

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

MAY 25, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

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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ST. THERESA SCHOOL

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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)

Keri Nims ~ keri@sttheresaoakland.org

High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

Keri Nims ~ keri@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

If you volunteer in any of these ministries join us on June 9th.

St. Vincent de Paul
CYO
Men's Faith Sharing
Homebound/Hospital Ministry
Family Faith Formation
Pastoral Council
High School Youth Ministry
Parent Club
Consolation Ministry
Choir

Men's Club
Legion of Mary
Social Justice Committee
Kinderchurch
WINGS
Finance Committee
School Board
Memory Bears
Liturgical Ministry

PARISH MINISTRY CELEBRATION

ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS

9:00 am Mass

We will acknowledge and bless all parish volunteers.

FOLLOWING THE 9:00 AM MASS

COMPLIMENTARY CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Family members are welcome to join us.

PLEASE RSVP by Wednesday, June 4th to momgab@aol.com

number attending: _____

All offers of assistance will be gladly accepted



MINISTRIES of
HOPE
2025 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2025

St. Theresa Parish Goal \$35,800

Percentage Achieved **21.81%**

\$7,807.00 as of May 15, 2025

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

**DONATION ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH
VESTIBULE**

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



Confirmation

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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://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.

Upcoming Events

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

We will celebrate the Confirmations that have been celebrated at St. Theresa over the past 100 years.

If you received Confirmation at St. Theresa Church we are asking that you submit a picture that we will display at the Masses the weekend of May 30 & 31. Use the link on the Jubilee website page (see above) to submit a picture.

JUNE 8: PARISH MINISTRIES CELEBRATION

We will acknowledge and bless all parish volunteers at the 9:00 am Mass.

Following Mass, all parish volunteers and their families are cordially invited to join us for a Continental Brunch in the Event Center. See flyer for details

JUNE 14: MASS AND CELEBRATION WITH ARCHBISHOP PETER AND THE FIJI COMMUNITY

All are invited to the 5:00 pm Mass with Archbishop Peter and Fijian choir member from the Bay Area.

Following Mass there will be a celebration in the Event Center. All are welcome.

AUGUST 23: BACK TO SCHOOL MASS, CONCERT ON THE LAWN AND TACO TRUCK

All students, teacher, and educators are invited to bring their backpacks with them to our Back to School Mass for a special blessing.

Following Mass bring some chairs stop by the Taco Truck for some great food and stay for our Concert on the Lawn.

MASS INTENTIONS - MAY 24—JUNE 1

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

Mon. 8:30 am ✠ McArtor Family
 Tues. 8:30 am ✠ Joan Carella
 Wed. 8:30 am ✠ Elizabeth and Dominick Catanzarite
 Thurs. 8:30 am Peter Ernest Olivarez
 Fri. 8:30 am ✠ Tony Lamberti

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

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 (MAY 12—18):**

ONLINE: 49 DONORS \$ 2,031.00

MASS DONATIONS: 29 DONORS \$ 2,650.00

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE EAST BAY:

ONLINE: 3 DONORS \$ 200.00

MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 21 DONORS \$ 1,425.00



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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 May 31 & June 1.

You may also use Online Giving for this collection.

DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Maureen Querio, wife of Don Querio; Patricia Ordenez.

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

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, Danny Ramos, Mark Leonard, Christopher Rodriguez, Maryanne Walsh, Rhonda Santeen, John Whatley, Nancy Coyne, Kevin Stallone, Della Spinelli, Susan Buller, Ann Springer, 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, Hal Lauth, Phil Stover, Joey Smith, Raymond Buckley, Jr., Norma Ninalga, Betty Jo Olson, Jennifer Walwark, Greg Govan, Anita Lim, Marilyn McCabe, 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, Lois Johnson, Antoinette Tamburrino, Anne Marie Roseme, Linda Arellano.

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

Congratulations to our twenty-two students who celebrated their First Communion last weekend! We are very proud of them and look forward to celebrating each and every Sunday, the gift the Lord has given to us to nourish us along the way.



On Saturday, May 31 with Archbishop Peter Chong, we will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with a number of our high school students. The pictures you sent in celebrating First Communion were wonderful and enjoyed by many (and continue to be available for viewing on our parish website!) We again ask if you were Confirmed at St. Theresa's over the past hundred years, that you again send in those pictures.

