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PARISH COMMUNITY

ST. THERESA MISSION STATEMENT

WE ARE A WELCOMING,
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GROWING SPIRITUALLY AND REACHING OUT
TO LOVE AND TO SERVE OTHERS
AS JESUS TAUGHT US.

JANUARY 22, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME

JESUS SAID TO THEM,

“COME
AFTER ME,
AND I WILL
MAKE YOU
FISHERS
OF MEN.”

MATTHEW 4:19



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MASS INTENTIONS - JANUARY 21 - 29

Sat. 5:00 pm Victims of Natural Disasters
 Sun. 9:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

Mon. 8:30 am
 Tues. 8:30 am † Maria & Arnold Tira
 Wed. 8:30 am
 Thurs. 8:30 am † Tim Cutler
 Fri. 8:30 am

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Sun. 9:00 am † Art & Leah Mangini

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- ◆ Receive parish updates and notices of special events
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Sign-up at: flocknote.com/StTheresa30
 OR Text: STT To: 84579

SUNDAY OFFERING

ONLINE GIVING :
(January 9 - 15) 61 DONORS **\$ 3,579.50**
 MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:
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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLETON

The 2nd collection for St. Vincent de Paul will be on January 28 & 29. You may use Online Giving for this collection.

MASS INTENTIONS

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at melody@sttheresaokland.org or 510.547.2777, ext. 120

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Low Gluten hosts are available at all weekend Masses. They are less than 20 parts per million gluten, under .002%

Please use the presider's communion station to receive a low gluten host.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THOSE WHO ARE ILL ESPECIALLY:

Matt Mercier, Heidi Parmelee, Aiden Farinella, Dolores Gomez, Alegria Hipolito, Betty Wharton, Juanita Estrella, Leslie Fischer, Mike Reilly, Dorothy Donnelly, Olga Lamberti, Wendy Parmelee, Roger Baylocq, Ida Scodella, Alicia Gonzalez, Denise Moore, Diana Martínez, Susan Springer, Margie Sullivan, Maddie Heitkemper, Joan Simmons, Badri Nakhjavani, Wendy Jones, Bob Rogers, Orlanda Gonzalez, Kevin Chapman, Diane Cerille, Ruth McCabe, Tom Wilberding, Shirley Roberts, Karen Milliman, Danny Ramos, Mark Leonard, Christopher Rodriguez, Maryanne Walsh, Rhonda Santeen, John Whatley, Bishop John Cummins, Nancy Coyne, Kevin Stallone, Della Spinelli, Jeanne Cuttitta, Susan Buller, Amy Kantowitz, Ann Springer, Guy Wallace, Ray Bertolotti, William McCarthy, Cindy Crimmins, Fred & Lidia Loupy, Rebecca Rogers, Kathleen Guevara, Clarence Robinson, Armando Diaz de Leon, Fr. Ron Schmidt, Patty Estopinal, Laura Jones, Jeff Mills, Mary Pat Power, Bonnie & John Bouey, Susan Rubio, Martin Tierney, Denise Baylocq, Fr. Paul Schmidt, Marley Malone, John Lynch.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

Talk with your children about what you and they believe. Pray with them, read the Bible and stories of faith to them. Show them in your actions and words how to live as followers of Christ. Your own example carries more weight than any other teacher.

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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

January 22 bulletin was due by January 13 (Friday)
 January 29 bulletin was due by January 20 (Friday)
 February 5 bulletin is due by January 27 (Friday)
 February 12 bulletin is due by February 3 (Friday)

Items must be received by 4:00 pm on the due date.

Email to cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org.



Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2022

St. Theresa Parish Goal - \$35,800

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

Percentage Achieved **62.48%**

\$22,369.50 as of December 15, 2022

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

I want to sincerely thank all who stayed after the Masses last weekend for our annual listening sessions! I started this tradition when I was assigned here as pastor twelve years ago. These sessions remind us to remember each of us is an important part of this parish. Your opinions and gifts do make a difference! The parish staff, councils and clergy welcome your comments throughout the year if you think of something or were not able to make one of these sessions. As we welcome another calendar year, we pray that our parish mission will guide us, and our lived-out ways may bless us and all who come to join us throughout this year.

