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JUNE 28, 2020

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ORDINARY TIME

WHOEVER GIVES ONLY A CUP OF COLD WATER

TO ONE OF THESE LITTLE ONES TO DRINK



BECAUSE THE LITTLE ONE IS A DISCIPLE ~

*amen, I say to you,
he will surely not lose his reward.*

~Matthew 10:42

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MASS INTENTIONS - JUNE 29 - JULY 5

Sun. 10:00 am Jack McCormick
✦ Raphael Bader

Mon. 8:30 am ✦ Markos Addam

Tues. 8:30 am ✦

Wed. 8:30 am ✦ Justin Ray Aycock

Thurs. 8:30 am ✦

Fri. 8:30 am ✦ Special Intention

Sun. 10:00 am ✦ Nick Monti
✦ Carlo Pernecco

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ONLINE GIVING *(June 15 - 21)*: **\$ 3,170.60**
70 FAMILIES DONATED

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(June 15 - 21) 27 FAMILIES DONATED

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.

DECEASED

Please remember in your prayers, those who have died especially Barbara Brunel, the sister-in-law of Robert Brunel.

**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, Alicia Gonzalez, Denise Moore, Barbara Krummer, John Bouey, Mirella Baldo, Kevin Mariolle, Dr. Robert Grajewski, Karis Chodzko, Diana Martínez, Susan Springer, Michael & Marsha Hershman, Eduardo Albrició, Zandra Diaz de León Castelazo and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

God created you, gave you life, and redeemed you from sin and death. God loves you without limit. Pray in joy and thanksgiving.

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BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020

Bishop's Appeal 2020
St. Theresa Parish Goal - **\$35,800**

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

June 28 bulletin was due by June 19 (Friday)
July 5 bulletin was due by June 24 (Wednesday)
July 12 bulletin is due by July 3 (Friday)
July 19 bulletin is due by July 10 (Friday)

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

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Welcome back! Welcome to be able to come to Mass on Sundays, again! Please come when you feel able and comfortable with all the new rules, we must comply with to be somewhat open!

The reality is that most places where Mass has again been opened to some public attendance, many are still staying home! I know watching the live stream Mass at home and without having to get dressed or shaved is not the same thing as being there. The communal being with each other and hearing about each other's joys and sorrows doesn't happen so easily when we have to stay at home, but remember the bishop has not put back the obligation to attend Mass on us until further notice. Please come when you are comfortable and ready to get checked in (temperature check, must wear a mask throughout the service and immediate exiting after receiving Communion, etc.).

Hopefully, the virus will go away before more people die and more and more things will get back to the freer way we remember, but that is not here yet.

As I said last weekend, we need more volunteers if we are to have more than one Mass on the weekends. Please go to the parish website to sign up and help. Right now, we can only staff one Sunday Mass to be in conformity with all that has to be done for us to welcome you to a Saturday night Mass.

Sincere thanks to the parish staff that has spent hours working on how things will work here at St. Theresa's. Special thanks to Cathy Brady who wrote our directions up and got them past the bishop's office as required before we could begin public services again.

We can and will do this together and when the movie about this whole scenario comes out in a year, I hope we can be proud of the way as a parish we handled it, and many did not get this

horrible virus because of our personal willingness and efforts.

Again, personal thanks for your prayers for my stepbrother and his wife. Michael spent a week in the ICU, but both are home and on the mend. They have kindly invited me to visit, but I have no plans to visit Florida for a while.



For the past many years, this would have been the weekend that I would have started my summer vacation. Tickets had been purchased and lodging secured. Due to the virus, that trip is cancelled for now. I may try to take a week or two off in the coming weeks, but it will not be the wonderful peace that Bonaire has been for me for over twenty years. I just learned that the Fall semester at the Jesuit school will be taught remotely, so maybe even in the fall I can get there and just send my friends out to the beach as I teach with a nice shirt over my bathing suit. Your prayers for that intention are appreciated.

