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# PARISH COMMUNITY

## ST. THERESA MISSION STATEMENT

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TO LOVE AND TO SERVE OTHERS  
AS JESUS TAUGHT US.

JANUARY 12, 2020

THE BAPTISM  
OF THE  
LORD

AFTER JESUS WAS BAPTIZED,  
HE CAME UP FROM THE WATER AND BEHOLD,  
THE HEAVENS WERE OPENED FOR HIM,  
AND HE SAW THE SPIRIT OF GOD  
DESCENDING LIKE A DOVE  
AND COMING UPON HIM.

MATTHEW 3:16



# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 12, 2020

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## JANUARY 11 - 19

- Sat. 5:00 pm † Gloria Capaldi  
 Sun. 9:00 am † Michael Sean Donovan  
 11:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa
- Mon. 8:30 am † Ida Monti  
 Tues. 8:30 am † Victims of Wildfires & Earthquakes  
 Wed. 8:30 am † Parish Benefactors  
 Thurs. 8:30 am † Refugees & Immigrants  
 Fri. 8:30 am † Deceased Members of St. Theresa
- Sat. 5:00 pm † Kam Malloy  
 Sun. 9:00 am † Parish Community of St. Theresa  
 11:00 am † Parish Community of St. Theresa

## Weekly Offering



- CHRISTMAS:** ..... \$ 27,227.00  
**ONLINE:** ..... \$ 3,721.00
- NEW YEAR'S DAY:** ..... \$ 418.00  
**ONLINE:** ..... \$ 95.00
- JANUARY 4 & 5 SUNDAY OFFERING:** ..... \$ 6,172.25  
**ONLINE:** ..... \$ 2,881.26
- PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT:** ..... \$ 1,736.00  
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### BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

- January 12 bulletin was due by January 3 (Friday)
- January 19 bulletin was due by January 10 (Friday)
- January 26 bulletin is due by January 17 (Friday)
- February 2 bulletin is due by January 24 (Friday)

Items must be received by 4:00 pm on the due date.  
Email to [cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org).



### Mass Intentions

You can now schedule Mass Intentions on the weekends following all Masses. Stop by the information desk in the vestibule if you would like to schedule a Mass Intention. or contact Melody in the Parish Office, [melody@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:melody@sttheresaokland.org).



### Low Gluten Hosts

Prior to the start of the liturgy there will be a small container of the hosts next to the bread and wine on the table in the back of the church. Take a host from the container and place it in the glass bowl. At communion you will receive Eucharist from one of the ministers in the center aisle.



Please remember in your prayers all those who are ill especially: Matt Mercier, Irene Clark, Daniel Sullivan, Dave DeMonte, Sven Cooper Little, Nadine McMillan, Heidi Parmelee, Denise Bridges, Fredrika May, Kristine Berman, Helen Buty, Aiden Farinella, Liza Mitra, Guido M., Jim Testa, Kevin Stallone, Dolores Gomez, Alegria Hipolito, Betty Wharton, Patricia Green, Hazel Villata, Juanita Estrella, Diane Longfield, Leslie Fischer, Mike Reilly, Dorothy Donnelly, Pat Tynan, Olga Lamberti, Michael Bamrick, Matt White, Mark Dreier, Tom Sanford, Maria Gabriel Decker, Fr. Alex Snyder, Wendy Parmelee, Roger Bayloq, Ida Scodella, Tom Wallace, Tom Jones.

### LIVING STEWARDSHIP

How inclusive are you? Join the parish hospitality committee or the greeter's group. Invite a new neighbor to dinner. Offer to buy lunch for someone living on the street.



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### Question of the Week

**Adult:** How does your own baptism provide you with a "call to serve others?" In what ways do you serve?

**Child:** When has the Holy Spirit helped you treat someone fairly?

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## A WORD FROM THE PASTOR:



Happy New Year! Happy celebration of our Baptism and the joy and peace that only comes from our loving God!

