

# 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

JUNE 20, 2021

TWELFTH SUNDAY  
IN  
ORDINARY TIME

The disciples were filled  
with great awe and  
said to one another,  
“Who then is this whom  
even wind and sea obey?”

MARK 4:41



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**MASS INTENTIONS - JUNE 19 - 27**

Sat. 5:00 pm	Fathers
Sun. 10:00 am	Fathers
Mon. 8:30 am	Alisha Delnatte
Tues. 8:30 am	
Wed. 8:30 am	Parish Community of St. Theresa
Thurs. 8:30 am	
Fri. 8:30 am	Special Intention
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Sat. 5:00 pm	✦ Jenny Cocores
Sun. 10:00 am	✦ Gloriana Chumo

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**SUNDAY OFFERING**


<b>ONLINE GIVING :</b>	
(June 7 - 13) 66 DONORS	<b>\$ 3,765.60</b>
<b>MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:</b>	
(June 7 - 13) 40 DONORS	<b>\$ 3,688.00</b>

*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.*

**SUPPORT ST. THERESA CHURCH**

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**SECOND COLLECTION - PETER'S PENCE**

June 26 & 27. The proceeds from this collection benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression and natural disasters. You may also use Online Giving for this collection.

**DECEASED**

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially John Delphey.

**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, 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, Mirella Baldo, Karis Chodzko, Diana Martinez, Susan Springer, Rachel Cecchetti, Takako Smith, Margie Sullivan, Maddie Heitkemper, Lennox Peerson, Joan Simmons, Badri Nakhjavani, Richard Rauscher, Eddie Bradford, Wendy Jones, Bob Rogers, Orlanda Gonzalez, Kevin Chapman, Peter Chumo, Diane Cerille, Ruth McCabe, Tom Wilberding, Suzette Logan, Shirley Roberts, Karen Milliman, Richard Nivens, Anita Perricelli, Danny Ramos, Dora Truban, John Bouey, and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

**LIVING STEWARDSHIP**

Have you ever repented of something but find the memory still haunts you? Match the memory to the opportunity. You left the Church? Join the hospitality committee. You committed adultery? Join a ministry serving engaged couples. You indulged in bad business practices? Join a parish job seekers group and help people find work.

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**BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES**

June 20 bulletin, was due by June 11 (Friday)  
 June 27 bulletin, was due by June 18 (Friday)  
 July 4 bulletin, is due by June 25 (Friday)  
 July 11 bulletin, is due by July 2 (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 Appeal 2021**  
**St. Theresa Parish Goal - \$35,800**

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

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Happy Father's Day to all the dads, grandfathers, godfathers, soon to be fathers, a person who was like a father to someone! The parish blesses you and prays that you are and continue to be the best of fathers in your example and actions to your children and all the parish echoing the blessing prayer for fathers at the conclusion of the Baptism ceremony.

Jesus uses the image of a father when the disciples ask him to teach them to pray. Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio has a wonderful description of what this image is about:

*"To call God "Father" does not mean to say, of course, that he is an old man with a white beard. Only the second person of the Blessed Trinity wedded himself to a male human nature in the womb of Mary. The Father and the Holy Spirit are pure Spirit and transcend male and female, masculine and feminine (CCC 239).*

*This is no new insight brought to Christianity by the feminist movement. It has always been taught that the word "Father" applied to God, is used by way of analogy. Analogies tell us something very true despite being imperfect. Until recently, the father was recognized by Western society as origin, head, and provider of the family. To call the first person of the Trinity "Father" means that he is the origin and transcendent authority of all and cares for the needs of all.*

*But we all instinctively know that a father who just pays the bills and barks orders is not enough. We expect a dad to have an intimate, affectionate relationship with his children, to spend "quality time" with them. To call God "Father" means, then, that he is near to us, intimately concerned with us, fond of us, even crazy about us. He is not the distant, clockmaker God of Thomas Jefferson and the Deists. This aloof God of the philosophers created the world to run by virtue of its own natural laws so that he could withdraw and occupy himself with more interesting pursuits.*

*No, the God whom Jesus calls Father cares about us and knows us intimately. "Every hair on your head is numbered (Matthew 10:30)." He loves us more than we love ourselves and knows us better than we know ourselves.*