Two weeks ago, we concluded the Christmas season with the feasts of the Epiphany and Baptism of the Lord. You immediately saw the changes in the church environment that tells us it is Ordinary time (green) for a few weeks before Lent begins. It is never ordinary however when God speaks to us.

On the feast of the Epiphany, we say 'thank you' to all who minister, serve or in one way or another help keep our parish functioning. In the past, we have had a small reception with food, drink, and good conversation that we called the 'Epiphany Party.' We wanted to say thank you in this way again. Sadly, with the ongoing pandemic cautions, the dramatic weather we have been experiencing and many suggesting that we postpone until more normal times arrive, we have postponed it. However, it is always a good time to say 'thank you! Your being willing to usher, set up things in the sacristy, altar serve, read God's Word to us, and distribute Holy Communion keep us going and bring Christ to one another. May that improve again and again in this coming new year!

I especially want to thank all who responded to my end of the year appeal letter with an extra donation to the parish. I do not have the exact total, but your generosity has brought in almost 100K that enables your parish to continue the work, programs, repairs, and ongoing ministries. Your generosity also demonstrates efforts to be good stewards. God has gifted us with everything, how can we not return with gratitude and generosity?

Your ongoing support with the ongoing comments during listening sessions and throughout the year, demonstrates that this worshipping community continues to further our mission which is the mission of Christ himself. The many ways we try to live as Christ disciples guarantees that our youth, school, Confirmation program, social justice outreach and actions, prayer times and worship practices and so many other moments that happen at St. Theresa's is a clear demonstration and support to each other and those around of our commitment to Christ and the Church. May the good things the Lord has begun in each of us grow and flourish throughout this new calendar year!



It appears any leakage and mold has finally been dealt with in the Event Center. Even in spite of the recent challenges, this building got a lot of use over the Christmas holidays and now every day that school is in session. Look forward to upcoming events in it such as the School Auction fundraiser event and hopefully some kind of dinner that will gather us all in that building.

We are still trying to regulate heat in the church and rectory. It is amazing to me that with the technological advances we witness in our world today some basic fixes have been so challenging. I assure you that if it isn't complete this week it will be very soon when we still need it. I am also grateful that with the rains coming with fury, we have not had any areas of the property flooded. We prayed for rain, now we have to ask the Lord to spread it out a bit instead of sending it all at once.

Three weeks ago, we honored our first American saints: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton and St. John Neumann. May their intercession and prayers continue to bless our school and parish. We also witnessed the passing of Pope Emeritus Benedict. May he now enjoy eternal rest, and may the whole church continue to grow with the legacy of his theology and guidance that he gave us during and after his pontificate. Let us continue to pray for Pope Francis that the Lord will sustain and guide him as he serves us as our pope.



Tickets on sale now!

Join us Saturday, February 25th
St. Theresa Event Center

Reception and Silent Auction

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Dinner with Program and Live Auction

Follow the links below for auction tickets and information.

<https://paybee.io/@sttheresa>

ASSISTED LISTENING DEVICES

Assisted Listening available at Weekend Masses

There are two ways to enjoy crisp, clear audio in the church for our weekend Masses.

Option 1: Download the app, connect to the church wireless network, put in your earbuds, open the app and you are set.

The WiFi password you will need to connect to our wireless network will be available at the sound system desk before and after Mass.



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Option 2: Assisted Listening Devices are available at our weekend Masses. You can check out a device at the sound system desk prior to Mass.

If you have any questions contact Cathy Brady at cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org



Please join us for our monthly
RISE & SHINE Mass at 9am on
Sunday, January 22nd.
This is a youth-friendly and
youth-participatory Mass.

