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FEBRUARY 16, 2020

SIXTH SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME



ANNUAL IRENE CROSETTI RAVIOLI DINNER

FEBRUARY 8, 2020

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MASS INTENTIONS ~ FEBRUARY 15 - 23

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Sun. 9:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa
 11:00 am Elaine Moore

Mon. 8:30 am Eleanor Casazza
 Tues. 8:30 am Special Intention
 Wed. 8:30 am † Barbara Maes
 Thurs. 8:30 am † Jerry McCabe
 Fri. 8:30 am The Poor Souls

Sat. 5:00 pm † Jane Guzick
 Sun. 9:00 am Frank Howell
 11:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

SUNDAY OFFERING

FEBRUARY 8 & 9 SUNDAY OFFERING: \$ 5,350.00
 ONLINE: \$ 4,369.71

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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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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

February 16 bulletin was due by February 7 (Friday)
 February 23 bulletin was due by February 14 (Friday)
 March 1 bulletin is due by February 21 (Friday)
 March 8 bulletin is due by February 28 (Friday)

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

**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 Jones, Sigrid Castaldo.

DEATHS

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially, Bishop Alexander Brunett, Elizabeth Berry-Mercier.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

The biblical ideal of giving money back to God is the tithe (10 percent), which can be split between your parish and favorite charities. If this amount seems impossible because, for example, you are unemployed or on a small fixed income, set an amount that works for you and try to give it regularly.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Adult: How do you reconcile with those who have offended or hurt you?

Child: When have you taken the first step to make up with someone who has hurt you or whom you have offended?

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BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020

Bishop's Appeal 2020

St. Theresa Parish Goal - \$35,800

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

A great time was had by all who enjoyed the annual 'Irene Crosetti Ravioli Dinner'. Thanks is offered to all who made it a success especially Keri Nims, Peter Boero, Peter Nuti and his cooking crew, members of the Men's Club who hosted the liquid refreshments and some of the eight grade students who did an amazing job serving and clearing the tables afterwards.

This is a great easy relaxed family/parish event and I look forward to more attending next year!

It seems that the 'Event Center' is finally getting used in some of the ways that were the original reason for building it. Please continue to pray that the mediation will go well in the next few weeks and the defects that were there from the time it was built will be fixed. Going forward, we have now faced many inspections in order to proceed with events like the ravioli dinner, pancake breakfast, Eight grade pasta feed, etc. Your ongoing generosity to the 'Building and Maintenance Fund' allows us to keep things up to date and to pay the expense of regular city, fire department and police department fees to keep our approvals current. Once the mediation is settled, we can hopefully quickly move forward to spruce up what is now a ten-year-old building. Special thanks to Melody Marr and others who have made sure our permits are current so we can continue to use this and the rest of the parish site for the many things that happen here each week.

Coming on February 23rd will be a 'Mardi Gras' pancake breakfast. Yes, Ash Wednesday and Lent begin the following Wednesday. Once upon a time, pancakes were the fare the day before a strict Lenten fast began. We no longer have this strict fast for the forty days of Lent, but the fellowship and enjoyment of each other may also give way to some good suggestions on how we will as individuals, families and as a parish begin the season of renewal.

One prayerful way is to participate in the annual parish retreat. The weekend before the retreat begins will bring a special friend back to our parish and some great preaching. Then each of the next four weekdays presentations/sessions will take place after the morning Mass around 9:15am and each evening at 7pm in the Meeting Rooms. The team will bring forward some of the rich spiritual treasure that lies in several of our own parishioners. You don't have to go to both morning and evening session (unless you want to) and can go one morning and the next night if that fits into your schedule.

The retreat starts with each Sunday Mass on March 21 and 22 and continues each day Monday, March 23 to Thursday, March 26. Put it on your calendar today.

Last weekend during the homily I referred to a magazine article. Several have asked about it. It can be found in Commonweal Magazine and is entitled *American Paganism* and authored by David Albertson. I hope you will enjoy reading it and would be happy to discuss it with you.