*Now, this does not mean that He makes all things go smoothly for us. He loves us so much that He made us in His image and likeness, which means He made us free. And through the free choice of the first man and woman, evil and death were invited into our world.*

*God does not shield us from all the troublesome consequences of this "original sin" which each of us, sadly, has ratified with our own personal sin. But He sent us prophets, like Jeremiah, to wake us up and warn us of the horrible consequences of disobedience. And finally, He sent his firstborn Son to be a new Adam, to pay the price of that disobedience and give the human race an undeserved new start.*



*The most horrible consequence of sin, eternal death (Gehenna), has been graciously removed for all who accept the free gift of salvation that comes by way of the cross of Christ. But evil is still at large in the world, and evil brings trials and tribulations.*

*Our Father will not shelter us from these any more than He sheltered Jeremiah (Jer. 20:10-13) or Jesus. A good father doesn't protect his children forever from the harsh realities of life but helps them as they progress through various stages of development to face the challenges and grow through the difficulties. Scripture says that even Jesus learned obedience through what he suffered (Heb. 5:8-9). How much more do we need to learn and mature, and some learning can only take place through suffering.*

*So as a true Father, he loves us too much to take us out of the fray. But there's one thing we can be sure of—He'll never leave us to fight our battles alone."*

I did not write this much about mothers on Mother's Day, but I think with the first clarification above from Dr. D'Ambrosio that God is neither masculine nor feminine, we could apply his whole article to honor every mother. Pope Francis has made the fourth Sunday of July (close to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne) World Grandparent's Day. More to follow on this new remembrance.

This week when you arrive you will notice some construction equipment on the parish site property. Some repairs will finally commence on the Event Center, meeting rooms, computer lab and parish office/school library, T-K classroom. I have asked for a fuller description from the diocese as they are in charge of this process. As I get information, I will keep you informed.



**WORSHIP UPDATE GUIDELINES FROM THE DIOCESE OF OAKLAND**

There is no-longer a restriction on capacity for indoor services, provided there is adequate ventilation. The doors and windows will remain open in the church.

If you have been vaccinated you do not need to wear a mask indoors. However, non-vaccinated persons, including minors, must wear masks indoors.

Taking people's temperature is not required.

Missalettes are again available. Place them on the table at the exit door when leaving church, do not leave in pew.

The singing of hymns and acclamations may resume.

The Sign of Peace should still be exchanged without physical contact, except for family members.

It is strongly encouraged that the faithful receive Communion in the hand.

The diocese is not authorizing the distribution of the Precious Blood for the time being.

Ministers of communion should remain masked for the foreseeable future. It is recommended but not required, that they be vaccinated.

The faithful are encouraged to return to participating in the Sunday Mass if their health permits. The lifting of the dispensation from Sunday Mass Obligation will come into force on Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, the Solemnity of the Assumption.

**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.*

**SCAM ALERT**

A number of people have received phony emails from Fr. Bob asking for gifts cards. If you receive an email from him requesting help with gifts, gift cards, money ..... PLEASE IGNORE and DELETE. It's a scam! He will never request help from any of you in this manner.

**VOLUNTEER TO HELP AT MASS**

A thank you to all who over the past year have helped to make our celebration of the liturgy safe, dignified and reverent. Your commitment to the parish has been a blessing.

There is a need for volunteers for the following ministries for both the 5:00 pm Saturday and 10:00 am Sunday Masses.

- ✠ **Lector**
- ✠ **Eucharistic Minister**
- ✠ **Videographer**  
(for live-stream at the 10:00 am Sunday Mass)
- ✠ **Greeter**
- ✠ **Usher**
- ✠ **Walk-Up Holy Communion**  
(for 10:00 am Sunday Mass)

All the information on how to volunteer and the various options can be found on the parish website at: <https://sttheresaokland.org/reopening>

There will be a mandatory training session for Eucharistic Ministers to go over the current protocols for the distribution of the Eucharist.

**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)

**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.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (SJC) CORNER**



**Prayer inspiration:**

“One book, one pen, one child, and one teacher can change the world”.  
*Malala Yousafzai*

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITY!**

The SJC joins with St. Vincent de Paul’s longstanding service project and UCSF Benioff Children’s Hospital project launched last Fall to collect new backpacks and school supplies for Oakland children in need. SVdP will be collecting supplies for 200 children to be distributed at their *Back to School for Your Kids* program scheduled early August. The Primary Care Clinic of Children’s Hospital will be collecting school supplies for their large population of children seen throughout the year who live in neighborhoods impacted by poverty, gun violence, substandard housing, and other conditions that affect their health and well-being.

