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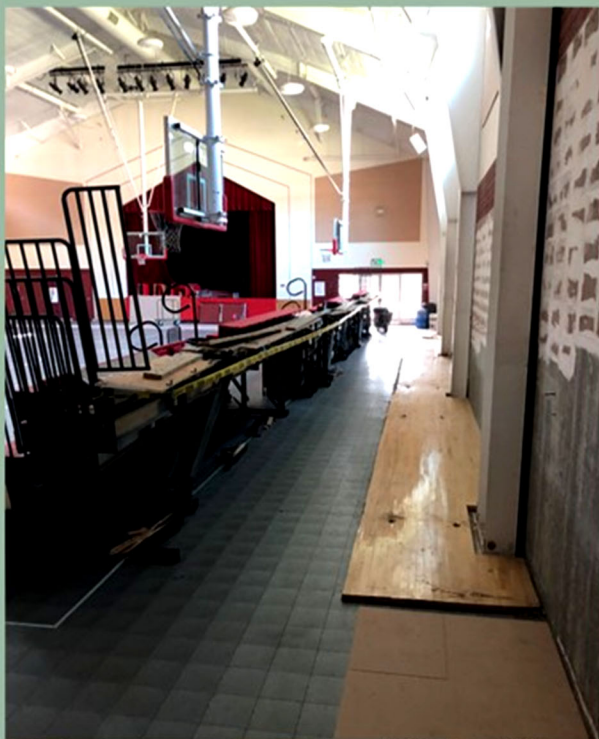
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AUGUST 8, 2021

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IN
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MASS INTENTIONS - AUGUST 7 - 15

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

Mon. 8:30 am Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Tues. 8:30 am † Elaine Moore
 Wed. 8:30 am Special Intention
 Thurs. 8:30 am † Jacqueline Giacoletti
 Fri. 8:30 am Dorothy Ferreira

Sat. 5:00 pm † Silvano & Elsie Giuntoli
 Sun. 10:00 am † Peter & Virginia Cuttitta

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


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| ONLINE GIVING : | |
| (July 26 - August 1) 72 DONORS | \$ 4,125.80 |
| MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS: | |
| (July 26 - August 1) 24 DONORS | \$ 2,270.00 |
| PARISH MAINTENANCE & IMPROVEMENT: | |
| ONLINE: July 5 - August 1: 29 DONORS | \$ 1,286.60 |
| MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED: 28 DONORS | \$ 1,351.00 |

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.

Use the link on the parish website to donate.

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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 15th**, the Solemnity of the Assumption.

THE LAST SUNDAY FOR WALK-UP
 COMMUNION IS AUGUST 8TH.

**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 Martínez, 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, Cathy Fisher, Dennis Boegel, and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

The saints and other heroes of faith are meant to inspire and encourage us on the path of discipleship. Let your discipleship bear fruit as the stewardship of your time, abilities, and resources, given freely and regularly.

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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

August 8 bulletin, was due by July 30 (Friday)
 August 15 bulletin, was due by August 6, (Friday)
 August 22 bulletin, is due by August 13, (Friday)
 August 29 bulletin, is due by August 20, (Friday)

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



A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

I am happy to be back from a nice vacation. Florida and Bonaire were busy with many tourists and hopefully their economies are bouncing back safely. I was very startled to go into a grocery store in southern Florida and find that almost every customer was wearing a mask. It appeared on most of my indoor visits to places, ordinary people are taking these small basic precautions to insure their own good health and the good health of others in spite of the politics that rage in that state.

As we hear more and more bad news about the 'Delta variant' of the covid virus, I was happy to see this past Sunday that only twelve people were not wearing masks during Mass. As of August 3rd all (adults and minors) are again required to wear a mask indoors whether vaccinated or unvaccinated. Since children are not yet able to receive a vaccination, all children are asked to wear a mask. This will be the same rule when school starts in a short time. We do this because we care for one another and strongly want the pandemic to end, and the virus not have a chance to mutate into a worse variant that may be immune to our current vaccinations. Thank you for your kind consideration and action on behalf of all!

As you may have heard the bishop is reinstating the weekend Mass obligation for us on August 15. This is later than all the other dioceses around us. We have been dispensed from the Sunday Mass obligation since March of 2020. Most of you came back as soon as we were open to people again as guided by state and county regulations. Some of you are still not ready to come back for very good reasons. I want to assure you that if you have a good reason such as health or immune issues, are not feeling well on a particular Sunday or another reason, please stay home. The live stream will continue until further notice. Since walk up Communion has had almost no one over the past few weeks, that will be discontinued, but please contact the office to arrange reception privately if you desire this.

As pastor, I have the authority by canon law to dispense this obligation to individuals. If you are

not sure you have a good reason like what was mentioned above, please contact me so I can help you figure it out. We all want to be together again as we were before March 2020, but it will take time for it to fully be normal with or without a dispensation from the bishop.



As you have seen from pictures on the cover of the weekly bulletin, major work is finally happening around and inside the event center, meeting rooms, computer room, parish offices and school library and T-K room. Oliver and Co. are very aware of school coming back in a few weeks and are trying their best to do what they can to not impinge on normal fall activities. It appears work inside the gym/event center will go on through November.