This weekend we begin again and announce the 2020 Bishop's Appeal. Last year without much push we were able to contribute 83% of the goal given us by the diocese. I ask you to consider helping this year. Here are some important points to think about as you consider giving to this annual appeal:

- ◆ The Annual Bishop's Appeal is necessary to meet the needs of the Diocese and Chancery. *This appeal helps cover costs of ministries and services.* There are many exciting and positive things happening around the diocese and the services it provides.
- ◆ There are five specific areas that receive funds from the Appeal: Religious Education & Formation; Clergy Formation & Support; Pastoral Ministries & Services; Priest Retirement & Care; and Support for Catholic Schools & Parishes in Need.
- ◆ Be assured that ***none of the funds are ever redirected to any other causes.***
- ◆ The money received from the 2019 BISHOP'S APPEAL was used to provide services and ministries throughout the diocese and supported all 82 parishes.

Some examples of the work done last year in the diocese are the following:

1. Support for 15 men in priestly formation in University, Seminary, and pastoral training.
2. 750 volunteers trained to be Catechetical leaders.
3. CYO Athletics had over 16,000 participants and 2,400 coaches enjoy the program.
4. Provided case management, care advocacy, and resources for 50+ retirees priests.
5. Live Scan screening of 4,300 employees, clergy, and volunteers.
6. Diocesan Marriage Prep Weekends served over 400 couples, throughout 60 parishes.
7. Your support provides for those individuals whose ministry is to work for the Chancery.

Every parish in our diocese is participating in this appeal. Together, with our entire diocesan family, we share in the mission of the Church. We share in reaching out to those in need. We are stewards of the faith.





Please join us for our monthly *RISE & SHINE MASS* at 9am on Sunday, February 23rd. This is a youth-friendly and youth-participatory Mass.

Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast



Sunday, February 23rd
10am - 12:45pm
Event Center

This is a HSYM fundraising event supporting a Lenten service project building homes for those in great need.

PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

Where Do You Find God in the Everyday?

A DIP INTO IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

This year's Parish Lenten Retreat will begin with the weekend Masses on March 21st and 22nd, and continue Monday through Thursday of that week. AJ Rizzo, SJ, will preside at the weekend Masses, and open the retreat on Monday.

Weekday sessions will be held in the Event Center meeting rooms each morning after the 8:30am Mass and repeated in the evening from 7:00-8:30pm. Sessions will include a presentation, testimonial, time for personal reflection, faith sharing, and will end with a prayer ritual.

Monday, March 23rd *
It's All About God's Love

* Lenten Soup at 6:15pm followed by the program

Tuesday, March 24th
How Do You Nurture God's Love?

Wednesday, March 25th
How Do You Mess Up?

Thursday, March 26th *
How Do You Manifest God's Love?

* Lenten Soup at 6:15pm followed by the program

We look forward to sharing this year's Lenten Retreat with you, Laura Bennett, Sharon Chipman, Cindy Crimmins, Lydia Deck, Nina Green, Bob Hernandez, and Fr. Bob McCann.



MEMORY BEARS

If you or someone you know has lost a loved one and would like a cherished remembrance of them, the St Theresa memory bear makers would be honored to take an article of their clothing and transform it into a small bear or bears. With the sorrow of the passing of a loved one, our memory bears can be a source of comfort to young and old alike. Happy memories are often associated with a favorite shirt, dress, jacket, or, even jammies. For our part, we consider it an honor to give those grieving a small, sunny remembrance of their family member or friend. We hasten to add that the bears are made at no expense to those requesting them. We also welcome anyone who would like to join us in making memory bears and comfort bears (for those in hospice care). We meet for an hour, twice a month in the church hall. No sewing skills are necessary. We are scheduled to meet at 7:00 pm in the Hall on Monday, February 24. If would like to request a memory bear or have any questions, please get in touch with Marlene McShane at 510-653-2688 or Cecile Cuttitta at Cecile.Cuttitta@att.net.

8th Grade Annual

PASTA DINNER

Supporting the Class of 2020 Graduation Activities

ADULTS: \$15
CHILDREN: \$12
KIDS UNDER 3 FREE

CASH BAR
RAFFLE

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

5:30 - 7:30 PM

St. Theresa Event Center

ASH WEDNESDAY**February 26**

Ashes will be distributed at all Masses and Prayer Services.

SCHEDULE:

Masses: 8:30 AM & 7:30 PM

School Mass: 10:00 AM

School Prayer Service: 11:30 AM

(parishioners are invited to attend any of the services)

There will be a collection at the 8:30 & 7:30 Masses.

