

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

AUGUST 24, 2025

TWENTY-FIRST 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 SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

The office is closed on Monday, Wednesday 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_7qmNCIw

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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

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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

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

Building strong Catholic Families

KinderChurch
 3yrs-Kinder
 During 9am Mass

Family Faith Formation
 1st-8th grade
 Sundays after Mass
 Reconciliation & Eucharist

Confirmation
 High School
 Sundays after Mass
 2 year Preparation

O.C.I.T.
Order of Christian Initiation for Teens
 High School
 Sundays after Mass
 2 year preparation

Registration At
www.sttheresaoakland.org



Questions...
Keri@sttheresaoakland.org

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>

Upcoming Events

**AUGUST 28, 29, 30, SEPTEMBER 5 & 6:
PHOTO DIRECTORY SHOOT**

All parish families and individuals are asked to participate in this initiative, and we'd love to see you included in this directory to commemorate this vibrant moment in our history.

Photography sessions will take place on site at the Parish on August 28, 29, 30, September 5 & 6. To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **ca150** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 6 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive time slots.

SEPTEMBER 7: IRISH CONCERT

The Parish Choir and musicians will sing many Irish melodies on Sunday, September 7th at 11 AM.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR PHOTO SESSIONS

We need volunteers to serve as hosts for the Parish Directory photo sessions on August 28, 29, and 30 and September 5 and 6. These will take place in the parish meeting rooms. Hosts will be responsible for welcoming families to the waiting area and helping them move forward through the process. If you are a school family, please sign up directly via Konstella. If you are not a school family, please email, call, or text Shannon Ciston at s.ciston@gmail.com or 510-926-2921, or catch her after Mass, and she will sign you up for the 1.5-hour shift of your choosing.



O.C.I.A. ~ Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

formerly R.C.I.A

Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church?

ARE YOU UNBAPTIZED, SEEKING A FAITH COMMUNITY?

OR

ARE YOU BAPTIZED IN ANOTHER FAITH?

OR

ARE YOU A BAPTIZED CATHOLIC SEEKING TO COMPLETE THE SACRAMENTS
OF FIRST EUCHARIST AND/OR CONFIRMATION?

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OCIA might be just what you are looking for.  
A new inquiry session will begin in September.

Contact Cathy Brady at [cathy\\_b@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org) for more information, or to register for our sessions beginning in September.

**MASS INTENTIONS - AUGUST 23-31**

|                |                                                         |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat. 5:00 pm   | St. Theresa Parish Community                            |
| Sun. 9:00 am   | ✠ Cody McCuan                                           |
| Mon. 8:30 am   | For all who suffer from mental health issues            |
| Tues. 8:30 am  | ✠ George Henning                                        |
| Wed. 8:30 am   | Tom Wallace                                             |
| Thurs. 8:30 am | For all who give of their time and talent in the parish |
| Fri. 8:30 am   | For the pope, and all Church leaders                    |
| Sat. 5:00 pm   | St. Theresa Parish Community                            |
| Sun. 9:00 am   | Bernita Cassady                                         |

**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.*

**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****SUNDAY COLLECTION (AUGUST 11-17):**

ONLINE: 46 DONORS **\$ 1,788.00**

MASS DONATIONS: 33 DONORS **\$ 2,475.00**

**FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION:**

ONLINE: 5 DONORS **\$ 170.00**

MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 18 DONORS **\$ 653.00**



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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](https://sttheresaokland.org/donate)

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION, AUGUST 30 & 31**

The St. Vincent de Paul 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Collection is scheduled for August 30 & 31. Your continued support continues to help our neighbors from being evicted from their homes, keep their utilities from being shut off, provide help with their rental down payments for those who are fortunate find new housing, and assistance with their other needs and necessities. Please be generous. The homeless will be forever grateful. You may use Online Giving to donate.

**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 341.202.0077

**PARISH CALENDAR**

Find out what is happening at the parish:

<https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>

**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, 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 McEvilly, 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, Greg Anderson, Judy Udove, Peter Boero.

**KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US**

## ♦Receive the weekly Friday Flocknote

*You will receive everything contained in the bulletin plus additional information.*

## ♦Unsubscribe anytime

**Sign-up at:** <https://sttheresaokland.org/about-us/contact-us>

**OR**

send an email to

[cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org) with a request to be added to the Friday Flocknote Group with your full name and email address.



