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AUGUST 21, 2022

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME



People will come from the east
and the west and from the north and the south

*and will recline at table
in the kingdom of God.*

~ Luke 13:29

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MASS INTENTIONS - AUGUST 20 - 28

Sat. 5:00 pm Parish Community of St. Theresa
 Sun. 9:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

Mon. 8:30 am
 Tues. 8:30 am
 Wed. 8:30 am † Mary Gabor
 Thurs. 8:30 am
 Fri. 8:30 am

Sat. 5:00 pm † Silvano and Elsie Giuntoli
 Sun. 9:00 am Parish Community of St. Theresa

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH US

Via email or text message: 

- ♦ Receive the weekly Friday Flocknote
- ♦ Receive parish updates and notices of special events
- ♦ Unsubscribe anytime

Sign-up at
flocknote.com/StTheresa30
OR
 Text: STT To: 84579

SUNDAY OFFERING

ONLINE GIVING :
 (August 8 - 14) 55 DONORS **\$ 3,334.50**

MASS/DROP-OFF/MAILED DONATIONS:
 (August 8 - 14) 28 DONORS **\$ 2,677.00**



eGiving makes it easy to give, anytime, anywhere.

Switch to eGiving this summer and help us meet our **Welcome Summer! eGiving Goal.**

Online donations help sustain our parish ministries and keep our offertory consistent during the busy summer vacation months. If you make the switch today, you'll be giving steady, consistent support to the parish ministries you care about most in the months ahead – even if you're out of town during summer weekends.

<https://sttheresaokland.org/donate>




Bishop's Ministries Appeal 2022
St. Theresa Parish Goal - \$35,800
<https://www.oakdiocese.org/bishops-appeal-donation-page>
 Percentage Achieved **53.57%**
\$19,179.50 as of August 15, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Summer Hours: Tuesday - Thursday
 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

Low Gluten hosts are available at all weekend Masses. They are less than 20 parts per million gluten, under .002%

Please use the presider's communion station to receive a low gluten host.

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

Matt Mercier, Heidi Parmelee, Aiden Farinella, Dolores Gomez, Alegria Hipolito, Betty Wharton, Hazel Villata, Juanita Estrella, Leslie Fischer, Mike Reilly, Dorothy Donnelly, Olga Lamberti, Tom Sanford, Wendy Parmelee, Roger Bayloq, Ida Scodella, Alicia Gonzalez, Denise Moore, Mirella Baldo, Diana Martínez, Susan Springer, Margie Sullivan, Maddie Heitkemper, Joan Simmons, Badri Nakhjavani, Eddie Bradford, Wendy Jones, Bob Rogers, Orlanda Gonzalez, Kevin Chapman, Diane Cerille, Ruth McCabe, Tom Wilberding, Shirley Roberts, Karen Milliman, Richard Nivens, Anita Perricelli, Danny Ramos, Mark Leonard, Christopher Rodriguez, Maryanne Walsh, Rhonda Santeen, John Whatley, Bishop John Cummins, Fr. Bob McCann, Nancy Coyne, Kevin Stallone, Herman Carmassi, Della Spinelli, Kelly Keith, Jeanne Cuttitta, Susan Buller, Amy Kantowitz, Ann Springer, Guy Wallace, Ray Bertolotti, William McCarthy, Cindy Crimmins, Mary Barbieri, Fred & Lidia Loupy, Rebecca Rogers, Steve KoneffKlatt and all who have the corona virus throughout the world.

LIVING STEWARDSHIP

If anyone expresses doubt about faith and religious belief, don't argue with them. Speak words of encouragement and pray for them.

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BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

August 21 bulletin was due by August 12 (Friday)
 August 28 bulletin was due by August 19 (Friday)
 September 4 bulletin is due by August 26 (Friday)
 September 11 bulletin is due by September 2 (Friday)
 Items must be received by 4:00 pm on the due date.
 Email to cathy_b@sttheresaokland.org.



CALLING ALL YOUTH

2022-2023 Faith Formation Registration is now OPEN!

Registration packets are available in the church.
Online registration & forms are on the parish website using the *formation* link,
<https://sttheresaokland.org/formation/children-and-teens>.

- 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 (Gr. 9 & 10)
- HSYM (High School Youth Ministry)

Questions, please contact:

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Keri & Jenny, MSYM Team



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.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

All children in the 4th grade or higher who have received the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Eucharist, are eligible to altar server. It is open to both girls and boys. They are scheduled for the Mass of their choice.



Anyone interested, including anyone who has served in the past, must attend one of the following training sessions.

Sunday: August 21, August 28, September 11
10:15 am in the church

A parent/guardian must attend the training session.

Back to School Mass 2022

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Sat. Aug. 27th

5 pm Mass

All students, teachers, and educators are invited to bring their backpacks with them to our Back to School Mass for a special blessing. Pack a picnic, bring some chairs and stay for our...