THIS IS A DAY OF FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The law of fasting allows one full meal and two smaller ones. The law of abstinence prohibits the eating of meat. Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence in the United States.

The obligation of abstinence begins at age 14. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59

DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR LENT

You are invited to help decorate the church for Lent on Sunday, February 23rd following the 11:00 am Mass.

WINGS ~ 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"*

FEBRUARY 19TH**WINGS OUTREACH PROJECT****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.

CONFIRMATION & HSYM

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

- ◆ **SUN, Feb. 23** - good Sunday HABITS - Year I & II in addition to any HS student, Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast Event... more details to come
- ◆ **SUN, March 22** - Meeting Rooms ,class TBD
- ◆ **SUN, March 29** - Church Hall, class TBD

For more information, please contact:



Jenny Bruni
HSYM Coordinator
jenny@sttheresaokland.org
(510) 547-2777 x 123

PRESIDENT'S HOLIDAY - FEBRUARY 17

The parish offices and the school will be closed on Monday, February 17 for the President's Day holiday.

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@sttheresaokland.org or 547.2777, ext. 120.

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 following all Masses on the weekend or the

Parish Office (*2nd floor of the Parish Center*),
Monday - Thursday
or call/email Melody Marr
510.547.2777, ext. 120
melody@sttheresaokland.org.

PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

	Start Time	Event	Location
February 15 Saturday	8:00 AM	CYO Games	Church
	4:00 PM	Reconciliation	Church
	5:00 PM	Mass	Church
	6:30 PM	CYO Games	Event Center
February 16 Sunday	9:00 AM	Mass	Church
	11:00 AM	Mass	Church
	1:00 PM	CYO Games	Event Center
	5:00 PM	Family Rosary	Church & Hall
February 17 Monday	President's Day Holiday - Parish Offices & School Closed		
February 18 Tuesday	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
	9:00 AM	Legion of Mary	Hall
February 19 Wednesday	4:00 PM	CYO Practice	Event Center
	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
	9:15 AM	WINGS	Mtg Rms
	2:30 PM	CYO Practice	Event Center
	4:00 PM	Children's Choir Rehearsal	Church
February 20 Thursday	7:00 PM	Scout Troop Planning Meeting	Hall
	7:00 PM	Ignatian Prayer Group	Library
	7:30 AM	Cursillo Faith Sharing	PC Parlor
	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
	7:00 PM	Centering Prayer	Church
	8:30 PM	Men's Basketball	Event Center
	7:30 AM	Men's Cursillo Faith Sharing	PC Parlor
	8:00 AM	Women's Volleyball	Event Center
February 21 Friday	8:30 AM	Mass	Church
	Parish Offices closed on Fridays		
February 22 Saturday	4:00 PM	Reconciliation	Church
	5:00 PM	Mass	Church
February 23 Sunday	9:00 AM	Rise and Shine Mass	Church
	10:00 AM	Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast	Event Center
	10:00 AM	Family Faith Formation	Mtg Rms
	11:00 AM	Mass	Church
	1:00 PM	CYO Games	Event Center

WEEKLY READINGS

*February 17 - 23***Monday:**

Jas 1:1-11
Ps 119
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday

Jas 1:12-18
Ps 94
Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

Jas 1:19-27
Ps 15
Mk 8:22-26

Thursday:

Jas 2:1-9
Ps 34
Mk 8:27-33

Friday

Jas 2:14-24, 26
Ps 112
Mk 8:34-9:1

Saturday:

1 Pt 5:1-4
Ps 23
Mt 16:13-19

Sunday:

Lv 19:1-2, 17-18
Ps 103
1 Cor 3:16-23
Mt 5:38-48

LIVING GOD'S WORD

We can pray for the Holy Spirit to open our minds to understand what is at the heart of Jesus' teachings, and that we both discern what God asks of us and respond wholeheartedly. Thus we witness to others what it means to walk in the law of the Lord.

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

After Hours Medical Emergency & Emergency Line:
510.610.7715

Parish Website: www.sttheresaoakland.org

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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

Family Faith Formation (Grades 1-5)

Sunday, 10:00 am (twice a month)

Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

Sunday 6:30 pm (once a month)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month (September - May)

Parish Organizations

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