St. Theresa Parish invites you to join us for the

Irene Crosetti

**RAVIOLI
DINNER**

**MARCH
11
6:00**

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VOLUNTEER FOR A LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Please consider volunteering for one of our Liturgical ministries. Liturgy is the work of the people and we need your assistance.

What is your gift, passion, what do you really like to do? Do you like to read, talk with people, serve people, work behind the scenes, electronics? Turn that passion into a ministry, there is something for everyone. Prayerfully consider one of the following ministries.

- ✦ **Lector**
- ✦ **Eucharistic Minister**
- ✦ **Sacristan**
- ✦ **Altar Server** (grade 4 and up)
- ✦ **Projectionist**
- ✦ **Videographer** (for the live-stream 9am Sunday Mass)
- ✦ **Greeter**
- ✦ **Usher**
- ✦ **Altar Linens**

Contact Cathy Brady to volunteer, cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (SJC) CORNER

Happy. New Year!

Excerpts from a prayer by John Henry Cardinal Newman

God has created me to do Him some definite service;
 He has committed some work to me which
 He has not committed to another.
 I have my mission—
 I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next,
 ...I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons.

I have a dream that one day “every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plain, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.” – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Consider joining “Just Faith” groups this year. Many are starting this month. And quite a few are virtual.

Just Faith groups take a topic and weave our faith into the discussion.

Check out the national groups that is tackling “Want to talk: Communication Tools for Divided Times. <https://justfaith.org/want-to-talk-winter-2023-national-small-group/>

Program: Want to Talk? Communication Tools for Divided Times
 Facilitators: Leslye Colvin and Lisa Whiting-Dobson
 Meeting Day/Time: Mondays 6:30 – 8:30 pm ET
 Start Date: Jan 23rd (9 consecutive meetings)

Check out some local groups: St. Perpetua; starts **Sacred Water Monday, January 23:7-9pm** virtual: <https://justfaith.org/sacred-water-oceans-and-ecosystems/>

Newman Center in Berkeley: <https://www.calnewman.org/#find-your-home> There will be a three-hour **Saturday kick-off retreat** starting Saturday January 21 at 9am to Noon here at Newman. Faith and Racial Equity. Exploring Power and Privilege.

Stay tuned! At our January meeting we talked about ways we can do small works of mercy for those in the community. We would like to do a project where we might take food to an encampment in late February. Please read this article below and join our next meeting on , February 8th Wednesday at 7pm. Be on the look out for a zoom link. Send questions to Lydia Deck. ltdeck@me.com

<https://www.sfchronicle.com/opinion/openforum/article/wood-street-encampment-oakland-17686080.php>

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

CURRENT NEEDS

Volunteers Needed for the Dining Room at the Direct Services Campus in West Oakland: 8:30am to 1pm Tuesday through Saturday. Volunteers help prepare, and bag warm meals for our guests and serve the meals at the gated entrance to the courtyard. Contact Volunteer Coordinator, Kristen Bernal: Email kbernal@svdp-alameda.org 510-277-6435.

Men’s Clothing (casual, work, denim, and work pants, and shoes in good condition) and women’s hygiene articles can be dropped off in the Church vestibule. These donations are distributed through SVDP Clothes Closet in our Downtown Community Center.

Nonperishable, non-expired food donations: Our on-going food collections for the needy people in the Sacred Heart Parish have been graciously acknowledged by those who have been served. This is becoming a regular opportunity for us to feed the hungry, especially during these difficult economic times. We bring the food to Sacred Heart around the third Sunday of the month. Food donations may be left in the back of the vestibule in various baskets next to the “Giving Tree at any time.

Our Parish SVdP Conference meets bimonthly, every third Saturday at 9:30am. If interested in learning more about our Conference’s work, contact Judy Bojorquez at jtsbojorquez@yahoo.com to be added to email distribution or with any questions.

You may use online giving to make a donation to the St. Theresa St. Vincent de Paul conference. <https://sttheresaokland.org/donate>.

