

# 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](http://www.sttheresaokland.org)

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

**YouTube:**

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5JX1e3QrqXTsa\\_7qmNClw](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](mailto:admin@sttheresaokland.org)

**To arrange a Funeral**

call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120, or email [admin@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:admin@sttheresaokland.org)

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**High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation**

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**Parish Calendar:**

<https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>

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# Volunteers Needed

## to run the slideshows at Mass



Contact Rob Cakebread to volunteer for this vital ministry.  
 Training will be provided.  
[rob@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:rob@sttheresaokland.org)



**Carousel** – In a late 19th-century coastal village in Maine, the carefree carnival barker Billy Bigelow marries gentle millworker Julie Jordan. Their lives take a tragic turn when Billy loses his job just as Julie reveals her pregnancy, leading him to commit a robbery out of desperation. Caught and facing a dark fate, Billy takes his own life, but is granted one day to return to Earth 15 years later. During this brief reunion, he meets his lonely teenage daughter, who has suffered under the weight of his tarnished legacy. Through this poignant encounter, Billy rekindles hope and dignity within both his daughter and Julie, showcasing the enduring power of love despite the shadows of his past.

This year our Men's Club Summer Outing at Woodmister will be Carousel on Sunday July 12.

The play is at 8:00 pm preceded by our optional regular picnic dinner beforehand inside the theater, above the stage. Doors open at 5:30 pm.

The adult half-price tickets are \$32/each. Please contact Luigi Bonacini at [labona@sbcglobal.net](mailto:labona@sbcglobal.net) with your request by Monday, July 6.

## Welcome the Stranger-Summer 2026

The Corpus Christi Living Our Faith Committee in conjunction with St. Theresa's Social Justice Committee has agreed to accompany a family sponsored by the nonprofit organization, Welcome the Stranger. Welcome the Stranger (WTS) and its sister organization Shelter in Peace (SIP) were established as nonprofit organizations in 2017. The mission of Welcome the Stranger is to accompany families (immigrant or immigrant-descended) for a period of approximately one year, helping them to achieve financial, social and educational stability. Each family is given the opportunity to live in affordable housing and is additionally supported by an Accompaniment Team. The housing is arranged by SIP while the Accompaniment Team is arranged by WTS.

**Meet the Family:** Katherine, Carlos, Alexcia (5) and Amayrani (newborn), Living in Alameda until December, -Rent & Utilities covered through June

**What We've Done:** Connected with food bank resources & community college access, Connected with doula & midwife support, Created a family budget, Purchased baby essentials (car seat, stroller)

**Current Situation:** Family income should cover expenses after June, Saving toward financial independence by December, Still financially vulnerable to unexpected cost


**Our Commitment:** Ongoing guidance and support, Financial assistance through December 2026, if needed

**How You Can Help:** Contribute to 2026 Community Care Fund - goal: \$10,000 (to be held in trust through Living Our Faith at Corpus Christi), Enable us to cover (if needed) rent, utilities or other essential expenses

**How to Give:** Zelle (see QR Code), Check payable to Corpus Christi Church (Note 2026 Community Care Fund on the check)

**Questions:** Jim Beck ([Jimbeck282@gmail.com](mailto:Jimbeck282@gmail.com)) or Lydia Tinajero-Deck ([ltdeck@me.com](mailto:ltdeck@me.com))

Thank you for your generosity---Your support provides our family with stability, dignity and hope.



### 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."



## JOIN THE ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT:  
SCHOOL FRONT DESK  
PARISH WEBSITE

QUESTIONS, EMAIL: [J\\_BRUNI@STTHERESASCHOOL.ORG](mailto:J_BRUNI@STTHERESASCHOOL.ORG)

**Mass Intentions - June 20 - 28**

Sat.	5:00 pm	Fathers
Sun.	9:00 am	Fathers
Mon.	8:30 am	✠ Richard and Diana Goss
Tues.	8:30 am	For the poor, and hidden within our own community
Wed.	8:30 pm	✠ Clark and Sue Hartsock
Thurs.	8:30 am	For Peace in our world
Fri.	8:30 am	✠ Diane Stack
Sat.	5:00 pm	Parish
Sun.	9:00 am	Parish

**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.*

**Sunday Offering**

<b>Sunday Collection (June 9-14)</b>	
Online: 44 Donors	\$ 3,088.00
Mass Donations: 30 Donors	\$ 1,742.00
<b>Catholic Communications</b>	
Online: 1 Donors	\$ 25.00
Mass Donations: 16 Donors	\$ 568.00



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*

**Second Collection: Peter's Pence**

June 27 & 28. The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church.

