

ST. THERESA PARISH COMMUNITY

OCTOBER 19, 2025

TWENTY-NINTH 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 OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday, Wednesday, 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_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



ST. VINCENT de PAUL PRESENTS A FALL

SOCKtober Fundraiser

OCTOBER 1ST- OCTOBER 31ST

PLEASE BRING NEW SOCKS OF ALL SIZES - KIDS AND ADULT TO THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC SCHOOL 4850 CLAREWOOD DRIVE
OAKLAND, CA 94618

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH 30 MANDALAY RD.
OAKLAND, CA 94618

For more information about this event please contact: BRENDA ADDISON (510) 593-5501

THANK YOU!
YOUR DONATIONS AND SUPPORT
MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE AND HELP
FAMILIES STAY WARM!
WE APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY
VERY MUCH!

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING FOR PARISH/SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS



**KEEPING OUR PROMISE
TO PROTECT**
Child and Youth Protection

To renew or register for the first time, click on the link in your email or go to <https://www.virtusonline.org> or click on the link in the upper right corner of the parish website sttheresaoakland.org.

Please remember that in order to volunteer at the parish in any capacity (Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Catechist, Choir Member, St. Vincent de Paul, Legion of Mary, CYO etc.), or school, you must complete the training. If you have any problems or questions contact Cathy Brady at cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org.

RECEPTION OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

Reception of the Precious Blood Guideline from Bishop Barber, May 15, 2023. "Other than the priest, no communicant may ever dip the Sacred Host into the chalice to communicate himself."

PARISH CALENDAR

Find out what is happening at the parish:

<https://sttheresaoakland.org/calendar>

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

OCTOBER 25: ST. THERESA SCHOOL GALA AND AUCTION



NOVEMBER 1 & 2: ALL SOULS

At the Masses on November 1 & 2 we will remember our dearly departed members of St. Theresa Parish. We will have a slideshow of those parishioners who have passed over the past 100 years.

You may submit a picture, by October 30, using the form on the Jubilee Page of the website.

NOVEMBER 16: JUBILEE MASS

St. Theresa Church 100TH ANNIVERSARY MASS



CELEBRANT BISHOP MICHAEL BARBER
NOVEMBER 16, 2025 | 9 AM

BRUNCH IN THE EVENT CENTER FOLLOWING MASS

Bring Your Family, Friends, and Neighbors as
We Honor the Past and Embrace the Future.

30 Mandalay Rd., Oakland, CA 94618

MASS INTENTIONS - OCTOBER 18-26

Sat. 5:00 pm	✠ Carlo and Ernestine Pernecco
Sun. 9:00 am	St. Theresa Parish Community
Mon. 8:30 am	For victims of violence, terrorism, and war
Tues. 8:30 am	✠ Mary & Mike Christy
Wed. 8:30 am	For the children of the parish
Thurs. 8:30 am	For those who have experienced loss
Fri. 8:30 am	St. Theresa Parish Community
Sat. 5:00 pm	✠ Theresa Joyce
Sun. 9:00 am	✠ Roman Staschenko

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.



Theme for the 2025/2026 year
"Pilgrims of Hope"

OCTOBER 22ND

Kathy Curran and Jim McGary,
married couple in ministry

Kathy, Founder of the Healing Well,
and Jim, retired long time high school teacher
"The Spirituality of Relationship"

SUNDAY OFFERING**SUNDAY COLLECTION (OCTOBER 6-12):**

ONLINE: 47 DONORS	\$ 3,493.00
MASS DONATIONS: 34 DONORS	\$ 4,063.00

CATHOLIC VOICE:

ONLINE: 4 DONORS	\$ 330.00
MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 20 DONORS	\$ 692.00



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

REMEMBER ALL SOULS THROUGHOUT NOVEMBER

The month of November is traditionally reserved in the Church for remembering loved ones who have died. Throughout the month there will be a book in the sanctuary which will include any name you submit or that you write in yourself. You may submit your All Souls envelope with the names of the people you wish to remember now, so we may enter them in the book for the All Souls Mass on November 2. Please feel welcome to write the names of your beloved in this book at any time during the month.



