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COMMUNITY

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MAY 15, 2022
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OF
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CONFIRMATION
MAY 7, 2020



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MASS INTENTIONS ~ MAY 14 - 22

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Sun. 10:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Mon. 8:30 am † Deceased Members of Dominican Third Order
 Tues. 8:30 am † Mary Amoriello
 Wed. 8:30 am
 Thurs. 8:30 am
 Fri. 8:30 am
 Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Sun. 10:00 am † Msgr. Nicholas P. Connolly

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SUNDAY OFFERING**ONLINE GIVING :**

(May 2 - 8) 658 DONORS	\$ 3,705.20
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MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:

(May 2 - 8) 403 DONORS	\$ 3,521.00
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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 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.

**CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN**

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Oakland Diocese to fund local communications efforts. **Please note the collection date on your envelope is incorrect.**

DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Felipa Luviano, the grandmother of St. Theresa School Principal Alicia Ortegon.

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

Matt Mercier, Heidi Parmelee, Aiden Farinella, Dolores Gomez, Alegría Hipólito, Betty Wharton, Hazel Villata, Juanita Estrella, Leslie Fischer, Mike Reilly, Dorothy Donnelly, Olga Lamberti, Tom Sanford, Wendy Parmelee, Roger Baylocq, Ida Scodella, Alicia Gonzalez, Denise Moore, Mirella Baldo, Diana Martínez, Susan Springer, Margie Sullivan, Maddie Heitkemper, Joan Simmons, Badri Nakhjavani, Eddie Bradford, Wendy Jones, Bob Rogers, Orlando 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, Amy Kantowitz, Shelley Faro, Ann Springer, Guy Wallace, Ray Bertolotti, William McCarthy, J. P. Maginnis and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

What is keeping you from the full life of discipleship: an abusive partner, a difficult job, a family quarrel, an ancient grudge? What can you do to begin making a change?

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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

May 15 bulletin was due by May 6 (Friday)

May 22 bulletin was due by May 13 (Friday)

May 29 bulletin is due by May 20 (Friday)

June 5 bulletin is due by May 27

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

Email to cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org.



"Feed my lambs,
feed my sheep"
2022 BISHOP'S
MINISTRIES
APPEAL

Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2022

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

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

Percentage Achieved **21.16%**

\$7,575.00 as of April 30, 2022

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

With great joy, we rededicate the parish event center, meeting rooms, computer lab, parish office building today! It has been a very long journey to get to this day, but I thank all who graciously were inconvenienced by closures, construction barriers, and not having the use of these places. The isolation we had to maintain due to the pandemic kept all of these spots vacant, but now are we re-emerge from the pandemic and finish the construction fixes, it is good to have their use again.

Let us again say a prayer in thanksgiving for the original donors. My understanding is that at the time of construction, donors wished to remain anonymous. Over eleven million dollars was quickly donated by parishioners whose children would never use the gym or other facilities, nor would they as many have passed to the Lord, but their generosity to future generations is something we should be grateful for over the next decades that these facilities are utilized.

Last week, the Sacrament of Confirmation was celebrated with fifteen outstanding young women and men in our parish community. Fr. Lawrence D'Anjou, the Vicar General of the diocese spent more time than I have ever witnessed in speaking to each Confirmandi individual when they presented themselves to receive the sacrament. We congratulate these newly fully initiated members of our parish. I interview each candidate before the celebration and ask what ministry they would like to participate in now that they are fully initiated. I hope you will all congratulate them after you recognize them from the pictures posted in the back of the church and on the cover of the bulletin. I hope you will encourage and thank them when you see them lectoring, distributing Communion, acting as ushers during our weekend Masses, serving on our Pastoral Council, serving as CYO coaches, and hopefully participating on the next Corazon build that we hope will happen soon.

