

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

AUGUST 31, 2025

TWENTY-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 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

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

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

Registration At
www.sttheresaokland.org

Questions...
Keri@sttheresaokland.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://sttheresaokland.org/about-us/100th-jubilee>

Upcoming Events

**AUGUST 28, 29, 30, SEPTEMBER 5, 6 & 8:
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 & 8. 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.

OCTOBER 5: ST. THERESA FEAST DAY FESTIVAL



Mass in the church at 11:00 am
Festival begins at noon

OCTOBER 25: ST. THERESA SCHOOL GALA AND AUCTION



To register visit www.sttheresabenefit.com



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@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org) for more information, or to register for our sessions.

### 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](mailto: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.

**MASS INTENTIONS - AUGUST 23-31**

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

Mon. 8:30 am Mark Oliveriez  
 Tues. 8:30 am † The Amoriello Family  
 Wed. 8:30 am † Caterina Banchemo  
 Thurs. 8:30 am † Corinne Henning  
 Fri. 8:30 am For our parish benefactors

Sat. 5:00 pm † Paul Duncan  
 Sun. 9:00 am St. Theresa Parish Community

**PARISH CALENDAR**

Find out what is happening at the parish:

<https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>

**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 18-24):**

ONLINE: 47 DONORS **\$ 2,128.00**

MASS DONATIONS: 32 DONORS **\$ 3,389.00**



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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 September 6 & 7.

You may also use Online Giving for this collection.

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION**

Adoration  
of the  
Blessed  
Sacrament



**September 5<sup>th</sup>**

**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](mailto: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, 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, Mary McCole, baby Gianna Sorbello.

**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.



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

Percentage Achieved **34.96%**

**\$12,517 as of August 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.



## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

I delayed in writing this last Wednesday so I could watch the press conference from Minnesota after the shooting in a Catholic parish where two children were killed, and many others were injured while attending an opening of the school year Mass. I had intended to write something about labor and work as we mark another Labor Day weekend.



Shock, sadness, prayers, thoughts about how I would try to console a grieving community, a belief and desire that I can do more to prevent this from happening here and anywhere, especially in schools and places of worship have quickly changed that focus.

From the governor, mayor, chief of police, archbishop, and school principal, we heard words of consolation, support, faith, and the commitment as the school principal said several times: "never again!" He suggested we all make this part of our regular words when we discuss this and not just speak and pray about these matters but move and walk toward fixing what is broken. I wholeheartedly agree with him and encourage all of you to do the same.

For a number of years, the parish staff and council and school board have spoken about these security matters at St. Theresa's. Last year, both parish and school staffs worked diligently when both state and federal grants were advertised that would finance security upgrades around our school and parish property. Both the parish and school were allowed to apply.

The parish was awarded \$150K, but with recent political changes we were informed those monies were under review and may not be given to us or any of the other seven hundred entities in CA that were awarded grants.

Over the summer, a new electronic key system was installed in the school building and parish office building at quite an expensive investment not funded by any outside entity. Too many keys that open these buildings and some increase in unauthorized people

entering them during regular and sometimes during off hours made this an easy decision to implement.

The grants detailed many other security pieces such as security cameras, a different gate on the Mandalay entrance and many other ways that neither the school nor the parish can afford at this time, but we will continue to do what we can and hope we are never in a position where we suddenly have to do something.

It is very difficult to close our campus to outsiders with the gate behind the church and on Mandalay and Clarewood roads. Every day we witness neighbors walking their dogs and as many of you know begin those first times behind the wheel of a car on the path to getting a license.

So, what can we do now? Please remember what you hear at airports, train stations, just along a city street: "If you see something, do something." A few years ago, a group of school parents quietly on their own decided to sit in the back or near the side doors, so they could alert action quickly, if something looked amiss.

Certainly, pray for the whole parish community in Minnesota, for their healing and the lifelong pain they will carry. Pray, for all the victims of these situations and as the principal of Annunciation school stated so clearly: "Put into your regular words: never again and then move, use your feet to get something changed."

Like I wrote about a few weeks ago about the whole immigration situation, it and this tragedy can be fixed, but we each have to work for that to happen and prayer is not enough. God hears all our prayers. In the recent daily scriptures, we are assured that God even knows what we need before we even ask, but God has blessed us with free will, amazing brains, and the wisdom to figure it out for the good or in these cases for the bad.

I will be writing again to politicians voicing my thoughts. I will speak up at gatherings and interject when falsehoods are being espoused as fact. I will continue to pray for all of the above and pray that no other parent will have to bear what many are experiencing in a parish not so far away from us.

### WEEKLY READINGS: SEPTEMBER 1-7

| Monday:                               | Tuesday:                                  | Wednesday:                       | Thursday                         | Friday                              | Saturday:                        | Sunday:                                                  |
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| 1 Thes 4:13-18<br>Ps 96<br>Lk 4:16-30 | 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11<br>Ps 27<br>Lk 4:31-37 | Col 1:1-8<br>Ps 52<br>Lk 4:38-44 | Col 1:9-14<br>Ps 98<br>Lk 5:1-11 | Col 1:15-20<br>Ps 100<br>Lk 5:33-39 | Col 1:21-23<br>Ps 54<br>Lk 6:1-5 | Wis 9:13-18b<br>Ps 90<br>Phlm 9:19, 12-17<br>Lk 14:25-33 |