St. Theresa Mission Statement

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.

January 19, 2020
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Archbishop Peter Chong celebrated the 28th Anniversary of his Ordination with St. Theresa Parish and the Fijian Community on January 11, 2020.
**JANUARY 18 - 26**

Sat. 5:00 pm  Kam Malloy
Sun. 9:00 am  Parish Community of St. Theresa
11:00 am  Parish Community of St. Theresa

Mon. 8:30 am  Della & Luigi Bonacini
Tues. 8:30 am  Tom & Vickey Jones
Wed. 8:30 am  Jerry McCabe
Thurs. 8:30 am  Parish Benefactors
Fri. 8:30 am  Deceased Members of St. Theresa
Sat. 5:00 pm  Parish Community of St. Theresa
Sun. 9:00 am  Michelle Corbett
11:00 am  Timothy Cutler

**BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES**

January 19 bulletin was due by January 10 (Friday)
January 26 bulletin was due by January 17 (Friday)
February 2 bulletin is due by January 24 (Friday)
February 9 bulletin is due by January 31 (Friday)

Items must be received by 4:00 pm on the due date.
Email to cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org.

**Weekly Offering**

**JANUARY 11 & 12 SUNDAY OFFERING:** ........ $ 5,208.00
**ONLINE:** ........................................ $ 3,690.41

**ANNUAL SEMINARY COLLECTION:** ........ $ 1,857.00
**ONLINE:** ........................................... $ 130.00

**Online Giving**

Online Giving is available for anyone who prefers to donate through automatic draft for their Sunday Offering, Building Maintenance and Second Collections.

Go to: https://giving.parishsoft.com/sttheresaoakland to sign up. Contact Cathy Brady with any questions.
cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org, 547.2777, ext. 26.

**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 Baylocq, Ida Scodella, Tom Wallace, Tom Jones, Sigrid Castaldo.

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**Online Giving**

**SIGN-UP AT:**
flocknote.com/StTheresa30
OR
Text: STT To: 84579

**Question of the Week**

**Adult:** We witness to Christ as John did, by living lives full of generosity, forgiveness, and mercy toward others. When do you find it most difficult to do this?

**Child:** Who has surprised you by doing something kind for you when you did not expect it?
A Word from the Pastor:

It was wonderful to celebrate Archbishop Peter Chong’s 28th Anniversary of his priestly ordination. We are always happy to see him and welcome the entire Fijian community. The 5pm Mass ‘rocked’ with great participation and wonderful music. Yes a few of you again asked if they could be invited every week! If they didn’t live so far from us, it could happen one day.

After Mass and the hospitality and dinner the Fijian community hosted, the archbishop showed some videos of the Church in Fiji. There is growing awareness of the gift of the ocean. As we recently heard about the importance of the rain forests, which provide about twenty per cent of the oxygen we rely on, the oceans provide up to seventy per cent.

The archbishop wrote a beautiful song about this and our need to be good stewards of the earth that God has entrusted to us. I have asked for a copy of the video and you may see it soon. This is a direct response to Pope Francis’ challenge in his letter to us entitled: Laudato Si. Lent will be here before we know it, and this could be a good exercise to read and talk about what the pope is saying to us.

Along those lines, the school has embarked on an early Lenten project that will educate and encourage all to re-cycle, compost and be more careful with the things we may take for granted. I know they will be presenting some ways for all of us to get involved.

Buy you tickets online for the annual ‘Irene Crosetti Ravioli Dinner’! It is a great way to move us into the new year with good pasta, beverages and the fellowship we share.

This weekend we host the annual ‘listening sessions. Each session has several people from staff and pastoral council taking notes. The notes are synthesized and discussed at our staff and pastoral council meetings. The Mass schedule, more socials, more for our young people, a response to the abuse crises and many other things that happen in our parish are a direct result from what we have heard from you. Thank you in advance for your ongoing support, generosity and comments. Each of you does make a difference.

