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WE ARE A WELCOMING,
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TO LOVE AND TO SERVE OTHERS
AS JESUS TAUGHT US.

JULY 19, 2020

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME

If you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them.
Let the weeds and the wheat grow together until harvest.

~ Matthew 13:29-30



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MASS INTENTIONS - JULY 19 - 26

Sun. 10:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Mon. 8:30 am
 Tues. 8:30 am
 Wed. 8:30 am † Elizabeth Catanzarite
 Thurs. 8:30 am Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Fri. 8:30 am Special Intention

Sun. 10:00 am Mary McCormick
 † Ralph & Ida Duncan

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- ♦ Receive parish updates and notices of special events
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SUNDAY OFFERING

ONLINE GIVING (July 6 - 12):	\$ 3,870.60
74 FAMILIES DONATED	
DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:	\$ 3,024.00
(July 6 - 12) 42 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 Kathy Sturman Murphy.

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, Karis Chodzko, Diana Martínez, Susan Springer, Edwardo Albrició, Zandra Diaz de León Castelazo, Rachel Cecchetti, Sherrie Cotter, and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

Where has the word of God landed in the good soil of your life, and how does it bear fruit?

Where has it been choked out or lost?

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BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020

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

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

July 19 bulletin was due by July 10 (Friday)
 July 26 bulletin was due by July 17 (Friday)
 August 2 bulletin is due by July 24 (Friday)
 August 9, bulletin is due by July 31 (Friday)

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

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Well here we go again! We have had a challenging few months and when we thought we were finished with our confinement; it has been put back in place. With those orders, open church services again are prohibited.

I encourage all to abide by these restrictions. As I wrote at the beginning of our restricted time, we are not doing these things for ourselves, but for others and that is a basic act of charity and care that the Gospels command us to follow.

I also encourage you to say no to the 'banter' and false information that this is an infringement of our basic rights and we are free..... If you are stupid enough to not believe the science, then at least look at European and Asian countries that have followed the restrictions and now are open and getting back to normal in a short time. We should have been there. If you have done all you were supposed to: thank you! If you didn't follow the scientific guidance the first time, please do so now for the rest of us...we want to be like those other nations like Canada that is emerging from the same restrictions. If you have a family member or neighbor or someone you encounter that is not following the protocols, tell them they should or get someone to enforce it.

We can and we will beat this, but it takes all our efforts and actions. And doing that is a very concrete way of practicing the Christian ethic of charity and love.

In the midst of this and the sudden loss of our beloved school principal, I want to announce that I have hired Katie Murphy, the recently retired principal of Corpus Christi School to be the interim administrator of St. Theresa School for the 2020-2021 school year. Katie is being very generous to come out of her well-earned retirement. We are still not sure what the coming school year will look like, but I already know that Katie will lead us well. In the fall, a process that will find a new principal will follow the normal diocesan path which we were not able to do for many reasons at

this time. Please pray for Katie and the whole school community. I will write more about her in the future and when we can be together again will present her publicly to the whole parish community.



The live streaming of Sunday Mass will continue as we close the doors again to your being able to join us. Very generous parishioners have donated the service of an expert to help us make this a better experience for all. The mechanics that were necessary to purchase to upgrade our live streaming are on the way. I am grateful for all who have and continue to help us navigate the way.

Sadly, and without a proper farewell, Fr. Tegha leaves our parish in the coming week to drive to Notre Dame where he will begin his doctoral program. Normally we would bless him at a special Mass and have a reception so we can all say thank you and good luck as you leave us. In one short year, Fr. Tegha has been welcomed into our hearts with his preaching, example, and pastoral care. May God be with him as he sets out on a new course. May he always know he has a welcome and place here at St. Theresa.

I told him to come back at his winter break so we can more formally thank him.

This weekend we were also supposed to welcome newly ordained Fr. Billy Biegler, S.J. who wanted to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving with our parish community. Fr. Biegler has been with us quietly many times as he is the grandson of Irene Crosetti. Irene was so happy that he was progressing to the priesthood. She so wanted to see this day. We congratulate Fr. Bill Biegler and we know his grandmother is rejoicing in heaven. Once again, we ask her to intercede for all of us during the good times and during the challenging times we now face.

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



ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

ARE YOU UNBAPTIZED, SEEKING A FAITH COMMUNITY?

