

# ST. THERESA

# PARISH COMMUNITY

## 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.

MAY 1, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY  
OF  
EASTER



WE WERE BLESSED TO HAVE  
ARCHBISHOP PETER AND THE  
FIJIAN COMMUNITY WITH US ON  
SATURDAY, APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>.

If you missed the Mass you can watch  
it on YouTube at [https://youtu.be/  
LCV0Kj1Ms5M](https://youtu.be/LCV0Kj1Ms5M)



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**MASS INTENTIONS - APRIL 30 - MAY 8**

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa  
 Sun. 10:00 am ✚ Michael Sean Donovan

Mon. 8:30 am  
 Tues. 8:30 am  
 Wed. 8:30 am  
 Thurs. 8:30 am  
 Fri. 8:30 am ✚ Ida & Nick Monti

Sat. 5:00 pm ✚ Virginia Cuttitta  
 Sun. 10:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

**KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US**

Via email or text message:



- ♦ Receive the weekly Friday Flocknote
- ♦ Receive parish updates and notices of special events
- ♦ Choose to receive updates from groups you're interested in
- ♦ Unsubscribe anytime

Sign-up at  
[flocknote.com/StTheresa30](https://flocknote.com/StTheresa30)  
 OR  
 Text: STT To: 84579

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

ONLINE GIVING :  
 (April 18 - 24) 61 DONORS **\$ 2,965.20**  
 MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:  
 (April 08 - 24) 38 DONORS **\$ 3,038.00**

**ONLINE GIVING**

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

Scan the QR code to sign-up or make changes to your online giving.

**SUPPORT ST. THERESA CHURCH**

By using [smile.amazon.com](https://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.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at [melody@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:melody@sttheresaokland.org) or 510.547.2777, ext. 120 (Tuesday - Thursday).

**DECEASED**

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Frank Silva, the father of Jim Silva.

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

Matt Mercier, Heidi Parmelee, Aiden Farinella, Dolores Gomez, Alegria Hipolito, Betty Wharton, Hazel Villata, Juanita Estrella, Leslie Fischer, Mike Reilly, Dorothy Donnelly, Olga Lamberti, Matt White, Tom Sanford, Wendy Parmelee, Roger Baylocq, Ida Scodella, Alicia Gonzalez, Denise Moore, Mirella Baldo, Diana Martinez, Susan Springer, Margie Sullivan, Maddie Heitkemper, Joan Simmons, Badri Nakhjavani, Eddie Bradford, Wendy Jones, Bob Rogers, Orlanda Gonzalez, Kevin Chapman, Diane Cerille, Ruth McCabe, Tom Wilberding, Shirley Roberts, Karen Milliman, Richard Nivens, Anita Perricelli, Danny Ramos, Mark Leonard, Christopher Rodriguez, Maryanne Walsh, Rhonda Santeen, Ricardo Sepulveda, Doris Fiumano, John Whatley, Bishop John Cummins, Fr. Bob McCann, Nancy Coyne, Kevin Stallone, Herman Carmassi, Della Spinelli, Jennifer Taylor, Kelly Keith, Jeanne Cuttitta, Susan Buller, Felipa Luviano, Amy Kantowitz, Shelley Faro, Ann Springer, Guy Wallace, Enriqueta Robles, Steven Robles, and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

**LIVING STEWARDSHIP**

"Try as far as you can to do everything well, but when it is done, do not think about it. Try, rather, to think of what is to be done next. Go on simply in the Lord's way, and do not torment yourself." —Saint Francis de Sales

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**BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES**

May 1 bulletin was due by April 22 (Friday)  
 May 8 bulletin was due by April 29 (Friday)  
 May 15 bulletin is due by May 6 (Friday)  
 May 22 bulletin is due by May 13 (Friday)  
 Items must be received by 4:00 pm on the due date.  
 Email to [cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org).

**Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2022**

**St. Theresa Parish Goal - \$35,800**

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

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

It is wonderful to celebrate Easter with many in church and all the other signs of some things returning to the ways before the pandemic hit us. A thousand thanks to all who helped decorate, clean, welcome, prepare, read, sing and everything else that made this year's Holy Week and Easter celebrations so prayerful and joyful.

As we go forward, you may have noticed lights on many nights at the parish Event Center. CYO basketball and volleyball teams are practicing in the gym, and we welcomed the Fijian community to celebrate the presence of Archbishop Peter with us for a few days of vacation for him. Fire, kitchen and use permits are being procured so we can use this center again fully as an integral part of our parish facilities.