WEEKLY READINGS

January 23 - 29

Monday:

Heb 9:15, 24-28
 Ps 98
 Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday:

Heb 10:1-10
 Ps 40
 Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday:

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

Thursday:

2Tm 1:1-8
 Ps 96
 Mk 4:21-25

Friday

Heb 10:32-39
 Ps 37
 Mk 4:26-34

Saturday:

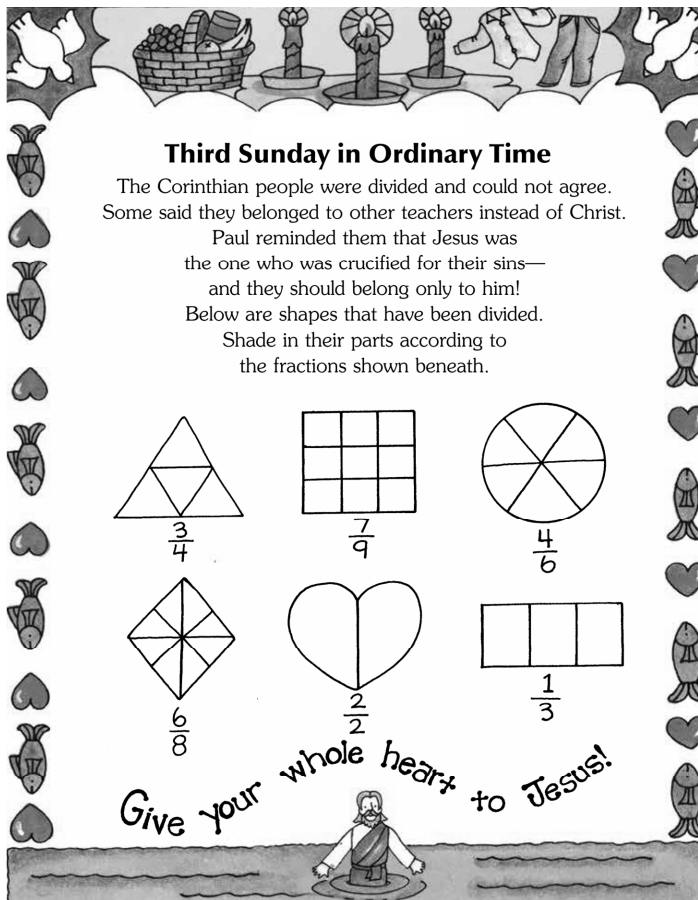
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19
 Ps Lk 1:69-70, 71-23, 73-75
 Mk 4:35-41

Sunday:

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13
 Ps 146
 1 Cor 1:26-32
 Mt 5:1-12a




God's Word for Children

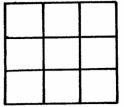


Third Sunday in Ordinary Time


The Corinthian people were divided and could not agree. Some said they belonged to other teachers instead of Christ. Paul reminded them that Jesus was the one who was crucified for their sins—and they should belong only to him! Below are shapes that have been divided. Shade in their parts according to the fractions shown beneath.




