

St. Theresa

Parish Community

We are a welcoming, active Catholic community united by our faith, open to transformation, growing spiritually and reaching out to love and to serve others as Jesus taught us.

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 home-bound)

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: 341.220.0077
 After Hours Medical Emergency:
 510.547.2777, Option #4

Parish Website: www.sttheresaokland.org

Facebook: [StTheresaChurch/Oakland](https://www.facebook.com/StTheresaChurch/Oakland)

YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5JX1e3QrQXTsa_7qmNClw

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Baptisms and Marriages

by appointment, call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120, or email admin@sttheresaokland.org

To arrange a Funeral

call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120, or email admin@sttheresaokland.org

Family Faith Formation (Grades TK-5) & R.C.I.C.

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Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

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Parish Calendar:

<https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>

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**Serving Hearts in Times of Need:
Join Our Consolation Ministry**

Our parish family is built on supporting one another, especially during life's most difficult moments. The Consolation Ministry is looking for compassionate volunteers to help us provide comfort and hospitality to grieving families during funeral receptions. Whether you have a talent for baking or simply a willing set of hands, there is a place for you in this vital ministry.

How You Can Help

We are looking for volunteers to assist in the following areas:

- Bakers: Provide homemade cookies or light treats to add a personal touch to the reception.
- Setup Team: Help transform the Meeting Rooms or Event Center into a welcoming space before the family arrives.
- Reception Staff: Assist with serving food/drinks and offering a warm presence during the event.
- Cleanup Crew: Help with "take down" and restoring the rooms after the reception concludes.


Why Join?

The gift of a shared meal and a stress-free environment allows families to focus on honoring their loved ones and finding peace. Even if you can only help once or twice a year, your contribution makes a profound difference.

If this is something you think you would like to be a part of, please let Cecile Cuttitta know. She can be reached by email at cecile.cuttitta@att.net or feel free to talk with her after Mass.

1st Holy Communion

We invite you to join us on Saturday, May 2nd, at 5:00 p.m. to celebrate a special milestone: our second graders' First Holy Communion. Let's gather as a community to welcome them to the Table of the Lord




April 25, 2026

Mass and Celebration with Archbishop Peter and the Fiji Community

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

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



Theme for the year:
"Pilgrims of Hope"

April 29, 2026

Michael Downs
Director of Justice and Kinship at Bishop O'Dowd High School

Laudato Si Movement


SCHOLASTIC

It's **BOOK FAIR** time!

DATE: May 2nd-May 8th

LOCATION: The Parish Meeting Rooms

TIMES: 8:30-4:30

 **Book Fair eWallet**

Easy for families to set up, easy for others to contribute. eWallet lets your child shop independently and choose books they want to read. After the Fair, any unspent funds become a Scholastic eGift balance to use at a future Fair or to shop online.

Visit our school's Book Fair homepage to get started:
[ST_T'S BOOK FAIR WEBSITE :https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/sttheresaschool6](https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/sttheresaschool6)

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St. Theresa School will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair in the meeting rooms the week of May 4th. All are welcome to shop for books and gifts for the young readers in their lives, and sales benefit St. Theresa school. Book Fair fundraising will be used to stock the shelves of our very own school library.

Mass Intentions - April 18 - 26

Sat.	5:00 pm	✠	Janet Raju
Sun.	9:00 am		Parish Community of St. Theresa
Mon.	8:30 am		For Peace and an end to all warfare
Tues.	8:30 am		For an end to discrimination
Wed.	8:30 pm	✠	Richard Goss
Thurs.	8:30 am	✠	Michael S. Donovan
Fri.	8:30 am		For a world where no one is hungry or homeless
Sat.	5:00 pm	✠	Beatrice and Angelo Allegrotti
Sun.	9:00 am		Parish Community of St. Theresa

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.

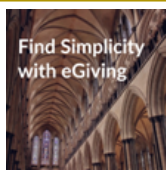
Reception of the Precious Blood

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."

Sunday Offering

Sunday Collection (April 13 - 19)

Online: 48 Donors \$ 2,098.00
 Mass Donations: 38 Donors \$ 2,711.00



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:

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>

Thank you for giving generously to St. Theresa Parish

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

May 1, 2026

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Benediction 4:30 PM

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, Susano Rubio, Fr. Paul Schmidt, 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, Betsey Thornton, Karen May, Tom Wallace, John Cocores, Olivia Cors, Evelyn Baca.

