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FOURTH SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME



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MASS INTENTIONS - JAN.31 - FEB. 7

Sun. 10:00 am ✦ Michael McShane

Monday Eleanor Casazza

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday Special Intention

Friday

Sun. 10:00 am ✦ Marion Boyle Janks

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SUNDAY OFFERING**ONLINE GIVING :***(January 18 - 24) 69 DONORS***\$ 4,257.20****DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:***(January 18 - 24) 26 DONORS***\$ 2,815.00**

You can help us
 during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During this challenging time, we depend on online donations to continue our ministry. Use eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift.

Use the link on the parish website to donate.

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By using smile.amazon.com and choosing St. Theresa Catholic Church, location: Oakland, CA as your charity when you shop, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the parish.

PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT

The 2nd collection for the Parish Maintenance & Improvement Fund will be on February 7. You may use Online Giving for this collection, drop off your offering using the mail slot in the rectory, or the offering basket at Walk-Up Communion.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLETON - JAN. 31

This collection benefits the St. Vincent de Paul Society conference in our parish, 100% of your donation benefits people in our community. You may use Online Giving for this collection, drop off your offering using the mail slot in the rectory, or the offering basket at Walk-Up Communion.

**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, 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, Matt White, Mark Dreier, Tom Sanford, Fr. Alex Snyder, Wendy Parmelee, Roger Baylocq, Ida Scodella, Tom Jones, Sigrid Castaldo, Alicia Gonzalez, Denise Moore, Barbara Krummer, John Bouey, Mirella Baldo, Karis Chodzko, Diana Martinez, Susan Springer, Rachel Cecchetti, Br. Michael Gillette, Takako Smith, Jeanne Cuttitta, Melinda Parker, Margie Sullivan Maddie Heitkemper, Lennox Peerson, Joan Simmons, Badri Nakhjavani, Greg Govan, Angie & Reece Nuti and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

Join a scripture study group in your parish to listen more responsibly. Your parish doesn't have a group? Start one. You need not be a scholar or an expert to begin.

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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

January 31 bulletin, was due by January 22 (Friday)
 February 7 bulletin, was due by January 29 (Friday)
 February 14 bulletin, is due by February 5 (Friday)
 February 21 bulletin, is due by February 12 (Friday)

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

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020**Bishop's Appeal 2020****St. Theresa Parish Goal - \$35,800****Percentage Achieved 103.64%****\$37,104.00 as of January 8, 2021**

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Many thanks to all who participated in the annual 'listening session' via zoom last Sunday. Staff and members of the pastoral council are collating the comments for study and action. I would also renew my comment that we are always open to hear your comments, suggestions, commendations, or issues. We do this together and we do it better together when we rely on the collective wisdom of all guided by the Holy Spirit!

I and I am sure many are incredibly happy to hear about a loosening of the 'stay at home' state order. Returning to some possible ways hopefully will bring us on a firm path to get back the year that seems to have been lost due to the pandemic and restrictions. I urge all to continue the good practices that have helped get us to this point. Continue to wash your hands frequently wear a mask, avoid close contact with others not in your bubble and a better less restrictive way will be with us shortly. I also encourage all when you are able to get the vaccine. It is getting very wonderful and positive acclaim. I am happy the pope has received his vaccination and hope we all can say the same soon.

Today we begin and celebrate Catholic School's Week. It will be like no other, but it still gives us an opportunity to celebrate and support the many dedicated teachers, administration, and personnel at St. Theresa School.

Since 1958, the school has educated the 'whole child' in our community. I am always happy to meet former graduates who share good memories and challenges when they attended school here. It is the sign of a great school when we can boast not just when children of graduates later attend the school, but now more increasingly the grandchildren of those first classes are joining the school for its academic excellence, caring staff, and teaching faculty, the practice and imparting of our faith to all and the energy that the youngest generation makes us all aware of by their presence.

Each year I have a brief interview with every eight-grade student as I am asked to write a pastor's recommendation if they are choosing to go on to a

Catholic High School. I am awed by the caliber and dept of our students. This year has been especially challenging for all students who have had to do most of their classwork online. I happily write these recommendations and ask that we all pray as a community for their success. I have listened to many dreams in my meetings. I am sure they will soar, but let us all encourage, support, and pray for the success of our eight-graders and of all the students at St. Theresa School. I also pray, they will all be back here each day with the pandemic behind us!