Beginning November 2nd there will also be a table in the sanctuary where you may place free standing framed pictures of your beloved dead. The table will be up for the month of November. Please make sure your name and phone number are on the back of the picture.

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 341.202.0077

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE ~ NOVEMBER 2

All are invited to attend the All Souls Day Mass on November 2nd at 9:00 AM (Sunday), where we will remember your loved ones who have died.

Please bring photographs of the people you are remembering to place on a table in the sanctuary.

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, Maureen Carver, Vince Nims, Barrett Baker, Rick Fama, Eleanor Ceccarelli, Lois Johnson, Antoinette Tamburrino, Anne Marie Roseme, Greg Anderson, Judy Udove, 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

email 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 **38.64%**

\$13,832 as of October 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

Prayer works! Jesus promised God would hear us and our ongoing dialogue with God as we walk by faith continues to support and encourage us every day of our lives.



This was the hallmark of her teaching from our patron, St. Theresa, the Little Flower, and the assurances we garner from the writings of St. Theresa of Avila whose feast we celebrated this past week.

Our patron trusted even when she didn't get what she prayed for right away or at all. She wanted to receive Holy Communion at a much younger age than she was permitted, she wanted to go on a missionary journey and be vulnerable to martyrdom and she prayed to be admitted to the Carmelite convent before any authority would allow her. Yet, she persevered and would proclaim that God had answered all of her prayers.

Many stories abound about St. Theresa of Avila, but you have heard me tell the story of her rushing to do some good on a terrible rainy day. Her carriage tips over and Theresa is thrown into a large mud puddle. She climbs out, raises her prayer to God, and is said to say: "If this is the way you treat your friends, no wonder you have so few of them!"

A few years after my Mom's death, the wonderful caregiver who had been with her for almost twelve years was working with another woman who was growing very ill. She told the woman that she would contact me, asking that I pray for her. The woman replied that she should not bother. Lourdes was shocked at this reaction and asked the woman who was a Catholic why she responded that way.

The woman told her: "I'm sure he prayed for his mother's health, and she died, why would God listen to his prayers now for someone he doesn't know?"

As I said above, prayer works and we should all continue to pray and believe that God hears all of us and all our prayers, but we also have to pray with faith that what we think should happen will not always be the outcome. We need to trust in God's mercy and love and believe God will always love us and answer our prayers in a good and loving manner, but it will not always or often be how we would chart out things when we present our prayers.

Pope Leo asked us to say a rosary every day in October for peace in Gaza and Ukraine. We are grateful for the fragile peace that seems to be taking hold in Gaza and Israel and the whole Middle East. I encourage all to keep this prayer going and trust that God will ultimately bring peace to this region and the whole world.

As Halloween decorations pop up all around us and the colors seem to compete with Christmas and Easter (there are spring-colored pumpkins on a lawn near the parish site, green, red, purple, etc.), we remember that Halloween is All Hallows Eve or the night before All Saints Day. Let us pray to all of our favorite saints who are examples of faith and prayer. Let us send pictures of St. Theresa parishioners who have died for our All Souls' hundred celebration and remembrance. May our hope and faith fortify us so that one day we will fully discover how God answered all of our prayers and always responded to us with love!

WEEKLY READINGS: OCTOBER 20-26

Monday:	Tuesday:	Wednesday:	Thursday	Friday	Saturday:	Sunday:
Rom 4:20-25 Ps Lk 1 Lk 12:13-21	Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Ps 40 Lk 12L35-38	Rom 6:12-18 Ps 124 Lk 12:39-48	Rom 6:19-23 Ps 1 Lk 12:49-53	Rom 7:18-35a Ps 119 Lk 12:54-59	Rom 8:1-11 Ps 24 Lk 13:1-9	Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 Ps 34 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Lk 18:9-14