I also want to again and again thank so many of you who have continued to support the parish and its mission even though you have not been able to come here. Expect to start seeing baptisms at Sunday Mass again and First Communions. We are waiting to hear from the bishop for when and how Confirmation will be celebrated. A wedding or two may be within sight at this time. We could not keep the parish staff working, religious ed, Confirmation formation, RCIA, Communion preparation continuing without your ongoing generous support. May God reward you abundantly!

Last week, I invited you to let me know what will help in our parish to stamp out racism. I want to thank those who have responded, and I will be following up on some very good suggestions.

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

CONTINUED

At the end of July, we will thank and bid farewell to Fr. Tegha. He has only been with us for a truly short year. I hope we can have some public farewell to bless him and send him to Notre Dame. I will keep you posted. I am in discussion with other student priests who need a place like Fr. Tegha did last year.

Stay well! Be assured of my prayers! I hope to see you at Mass during the week or on Sunday but keep wearing your mask and do not think so much about what to do so you will not catch it. Keep thinking how you will not spread it! May it die out completely soon!

Public Masses have begun!

Welcome back! Please come when you feel able and comfortable with all the new rules we must comply with. We are limited to a total of 100 people at each Mass.

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday: 8:30 am (*reservations are not required*)

Sunday 10:00 am (*reservation required*)

This Mass will continue to be live-streamed.

To attend the Sunday 10:00 am Mass you will need to register weekly. A Flocknote with the registration form for the upcoming Sunday Mass will be sent out each Monday. For those who **DO NOT HAVE INTERNET ACCESS** you may call in your reservation Tuesday through noon Thursday at 510-547-2777, ext. 120.

Public Mass Guidelines are posted on the parish website and must be followed.



ST. THERESA PARISH ONLINE PRAYER REQUEST FOR THE SICK OR DECEASED

You can now submit names for the Prayers of the Faithful (*Prayers for the Sick or Recently Deceased*) online.

Please complete the form on the parish website page Prayer/Mass & Confession Time, and their name will be added to the weekly bulletin and our Sunday live-stream Mass.

This form is not for Mass Intentions. For Mass Intentions contact Melody at melody@sttheresaokland.org.

WEBSITE RESOURCES

About Us/Parish Updates & Information


Prayer/Mass & Confession Times
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CONTINUE TO CHECK THE PARISH WEBSITE, FACEBOOK, AND SIGN-UP FOR FLOCKNOTE FOR THE LATEST UPDATES.

SUNDAY LIVE-STREAM MASS

Our Sunday 10:00 am Mass will continue to be Live-streamed every Sunday on the parish Facebook page. Click  on the Facebook link in the upper left corner of the parish website to connect to our Facebook page. You do not need a Facebook account to view the Mass.

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 at least 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.**

We hope you will use this prayer for Spiritual Communion when you are watching our Sunday live-stream Mass at 10:00 am or any Mass on TV or a taped Mass.



YOUR UNIQUE VOLUNTEER ASSISTANCE is critically needed to prepare the church, manage services and clean before and after every service. All volunteers will need to be trained on the new procedures we will need to follow. Further information on training will be sent by email.

WE NEED TO BUILD TWO TEAMS

CHURCH TEAM: CHECK-IN, USHER, SET-UP/TAKE-DOWN & CLEANING TEAM

Church Team:

Check-in

- ◆ Politely enforcing health regulations / social distancing (making sure attendees are wearing a mask, and are reminded not to enter if ill)
- ◆ Taking temperatures
- ◆ Limiting the total number of people who enter the building
- ◆ Make sure all volunteers sign in as they enter
- ◆ Turn in volunteer list at the end of Mass.
- ◆ Starts at least 30 minutes before Mass time. Ends when all parishioners have left the church and the check-in station has been removed.

Usher

- ◆ Guiding people to sit in pews according to social distancing standards
- ◆ Directing people’s movement throughout the church
- ◆ Direct people to communion stations and maintain social distancing
- ◆ Following Mass make sure all collections are put in appropriately marked security bags. Gloves must be worn and hands washed after touching these items.
- ◆ Starts at least 30 minutes before Mass time. Ends when all parishioners have left the church.

