St. Theresa Mission Statement

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January 26, 2020
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Theresa
PARISH
COMMUNITY

Catholic Schools

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We cultivate a faculty and staff of people who are dedicated, caring and effective.

We have a 99 percent high school graduation rate. 85 percent of our graduates go to college.

We prepare students to be productive citizens and future leaders.

We emphasize moral development and self-discipline.

We teach children respect of self and others.

We instill in students the value of service to others.

We offer an education that combines Catholic faith and teachings with academic excellence.

We partner with parents in the faith formation of their children.

We set high standards for student achievement and help them succeed.

We provide a balanced academic curriculum that integrates faith, culture and life.

We use technology effectively to enhance education.
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@sttheresaoakland.org.

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.

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.

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

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Many thanks to all who stayed after the Mass they attended last weekend to participate in the annual ‘listening sessions’. In the past these gatherings took place right before the annual staff days away for planning and responding to what we heard. Those days have already taken place due to scheduling issues. Nevertheless, all that was said has been recorded. Once it is synthesized it will be given to the parish staff and the pastoral council for discussions, figuring out what we can and cannot do, and if possible, action. We will keep you posted.

I firmly believe that recent times are calling for basic systemic change in the whole Church. Pope Francis has tried to steer the Church toward a ‘synodal’ model. Remember not that long ago, all were asked about family life and the issues around it. This hopefully is just the start of this model taking root. There is great opposition to it from some who want us never to change from what they consider is working. If something doesn’t change in my opinion it is often dead. Let us all pray that as individuals make decisions, the Holy Spirit will be listened to and will guide whole Church. Here is a summary article about a recent talk Pope Francis gave at the Vatican. It was written by Courtney Mares and published through Catholic News Service:

“Vatican City, Nov 29, 2019 / 10:00 am (CNA).- Pope Francis told the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith’s theological commission Friday that synodality will be key for the Church in the future.

“Synodality is a style, it is a walk together, and it is what the Lord expects from the Church of the third millennium,” Pope Francis said Nov. 29 in the Vatican’s Apostolic Palace.

The pope said that synodality is a topic close to his heart and thanked the International Theological Commission for producing a document on the theological roots of synodality in the Church published in March 2018: “Synodality in the Life and Mission of the Church.”

“You have shown how the practice of synodality, traditional but always to be renewed, is the implementation in the history of the People of God on the way, of the Church as a mystery of communion, in the image of the Trinitarian communion,” Pope Francis said.

Synodality, as defined in this document, is “the action of the Spirit in the communion of the Body of Christ and in the missionary journey of the People of God.”

The CDF document noted that in the history of the Church, synods and councils were nearly interchangeable terms for formal ecclesiastical assemblies. It said that the more modern view of a synod as something distinct from a council does not go back even as far as Vatican Council II, and that its development was accompanied by the neologism of “synodality.”

Speaking of the Church as “synodal” by its nature is something novel, the commission said, and requires “careful theological clarification.”

Pope Francis then stressed that “synodality is an ecclesial journey that has a soul that is the Holy Spirit.”

“Without the Holy Spirit, there is no synodality,” he added.

The pope’s audience with the International Theological Commission marked the 50th anniversary of the commission’s formation. Francis said that St. Pope Paul VI created the commission as “a new bridge between theology and the magisterium.”

“He also wanted the diversity of cultures and ecclesial experiences to enrich the mission entrusted by the Holy See to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith,” he said. “In fact, as theologians from various contexts and latitudes, you are mediators between faith and cultures, and take part in this way in the essential mission of the Church: evangelization.”

“You listen to what the Spirit says today to the Church in different cultures to bring to light ever new aspects of the inexhaustible mystery of Christ,” he said. “

While our annual ‘listening sessions’ do not fully reflect this model in our parish, it is a step in that direction. Let us keep our parish and all who are part of it regularly in our prayers this year!
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 Inene 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@sttheresa oakland.org with any questions or to help.

Catholic Schools Week
January 26 - 31

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.

St. Theresa School

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/retreat/

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

- **SUN, Feb. 9** - Confirmation Year I - 10am-12noon, Meeting Rooms

- **SUN, Feb. 23** - good Sunday HABITS - Year I & II in addition to any HS student, 10am-12noon, Meeting Rooms

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

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 (2nd floor of the Parish Center), Monday - Thursday or email Melody Marr at melody@sttheresaoakland.org.
Weekly Readings

January 27 - February 2

Monday:
2 Sm 5:1-7, 10
Ps 89
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday:
2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19
Ps 24
Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday:
2 Sm 7:4-17
Ps 89
Mk 4:1-20

Thursday:
2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29
Ps 132
Mk 4:21-25

Friday:
2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17
Ps 51
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday:
2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17
Ps 51
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday:
Mal 3:1-4
Ps 24
Heb 2:14-18
Lk 2:22-40

Living God’s Word

How will you respond to the invitation this week to pray for the unity of Christians? Will you allow Paul’s words to enlighten you about another Christian denomination? Will you attend an event at a neighbor’s church?
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
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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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