"The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See."

You may also use Online Giving for this collection.

**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 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, 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, Aglaia Panos, Keri Nims, Jerome Deck, Sr, Tom Salvatore.




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

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

Percentage Achieved 33%  
\$11,720 as of May 31, 2026

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](mailto: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

Happy Summer! Happy Father's Day!

We honor our fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, and all who have been in any facet a father to us. For better or worse, they have been influencers in our lives. When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, he gave us the *Our Father* prayer. It is one of the first prayers we learned, and Jesus says it is a model for how we can form our own words in prayer.

In the Office of Readings this past week, some of St. Cyprian's work was presented on how to find the meaning Jesus intended when he gave this prayer.

Cyprian make two very important points at the start of these essays: 'we say Our Father, not my Father. The word "Father" is very formal when Jesus is intending a closer relationship with our God, similar to when we call our own father, Dad or Papa.

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Bill Gavin on the Vermont Catholic website writes the following:

"Jesus showed us how the Father takes delight in His children (Mt 3:17), loves unconditionally (Mt 5:45), is provident and responsible (Mt 6:26), pays close and caring attention (Mt 6:8), forgives (Lk 6:36, 15:11-32), teaches (Mt 11:25-26, 16:17, Jn 6:44), lovingly disciplines (Heb 12:5-11), works hard (Jn 5:17, 36), and shares his life (Jn 6:40). All of these are guideposts for earthly dads.

Pope Francis reminds us that "a good father knows how to forgive from the depths of his heart. Certainly, he also knows how to correct with firmness: he is not a weak father, submissive and sentimental. The father who knows how to correct without humiliating is the one who knows how to protect without sparing himself.

More fatherly guidance is given to us by Pope Francis who says that God sets the father in the family so that by the gifts of his masculinity he can be "close to his wife and share everything, joy and sorrow, hope and hardship."

He continues: "And to be close to his children as they grow — when they play and when they work, when they are carefree and when they are distressed, when they are talkative and when they are silent, when they are daring and when they are afraid, when they stray and when they get back on the right path. "

Remember that closeness the next time you say an "Our Father." God wants to be close to us in our play, work, when we are carefree, distressed, talkative, and silent...."

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May God bless all our parents again for when they imitate and do the above, they give us a glimpse of the unconditional love God has for each of us always! Celebrate them, because when you do, you celebrate God! Remember, when you show any of the above facets of love to your children, friends, neighbors, the stranger, you show them a glimpse of God.

On the more mundane side of parish life: the new lawn looks beautiful and is trying to root in a field without gophers. The racoons have already pulled up the sod a few times looking for grubs in all the places they can. As posted on Nextdoor, please stay off and keep pets off this area for the duration of the summer so the grass can be firmly established by the time the children are back at school and our annual Back to School concert takes place in August.



## Weekly Readings June 22 - 28

**Monday:**  
2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a  
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Ps 60  
Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:**  
2 Kgs 19:9b-11,  
14-21, 31-35a, 36

Ps 48  
Mt 7:6, 12-14

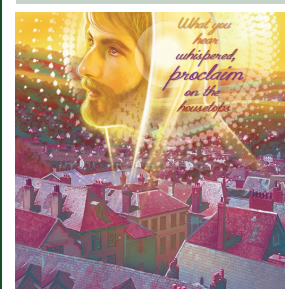
**Wednesday:**  
Is 49:1-6  
Ps 139  
Acts 13:22-26  
Lk 1:57-66, 80

**Thursday:**  
2 Kgs 24:8-17  
Ps 79  
Mt 7:21-29

**Friday:**  
2 Kgs 25:1-12  
Ps 137  
Mt 8:1-4

**Saturday:**  
Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19  
Ps 74  
Mt 8:5-17

**Sunday:**  
2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a  
Ps 89  
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11  
Mt 10:37-42



## Parish Calendar

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