OR

ARE YOU BAPTIZED IN ANOTHER FAITH?

OR

ARE YOU A BAPTIZED CATHOLIC SEEKING TO COMPLETE THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST EUCHARIST AND/OR CONFIRMATION?

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RCIA MIGHT BE JUST WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR.

A NEW VIRTUAL ZOOM INQUIRY SESSION WILL BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER.

Contact Cathy Brady at 510.547.2777, ext. 26 or [cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org) for more information, or to register for our sessions beginning in September.

### WHAT IS ALPHA?

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith, typically run over fifteen weeks. During each session, participants will watch video talk and engage in group discussion where they can freely share opinions and thoughts. Each talk looks at a different aspect of the Christian faith and is designed to create conversation.

We believe everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view.

St. Theresa will be offering Alpha via Zoom beginning in September and you are invited to participate and invite a friend to join us!

Contact Cathy Brady at [cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org) with any questions you may have or to register to participate in Alpha this fall.



Alpha

#### LIVING GOD'S WORD

We respond by praying:

O God, you have given us the gift of life; continue to keep us alive in Christ Jesus.

Bring us from death to grow in faith, hope, and love.

We remain patient in prayer and faithful to your word, until your glory is revealed.

#### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

**Adult:** What weakness can the power of the Spirit help you overcome?

**Child:** When will you need the help of the Holy Spirit this week?

**Key Passage:** Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. *(Romans 8:26)*

**ALL PUBLIC MASSES SUSPENDED**

Out of an abundance of caution and concern for the health and wellbeing of our parish community we have decided to stop suspend all public Masses. We will continue to Live-Stream the Sunday 10:00 am Mass.



**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.

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**To arrange a Mass Intention contact Melody at  
melody@sttheresaokland.org or 510.547.2777, ext. 120.**


**WEBSITE RECOURES**

- About Us/Parish Updates & Information
- Prayer/Mass & Confession Times
- Live-stream Mass Videos
- Prayer/Prayer & Reflection Resources
- Prayer/Sunday Liturgy Resources

**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 is 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.

**WEEKLY READINGS**

*July 20 - 26*

**Monday:**

- Mi 6:1-4, 6-8
- Ps 50
- Mt 12:38-42

**Tuesday**

- Mi 7:14-15, 18-20
- Ps 85
- Mt 12:46-50

**Wednesday**

- Sg 3:1-4b
- Ps 63
- Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

**Thursday:**

- Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13
- Ps 36
- Mt 13:10-17

**Friday**

- Jer 3:14-17
- Ps Jer 31
- Mt 13:18-23

**Saturday**

- 2 Cor 4:7-15
- Ps 126
- Mt 20:20-28

**Sunday:**

- 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12
- Ps 119
- Rom 8:28-30
- Mt 13:44-52



# GOD'S WORD FOR CHILDREN!

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Jesus was telling a parable, "When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well."

Wis 12:13, 16-19 Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16  
Rom 8:26-27 Mt 13:24-43

Directions: Draw the crop with the weeds growing among the fruit.

All of us who belong to God's kingdom can accomplish great things for the Lord. To teach this idea, Jesus talked of how the mustard seed, the smallest of all seeds, grows into a large bush where birds live. Follow the path from each seed to find what it will grow into someday.



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### Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Matthew 13:43, Jesus promises a happy ending for "the children of the kingdom."  
Find out what will happen someday by following the instructions on each window and at the bottom.

|                                                   |                                           |                                                         |                                   |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Cross out any words written in lowercase letters. | THEN THE gate door WILL after on LIKE THE | Draw a line through words that don't begin with S or R. | righteous good can shine moon sun |
| Darken out words that have more than 7 letters.   | in kingdom universe their recognize       | Scribble out any words that have a U in them.           | the of sum thunder Father Lettuce |

Now read the remaining words from left to right!

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# PARISH INFORMATION



## Mass Schedules:

**ALL PUBLIC MASS ARE SUSPENDED**

Sunday: 10:00 am  
Live-Stream on Facebook

Reconciliation: **SUSPENDED**

## Parish Center Summer Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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

Phone: 510.547.2777

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## 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.

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Cathy Brady ~ [cathy\\_b@sttheresaokland.org](mailto: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

### Pastoral Council:

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### Finance Council:

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### St. Vincent de Paul Society

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