In two weeks, we welcome many children to receive their First Holy Communion. Once again,

the next generation participates in the legacy Jesus gave us to nourish us along the way at the Last Supper. For over two thousand years, we have done what Jesus told us to do. Again, please congratulate these children and inspire them to always hunger for this Bread of Life in their lives by your faithfulness to be present at our weekly Eucharistic celebrations.



In the name of the whole parish, we thank and praise the Confirmation team who have journeyed with many young people over the two-year period of preparation. We also thank the catechist and teachers who have prepared mostly second graders to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. It takes a whole faith community to do these things and we are very blessed to have such fine and diligent members of the staff and community who do it year after year.

Archbishop Peter returned to Fiji last Sunday. He had a great visit with many friends, and some well-earned rest. Even though it was vacation, he worked and asked me about many programs that would energize the Church in Fiji. Last Sunday afternoon, we tried to weigh his bags as he had filled them with books to study and enrich his diocese with upon his return. He holds St. Theresa as a special place for his life and even said to a few people that this is his second 'home.' Thanks to all who welcomed him and made him feel at home! If you ever travel to Fiji, just mention you are from St. Theresa Parish, and it will get you a tour that cannot be arranged by any travel agent.

We continue to pray for peace in our world especially in the Ukraine, Cameroon, Ethiopia, and other places where violence continues. As we dedicate the month to honor Holy Mary, let us again invoke her intercession to end all wars and allow the peace her Son promised to reign in our world.

PARISH UPDATE

With these past weeks and months, we have seen St Theresa come alive as we continue to open up more and more. Our Rise & Shine Masses, as well as Coffee & Donuts (thanks to our coffee and donut ambassadors) have brought a beautiful burst of energy. The school celebrated Grandparents Day in the Church last week with a special May Crowning, and all are busily getting ready for summer.

What a wonderful feeling of vibrancy and spiritual energy having Archbishop Peter and the Fijian community lead our worship recently. It was such a blessing to come together to celebrate with our brothers and sisters in faith from different communities. Doesn't that get you excited to go back to how things were and to see what lays ahead for our community!

There is a lot of looking ahead going on which started with our Synod Listening Sessions. We have not forgotten about the valuable input that was shared. With that, many discussions have blossomed, one being... bringing back our 9am Mass. *Starting June 12th, we will return to our 9am Mass time on Sundays*, while still keeping the 5pm Mass on Saturday evenings.

This past year our Family Faith Formation, Sacrament Prep, High School Youth Ministry as well as Confirmation have adapted their regular meeting times to not be in conflict with the current 10am Mass. These ministries have intentionally been scheduled around our Sunday Celebration of the Eucharist as a way of modeling that everything we do as a people of faith first should be rooted in our communal gathering around the Eucharistic Table. As a result of this, our sessions have ended later in the day than usual. This has sometimes been the cause of schedule conflicts, as many students and adult volunteers participate in sports and other worthy activities.

Please be sure to check out the many ministry tables at our ***Parish Ministry Fair after all Masses on Pentecost Weekend, June 4th & 5th***. Ministries will be showcasing their good works. Stop by and say hello to your fellow parishioners and see where *YOU* want to share your gifts.

If you are the lead in a ministry that would like to schedule an event or meetings on site, please be sure to contact the parish office. The staff has already looked ahead to 2022-2023 and we are ready to welcome everyone back! Be sure to request your dates with the parish office.

Not only is May the month where we especially honor Our Blessed Mother, but May is a month with a lot of sacramental activity! Please keep our parish youth in your prayers as many receive their First Holy Communion and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Continue setting the example of discipleship and growing faith, we all look to and support each other as we journey along together.