MINISTRIES of  
**HOPE**  
2025 BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL

**Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2025 Parish Goal \$35,800**

Percentage Achieved **34.78%**

**\$12,452 as of July 31, 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.



## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Welcome back to the end of summer and beginning of a new school year! I hope and pray you all had some kind of restful vacation or time to recharge and are ready to engage in the schoolwork and other work that we do each fall.



I was able to make twelve wonderful snorkel adventures in the very warm and clear waters of Bonaire again. I slept, deleted 5K emails from my trove, enjoyed the company of friends and read four books that weren't connected to work.

Our annual 'Back to School' Mass brings students, teachers, parents and friends together and I hope all will enjoy the gathering with a Taco truck this year as we do what is so important for any parish: fellowship, making connections and stepping up to help to continue the good things we have celebrated here at St. Theresa Parish for the past hundred years.

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus was canonized on May 16, 1925. Our parish was established on October 15, 1925 which makes us one of the first parishes named in her honor and seeking her prayers for us. Her 'little way', writings, example, and devotion has guided the lives of millions of people during the last hundred years even though she never left the small Carmelite convent she entered at a very young age and where she died at the very young age of 24.

To celebrate, honor her and ask again for her patronage, prayers and love we have remembered the Baptisms, Communion and Confirmations of thousands who have celebrated these sacraments at our parish. We will soon remember weddings and our parishioners who have passed as a small tribute.

Saturday, the Taco truck was another way to get us to be together and enjoy our common purpose to live the Christian life and pursue a path for all to get to Heaven. I encourage you to get on your schedules our feast day celebration when we celebrate Mass together outside and enjoy games and food for all. The annual Auction is on the night of October 25<sup>th</sup> and school and parishioners are all invited to a great night of fun, food and bargains to be had. (Reservation info is in the Flock Note, bulletin and on a banner on the fence.) On November 16, our bishop will celebrate a solemn Mass to recognize our 100<sup>th</sup> Jubilee. In

January a more formal dinner/dance will cap off the year of celebrations.

We do these things and more, not to raise funds but to help us remember that we are the beloved of God. God makes us part of one family when we join ourselves to Christ. As part of that family we help each other and journey with each other in the joys and sorrows of this life and hopefully lead each other to where our patron, St. Theresa is forever with God, all the angels and saints and those even from our parish and families who we pray are now in heaven.

Every family has family pictures that are treasured and displayed. As soon as school starts, each student will get the new year's picture taken. Over the hundred years, the parish has produced pictorial directory's which helps us know each other better as we seek to be the family Christ is calling us to be. Happily we are putting together the latest edition, and everyone is asked to participate and get their individual or family picture taken. The original days for doing this are so full that several additional days have now been added so if you haven't already made a reservation, please do so now via the school newsletter, parish Flocknote, parish website or call the parish office for help.

When I arrived fourteen years ago, you all knew my name and even though I asked that you keep telling me your name for my first six months, few of you complied with my request. I can't tell you how many times through the fourteen years when someone has called and I don't recognize the name I immediately go to this picture book and then recognize the face with the name. I also do this when a family is asking for the parish tuition rate because other things are disputing that in our system.

Recently, a dear parishioner asked me what happened to the lady who sits near the back on the left side. I asked who they were talking about, and they said, well you should know without giving me a name. I said, well you have been in the parish for over fifty years so you should know their name even better! The parish directory is a great tool for all of us to know each other better which is what the Lord intended when he says we are family. Please make this the fullest directory yet and if you are expecting a perk from at the school maintaining parishioner status, this is a small effort to assure that will go through.

Enjoy the week and will see you in September!

### WEEKLY READINGS: AUGUST 25-31

| Monday:                                      | Tuesday:                              | Wednesday:                          | Thursday                              | Friday                              | Saturday:                             | Sunday:                                                                  |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10<br>Ps 149<br>Mt 23:13-22 | 1 Thes 2:1-8<br>Ps 139<br>Mt 23:23-26 | 1 Thes 2:9-13<br>Ps 139<br>23:27-32 | 1 Thes 3:7-13<br>Ps 90<br>Mt 24:42-51 | 1 Thes 4:1-8<br>Ps 97<br>Mk 6:17-29 | 1 Thes 4:9-11<br>Ps 98<br>Mt 25:14-30 | Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29<br>Ps 68<br>Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a<br>Lk 14:1, 7-14 |