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**MASS INTENTIONS - JULY 31 - AUGUST 8**

Sat. 5:00 pm † Edward Solorzano  
 Sun. 10:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

Mon. 8:30 am † Amparo Horta  
 Tues. 8:30 am † Ida & Nick Monti  
 Wed. 8:30 am † Marie & Bill Kriebler  
 Thurs. 8:30 am † Josine Leonard  
 Fri. 8:30 am The Amoriello family

Sat. 5:00 pm † Michael McShane  
 Sun. 10:00 am † Joseph Delaney

**KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US****Via email or text message:**

- ♦ Receive parish updates and notices of special events
- ♦ Choose to receive updates from groups you're interested in
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**SUNDAY OFFERING**

**ONLINE GIVING :**  
 (July 19 - 25) 66 DONORS **\$ 3,282.20**


**MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:**  
 (July 19 - 25) 37 DONORS **\$ 3,527.00**

*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.

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**FUNERAL SERVICES****Pasquale Fusillo**

August 6 (Friday), 11:00 am

**Sherrie Cotter**

August 7 (Saturday), 10:00 am

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

Matt Mercier, Daniel Sullivan, 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, Diane Cerille, Ruth McCabe, Tom Wilberding, Suzette Logan, Shirley Roberts, Karen Milliman, Richard Nivens, Anita Perricelli, Danny Ramos, Mark Leonard, Christopher Rodriguez, Maryanne Walsh, Dan McDonnell, Johannes & Lilyanti Sugiarto, Alex Scott and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

**LIVING STEWARDSHIP**

"We are such a diverse community" can sometimes mean "We are such a divided community." Join in efforts to bridge the gaps of language, faith experience, and culture by participating in Mass in another language, volunteering at English-language classes, or joining in a festival of an unfamiliar saint.

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**BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES**

August 1 bulletin, is due by July 23 (Friday)  
 August 8 bulletin, is due by July 30 (Friday)  
 August 15 bulletin, is due by August 6, (Friday)  
 August 22 bulletin, is due by August 13, (Friday)

Items must be received by 4:00 pm on the due date.  
 Email to [cathy\\_b@sttheresaoakland.org](mailto:cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org).

**Bishop's Appeal 2021**

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

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

Percentage Achieved **48.87%**

**\$17,495.00** as of July 15, 2021







**2021-2022 Faith Formation Registration**

Registration Weekend for the following ministries will take place after all Masses the weekend of *August 28th & 29th*. Registration packets are available in the church vestibule and on the parish website (follow the Formation link).

Online registration is also available at: <https://sttheresaokland.org/formation> .

- KinderChurch
- FFF (Family Faith Formation, Gr. 1-5)
- First Holy Eucharist Preparation
- RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Children)
- MSYM (Middle School Youth Ministry, Gr. 6-8)
- Confirmation Years I & II (High School Gr. 9 & 10)
- HSYM (High School Youth Ministry)

For additional information, please contact:

Keri Nims, Early Childhood Catechesis and RCIC  
Jenny Bruni, High School Youth Ministry



**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 inquiry session will begin in September.

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

**RESTORATION OF THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS**

The faithful are encouraged to return to participating in the Sunday Mass if their health permits.

The lifting of the dispensation from the Sunday Mass Obligation will come into force on **Sunday, August 15<sup>th</sup>**, the Solemnity of the Assumption.

The last Sunday for Walk-Up Communion will be August 8<sup>th</sup>.

**As of July 16<sup>th</sup>, the county is asking everyone to wear a mask indoors, it is not a mandate.**

However, non-vaccinated persons, including minors, must wear masks indoors.



The Sunday 10:00 am Mass will continue to be live-streamed for the **HOMEBOUND** and **ILL** on the St. Theresa Facebook page **StTheresaChurch/Oakland** once the dispensation to attend Mass is lifted on August 15<sup>th</sup>.

**LIVING GOD'S WORD**

The Eucharist has been called the "bread of angels" (Psalm 78:25). It is a free gift from God. It is offered to give us eternal life because through it we receive the life of Christ, "the true bread from heaven" (John 6:32). Jesus promised that those who believe and eat it will hunger and thirst for nothing throughout all eternity.

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**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**

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.