I also have to hire a principal to fill the role left vacant with the sudden and unexpected passing of Judy Koneff Klatt. We have been so blessed to have Katie Murphy come out of retirement last July to rescue us when this need suddenly happened. I will speak more about Katie with great gratitude at a later time. Suffice it to say, her almost fifty years of dedication to Catholic education has been a near miracle. But we have to allow her to return to her well-deserved retirement. She had plans for last fall to travel extensively. She deserves to be able to do that in the coming fall.

I am working with the diocese who vets all principal candidates and following their guidance in establishing a search and interview team. I simply ask that each of us now pray for its success. The next principal is out there even if she or he has not given any thought to joining our community for the next school year. Your prayers will help the Holy Spirit inspire that person and guide myself and the committee in choosing the next leader of our school.

As long as we are praying (I hope a lot), let us pray for the new President and Vice-President and all their administration. May the Holy Spirit guide all of them so that the common good may be sought and our whole nation may unite for that common good.



ST. THERESA SCHOOL**St Theresa Sunday Dinners Cookbook**

What are your family's Sunday dinner traditions? What is a favorite recipe or menu? Have you been honing your culinary skills? Is your go to a tried and true family recipe or your own creation?

The St Theresa Parents' Club invites you to share your family's favorite Sunday dinner recipes and menus. We will be compiling all the submissions into a community cookbook. Please share your Sunday dinner traditions, why this is your go to menu or recipe, a photo of your family, etc. Cookbooks will be printed and available to purchase, with a target delivery date in early May. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to benefit the school.

Please make your submissions by March 15th to allow time for collating and printing. Use the link below to make your submissions.

People who want to submit recipes can do so via the following link:

<https://bonapp.typeform.com/to/Gihi5dNt>

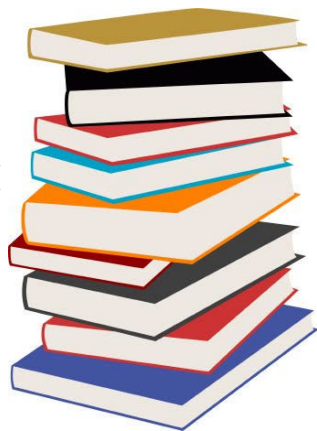
or via email by sending their submissions to the Parents Club email:

sttheresaparentsclub@gmail.com

ST. THERESA SCHOOL - READ-A-THON

The St. Theresa School will be hosting a student read-a-thon from February 8th - 26th. Prizes will be awarded to top readers, and all proceeds raised will benefit the school.

The St. Theresa Parents' Club welcomes all Parish families with Kinder through 8th grade students who would like to participate in our read-a-thon to contact Sophia Kassab at so.campodonico@gmail.com to register.



We hope you will join us!

WINGS ~ WOMEN IN GOD'S SPIRIT

WINGS is a faith enhancement group for women that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, life sharing and community. We meet on Wednesdays on the Zoom platform from 9:15-11:15am for the rest of this year. 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. Invite a friend! Women from local parishes and other denominations are welcome! If you were a member last year you will automatically receive a Zoom invitation. If you're new to WINGS or wish to sample a meeting, send your email address to Nancy Midlin midlin.nancy@gmail.com. She will send you the link to Zoom.

***"Strength for the Journey"***

FEBRUARY 3RD

TOINETTE M. EUGENE, PH. D
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Sarai and Hagar: A Tale of Two Sisters**MASS INTENTIONS**

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at

melody@sttheresaoakland.org

or 510.547.2777, ext. 120 (Tuesday - Thursday).

ONLINE PRAYER REQUEST FOR THE SICK OR DECEASED

You can submit names for the Prayers of the Faithful for our Sunday Mass and the bulletin prayer list (*Prayers for the Sick or Recently Deceased*) online.

Please complete the form on the parish website page Prayer/Mass & Confession Time, their name will be included in the weekly bulletin and our Sunday live-stream Mass.