I have been asked several times about a couple of pictures that did not look like pictures from a Baptism or First Communion. These pictures show some of our parishioners who did have their Baptism here or celebrate their First Communion here, but sadly, the actual pictures of those events were lost with many family pictures in the Oakland fire. These families still wanted us to celebrate and honor those who over the hundred years celebrated these events in our parish.

This weekend we have the Memorial Day Holiday. Memorial Day is a day to honor and remember all members of the U.S. military who have died in the service of our nation. Let us pray in thanksgiving for their ultimate sacrifice for our freedom and pray for their families who were never the same without them!

With joy we have witnessed the passing of Pope Francis who hours before his passing from this world came out to bless and greet us! His focus was always on us and our journey to walk together equal in God's sight, building God's Kingdom in our hatred and war-torn world in spite of so many obstacles, road blocks and lies. May Pope Francis rest in peace with the assurance of our prayers and love for his service.

Now we welcome Pope Leo who has said he will try in his own way and style to continue the work Pope Francis did on our behalf for the past twelve years. What a surprise it was when an American was elected pope. I and many honestly did not think this would ever happen in our lifetimes!

Here are a few comments about him from Fr. James Martin, SJ, who is known for many amazing books, has been a mentor to some of the Jesuit seminarian/deacons our parish has welcomed and who participated in our parish when our social justice committee sponsored a discussion on LGBT+ issues with parishioners:

James Martin, S.J., on Pope Leo XIV

Michael O'Loughlin: You and Cardinal Robert Prevost, who is now Pope Leo XIV, shared a table at the Synod on Synodality. What was it like working with him? What is he like?

James Martin, S.J.: He's a great guy. He's very soft spoken, very modest, humble; reserved is a good word. He's a guy who chooses his words carefully, but when he spoke, people listened. So, I would say, as a man of few words, I really liked him. He's very friendly, very personable, and people really respect him in the Vatican.

MO: We are speaking just a day after Pope Leo XIV was elected. What are your initial thoughts when it comes to how he might interact with LGBT people in the church?

JM: Well, I know a lot of people are looking at some comments he made in 2012, but that was a long time ago. And I also think in general; he's a very open person. He's committed to synodality. He mentioned that in his very short speech, which is all about listening and participation and inclusion, and he's always been very open to all sorts of perspectives. It's also different what he says as a cardinal versus what he does as a pope.

MO: What are some things people need to know about the newly elected pope?

JM: I think the first thing is that he was prior general of the Augustinians, which is a really important post, and it means the Augustinians trust him. He was the head of the Dicastery for Bishops. It's a position of great responsibility in the Vatican; it's the person who helps to choose the bishops for different dioceses. He has wide experience in the global south. He was in Peru for a long time; he speaks multiple languages. So, I think he's really the perfect candidate.

Remember that he's committed to synodality, that he's an open person, he's very smart, he has worldwide experience. He's an American, so he has a certain understanding of the American culture.

But also, what someone says or does as a cardinal does not always predict what they say or do as a pope. We need to remember that the Holy Spirit gives him the grace of office.

MO: What are your thoughts on the first pope elected from the United States?

JM: It's pretty amazing. I didn't expect it. And of course, there was a heresy a long time ago called Americanism, which was condemned by the Vatican, which was about religious freedom and democracy. And so, this is a sign that the American church has really kind of reached maturity. Also, the idea that the pope would speak in an American accent to Americans and American Catholics is really remarkable. I have a feeling that's going to really rejuvenate the church in the United States."

We pray for the pope at every Mass we celebrate. I encourage all to continue to do that but to also pray during your individual prayer that Pope Leo will continue the good work God continued through Pope Francis and bring the Church every closer to one another and renew the world and our Church!

WEEKLY READINGS: MAY 26—JUNE 1

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday	Friday	Saturday:	Sunday:
Acts 16:11-15 Ps 149 Jn 15:26-16:4a	Acts 16:22-34 Ps 138 Jn 16:5-11	Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 Ps 148 Jn 16:12-15	Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47 Eph 1:17-23 Lk 24:46-53	Acts 18:9-15 Ps 47 Jn 16:20-23	Zep 3:14-18a Ps Is 12 Lk 1:39-56	Acts 1:1-11 Ps 47 Eph 1:17-23 Lk 24:46-53