BISHOP'S MINISTRIES APPEAL 2026 MINISTRIES OF HOPE

Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2026 Parish Goal \$35,800

<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

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.

A Word from our Pastor



With great joy, we again welcome back Archbishop Peter Chong who will be with us over the next couple of weeks for rest, rejuvenation, and retreat. With him we welcome again members of the Fijian community in the Bay Area who join him this Saturday for Mass and a reunion celebration that is open for all of us. We are always enriched by your prayer and music, good food and fellowship and the example of your faith. Welcome!

Next Saturday, we will celebrate with mostly members of the second grade, First Communion. I always say this is one of my favorite celebrations of the whole year. The girls and boys have worked diligently throughout the year preparing for this day. We thank and welcome their families and friends who join them to celebrate. May God who has brought them to this day, continue to feed them and bless them throughout their lives.

On Sunday, May 17, the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at Corpus Christi Church at 10:30am. Last year when we lost our Confirmation coordinator rather abruptly, we were able to combine the programs of Corpus Christi and several other parishes in one program that has met at our parish site on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The visibility of our own students has been less evident, but it has been an overall good program for them and their families.

Over the summer we will evaluate the program and have also been advertising for a part time person to coordinate these efforts. I invite you to pray for our candidates and all their classmates from other parishes. I invite you to pray that the Holy Spirit will guide our staff as we look for someone to coordinate the parish catechetical efforts.

With great joy, we welcomed several adults into our Church at Easter. This is always a good time to reflect on the meaning of our own Baptism which unites us. Here is an Easter homily to the neophytes that is worth all of us reading.:

From a Sermon by Saint Gregory of Nazianzus, bishop

The baptism of Christ

“Christ is bathed in light; let us also be bathed in light. Christ is baptized; let us also go down with him and rise with him.

John is baptizing when Jesus draws near. Perhaps he comes to sanctify his baptizer; certainly, he comes to bury sinful humanity in the waters. He comes to sanctify the Jordan for our sake and in readiness for us; he who is spirit and flesh comes to begin a new creation through the Spirit and water.

Jesus rises from the waters; the world rises with him. The heavens like Paradise with its flaming sword, closed by Adam for himself and his descendants, are rent open. The Spirit comes to him as to an equal, bearing witness to his Godhead. A voice bears witness to him from heaven, his place of origin. The Spirit descends in bodily form like the dove that so long ago announced the ending of the flood and so gives honor to the body that is one with God.

Today let us do honor to Christ’s baptism and celebrate this feast in holiness. Be cleansed entirely and continue to be cleansed. Nothing gives such pleasure to God as the conversion and salvation of men, for whom his every word and every revelation exist. He wants you to become a living force for all mankind, lights shining in the world. You are to be radiant lights as you stand beside Christ, the great light, bathed in the glory of him who is the light of heaven. You are to enjoy more and more the pure and dazzling light of the Trinity, as now you have received – though not in its fullness – a ray of its splendor, proceeding from the one God, in Christ Jesus our Lord, to whom be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.”

Weekly Readings April 27 - May 3

Monday:

Acts 11:1-18

Ps 42

Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday:

Acts 11:19-26

Ps 87

Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday:

Acts 12:24-13:5a

Ps 67

Jn 12:44-50

Thursday:

Acts 13:13-25

Ps 89

Jn 13:16-20

Friday:

Acts 13:26-33

Ps 2

Jn 14:1-6

Saturday:

Acts 13:44-52

Ps 98

Jn 14:7-14

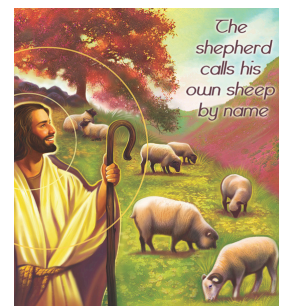
Sunday:

Acts 6:1-7

Ps 33

1 Pt 2:4-9

Jn 14:1-12



Parish Calendar

Find out what is happening at the parish:
<https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>