The above is one reason for the annual Epiphany party. We want to say thank you too the many who do many ministries and outreach that make St. Theresa parish who we are with a growing good reputation. I hope one day, everyone in the parish will be invited, but until then, please say thank you next week to someone who acts for us, the greeter, the usher, the lector, the Eucharistic minister, the St. Vincent DePaul member, choir members, individuals from the Men’s Club or Wings or Advent by candlelight. The list goes on and on and it is good every now and then to simply say: thank you!

Some have noticed that the weekly collection update and budgeted costs have not been in the parish bulletin for a few weeks. We are in a transition with a new bookkeeper. Our Finance Council is working on it and those reports will be back soon.

As we return to ‘Ordinary Time’, know that the Lord is with us and that makes every day extraordinary!
Please join us for our monthly RISE & SHINE Mass at 9am on Sunday, January 26th.
This is a youth-friendly and youth-participatory Mass.

St. Theresa Parish invites you to join us for the

Frene Crosetti

RAVIOLI DINNER

FEB
8
6:00

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH,
EVENT CENTER
30 Mandalay Road, Oakland

Tickets: Adults: $15, Children (under 12): $10, Under 5: Free

Order tickets using the link on the parish website
Deadline for orders: February 2.
Email: ken@sttheresaoakland.org with any questions or to help.

St Theresa School News
On January 7th, our students returned to school from their Christmas break. It was so nice to see our community gathered together in prayer as they recalled the story of the Magi and as a community continued celebrating the Epiphany. We are still Christ’s light in the world.

This week the school kicked off our Service project for the new year. Our 8th grade student leaders, under the guidance of Mrs. Guthrie, called on all of us to care for our “Common Home.” Jamie Collins (grade 8) asked the students to follow the message of Pope Francis. Pollution and waste hurts us and we need to make changes here at school about how we view waste and take action. St. Theresa School will work on compost, trash, and recycling. The student leaders will educate the students this month and support them in changing our behaviors to better care for our earth.

There will be limited openings for transitional kindergarten at St. Theresa School for the upcoming school year.
Children need to be four years and three months by September 1, 2020 in order to be considered. Please contact Karen at 510-457-1488 or stop by the school office to pick up an application.
Infant/Child Baptism

If you are interested in having your child/children baptized at St. Theresa Church, Baptism classes for parents and godparents are held once a month in the rectory from 7:00 - 8:00 pm. These classes are for adults only. Contact the parish office to register, melody@sttheresaoakland.org or 547.2777, ext. 20.

CONFIRMATION & HSYM

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

SUN, Jan. 26 - Confirmation Year I
RETREAT WORKSHOP - Fr. Greg Boyle, SJ & Homeboy Industries Talk, 3:30-5pm at St. Joan of Arc - any person is welcome to attend but must register at: http://www.sjasr.org/gift/

FRI, Jan. 31 - SUN, Feb. 2 - Confirmation Year II WEEKEND RETREAT @ Camp Arroyo, Livermore

For more information, please contact:
Jenny Bruni
HSYM Coordinator
jenny@sttheresaoakland.org
(510) 547-2777 x 39

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 22ND
SWAMI PRASANNATMANANDA
VEDANTA SOCIETY OF BERKELEY

“Three Exits:
Bottom Line of Hindu Scriptures”

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.
### Weekly Readings

**January 20 - 26**

**Monday:**
- 1 Sm 15:16-23
- Ps 50
- Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:**
- 1 Sm 16:1-13
- Ps 89
- Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:**
- 1 Sm 17:32-22, 37, 40-51
- Ps 144
- Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:**
- 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7
- Ps 56
- Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:**
- 1 Sm 24:3-21
- Ps 57
- Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday:**
- Acts 22:3-16
- Ps 117
- Mk 16:15-18

**Sunday:**
- Is 8:23-9:3
- Ps 27
- 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17
- Mt 4:12-23

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**Living God’s Word**

When at Mass, we call on Jesus several times as the Lamb of God - at the beginning in the Gloria and twice in preparation for Communion. Pray for our world this day to recognize Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
**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
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**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

**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)

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