Last year, after a lengthy legal process and with the assistance of a professional mediator, we settled our construction defects lawsuit involving the parish event center. The settlement reimbursed us for our initial repair costs and the legal expenses the Diocese incurred on our behalf, and provided the additional funding needed to repair the building. These repairs were completed by Oliver & Company, a trusted Diocesan general contractor, and not by the original builder.

I am pleased to report the building repairs have been completed!

Repair work included waterproofing the leaking portions of below-grade walls, applying a waterproof coating to the above-grade exterior concrete masonry walls, repair or replacement of leaking flashings and damaged stucco, drainage improvements around the hillside perimeter of the building, caulking sidewalk and retaining wall joints, door and window repairs, roof repairs, and repair or replacement of water-damaged interior walls, doors, and flooring.

For those who are new to this issue, the building was completed in 2009, but the construction defects were not discovered until September

2016 when a sink flooded a restroom. During the cleanup, we discovered signs of significant additional water damage unrelated to the sink overflow.



What we thought would be a temporary closure became much longer. After removing the damaged portions of drywall and gym floor, we found additional widespread damage from ongoing water intrusion that until then had been hidden beneath the floor and behind walls. Detailed inspections by experts hired by the Diocese led to a decision in 2018 to sue the original builder. Our lawsuit was complicated by the builder and several subcontractors having gone out of business.

What about the gym floor? In September 2017 we held a fundraising drive and raised \$25,000 for a temporary gym floor. You may have heard our insurance company purchased a replacement wood gym floor for us. Because of the time it would take to resolve the lawsuit and make repairs to prevent further water intrusion, we decided to sell the flooring to avoid paying storage fees. We used the sale proceeds to help cover building repair costs. We will continue using the current gym floor for now.

Most of the repairs were funded by our insurance and the settlement. The Diocese paid for the remaining portion of the repair costs. We did not need to use the parish and school operating budgets or our savings to pay for any of the repairs. It is good to finally put this repairs project behind us!

I invite everyone to come to the 10am Mass on May 15. Immediately following the Mass, we will process over to bless the Event Center again. This will give everyone a chance to see it as it goes into use on behalf of many parish groups and others. This goal finally reached is another cause to continue our Easter joy!





**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE  
BLESSING  
&  
RE-OPENING OF THE EVENT CENTER.**

**MAY 15, 2022**

**10:00 AM MASS**

**FOLLOWED BY A PROCESSION TO  
THE EVENT CENTER FOR THE  
BLESSING AND FELLOWSHIP.**

#### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Are you interested in serving your parish on the St. Theresa Pastoral Council? The Pastoral Council is a body of active parishioners that supports the goals and vision of our parish community and staff. This is a 3 year commitment and we meet monthly.

For more details, please contact Paulette Tuckner at [pmtuckner@comcast.net](mailto:pmtuckner@comcast.net).

#### ONLINE PRAYER REQUEST FOR THE SICK OR RECENTLY DECEASED

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

Please complete the form on the parish website page <https://sttheresaokland.org/pray/mass-and-confession-times> their name will be included in the weekly bulletin and Weekend Masses.

*This form is not for Mass Intentions.*

#### ST. THERESA SCHOOL

Are you or anyone you know still looking to apply to school for the Fall? St. Theresa School has extended their admissions deadlines and has openings in grades TK-4! Contact the Director of Admissions, Michelle, for more information about their rigorous curriculum, engaging STEM program, and enriching specialty courses! [m\\_halligan@sttheresaschool.org](mailto:m_halligan@sttheresaschool.org).

#### 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](mailto:midlin.nancy@gmail.com). She will send you the link to Zoom.



*"Led by the Spirit"*

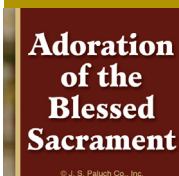
**MAY 4<sup>TH</sup>**

**NANCY HOLLISTER**

**BOARD MEMBER, SVDP OF ALAMEDA COUNTY**

*How the Spirit Guides Vincentians*

#### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION



May 6<sup>th</sup>  
**9:00 am to 4:30 pm**  
Benediction at 4:30 pm.

#### LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Low Gluten hosts are available at all weekend Masses.

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

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (SJC) CORNER**

Please join the Social Justice Committee as we pray for how we go forward in our works of Charity and Social Justice.

Please send us your ideas for Social Justice works at St. Theresa. You can email: Lydia Deck at ltdeck@me.com; we will also be doing a survey next month so be on the watch.