**An update on the Backpack Project:**

- please see the Supplies List on the Parish website at <https://sttheresaokland.org/ministries/outreach>
- in addition to purchasing using the lists, registries have been set up with Target and Amazon. The registry links are available on the outreach page of the Parish website.
- Target and Amazon gift cards are also welcomed and can be purchased on the registries.
- Supplies can be dropped off in the Church vestibule between June 27<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Mark your calendars for our Parish community event scheduled the weekend of July 17<sup>th</sup> (10:00a-2:00p) and 18<sup>th</sup> (11:00a-3:00p) when we will assemble the backpacks.
- Questions? Please contact Nina Green at 510/541-7188, or by email to [nggreen177@att.net](mailto:nggreen177@att.net).

The next Social Justice Committee meeting is scheduled on Thursday, July 1st, at 7:00pm via Zoom. If you haven’t had a chance, please join us to share in the dialogue around social justice learning and service for our Parish. RSVP to Lydia Deck, [ltdeck@me.com](mailto:ltdeck@me.com), for a link to the Zoom meeting.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Anticipating requests for financial help as the COVID-19 eviction moratoriums expire, we are re-sharing pre-pandemic stories of neighbors in need helped by our parish SVdP Conference:

*“We found our neighbor in need Keisha smiling and cheerful despite her PG&E having been shut off for several days. She inherited a 100-year-old house from her mother three years ago but unfortunately it came with a reverse mortgage. Probate is just finishing and soon she will have a mortgage payment. Keisha works with a temp agency now but recently got 90% on a test for a better job so things are looking up. Meanwhile Keisha took in some tenants who ended up leaving her with huge utility bills including one for \$1,284 to PG&E. She had already put together \$450 but PG&E required \$300 more to turn on the lights.*

*Your generosity to our Parish conference made it possible for us to pay this amount for her.”*

Your generosity over the years has helped neighbors like Keisha get back on their feet.

In addition to the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday second collections earmarked for our Conference, you can donate at any time to our Parish’s SVdP Conference through the Flocknote link to Online Giving and selecting St Vincent de Paul.

This year our Conference is partnering with our Parish’s Social Justice Committee (SJC) to collect supplies for St. Vincent de Paul’s annual backpack/school supplies drive, along with other SJC beneficiaries. Please refer to the Social Justice Committee corner for details and links to registries.

Our Parish SVdP Conference meets bimonthly, every third Saturday at 9:30am. Our next meeting is July 17. If interested in learning more about our Conference’s work, contact Judy Bojorquez at [jtsbojorquez@yahoo.com](mailto:jtsbojorquez@yahoo.com) to be added to email distribution and with any questions you might have.

To volunteer at the St. Vincent de Paul Center in Oakland contact the Volunteer Coordinator: Kellie Foster - 510-277-6435 or [kfoster@svdp-alameda.org](mailto:kfoster@svdp-alameda.org).

**WEEKLY READINGS**

*June 21 - 27*

**Monday:**

Gn 12:1-9  
 Ps 33  
 Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:**

Gn 13:2, 5-18  
 Ps 15  
 Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday:**

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18  
 Ps 105  
 Mt 7:15-20

**Thursday:**

Is 49:1-6  
 Ps 139  
 Acts 13:22-26  
 Lk 1:57-66, 89

**Friday:**

Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22  
 Ps 128  
 Mt 8:1-4

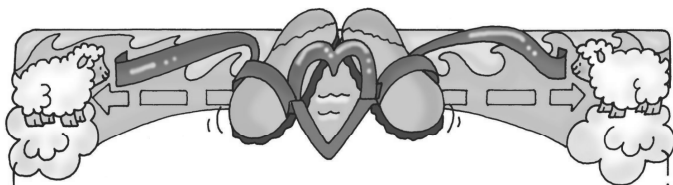
**Saturday:**

Gn 18:1-15  
 Ps Lk 1  
 Mt 8:5-17

**Sunday:**

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24  
 Ps 30  
 2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15  
 Mk 5:21-43





### Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paul told the Corinthians that when we are in Christ, we become "a new creation" (2 Corinthians 5:17). See if you can change one letter of each word below, and then change one letter again to spell **new**.