It is a special joy to welcome back Archbishop Peter Chong from Fiji! With him this Saturday we also welcome members of the Fijian community who have traveled from all over the Bay Area to celebrate Mass with him at the 5pm Mass.

The St. Theresa community is grateful to the Fijian community for the example of your faith, the wonderful music and celebration of the liturgy, the great hospitality at the feast that will follow are always a blessing to the whole St. Theresa community. Thank you for giving us a wonderful start to the new year.

I want to again thank all who helped decorate, lead song, proclaim the readings, distribute Communion, altar serve, usher, greet, prepare in the sacristy, clean before each Mass, and participate as a faith filled community! The Christmas season was wonderful thanks to all of you. I know that presence and service will happen the whole year through.

The Epiphany party next weekend is a small way to say thank you for all you are and do. I know none of you serve just for an invitation to a party, but it is always easier when someone remembers us and encourages us. On Holy Thursday, we will again ask you to recommit to your ministry, the Epiphany party celebrates the good you have and continue to do for the sake of all in our parish.

During Advent, we asked you to think of someone to contact or have a staff member contact who might join us over the Christmas celebrations. I am grateful to all who did this. I did meet a couple who said they were there because someone had invited them. Over the weekend of the 18-19 after each Mass we will hold our annual 'listening sessions'. The clergy, parish staff and pastoral council will be present to hear your comments, suggestions, questions about our mission, purpose and the success and failures that we have encountered over the past year. I would ask you to also come with ideas and suggestions how we can better evangelize the community we are in. Pope Francis applauds our efforts around Christmas to bring others who are searching to come and see what we offer, but tells us that we should be doing that all year round. What do you think would be effective to bring back those who have recently stopped coming to Mass or those who are longing for something in our polarized, fractured world and might find some answers and peace by joining and participating in our community? If you have some ideas, please let us know them.

Last week's feast gives us some guidance. The Magi thought they would find the Christ in a royal palace where any new king should be found. Jesus was not there but among the poor and shepherds in a forgotten place without armies, servants or politicians but only the love and protection of Mary and Joseph.

Herod of all people gives us wonderful advice: 'Go and diligently search for him'. Clearly that is our task each day of this new year and we can be assured as in the obscure place where the Magi found him, we will find him this year in sometimes the least expected places. The prophets give us a clue...he will be found in the poor, the migrant, the sick and those in need, the child and the downtrodden. But we are assured He journeys with us and we will know him if we follow his light.

The scriptures, the sacraments, the preaching, the service we do for one another will reveal that light that will guide us on the path to completely find him. Be assured if we follow that light, like the Magi who returned by a different route, we will be led on a path we may not have chosen but will lead us safe and home with him.

My prayer is that this new year be filled with good health, prosperity, joy and love for each and every one of you. My prayer is that we all get to know Christ better this year and then make him better known to all we meet in the year ahead of us!

On more mundane matters, we again apologize that the parish email did not work for more days than expected just before Christmas. It seems to be working now, but let us know if you think something is not working. This week thanks to your ongoing generosity a new phone system will be installed. Thank you in advance if any glitches interfere in the transition process.

## PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS



Please join us for our monthly *RISE & SHINE* Mass  
at 9am on Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.  
This is a youth-friendly and youth-participatory Mass.



WE ARE SO  
GRATEFUL  
FOR OUR  
PARISH  
VOLUNTEERS!

PARISH VOLUNTEERS  
AND THEIR SIGNIFICANT OTHER  
ARE INVITED TO AN  
*'EPIPHANY PARTY'*  
CELEBRATING THE VOLUNTEERS OF  
ST. THERESA PARISH

WHEN: January 18, 2020 (Saturday)  
WHERE: Meeting Rooms  
TIME: 6:00 - 8:00 PM  
HOSTED BY: Parish Staff

Please RSVP to [melody@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:melody@sttheresaoakland.org)

**THIS EVENT IS FOR ADULTS ONLY.**

St. Theresa Parish invites you to join us for the

*Irene Crosetti*

**RAVIOLI  
DINNER**

**FEB  
8  
6:00**

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30 Mandalay Road, Oakland

### Parish Listening Sessions

Plan on attending the Annual Parish Listening Sessions following all Masses on, January 18 and 19.