Our next meeting is via ZOOM on May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

We will be hosting a special meeting over ZOOM on May 10<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 7pm to hear from Meg Bowerman about a program in our diocese called *Just Faith*. *Just Faith* ministries offers extended programs that provide opportunities for individuals to study and be formed by the justice tradition articulated by the Scriptures. *Just Faith* prepares folks for work of social ministry. *Just Matters* helps folks to focus on a particular area of social concern and culminates in a call to engaged action. Join us as we learn more about how our community can work together to address social concerns. Please RSVP to ltdeck@me.com

This is our prayer: *Prayer for the Courage to Love Small*

*Dear God,*

*Bless me with a radical love, inventor of love. And may that love overflow onto, into, and through me. Flood me with Your kindness, generosity, and compassion, so that I may be Your hands and feet in the world.*

*Help me to remember that love isn't always in grand gestures or extravagant gifts, but in the small, faithful acts. Help me to remember it is in the showing up, in the work behind the scenes, in doing that which won't get us recognition. The one who is the first in and last out. The generosity of time, resources, spirit. The one who leaves flowers in her wake. This is the long faithfulness that can change the world.*

*God bless me in the Little Way, to be able to do small things with great love. One small action at a time, until it's a bridge—with a span that reaches from my little life to Yours with each act of love. And when I screw up or forget or grow weary, bless me with the courage to begin again. Loving and loving again. being changed by Your love and transforming the world one little act of love at a time.*

*May it be so.*

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**VINCENT DE PAUL**

SVDP St. Theresa Conference thanks all our parishioners who made a great Easter Party possible for about 150 children. The children used your donations make their own Easter Baskets filled with toys, stuffed animals and candy and other presents were also given out. The event was held at our downtown campus on the Saturday before Easter. Their joy was evident in their happy faces.

**CURRENT NEEDS**

Volunteers Needed for the Dining Room at the Direct Services Campus in West Oakland: 8:30am to 1pm Tuesday through Saturday. Volunteers to help prepare, and bag warm meals for our guests and serve the meals at the gated entrance to the courtyard. These excellent hot takeaway meals are being provided while the dining room is closed due to COVID. 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 to accommodate our neighbors some of whom are on various forms of public assistance that leave them short of funds when it come to purchasing food at the end 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. If this works, it will become a permanent way for us to help our neighbors..

**Bay Area Rent Relief**

Our Parish Conference of St Vincent de Paul is here to help our neighbors in need, including assisting those who qualify for California's rent relief program to apply for and receive these State funds. If you know of anyone in need requiring assistance, please refer them to our Conference.

Our Parish SVdP Conference meets bimonthly, every third Saturday at 9:30am. The next meeting is May 21. If interested in learning more about our Conference's work, contact Judy Bojorquez at jtsbojorquez@yahoo.com to be added to email distribution and with any questions you might have.

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

**WEEKLY READINGS**

**May 2 - 8**

**Monday:**

Acts 6:8-15

Ps 119

Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday:**

1 Cor 15:1-8

Ps 19

Jn 14:6-14

**Wednesday:**

Acts 8:1b-8

Ps 66

Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday:**

Acts 8:26-40

Ps 66

Jn 6:44-51

**Friday**

Acts 9:1-20

Ps 117

Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday:**

Acts 9:31-42

Ps 116

Jn 6:60-69

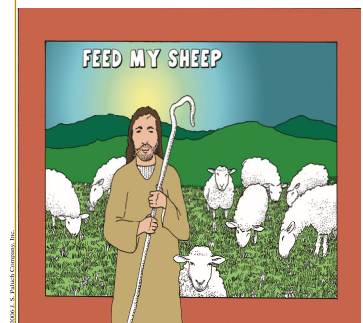
**Sunday:**

Acts 13:14, 43-52

Ps 100

Rv 7:9, 14b-17

Jn 10:27-30



# God's Word for Children

**Third Sunday of Easter**

When Jesus and his disciples had eaten together, Jesus told Peter to take care of his sheep. He meant that Peter and the other disciples were to tell everyone about him so that people would love him and follow him as the disciples themselves did. Use the picture clues from the Bible story (John 21:1-19) to fill in the crossword.