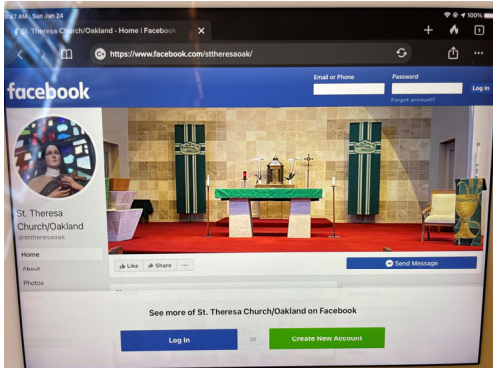
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LIVE-STREAM MASS ON FACEBOOK

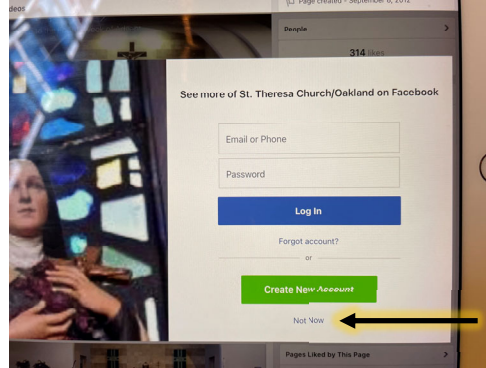
The 10:00 am Sunday Mass is Live-Streamed on Facebook every Sunday. You do not need a Facebook account to watch the Mass. The Facebook Link is <https://www.facebook.com/sttheresaok/>.

Once you are on the St. Theresa Facebook page if you do not have a Facebook account or are not signed on to Facebook you will see this screen asking you to Log in. Move around on the page and a different Log in request will appear.

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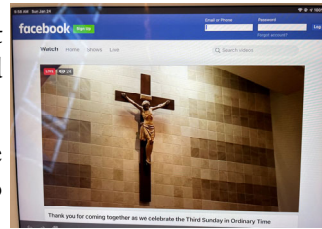


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Click on **Not Now**, the screen will change back to the first screen, ignore the log in request. You can now move around and click on the live-stream Mass.

These pictures were taken on my iPad January 24th, for the live-stream Mass using a browser that was not signed on to my Facebook Account, Cathy.



WALK-UP HOLY COMMUNION



FOLLOWING SUNDAY 10:00 AM LIVE-STREAM MASS

Communion will be distributed in the church vestibule following the live-stream Mass. We ask that you line up using the social distancing markers on the steps and blacktop. **You will be ushered one person at a time into the vestibule for communion.** Volunteers will be there to assist you.

Masks **MUST** be worn at all times. Please use a hand sanitizer before receiving communion. If you are wearing gloves, you must remove them before receiving Eucharist. It is preferred that you receive the Host in your hands for the time being.

After receiving Holy Communion, there will be a table where you may pick up a bulletin and a basket for your Sunday offering, and then please return to your car and depart. The church will not be open for individual prayer during this time.

PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

Come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there And unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

WEEKLY READINGS

February 1 - 7

Monday:

Heb 11:32-40

Ps 31

Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday

Mal 3:1-4

Ps 24

Heb 2:14-18

Lk 2:22-40

Wednesday

Heb 12:4-7, 11-15

Ps 103

Mk 6:1-6

Thursday:

Heb 12:18-19, 21-24

Ps 48

Mk 6:7-13

Friday

Heb 13:1-8

Ps 27

Mk 6:14-29

Saturday

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21

Ps 23

Mk 6:30-34

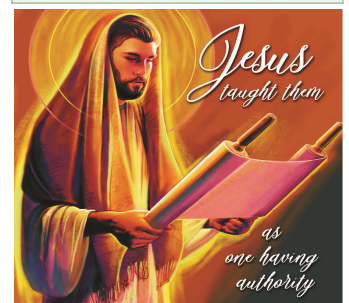
Sunday:

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7

Ps 147

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23

Mk 1:29-29



God's Word for Children

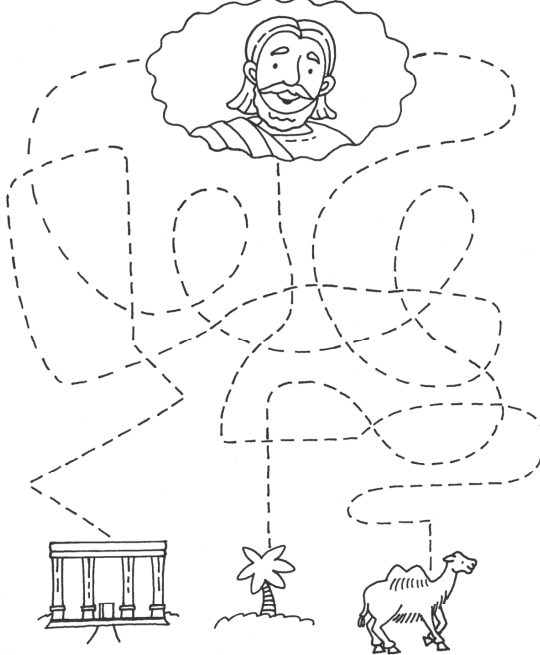
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

God gave Moses a message for the people.
Part of what the Lord said is written below, but it is incorrect.
To make it right, draw a line through each boxed word
and write the correct rhyming word above it.
If you need help, read Deuteronomy 18:18 in your Bible.

