our

spiritual journey guided by some insights of our patron, St. Theresa. I know many have read her works and that will be the basis of the retreat. I invite you all to consider spending an extra hour here beginning next week for the retreat. Here is a fast description of her charisms to get us ready for this coming opportunity.:

St. Thérèse of Lisieux exemplified virtues like humility, simplicity, childlike confidence in God, love, and perseverance, as well as a deep spiritual connection to God through her "Little Way" of living ordinary life with extraordinary love.

Here's a more detailed look at some of her key virtues:

Humility: St. Thérèse embraced humility, not as a weakness, but as a strength, recognizing her own imperfections and placing her trust in God's grace. **Simplicity:** She lived a simple life, focusing on the essential aspects of faith and love, rather than seeking grand achievements. **Childlike Confidence in God:** St. Thérèse had a profound trust in God's love and mercy, viewing herself as a child who could rely on her Father's care. **Love:** Her actions and writings were marked by a deep love for God and for others, even those who were difficult to love. **Perseverance:** Even in the face of challenges and suffering, St. Thérèse persevered in her faith and her pursuit of holiness, finding joy in her "Little Way". **Meekness:** She practiced meekness by loving all the other nuns, even those who annoyed her, and showing her love through little actions for God and her sisters. **The Little Way:** St. Thérèse's spirituality is known as the "Little Way," a path of spiritual simplicity and love, where ordinary actions are done with extraordinary love, leading to holiness. **Purity:** St. Thérèse had a pure heart and mind, which allowed her to see God's love and grace in all things. **Obedience:** She was obedient to God and to the rules of her religious order, seeing obedience as a way to grow in holiness. **Zeal:** She had a great zeal for souls and a desire to bring others closer to God.

As our patron, let us ask her to intercede for us during this Lent and help us all grow closer to God.

WEEKLY READINGS: MARCH 31—APRIL 6

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday	Friday	Saturday:	Sunday: Year A
Is 65:17-21 Ps 30 Jn 4:43-54	Ez 47:1-9, 12 Ps 46 Jn 5:1-16	Is 49:8-15 Ps 145 Jn 5:17-30	Ex 32:7-14 Ps 106 Jn 5:31-47	Wis 2:1a, 12-22 Ps 34 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30	Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7 Jn 7:40-53	Ez 37:12-14 Ps 130 Rom 8:8-11 Jn 11:1-45