St. Theresa Mission Statement

We are a welcoming, active Catholic Community united by our faith, open to transformation, growing spiritually and reaching out to love and to serve others as Jesus taught us.

November 24, 2019

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

“Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Luke 23:43
Parish Maintenance & Improvement Collection

The 2nd collection for the Parish Maintenance & Improvement Fund will be on November 30 & December 1. Parishioners using Online Giving can sign on to their account and select the Parish Maintenance fund option.

Please pick up your new Lector Workbook for Year A in the church vestibule. Make sure you take the one with your name on it.

Low Gluten Hosts

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LIVING STEWARDSHIP

A PRAYER FOR CHRIST THE KING

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Online Giving

Online Giving is available for anyone who prefers to donate through automatic draft for their Sunday Offering, Building Maintenance and Second Collections.

Go to: https://giving.parishsoft.com/sttheresaoakland to sign up. Contact Cathy Brady with any questions. cathy_b@sttheresaoakland.org, 547.2777, ext. 26.

Support St. Theresa Church

By using smile.amazon.com and choosing St. Theresa Catholic Church, location: Oakland, CA as your charity when you shop, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the parish.

Bishop’s Appeal 2019

St. Theresa Parish Goal - $35,800
Percentage Achieved 75.9%
$27,173 as of October 15, 2019

Weekly Offering

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A Word from the Pastor:

I hope as you are reading this you did not lose your power again this past week and the rains will start soon to relieve this from happening again. Let us all pray for rain! You did a great job last year! And we want our winning streak to continue.

I also hope the heat is on in the church building. We did try to start the furnace on October 31. The ancient furnace is broken and even though the part was expedited it did not get to the Bay Area until this past week. You will know immediately if that was all that it needed.

This weekend’s feast concludes the Church liturgical year. A new year of grace begins next weekend with the First Sunday of Advent. As I have mentioned at a few Masses, this is a great time to make some ‘New Year’s Prayer/Christian Resolutions’. It is good every now and then to ask ourselves if our prayers and good deeds are bringing us any closer to God. If they are, wonderful! Recommit to another year with them. If they are not, it is time to try something different.

We celebrate Christ the King; the eternal Lord of the World and Universe and we all want to be happily part of that kingdom forever. How do we get there? Our path can be guided by paths, but hopefully the path that the Church, scriptures and our parish practice will always guide and assist our journey. Please pick up the small Advent meditation book as one simple source to help us.

We have tried as a parish staff to provide solid Liturgies, retreats, opportunities for ongoing education and fellowship. The Alpha program which has started small, is transforming parishes across the world. I know it will grow and assist us here. The staff looks forward to the annual January listening sessions so we can continue to meet your needs. The pastoral council is also there to assist in guiding our mission. I am very grateful that we are more and more encountering times when every possible meeting place is being used for something.

As we end another year of grace, let us thank God for all the graces and blessings of the past year. I know it never happens the exact way we had planned. Thanksgiving Day is a national day to do this. I again invite you to start off the day by coming to Mass at 9am. Bring the wine/beverage and some of the bread that will be shared with your family and friends to bring back to them the blessing of the whole community. This is more and more becoming a ‘holy day’ not because the Church says it is, but because more and more people are just coming on their own to parishes to start off this national day of thanks.

I again give thanks for all of you. I pray every day that God will continue to bless each of you with abundant blessings. I am grateful for the faith, generosity and love that I have witnessed in you over the past year. May the good things God has begun in each of us, come one day to fulfillment.

Here are two prayers that might be used on Thursday as you sit down to your feast or have a moment with your loved ones:

Thank you, Father, for having created us and given us to each other in the human family. Thank you for being with us in all our joys and sorrows, for your comfort in our sadness, your companionship in our loneliness. Thank you for yesterday, today, tomorrow and for the whole of our lives. Thank you for friends, for health and for grace. May we live this and every day conscious of all that has been given to us.

From “The Catholic Prayer Book”, compiled by Msgr. Michael Buckley

Thanksgiving Table Prayer

O Gracious God, we give you thanks for your overflowing generosity to us. Thank you for the blessings of the food we eat and especially for this feast today. Thank you for our home and family and friends, especially for the presence of those gathered here. Thank you for our health, our work and our play. Please send help to those who are hungry, alone, sick and suffering war and violence. Open our hearts to your love. We ask your blessing through Christ your son. Amen.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Please join us for our monthly RISE & SHINE Mass at 9am on Sunday, December 8th. This is a youth-friendly and youth-participatory Mass.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Our Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 am on Thursday, November 28th.

We invite you to bring the bread and wine/beverage for your Thanksgiving Meal for a special blessing.