"I still raise cup for them a prophet
bike you from among their chin,
land will put shy words into his mouth;
he shall bell them all that I command swim."



When he was in Capernaum,
Jesus would teach in the synagogue on the Sabbath.
But how will he get there?
Trace the line that leads Jesus to the synagogue.

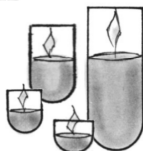


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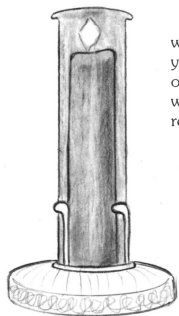


PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

On February 2 we will celebrate the Presentation of the Lord. This feast takes place forty days after Christmas. It recalls the occasion when Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple when he was forty days old to "present" him to God. Two elderly people, a holy man named Simeon and a prophet named Anna, greeted Jesus with great joy. Simeon took the baby in his arms and said that Jesus would be a light to the nations.

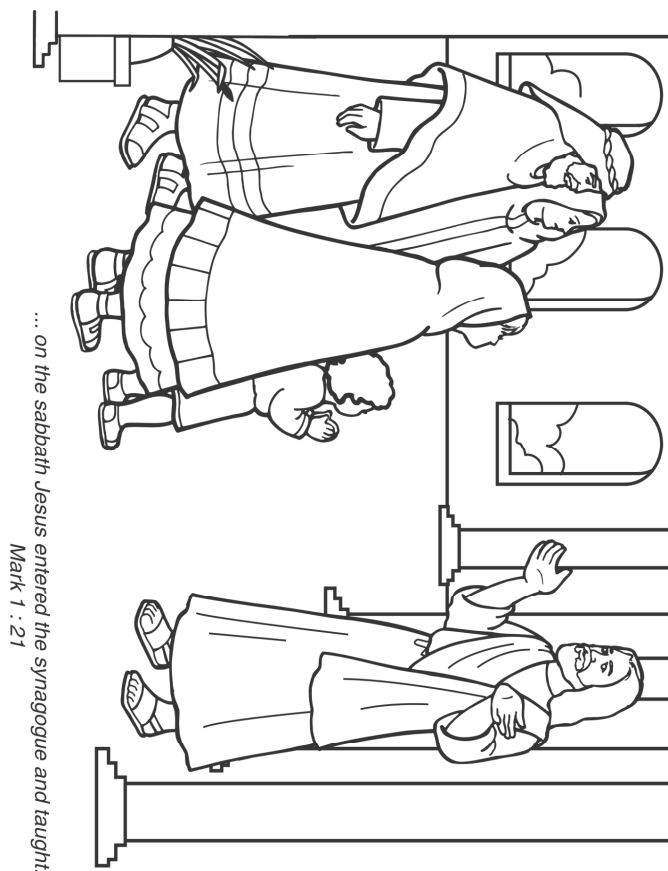


At the time of this feast the priest often blesses the candles that will be used to light our church and our homes during the coming year. These candles remind us of the words of Jesus: "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). The candle you received at your baptism was lit from the great paschal or Christ candle in the church. It is a reminder that Jesus calls you to be a light for others, too.



Look around your church today or make a visit sometime during the week. Notice all the different sizes and shapes of candles you see. Where do you find them? Draw pictures of all the different candles in your church. Begin with the largest one, the paschal candle that usually stands near the baptismal font. Count the number of candles on or near the altar. Did you notice a lit candle near the tabernacle? Do you see small votive candles anywhere in your church?

As you draw, think about how Jesus is the light of your life.
Think about how you can be a light for others.



PARISH INFORMATION



Mass Schedules:

Weekday: 8:30 am (*suspended*)

Sunday: 10:00 am (*public Mass suspended*)

Live-Stream on Facebook

Walk-Up Holy Communion
following Sunday Mass

Reconciliation: (*call for an appointment*)

Parish Center Office Hours:

Tuesday - Thursday:

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

THE PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

*THE PARISH STAFF IS AVAILABLE BY PHONE AND EMAIL
DURING OFFICE HOURS.*

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by appointment (call parish office 510.547.2777)

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