ST. THERESA PARISH MINISTRIES

SERVICE/OUTREACH	FAITH FORMATION
Social Justice	Family Faith Formation
Ministry to Homebound	Kinderchurch
Hospital Ministry	Children's Liturgy of the Word
St. Vincent dePaul	Middle School Youth Ministry
Memory Bears	RCIC
Funeral Hospitality Ministry	HIGH SCHOOL
St. Mary's Dinners	High School Youth Ministry
ORGANIZATIONS	Confirmation Prep
Legion of May	ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT
Men's Club	RCIA
CYO	WINGS's
LEADERSHIP	Men's Faith Sharing Group
Pastoral Council	Ignatian Exercises
Finance Committee	Cursillo
Hospitality	MUSIC MINISTRY
Sunday Donuts	Children's Choir
Wine & Cheese	Adult Choir
Facility Committee	Resurrection Choir
SCHOOL	Cantor
School Board	Musicians
Parent's Club	LITURGY
	Altar Server
First Friday Adoration	Greeter
Family Rosary	Lector
PRAYER	Eucharistic Minister
St. Theresa Fall Festival	Usher
Ravioli Dinner	Sacristan
School Auction	Projectionist
Seder Dinner	Videographer
Advent by Candlelight	Altar Linens
Summer Concerts	Art & Environment
Breakfast with the Priests	
EVENTS	
ADMINISTRATION	
Counters	Information Table (church)
Office Help	New Parishioner Welcome

Save the Date for our
Ministry Fair weekend:

June 4th– 5 pm Mass

June 5th—10 am Mass



SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (SJC) CORNER

We invite you to take a look at Catholic Relief Services' Catholic Social Teaching 101 videos.

The videos bring the themes of Catholic social teaching to life and inspire us to put our faith into action. <https://www.crs.org/resource-center/CST-101>

The first video is "Life and Dignity of the Human Person".

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

There is much need in our world right now. Take a look at the compassionate work of Catholic Relief Services, World Central Kitchen and Doctor's Without Borders on their websites.

Remember to take a look at St. Vincent de Paul "Current Needs" section to see the very real needs in our Oakland Community. Remember "love is small, faithful acts."

Please send us your ideas for Social Justice works at St. Theresa. We meet once a month but sometimes twice ☺. Stay tuned for upcoming meetings. You can email: Lydia Deck at ltdeck@me.com for more information. We will also be doing a survey next month so be on the watch.

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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**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 kernal@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.

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://sttheresaoakland.org/donate>.

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.

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.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at melody@sttheresaokland.org or 510.547.2777, ext. 120 (Monday - Thursday).

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.

DO YOU NEED TO REGISTER, HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS, HAVE A NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER, DO YOU RECEIVE OUR FRIDAY FLOCKNOTE NEWSLETTER?

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.

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

WEEKLY READINGS

May 16 - 22

Monday:

Acts 14:5-18
 Ps 115
 Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday:

Acts 14:19-29
 Ps 145
 Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday:

Acts 15:1-6
 Ps 122
 Jn 15:1-8

Thursday:

Acts 15:7-21
 Ps 96
 Jn 15:9-11

Friday

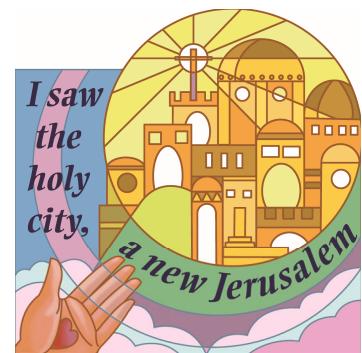
Acts 15:22-31
 Ps 57:8-9, 10, 12
 Jn 15:12-17

Saturday:

Acts 16:1-10
 Ps 100
 Jn 15:18-21

Sunday:

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29
 Ps 67
 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23
 Jn 14:23-29



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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 (This Mass time will change to 9:00 am beginning June 12)

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Reconciliation is outside, not in the confessional

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - 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

Facebook: StTheresaChurch/Oakland

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BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES

by appointment (call parish office 510.547.2777)

TO ARRANGE A FUNERAL

call parish office 510.547.2777, ext. 120

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

Keri Nims ~ keri@sttheresaoakland.org

Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

Jenny Bruni and Keri Nims: Co-Coordinators

High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

Jenny Bruni ~ jenny@sttheresaoakland.org

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

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