Set-Up

- ◆ Ensure that all supplies needed for each sacramental celebration/gathering are ready for use (collection baskets and bulletins at all exits, set-up check-in station)
- ◆ Making sure all doors and windows before the service
- ◆ Starts at least 30 minutes before Mass time. Ends when all items have been put away following Mass.
- ◆ Assist check-in person if needed.
- ◆ Set up and take down signage at both ends of the handicap walkway.

Cleaning Team:

- ◆ All cleaning team members must wear masks and gloves
- ◆ Pick up in the church of anything left behind. No prayer books, missalettes or anything can be left on a pew, book pocket, or counter.
- ◆ Disinfecting the pews and building after Mass
- ◆ Starts at least 15 minutes before Mass ends. Ends when all cleaning and disinfecting has been completed.

For each service we must have a minimum of number volunteers to be sure all the health and safety requirements are in place before, during and after the service. Having enough volunteers is the only way we will be able to get back to some kind of regular schedule.

Cathy Brady will coordinate all volunteers. This will allow everyone to go to the same person, no matter what you might be volunteering for, and Cathy will be sure your information goes to the right places and that you receive information on the training that is required.

If you think you can help in any of these ways, please fill out the volunteer form on the parish website. <https://sttheresaokland.org/reopening>

All parish volunteers, 18 years and older must complete the Virtus Safe Environment online training as required by the Oakland Diocese. You will be notified if you need to take or renew your training before you may volunteer.

WEEKLY READINGS

June 29 - July 5

Monday:

Acts 12:1-11
Ps 34
2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18
Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday

Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12
Ps 5
Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday

Am 5:14-15, 21-24
Ps 50
Mt 8:28-34

Thursday:

Am 7:10-17
Ps 19
Mt 9:1-8

Friday

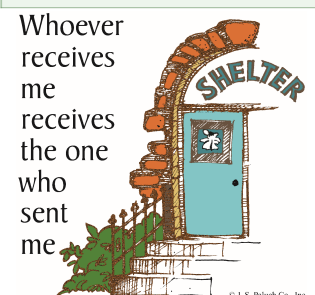
Eph 2:19-22
Ps 117
Jn 20:24-29

Saturday

Am 9:11-15
Ps 85
Mt 9:14-17

Sunday:

Zec 9:9-10
Ps 145
Rom 8:9, 11-13
Mt 11:25-30





Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we do kind and good things for others we are pleasing Jesus. We need to welcome and help everyone as if they were Jesus himself. The scrambled words below are deeds we can do for others. Look at the picture clues for help.

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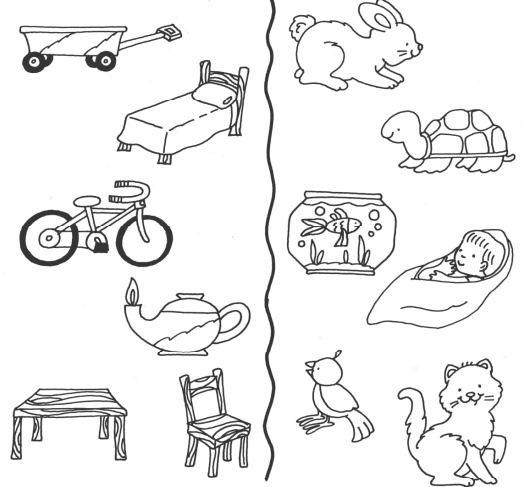
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A woman from Shunem gave Elisha a place to eat and sleep when he was in town. She told her husband to set aside a room on the roof for this friend. That way he could stay with them any time.

The woman wanted to put four things in the room. Circle them on the left. Later Elisha promised that in a year she would have something. Circle that on the right. (You can read the story in your Bible in 2 Kings 4:8-17.)



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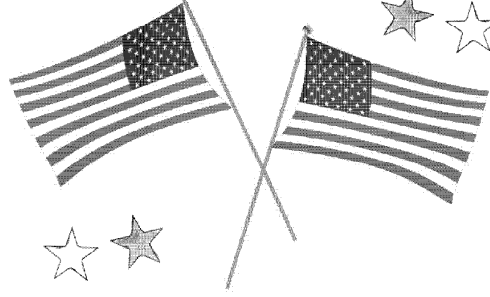
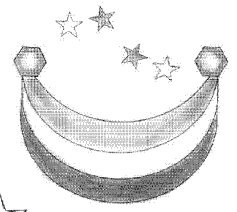
FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA

This week, on the Fourth of July, we celebrate the birth of our country. When a baby is born it cannot take care of itself. It must be cared for and loved by its family and community. The same thing is true of a country.