**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.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (SJC) CORNER****Prayer inspiration:**

“For it is in giving that we receive.” — Francis of Assisi

**WE REACHED OUR GOAL!!!**

Thank you, again, to all who so generously responded to our St. Theresa Backpack Project. Parishioners and friends donated over 850 items and \$1,500. The response has been heartwarming and a reminder of how the St. Theresa community comes together in a big way to answer the call from those

working tirelessly, every day, to serve Oakland families in need. SVdP's donations were delivered to its downtown Community Center just in time for their assembly dates. Donations continued through our 7/23 deadline, and these last items combined with the cash donations used to fulfill the items still needed for Children's Hospital, we reached our goal and closed the registries. On behalf of the SVdP Conference and SJC teams, we cannot thank you enough.

The next Social Justice Committee meeting is scheduled on **Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup>**, 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**

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. 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).

**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).

**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.*

**WEEKLY READINGS**

*August 2 - 8*

**Monday:**

Nm 11:4b-15  
Ps 81  
Mt 14:13-21

**Tuesday:**

Nm 12:1-13  
Ps 51  
Mt 14:22-36

**Wednesday:**

Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1  
Ps 106  
Mt 15:21-28

**Thursday:**

Nm 20:1-13  
Ps 95  
Mt 16:13-23

**Friday:**

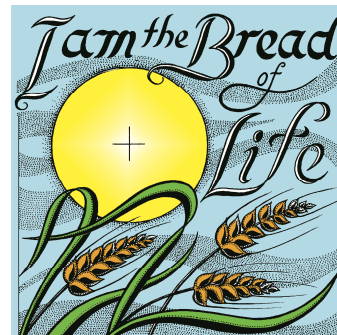
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14  
Ps 97  
2 Pt 1:16-19  
Mk 9:2-10

**Saturday:**


Dt 6:4-13  
Ps 18  
Mt 17:14-20

**Sunday:**

1 Kgs 19:4-8  
Ps 34  
Eph 4:30-5:2  
Jn 6:41-51



# God's Word for Children

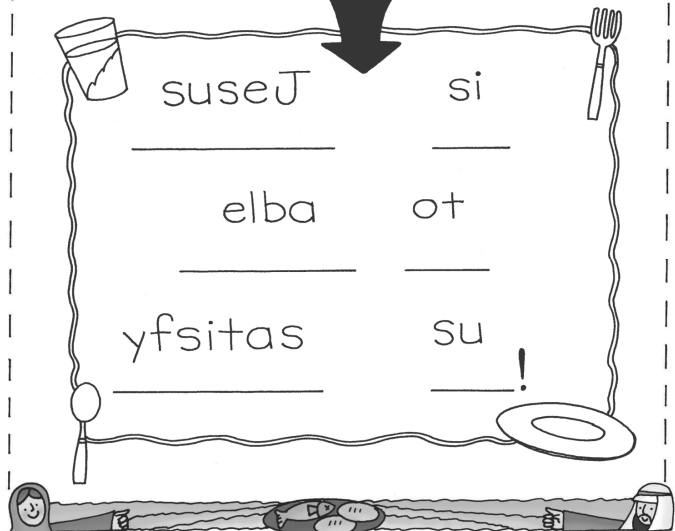


**Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

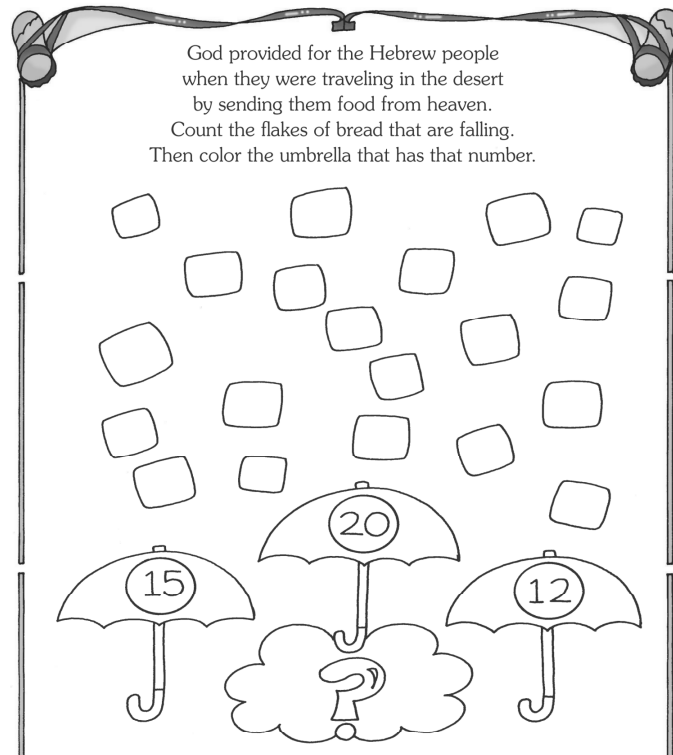
Jesus said that those who come to him would never hunger or thirst. To find what this means, write the words that are written backwards correctly.