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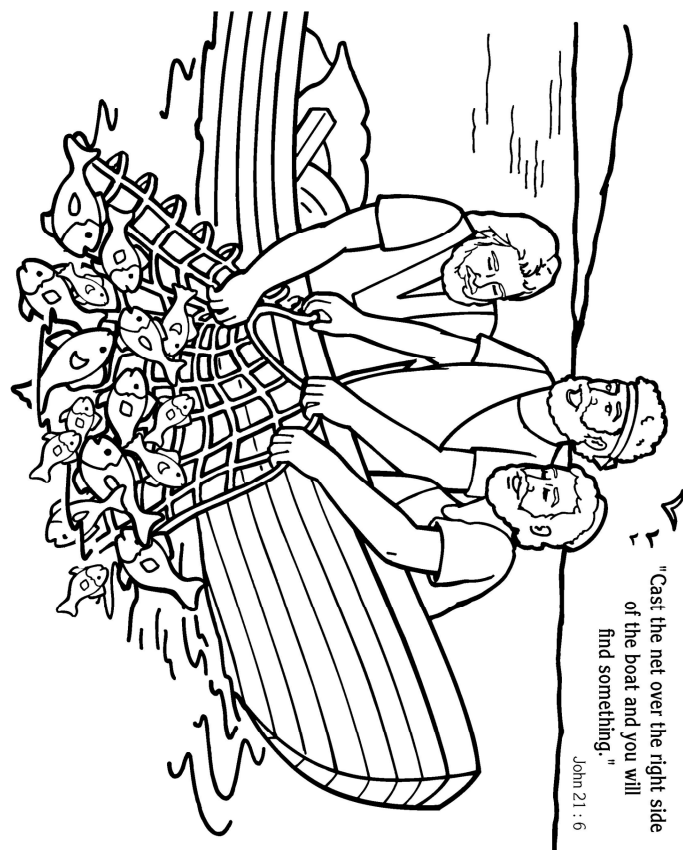
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2. → 

3. → 

After his resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples and made them breakfast on the seashore. Then Jesus asked Peter if he loved him. Peter said he did. These pictures show what Jesus told Peter to do. Find and circle five things that are in the first picture but not the second.

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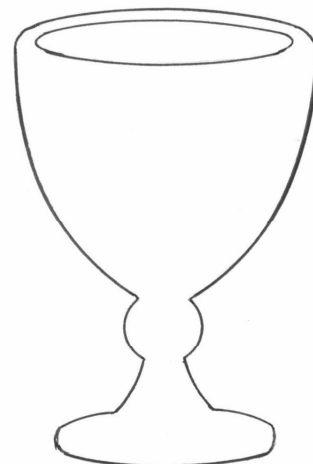
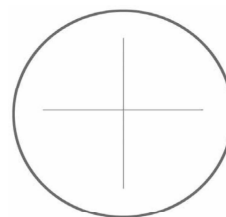
## FEED MY LAMBS

Today's Gospel (John 21:1-19) tells the story of the time after the Resurrection when Jesus helped the apostles catch a large net full of fish. They didn't recognize him until they pulled in a catch so large they could hardly handle it. Afterward, on the shore, Jesus prepared a breakfast for them of bread and some of the fish they had caught. When they ate this meal, they realized that Jesus really was with them. Do you remember another time when Jesus fed many people with loaves of bread and fish (John 6:1-14)? Do you remember a time when Jesus shared a meal of bread and wine with his friends (Luke 22:7-20)?

This is the time of year when many parishes celebrate First Holy Communion. Children are preparing to receive Jesus for the first time and share in the Eucharistic meal. They remind us how important it is always to be prepared and desire to receive Jesus. Once we have received Jesus we cannot keep him to ourselves. Jesus reminds us that we must continue to bring him to others. Do you know anyone who will be making their First Communion this year? Are you one of those children?

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (#1391-1397) tells us that each time we receive Holy Communion "fruits," or wonderful things, happen. Most importantly, we grow closer to Jesus. Our venial sins are forgiven and we are strengthened to resist mortal sin. Finally, the people of our Church become more firmly united in doing Christ's work of serving the poor.

In the pictures of the host and chalice, write some of the ways that receiving Jesus can help you do some or all of these things.





# 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: 10:00 am**

## RECONCILIATION:

**Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm**

Reconciliation is outside, not in the confessional

## PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS:

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

*Please ring doorbell for entrance to parish offices.*

**Phone: 510.547.2777**

**After Hours Medical Emergency Line: 510.610.7715**

**Parish Website: [www.sttheresaoakland.org](http://www.sttheresaoakland.org)**

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

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## Baptisms and Marriages

by appointment (call parish office 510.547.2777)

## To arrange a Funeral

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## Family Faith Formation (Grades TK-5) & R.C.I.C.

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## Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

Jenny Bruni and Keri Nims: Co-Coordinators

## High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

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## R.C.I.A. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

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## Parish Organizations

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