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MASS INTENTIONS - MAY 28 - JUNE 5

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Sun. 10:00 am Peter Ernest Oliverez

Mon. 8:30 am
 Tues. 8:30 am Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Wed. 8:30 am Mark Suarez
 Thurs. 8:30 am Diane Marie Oliverez
 Fri. 8:30 am

Sat. 5:00 pm † Luigi Bonacini, Sr.
 Sun. 10:00 am † Justin Ray Aycocock

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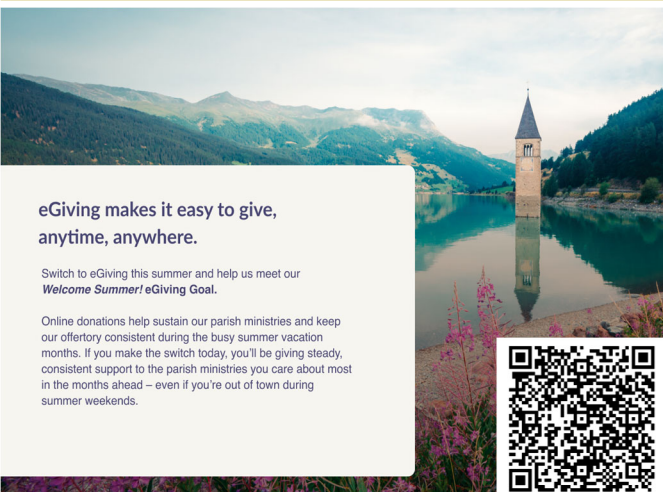
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SUNDAY OFFERING

ONLINE GIVING :
 (May 16 - 22) 64 DONORS **\$ 3,059.20**

MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:
 (May 16 - 22) 39 DONORS **\$ 2,886.00**


CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS:
 ONLINE: 2 DONORS **\$ 45.00**
 MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 13 DONORS **\$ 559.00**



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Online donations help sustain our parish ministries and keep
 our offertory consistent during the busy summer vacation
 months. If you make the switch today, you'll be giving steady,
 consistent support to the parish ministries you care about most
 in the months ahead – even if you're out of town during
 summer weekends.


PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT

The second collection for the Parish Maintenance & Improvement Fund will be on June 4 & 5.

You may also use Online Giving for this collection.

**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, 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, Amy Kantowitz, Shelley Faro, Ann Springer, Guy Wallace, Ray Bertolotti, William McCarthy, and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

The gift of the Ascension is transforming hope. Extend hope to someone you know: volunteer to mentor a child, make regular calls or visits to someone who is homebound, give material help to a person who is unemployed.

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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

May 29 bulletin was due by May 20 (Friday)
 June 5 bulletin was due by May 27 (Friday)
 June 12 bulletin is due by June 3 (Friday)
 June 19 bulletin is due by June 10 (Friday)
 Items must be received by 4:00 pm on the due date.
 Email to cathy_b@sttheresaokland.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 **20.00%**
\$7,875.00 as of May 15, 2022

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Congratulations again to all the girls and boys who celebrated their First Communion last weekend. We are so happy to welcome you to the 'Table of the Lord' with the whole Church. Thanks, and congratulations to the parents and teachers of these children. I hope they will always know God's love in their lives and the gift that the Eucharist is for all of us. Please continue to encourage all in our midst as we walk the way of trying to be disciples of Jesus.

There are obstacles at times in all our lives when we may feel blocked from the path to the Lord or hampered from the path even by the Church at times. The upswing of covid once again seems to be one of those obstacles again in some of our paths. This past week a school concert was moved from being inside the event center, to the outside lawn and then cancelled completely as covid cases seem to be on the increase.

I am sure you are aware of the schools around us that are again requiring that all wear masks and one school nearby that has gone to remote learning so the graduation class can have a graduation ceremony.

I encourage all to take the precautions you deem the best for your own situation. If you are afraid that the weekend Mass is a place where you might be exposed, we are continuing the live stream so you can be nourished by God's word. In such a case, knowing you wish to receive, please let me or a staff member know, and we will find a way to help you.