I am very happy that Bill Utic (retired PG&E executive) has been overseeing the work on behalf of the diocese. He has been quick to get the OK needed when work that was not part of the plan was discovered to be needed. We have also had a couple of contractor school parents visiting and checking on things on our behalf. All are confident that the right drains are going in, waterproofing of the building is accurately being applied and air vents are no longer blocked by concrete.

When school returns, I intend to hold an open meeting with diocesan officials present who can better describe the work that was needed and is now being completed. They will also help us understand what the settlement the diocese made will cover and how we might pay for the rest needed to get a safe and protected building that our children and all of us will be able to use for many years to come.

As I said at the beginning, I am glad to be back, but also grateful for some time away from many issues that are just part of the joy of pastoring. I look forward to greeting each of you personally and have a few stories and pictures to show from my adventure away from the parish.



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



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.

FACE MASKS REQUIRED

Face Masks are required for all adults and minors in the church and any building on the parish property whether vaccinated or unvaccinated.

Thank you for helping to keep the parish community safe.

LIVE-STREAM MASS FOR HOMEBOUND & ILL



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 15th.

LIVING GOD'S WORD

The nourishment Jesus gives is meant not to put us to sleep but to fuel us for action. The selection from Ephesians seems to refer to the perfumed chrism with which the baptized “were sealed for the day of redemption” (Ephesians 4:30). Will others smell the heavenly aroma of Christ’s love on us and be drawn to him?

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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 for more information, or to register for our sessions beginning in September.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In addition to the 5th 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 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

To request a Mass Intention contact Melody Marr at 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 9 - 15

Monday:

Dt 10:12-22
Ps 147
Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday:

2 Cor 9:6-10
Ps 112
Jn 12:24-26

Wednesday:

Dt 34:1-12
Ps 66
Mt 18:15-20

Thursday:

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17
Ps 114
Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday:

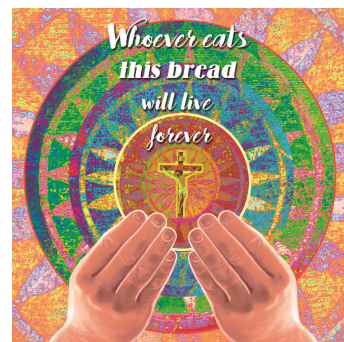
Jos 24:1-13
Ps 136
Mt 19:3-12

Saturday:

Jos 24:14-29
Ps 16
Mt 19:13-15

Sunday:

Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
Ps 45
1 Cor 15:20-27
Lk 1:39-56



God's Word for Children



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we imitate someone, we try to be just like that person.

If we want to be like God we need to live in love.

Follow the directions to make a border.

Then print the word **God** inside it.

First:
Draw points at...
b4, a3, a2,
b1, d2, e3,
f4, e5, d6,
b7, a6, a5

Next:
Connect the points together in the same order as above.

Last:
Connect the last point (a5) to the first point (b4).

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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| a | | | | | | | |
| b | | | | | | | |
| c | | | | | | | |
| d | | | | | | | |
| e | | | | | | | |
| f | | | | | | | |

When you are done-
color your creation!



Elijah was tired and discouraged. He fell asleep under a tree. When he awoke he found that God had sent food and water for him. After he ate and drank he felt strong and ready to go on his journey.

You can read this story in your Bible at 1 Kings 19:4-8.

Color a path in order from a to z that will take Elijah up to the mountain.

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CATHOLIC CORNER

LIKE MOTHER, LIKE SON

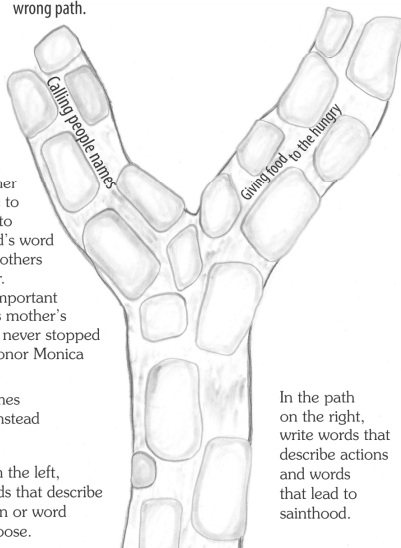
Many sons and daughters often grow up to be just like their mothers and fathers. Some may become teachers or bakers or artists like their parents. Augustine grew up to be just like his mother, Monica. Monica became a saint and so did Augustine. We remember St. Monica on August 27 and St. Augustine on August 28.

Augustine did not start out acting like a saint. He made many bad choices in his life. His biography gives examples of times when he lied, when he cheated and stole things. He did not treat people with respect and kindness. Throughout all those years Monica never stopped praying for her son. She prayed that God would help Augustine change his life. Then one day, with the help of another saint, Ambrose, Augustine did decide to change. He was baptized and began to travel with his mother, spreading God's word wherever they went. He shared with others what he had learned from his mother. Augustine became one of the most important and famous saints of the Church. His mother's prayers were answered. Because she never stopped praying for and loving her son, we honor Monica as the patron saint of mothers.

We are all like Augustine, sometimes choosing the wrong word or action instead of the right one.

In the path on the left, write the words that describe a wrong action or word you might choose.

You are becoming a saint.



In the path on the right, write words that describe actions and words that lead to sainthood.

"Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" 1 Kings 19:7



PARISH INFORMATION



Mass Schedule:

Face Masks are required for all people attending Mass.

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

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

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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

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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