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God provided for the Hebrew people when they were traveling in the desert by sending them food from heaven. Count the flakes of bread that are falling. Then color the umbrella that has that number.



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## CATHOLIC CORNER

### I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

Jesus speaks about bread again today, teaching the people that God has given them "the true bread from heaven" that "gives life to the world"—Jesus himself. "I am the bread of life," he tells them. People who heard this found it hard to understand and believe. It is hard for us to understand, too, but we do believe.

Right before Communion time at Mass the priest raises the bread and cup, the Body and Blood of Jesus, and says:

*"Behold the Lamb of God,  
 behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
 Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb."*

We look at Jesus, present in the bread and wine, and pray:

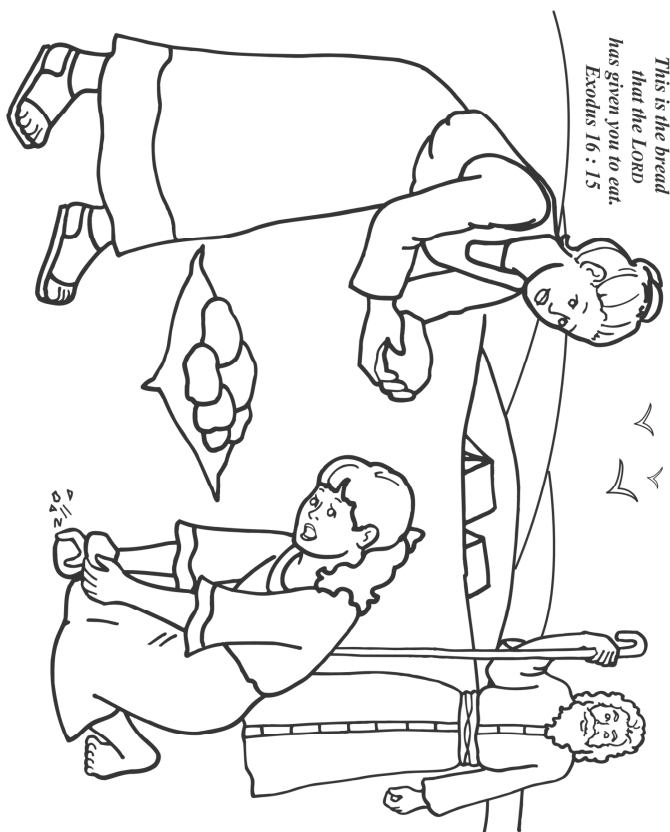
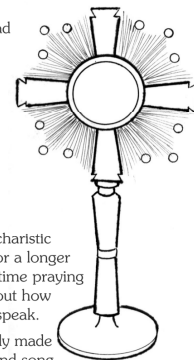
*"Lord, I am not worthy  
 that you should enter under my roof,  
 but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."*

This Mass prayer only lasts a moment, but a devotion called Eucharistic Adoration allows us to gaze in prayer at Jesus, the Bread of Life, for a longer period of time, usually an hour, called a Holy Hour. We spend this time praying quietly in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. We can think about how Jesus' presence in us should make a difference in how we act and speak.

The consecrated bread is placed in a monstrance, a vessel usually made of gold and beautifully decorated, often with jewels. After prayers and song, the Holy Hour ends with a special blessing with the Blessed Sacrament.

If your parish has a Holy Hour you might consider attending with someone from your family. If not, see if you can take a few minutes sometime during the week to make a visit to church and pray quietly before the tabernacle. These words are part of the Divine Praises, one of the prayers said during Eucharistic Adoration. You can pray them by yourself when you visit.

*Blessed be God.  
 Blessed be his holy name.  
 Blessed be the name of Jesus.  
 Blessed be Jesus in the most holy sacrament of the altar.*





# 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 for 15 min.  
following Mass, last Sunday, August 8.

## 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)

 Facebook: [StTheresaChurch/Oakland](https://www.facebook.com/StTheresaChurch/Oakland)

## PARISH STAFF: 510.547.2777

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*In Residence*

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*In Residence*

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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](mailto:keri@sttheresaoakland.org)

## Middle School Youth Ministry (Grades 6-8)

## High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

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## R.C.I.A.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Contact

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## Parish Organizations

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### St. Vincent de Paul Society

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### St. Theresa Men's Club

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### Consolation Ministry

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