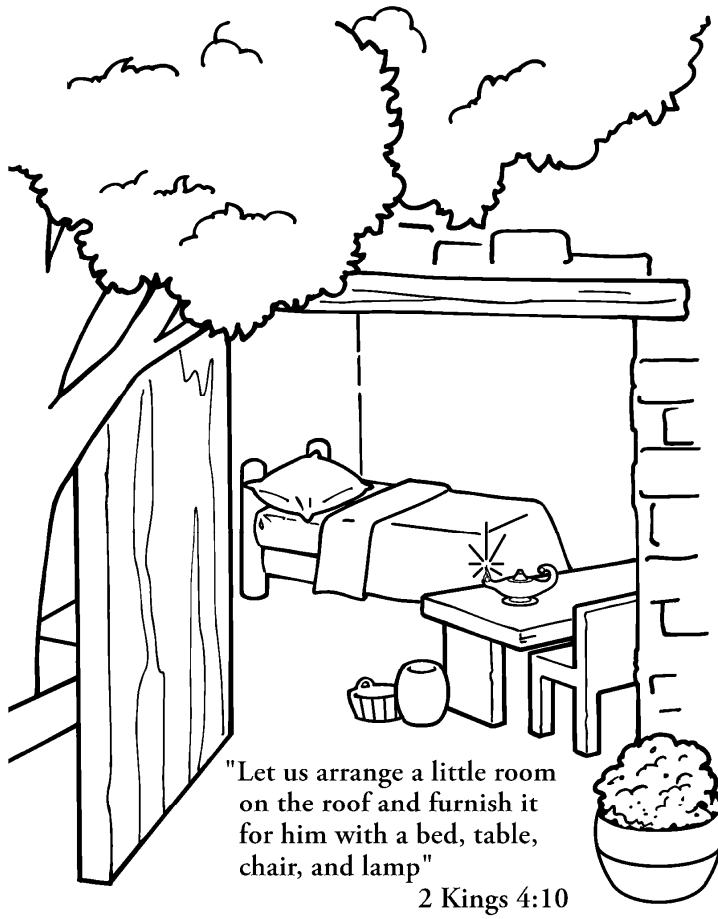


Our country was founded on wonderful ideals. The Declaration of Independence proclaims that all people are equal and should be treated with dignity and respect. It also states that all people are entitled to certain rights, for example, the right to live a good and safe life, enjoy freedom, and be able to pursue what brings them happiness and fulfillment. These goals are hard to achieve. They require that every person work hard to make them a reality for everyone.

These goals need one more thing—the grace and care of God. It is important that everyone who believes in God ask God's blessings on our country so that it can continue to grow and be a light to other nations. Katherine Lee Bates, who wrote the words to the song "American the Beautiful," believed this and included it in the lyrics. The song asks God to bless our country and unite all of its citizens as one people, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, "from sea to shining sea."



As you and your family celebrate this day with barbecues and fireworks, sing "America the Beautiful" together. In the spirit of that song, make a promise to pray for God's continued blessings, and to work to create a brotherhood and sisterhood of citizens throughout the entire country.



"Let us arrange a little room on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp"
 2 Kings 4:10

PARISH INFORMATION



Mass Schedule:

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am

Sunday: 10:00 am
*Reservation required to attend
Sunday Mass.
The Mass will be Live-streamed on
Facebook.*

Reconciliation: SUSPENDED


Parish Center Office Hours:

*THE PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
THE PARISH STAFF IS AVAILABLE BY PHONE AND EMAIL.*

Phone: 510.547.2777

After Hours Medical Emergency Line: 510.610.7715

Parish Website: www.sttheresaokland.org

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ALL ACTIVITIES ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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@sttheresaokland.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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