You will have the opportunity to comment about our parish with the Pastor, Parish Staff and Pastoral Council. These listening sessions have been very helpful and insightful in the past years.



### LEGION OF MARY

Everyone is invited to join the Legion of Mary. The purpose of this "army", formed under the banner of our Blessed Mother Mary is to serve the needs of our pastor, wherever help is needed of a sort that is not already being provided, and in the power of the Holy Spirit, to reach out to evangelize, in, but not limited to, our parish. They meet every Tuesday at 9:00 am in the Hall. To learn more please call Tom Wallace at 510-652-2659, or email [tomw1313@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tomw1313@sbcglobal.net).

## Women in God's Spirit

**WINGS** is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, life sharing and community. We gather on Wednesdays in Meeting Room 1 at 9:15am from October through May with hospitality, followed by the guest speaker and program until 11:15am. Our engaging speakers will uplift you and keep you informed. You'll experience a welcoming community as we support each other in our spiritual growth. Bring a friend! Women from local parishes and other denominations are welcome! Say "Yes" to WINGS!



The theme for the year is: *"Walking With God"*

**JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**TOM POYNER**

EPISCOPAL CHAPLAIN AT UC BERKELEY

*"The Flight into Egypt, the Holy Mother and the Sacred Imagination"*

## CONFIRMATION & HSYM

*High Schoolers and Parents, please note the following dates and remember that all **Sunday Sessions** begin with 9am Mass:*

- ♦ SUN, Jan. 12 - Confirmation Year II- SPONSOR & CANDIDATE Session - 9am Mass together, then 10am-12noon, Mtg. Rms. / 15 minute RETREAT MTG. following our session
- ♦ SUN, Jan. 26 - Confirmation Year I RETREAT- 9am-3pm, begin with Rise & Shine Mass together, then proceed to the Retreat
- ♦ FRI, Jan. 31 - SUN, Feb. 2 - Confirmation Year II WEEKEND RETREAT @ Camp Arroyo, Livermore



For more information, please contact:

Jenny Bruni  
HSYM Coordinator  
jenny@sttheresaokland.org  
(510) 547-2777 x 39

explore

life

faith

meaning

The evening starts with a light dinner, followed by a presentation and small group discussion and sharing.

JOIN US IN THE MEETING

Next Meeting, January 14

You're invited to

**TRY ALPHA**

**Tuesdays, 6:30pm**

**St. Theresa Catholic Church**

Alpha

Cathy Brady

cathy\_b@sttheresaokland.org



### **FAMILY ROSARY**

Sunday ~ January 12<sup>th</sup>  
5:00 pm

Rosary in the Church

Dinner and Celebration to Follow in the Hall

All are invited to join us as we pray the Rosary with dinner to follow.

Contact Patrick McGahan with any questions at [pjmcgahan@gmail.com](mailto:pjmcgahan@gmail.com)

**DO YOU NEED TO REGISTER, HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS, HAVE A NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER, DO YOU RECEIVE OUR FLOCKNOTE EMAILS & TEXTS?**



Let us know so we can update our parish database and keep you current with all upcoming events, news and year-end reports or give you a registration form.

You can stop by the Information Desk in the church on the weekend or the Parish Office (2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Parish Center), Monday - Thursday or email Melody Marr at [melody@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:melody@sttheresaokland.org).