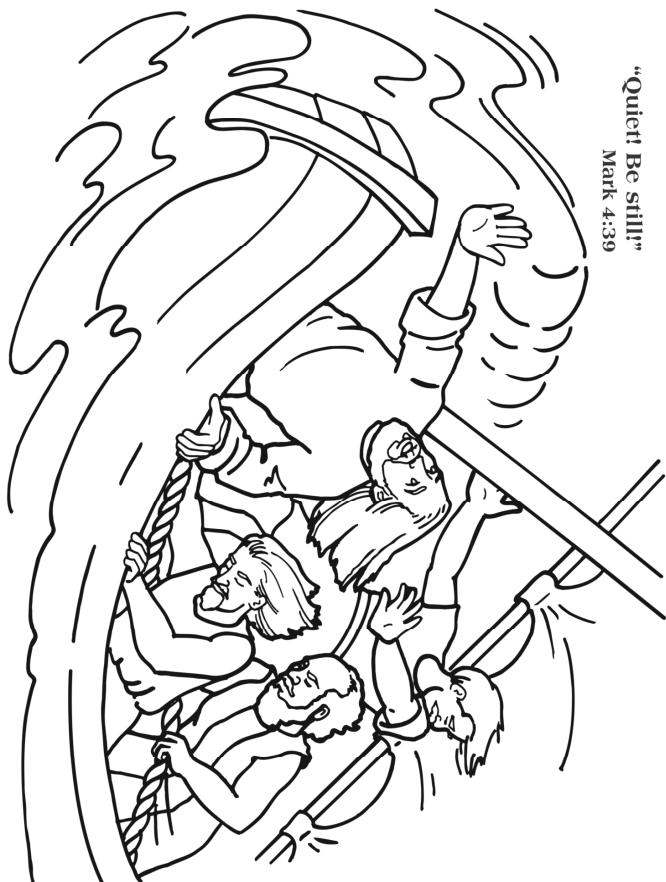
Write your new words onto the blanks.



While Jesus was asleep in a boat, a ferocious wind came up and sent waves crashing over the sides. The disciples were frightened and woke him up. Draw a circle around what Jesus said. You can read the story in your Bible at Mark 4:35-41.



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"Quiet! Be still!"  
Mark 4:39



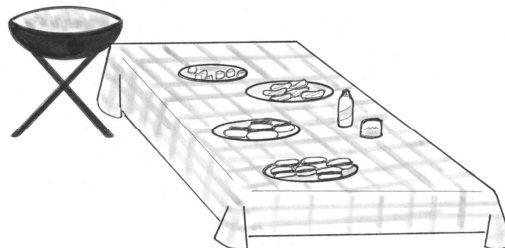
### NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

The Nativity of John the Baptist is a feast with a significant title. It is not the birthday of John the Baptist. Birthdays celebrate the anniversary of the day on which we were born, but we don't know the day on which John was born. Instead we celebrate his "nativity," which means that we celebrate his birth itself. In some ways, John is born anew today as we remember how he continues to be an important part of our Christian family: he is the one who points the way to Jesus.

The Church celebrates only two other nativities during the liturgical year, the birth of Jesus and the birth of Mary. This puts John in very important company. It also puts us in special company, too. Jesus said about John and about us, "Among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he" (Matthew 11:11). Jesus reminds us that John is the one who points the way. We are the ones who must continue John's work by pointing others toward Jesus and being as great as Jesus calls us to be.

June 24 is also called Midsummer Day, halfway between the first day of spring and the first day of autumn. It is often celebrated with bonfires to remind us of the light that John pointed us toward—the Light of the world, Jesus.

You might have a fire pit to gather around on John's feast day. But even if you can't light a fire you could gather around the barbecue for dinner. Put away all phones and computers and enjoy being outdoors. Enjoy foods cooked on the grill. Enjoy talking with your family. Use your voices as John used his to bring good news and joy to everyone. Use some honey—a food that John himself ate in the desert—to create a delicious dessert. This is one of the longest days of summer, made for us to enjoy!





# PARISH INFORMATION



## Mass Schedule:

Weekday: 8:30 am (Mon.-Fri.)

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am

Also Live-Streamed on Facebook  
Walk-Up Holy Communion after Mass

## Reconciliation:

Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

## 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)

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