

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

APRIL 6, 2025

FIFTH 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)

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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

Palm Sunday

SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 5:00 PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 9:00 AM

THE LITURGIES WILL BEGIN IN THE VESTIBULE WITH THE READING OF THE GOSPEL OF JESUS' ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM, AND THE SOLEMN BLESSING OF PALMS AND PROCESSION INTO CHURCH.

BRING YOUR RICE BOWL DONATION TO MASS.

DURING THE COLLECTION YOU WILL BE INVITED TO COME FORWARD AND PLACE YOUR RICE BOWL IN A BASKET IN FRONT OF THE ALTAR.

St. Theresa Parish Lenten Opportunities

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 8, 15
Zoom link can be found in the Friday Flocknote

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

April 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.

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>

Last day to make a reservation, Sunday, April 6.

Check out the Lent page on the parish website for details.
<https://sttheresaokland.org/lent-2025>

Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2025



St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800

MINISTRIES of HOPE

2025 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

THERE WILL BE A COLLECTION FOR THE APPEAL ON THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 12 & 13.

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



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 ~ 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
Lulgi 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

MASS INTENTIONS - APRIL 5-13

Sat. 5:00 pm † Donnelly Family and Friends
 Sun. 9:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

Mon. 8:30 am For all who give of their time and talent

Tues. 8:30 am † Ida & Nick Monti

Wed. 8:30 am For all who are burdened by poverty

Thurs. 8:30 am † McArtor Family

Fri. 8:30 am † Vernon Cassady

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa

Sun. 9:00 am † Tonino Fazio

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 24-30):
 ONLINE: 42 DONORS \$ 1,708.20
 MASS DONATIONS: 36 DONORS \$ 3,304.00

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:
 ONLINE: 8 DONORS \$ 536.00
 MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 23 DONORS \$ 1,146.00



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>

Holy Week Schedule

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 7:00 PM

MASS OF OUR LORD'S SUPER
 ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IN THE VESTIBULE
 FOLLOWING THE LITURGY, ENDING AT 10 PM

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18

12:00 PM ~ STATIONS OF THE CROSS

1:15 PM

LITURGY OF THE WORD
 VENERATION OF THE CROSS
 COMMUNION

THERE WILL BE A COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19

8:00 PM EASTER VIGIL

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20

MASSES: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

ALL SERVICES WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED, EXCEPT THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY AND THE 11AM EASTER SUNDAY MASS.

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASSES ON HOLY THURSDAY OR GOOD FRIDAY.

THERE IS NO RECONCILIATION OR 5:00 PM MASS ON HOLY SATURDAY

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 341.202.0077

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.

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, Barrett Baker, Rick Fama, Eleanor Ceccarelli, Maureen Querio, Karin Milliman, Lois Johnson, Antoinette Tamburrino, Anne Marie Roseme.

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

As I mentioned last week, the ‘workday’ was blessed with good weather and over fifty volunteers, many of whom stayed for the entire day. As I went to find the morning paper that Saturday at 7am, I encountered four school/parishioner dads who were already checking and restocking the ‘disaster preparedness truck container that is near the church and school building.



They all had a lot to do on a Saturday and so came early to be part of the day. Piles of garden soil and manure had been delivered on Friday and many moved it, and the garden beds are now prepared for the students to start cultivating the school garden. The purple flowered vine on the fence in front of the grass area was trimmed by three crews, each time shorter so those watching our students after hours can better see as they play on the grass and pavement.

The slow flow of water in the sacristy now has a new faucet with rattling pipes but a strong flow to the delight of all who use it. Sandbags are restored, weeds were pulled, trees and bushes trimmed, lights replaced and a list of 50 was cut down by 37 jobs completed.

Thanks again to all who gave their time and talent to this effort. Our ‘house of the Church’ and property around it sends a message to all who are here of our community!

Lent is a time for good deeds and a week ago, on the third Saturday of Lent, a reading from St. Gregory Nazianzen gives good guidance:

“Mercy is high in the list of the Beatitudes, ‘Blessed are the merciful.’ Say scripture, for they shall obtain mercy.’ “Blessed is he/she who considers the needy and the poor.”

Good deeds must be cheerful and not doleful. ‘If you get rid of oppression and unfair preference,’ as it is written, that is, meanness and scrutinizing, or ambiguity and grumbling, what will happen? What a great and wonderful things this is! What a great reward awaits the man or woman who does this! Then your light shall

break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up speedily! Now who is it that does not long for light and healing?

If you are willing to listen to me, servants of Christ, his brothers and sisters, and co-heirs, I say we should visit Christ while there is opportunity, take care of him and feed him. We should clothe Christ and welcome him. We should honor him not only at our table; like some; not only with ointments, like Mary, not only with a sepulcher, like Joseph of Arimathea; nor things which have to do with his burial, like Nicodemus; nor finally with gold, incense, and myrrh, like the Magi, who came before all those whom we have mentioned. But as the Lord of all desires mercy and not sacrifice, and as compassion is better than tens of thousands of fat rams, let us offer him this mercy through the needy and those who are a present cast down of the ground. Let us do this so that, when we depart hence, they may welcome us into eternal habitations, in the same Christ our Lord, to whom be glory forever. Amen.”

Even if you cannot attend the parish retreat: “Lent with the eyes and guidance of our patron St. Theresa,” there are so many ‘little ways’ that we can achieve the above. Make a donation to St. Vincent dePaul, put some groceries in the collection area in the vestibule to stock the food bank, pick up and maybe distribute the small cards we might hand to immigrants who will know quickly their rights if someone knocks on their door and tries to take them away, encourage a child or your child to be patient and stop bullying, shut down the gossip that is tearing down someone or a situation or just walk away mentioning you choice to not participate, say a kind word to someone showing distress, forgive someone who has hurt you, visit someone who is sick or just feeling lonely.

I could write another page of the possibilities all around us each day but would encourage each of you to do those good deeds that you see today tomorrow and the rest of the week so we may all be with St. Theresa and all God’s saints and angels in eternity.

WEEKLY READINGS: APRIL 7–13

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday	Friday	Saturday:	Sunday:
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Ps 23 Jn 8:12-20	Nm 21:4-9 Ps 102 Jn 8:21-30	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Ps Dn 3 Jn 8:31-42	Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105 Jn 8:51-59	Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18 Jn 10:31-42	Ez 37:21-28 Ps Jer 31 Jn 11:45-56	Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Ps 22 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14-23:56