# WEEKLY CALENDAR

	Start Time	Event	Location
January 11	4:00 PM	Reconciliation	Church
Saturday	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Mass: Archbishop Peter Chong &amp; Fijian Community</b>	<b>Church</b>
	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Reception</b>	<b>Event Center</b>
January 12	9:00 AM	Mass	Church
Sunday	10:00 AM	Family Faith Formation	School
	10:00 AM	HSYM/Confirmation	Mtg Rms
	11:00 AM	Mass	Church
	1:00 PM	CYO Games	Event Center
	6:00 PM	MSYM (Middle School Youth Ministry)	Hall
January 13	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
Monday	4:00 PM	CYO Practice	Event Center
January 14	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Legion of Mary	Hall
	4:00 PM	CYO Practice	Event Center
	6:30 PM	ALPHA	Mtg Rms
	7:00 PM	Ignatian Prayer Group	Hall
January 15	7:30 PM	Cursillo Faith Sharing	PC Parlor
Wednesday	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
	9:15 AM	WINGS	Mtg Rms
	2:30 PM	CYO Practice	Event Center
	7:00 PM	Centering Prayer	Church
January 16	7:30 AM	Men's Cursillo Faith Sharing	PC Parlor
Thursday	8:00 AM	Women's Volleyball	Event Center
	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
	4:00 PM	CYO Practice	Event Center
	8:30 PM	Men's Basketball	Event Center
January 17	<b>Parish Offices closed on Fridays</b>		
	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
January 18	4:00 PM	Reconciliation	Church
Saturday	5:00 PM	Mass	Church
	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Listening Sessions</b>	<b>Vestibule</b>
	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Epiphany Party for Parish Volunteers</b>	<b>Mtg Rms</b>
January 19	9:00 AM	Mass	Church
Sunday	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Listening Sessions</b>	<b>Hall</b>
	11:00 AM	Mass	Church
	<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Listening Sessions</b>	<b>Hall</b>
	1:00 PM	CYO Games	Event Center



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*January 13 - 19*

## Monday:

1 Sm 1:1-8  
Ps 116  
Mk 1:14-20

## Tuesday

1 Sm 1:9-20  
Ps 1Sm 2  
Mk 1:21-28

## Wednesday

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20  
Ps 40  
Mk 1:29-39

## Thursday:

1 Sm 4:1-11  
Ps 44  
Mk 1:40-45

## Friday

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a  
Ps 89  
Mk 2:1-12

## Saturday:

1 Sm 9:14, 17-19; 10:1a  
Ps 21  
Mk 2:13-17

## Sunday:

Is 49:3, 5-6  
Ps 40  
1 Cor 1:1-3  
Jn 1:29-34



Here is my servant whom I uphold

## LIVING GOD'S WORD

All the baptized have been "anointed with the Holy Spirit and power." What is the Spirit empowering you to do? Should you write a letter to your senator about a justice issue, or volunteer at a prison or a school for the blind?.

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# PARISH INFORMATION



## Mass Schedules:

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am  
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am  
*unless otherwise noted in bulletin*

## Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4:00-4:30 pm  
*or by appointment*

## Parish Center Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
*THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON FRIDAY*

Phone 510.547.2777 ~~~ Fax 510.653.3575

After Hours Medical Emergency & Emergency Line:  
510.610.7715

Parish Website: [www.sttheresaoakland.org](http://www.sttheresaoakland.org)

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website: [www.sttheresaschool.org](http://www.sttheresaschool.org)

**Baptisms and Marriages**  
by appointment

**Confirmation (High School)**  
Sunday Sessions

Year 1: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Year 2: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

## R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Contact  
Cathy Brady ~ [cathy\\_b@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org)

## Kinderchurch

Preschoolers and Kindergarteners  
9:00 am Sunday Mass

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Grades 1-5, 9:00 am Mass

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month (September - May)

## Parish Organizations

### Pastoral Council:

Carrie Schaefer [caralee\\_schaefer@yahoo.com](mailto:caralee_schaefer@yahoo.com)

### Finance Council:

PJ McGahan [pjmcgahan@gmail.com](mailto:pjmcgahan@gmail.com)

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

Greg Govan [glgovan@comcast.net](mailto:glgovan@comcast.net)

### CYO (Catholic Youth Organization):

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### St. Theresa Men's Club

PJ McGahan [pjmcgahan@gmail.com](mailto:pjmcgahan@gmail.com)

### Legion of Mary

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### WINGS

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