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DO YOU NEED TO REGISTER, HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS, HAVE A NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER, DO YOU RECEIVE OUR FRIDAY FLOCKNOTE NEWSLETTER?

Let us know so we can update our parish database and keep you current with all upcoming events, news and year-end reports or give you a registration form.

Parish Office (2nd floor of the Parish Center),
(Summer Office Hours) Tuesday - Thursday
10:00 am - 2:00 pm

or call/email Melody Marr
510.547.2777, ext. 120
melody@sttheresaokland.org.

PARISH CALENDAR

Find out what is happening at the parish. The parish calendar is available on the website:

<https://sttheresaokland.org/calendar>

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PARISH MINISTRY WEEKLY HIGHLIGHT

MEMORY BEARS

- We take an article of clothing of a person who has passed away and create a small keepsake bear(s).
- We also work with a hospice organization to create comfort bears for those under hospice care softening a rough day for patients and bringing a sense of comfort and peace to those nearing the end of their earthly journey.

Contacts:

Cecile Cuttitta ~ Cecile.Cuttitta@att.net
Marlene McShane ~ (510) 653-2688

Website:
<https://sttheresaokland.org/ministries/memory-bears>

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.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (SJC) CORNER

Important announcement about “back to school” days in our community.

Long before the pandemic first shuttered America’s schools in spring 2020, students from historically marginalized communities already faced challenges in accessing basic educational resources—from well-trained, well-paid teachers and staff to adequate buildings and books. For these students, there was already a crisis of educational opportunity—a crisis that COVID-19 appears to have made worse. –from the United States Department of Education

Children Rising is an Oakland-based non-profit organization founded in 2001. The agency empowers children attending public schools most affected by poverty, violence, and educational inequity by raising awareness and rallying community support for their needs; and by galvanizing and guiding volunteers to teach, mentor, and nourish the children so they may develop academic and life skills. Children Rising offers an array of services to under-resourced public schools in three program areas—Path2Math, Succeeding by Reading and CareerBridge.

TUTORS NEEDED! The Biden-Harris Administration wants 250,000 new volunteers nationwide to enable students to emerge from two years of COVID-related learning loss. Oakland-based Children Rising, which already has 20 years under its belt in recruiting, training, and supporting an array of highly skilled and experienced tutors, is recruiting 160 **NEW TUTORS**. The goal is to dramatically expand its pool of volunteer tutors to meet local demand at the start of the 2022-2023 academic school year. To learn more about Children Rising’s volunteer tutoring programs, visit:

URL: <https://www.children-rising.org/volunteer/> Phone: (510) 836-5100

Also stay tuned for our Speaker Series sponsored by the Social Justice Committee.

September 14, 2020 via Zoom at 7pm: We want to present Mary Lim-Lampe, who is Executive Director of Genesis – Genesis in an organization that unites and activates a multi-racial, income-diverse community to promote effective, equitable solutions to stubborn regional problems.

For zoom info and to RSVP your zoom spot please contact Lydia Deck at ltdeck@me.com

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL****CURRENT NEEDS**

Volunteers Needed for the Dining Room at the Direct Services Campus in West Oakland: 8:30am to 1pm Tuesday through Saturday. Volunteers to help prepare, and bag warm meals for our guests and serve the meals at the gated entrance to the courtyard. These excellent hot takeaway meals are being provided while the dining room is closed due to COVID. Contact Volunteer Coordinator, Kristen Bernal: Email kbernal@svdp-alameda.org 510-277-6435.

Men’s Clothing (casual, work, denim, and work pants, and shoes in good condition) and women’s hygiene articles can be dropped off in the Church vestibule. These donations are distributed through SVDP Clothes Closet in our Downtown Community Center.

Nonperishable, non-expired food donations: Our on-going food collections for the needy people in the Sacred Heart Parish have been graciously acknowledged by those who have been served. This is becoming a regular opportunity for us to feed the hungry, especially during these difficult economic times. We bring the food to Sacred Heart around the third Sunday of the month. Food donations may be left in the back of the vestibule in various baskets next to the “Giving Tree at any time.

Bay Area Rent Relief

Our Parish Conference of St Vincent de Paul is here to help our neighbors in need, including assisting those who qualify for California’s rent relief program to apply for and receive these State funds. If you know of anyone in need requiring assistance, please refer them to our Conference.

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.

You may use online giving to make a donation to the St. Theresa St. Vincent de Paul conference. <https://sttheresaokland.org/donate>.