If you want to wear a mask and feel pressured because most are not, please wear the mask. I have mentioned that my oncologist advised me to stay away from people because of the chemo I am taking each night. My compromise has been to keep wearing a mask when I distribute Communion, for the protection of all. Despite my

extra precautions, I did suffer a very mild case of covid several weeks ago and kept the ten-day isolation that is the protocol. I felt fine except for a slight fever for two days. My health provider prescribed a bebtelovimab infusion as my chemo would conflict with the paxilvir that is being prescribed for adults over sixty-five. I have tested negative but keep hearing about others like myself who have been vaccinated and boosted who are still getting covid. We continue to pray for healing for all and that covid will fully and finally go away. Please follow what your doctor advises and let us know if we can be of assistance if needed.



As I told the second graders who celebrated their First Communion, at the Last Supper, before he gave the Eucharist, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples to demonstrate the Father's unconditional love for us always. God knelt and washed feet and even washed the feet of Judas who would betray him a few hours later. God will never stop loving us and like the Father of the Prodigal Son, never stop looking for us. Like the good shepherd who left the ninety-nine to search for the lost one, no matter what we do, God will love us, look for us, forgive us when we stray and never give up on any of us.

My prayer is that each may know that and believe that. My prayer is that no matter what blocks we encounter, or what others might say about us or even try to direct us that our personal relationship with God will always know this unconditional love that is there despite situations in our lives.

May the Good Shepherd continue to bless and sustain our new Catholics, our newly Confirmed young adults, our First Communicants, and all of us who try to follow the Way.

PARISH UPDATE

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. **The 9am Mass will be live-streamed on our Facebook page for the ill and homebound.**

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.



connect—grow—serve

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.

ST. THERESA PARISH MINISTRIES

SERVICE/OUTREACH

- Social Justice
- Ministry to Homebound
- Hospital Ministry
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Memory Bears

FUNERAL HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

- St. Mary's Dinners

ORGANIZATIONS

- Legion of May
- Men's Club
- CYO

LEADERSHIP

- Pastoral Council
- Finance Committee
- Hospitality
- Sunday Donuts
- Wine & Cheese
- Facility Committee

SCHOOL

- School Board
- Parent's Club

PRAYER

- First Friday Adoration
- Family Rosary

EVENTS

- St. Theresa Fall Festival
- Ravioli Dinner
- School Auction
- Seder Dinner
- Advent by Candlelight
- Summer Concerts
- Breakfast with the Priests

FAITH FORMATION

- Family Faith Formation
- Kinderchurch
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Middle School Youth Ministry
- RCIC

HIGH SCHOOL

- High School Youth Ministry
- Confirmation Prep

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

- RCIA
- WINGS's
- Men's Faith Sharing Group

MUSIC MINISTRY

- Children's Choir
- Adult Choir
- Resurrection Choir
- Cantor
- Musicians

LITURGY

- Altar Server
- Greeter
- Lector
- Eucharistic Minister
- Usher
- Sacristan
- Projectionist
- Videographer
- Altar Linens
- Art & Environment

ADMINISTRATION

- Counters
- Office Help
- Information Table (church)
- New Parishioner Welcome

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 second video is "".

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 ☺. Come visit us June 4th and June 5th at the Ministry Fair. You can email: Lydia Deck at ltdeck@me.com for more information too! .

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**
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.

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>.


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. They are less than 20 parts per million gluten, under .002%

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 30 - June 5****Monday:**

Acts 19:1-8
Ps 68
Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday:

Zep 3:14-18a
Ps Is 12
Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday:

Acts 20:28-38
Ps 68
Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday:

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11
Ps 16
Jn 17:20-26

Friday

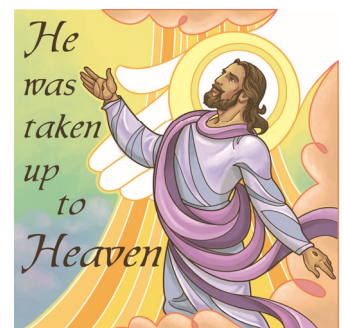
Acts 25:13b-21
Ps 103
Jn 21:15-19

Saturday:

Acts 26:16-20, 30-31
Ps 114
Jn 21:20-25

Sunday:

Acts 2:1-11
Ps 104
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
Sequence: Veni, Sancte Spiritus
Jn 20:19-23



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 - 3:00 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](https://www.facebook.com/StTheresaChurch/Oakland)

PARISH STAFF: 510.547.2777

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ST. THERESA SCHOOL

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St. Theresa School Principal

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website: www.sttheresaschool.org

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-Coordinator

High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

Jenny Bruni ~ jenny@sttheresaoakland.org

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

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Parish Organizations

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