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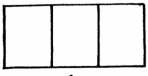
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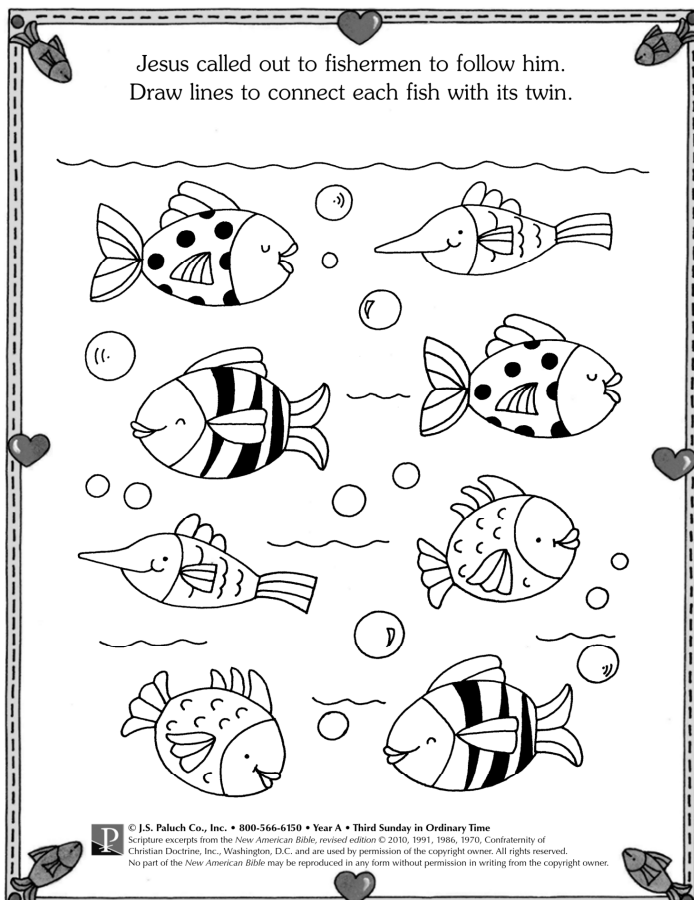


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Give your whole heart to Jesus!



Jesus called out to fishermen to follow him. Draw lines to connect each fish with its twin.



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CATHOLIC CORNER

THREE TEACHING SAINTS

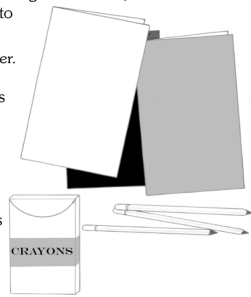
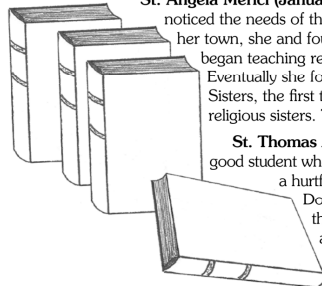
Saints come in all varieties. They come from different countries. They are young and old. They work in all different professions. But saints do share some things in common. This week we celebrate three saints who all came from Italy and were teachers.

St. Angela Merici (January 27) When Angela noticed the needs of the poor children in her town, she and four of her friends began teaching religion to young girls. Eventually she founded the Ursuline Sisters, the first teaching order of religious sisters. The Ursulines still teach today.

St. Thomas Aquinas (January 28) Thomas didn't seem like a good student when he was young. In fact, his classmates gave him a hurtful nickname, "The Dumb Ox." Thomas joined the Dominican order of priests and became a great writer, the author of twenty books that helped teach people about their faith. Because of his great intelligence he is known as the "Angelic Doctor" ("doctor" from the Latin *docere*, "to teach").

St. John Bosco (January 31) John was an unusual teacher. He very cleverly kept the interest of his students by engaging them with acrobatic tricks, tightrope walking, and juggling. His most important tool, however, was his kind treatment of his students, who were often mistreated by their employers and teachers. John founded the Society of St. Francis de Sales, whose members still work with students today.

This would be a good week to write a note of appreciation to your teachers. You can thank them for dedicating their lives to teaching and following in the footsteps of the great saints who were teachers themselves. Remember to include what you like best about your teacher and why she or he makes learning interesting and even fun.



[Jesus] went around all of Galilee... curing every disease and illness among the people. Matthew 4:23



PARISH INFORMATION



MASS SCHEDULE:

Face Masks are required for all unvaccinated people attending Mass.

Weekday: 8:30 am (Mon.-Fri.)

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am
(live-stream on our YouTube channel)

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Tuesday - Thursday: 10:00 am - 2:30 pm

Phone: 510.547.2777

After Hours Medical Emergency Line: 510.610.7715

Parish Website: www.sttheresaoakland.org

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

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5JX1e3QrqXTsa_7qmNClw

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by appointment (call parish office 510.547.2777)

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Jenny Bruni and Keri Nims: Co-Coordinators

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