WEEKLY READINGS

August 22 - 28

Monday:

2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12
Ps 96
Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday:

2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17
Ps 96
Mt 23:23-36

Wednesday:

Rv 21:9b-14
Ps 145
Jn 1:45-51

Thursday:

1 Cor 1:1-9
Ps 145
Mt 24:42-51

Friday

1 Cor 1:17-25
Ps 33
Mt 25:1-13

Saturday:


1 Cor 1:26-31
Ps 33
Mt 25:14-30

Sunday:

Sir 3:17-18
Ps 68
Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a
Lk 14:1, 7-14



God's Word for Children




Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

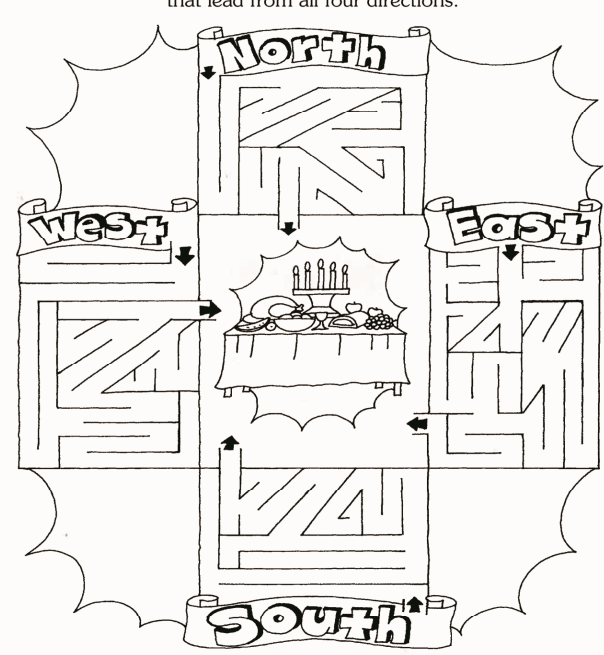
Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.
No one can come to the Father except through him.
Find each of these words three times in the word search below.
Look up, down, and across.

way truth life

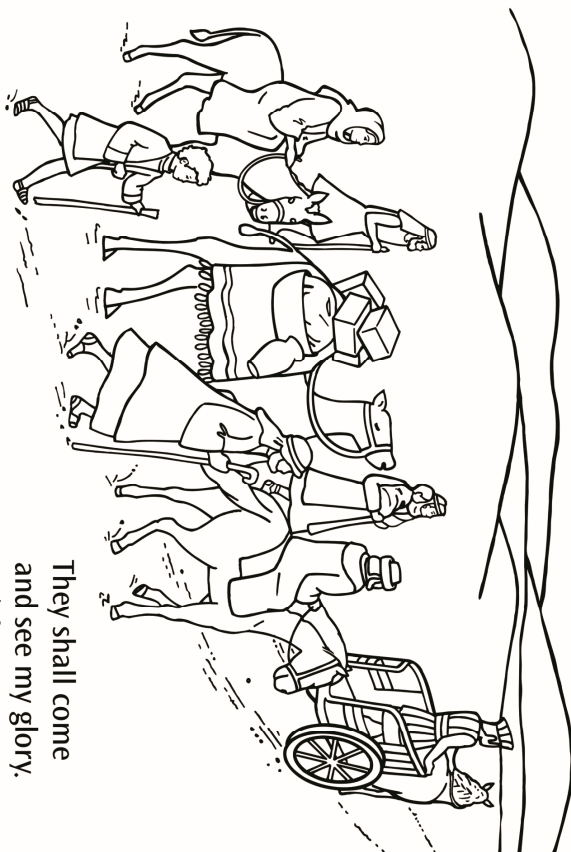
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Luke 13:29 tells us that people from everywhere will come to the Lord's table.
See how quickly you can find paths that lead from all four directions.



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They shall come
and see my glory,
Isaiah 66 : 18



ABC

When children start school they begin to "learn their ABCs." This usually means the basics of reading and writing. But there are ABCs, as well as some other letters, that you can learn about your Catholic faith. Try to fill in the blanks with words that begin with the bold letters.

The **A** _____ were twelve men who lived and traveled with Jesus.

B _____ is the first sacrament we receive.

The feast of **C** _____ celebrates the birth of Jesus.

Jesus was born in Bethlehem, the city of **D** _____.

We celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead on **E** _____.

F _____ was a saint known for his love of animals.

The angel **G** _____ announced to Mary that she would be the mother of Jesus.

The **H** _____ **S** _____ is the third person of the Blessed Trinity.

I _____ was one of the prophets who spoke about the coming of the Messiah.

Jesus was crucified and rose from the dead in the city of **J** _____.

The Three **K** _____ were wise men from the East who brought gifts to Jesus.

Jesus shared a meal with his friends, the **L** _____ **S** _____, on the night before he died.

M _____ is the mother of Jesus.

Can you think of sentences to describe the rest of these words?

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|----------|--------------|------------|-----------------|--------|
| Nazareth | Original sin | Pope | Queen of Heaven | Rosary |
| Saint | Tabernacle | Upper room | Vatican City | |
| Wine | Yahweh | Zechariah | | |

PARISH INFORMATION



MASS SCHEDULE:

Face Masks are required for all unvaccinated people attending Mass.

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

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am (**New Mass Time**)
(live-streamed on Facebook)

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Reconciliation is outside, not in the confessional

PARISH CENTER SUMMER 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)

Jenny Bruni and Keri Nims: Co-Coordinator

High School Youth Ministry/Confirmation

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