Place them on the table in the sanctuary before Mass.

Men’s Club Pancake Breakfast

December 15th
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

St. Theresa Event Center

Visit with Santa and take holiday photos.

$9/adult
$5/child

All are welcome!

Advent by Candlelight

December 3 ~ 7:00 pm ~ Event Center

St. Theresa Ladies – Please join us.
7:00 to 7:30 p.m. Check in, 7:30 to 8:00 Program,
8:00 to 9:00 Coffee, Tea & Desserts

What is Advent by Candlelight?
Advent by Candlelight is a special evening event for the women of the parish to come together and celebrate the season of Advent. In a sacred and festive setting, we serve coffee, tea and desserts. We have prayer and reflection, light the Advent wreath with musical accompaniment and enjoy the presence of the other women of our parish. This event appeals to young adults through seniors and many women are in attendance.

Why Should I Attend?
Advent by Candlelight provides a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the true spirit of the season and to meet other St T. women. The event is spiritual and calming, and offers respite from the chaos of the holiday season. If you have never been to Advent by Candlelight, you are missing out on a lovely evening! So, please join us!

Something Extra...
In the spirit of Christmas giving, we invite guests to bring diapers (size 3-6), pull-ups (toddler size 3-6) and wipes to donate to the Children’s Primary Care Clinic at Children’s Hospital.

To Attend this Event, your RSVP is Required by December 1, 2019.
RSVP in the church vestibule, or contact Shirley Fairbairn at shirley_fairbairn@yahoo.com / 510-333-8598

Seating for the event is random, there are no assigned tables. Please keep in mind there are a limited number of seats.
**Women in God’s Spirit**

**WINGS** is a faith enhancement group that encourages spiritual growth through prayer, Scripture study, life sharing and community. We gather on Wednesdays in Meeting Room 1 at 9:15am from October through May with hospitality, followed by the guest speaker and program until 11:15am. Our engaging speakers will uplift you and keep you informed. You’ll experience a welcoming community as we support each other in our spiritual growth. Bring a friend! Women from local parishes and other denominations are welcome! Our theme for this year is “Walking with God”. Join us on opening day, October 9th. Say “Yes” to WINGS!

The theme for the year is:  
**“Walking With God”**

**NOVEMBER 27TH**

**THANKSGIVING BREAK**

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**Mass Intentions**

You can now schedule Mass Intentions on the weekends following all Masses. Stop by the information desk in the vestibule if you would like to schedule a Mass Intention.

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**Infant/Child Baptism**

If you are interested in having your child/children baptized at St. Theresa Church, Baptism classes for parents and godparents are held once a month in the rectory from 7:00 - 8:00 pm. These classes are for adults only. Contact the parish office to register, melody@sttheresaoakland.org or 547.2777, ext. 20.

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**ST. THERESA MUSIC MINISTRY**

**JOIN A CHOIR TODAY!**

The Adult Choir rehearses on Thursday nights at 7 pm.

The Children’s Choir rehearses on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 4:00-4:30 pm in the church. We learn about the liturgy and the role of music in it, as well as about music.

All are welcome to attend!

Contact Rob at rob@sttheresaoakland.org.

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**Our CONFIRMATION group would like to thank you for supporting our Christmas Evergreen Fundraiser this year.**

**Your CHRISTMAS EVERGREENS will be available for pick up following all weekend Masses on November 30th & December 1st.**

For more information, please contact:
Jenny Bruni, HSYM Coordinator
Jenny@sttheresaoakland.org
(510) 547-2777 x39

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**Family Rosary**

Sunday, December 8th

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe

5 pm Rosary in the Church
Dinner and Celebration to Follow

All are invited to join us as we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Contact Patrick McGahan with any questions at pjmcgahan@gmail.com
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### Weekly Readings

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- Dn 1:1-6, 8-20
- Ps Dn 3
- Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday:**
- Dn 2:31-45
- Ps Dn 3
- Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday:**
- Dn 5:1-6, 12-14, 16-17, 23-28
- Ps Dn 3
- Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday:**
- Sir 50:22-24
- Ps 138
- 1 Cor 1:3-9
- Lk 17:11-19

**Friday:**
- Dn 7:2-14
- Ps Dn 3
- Lk 21:29-33

**Saturday:**
- Rom 10:9-18
- Ps 19
- Mt 4:18-22

**Sunday:**
- Is 2:1-5
- Ps 122
- Rom 13:11-14
- Mt 24:37-44

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**LIVING GOD’S WORD**

Let your heart speak to the thief in this story. Do you have anything to say to or ask him? Then, talk to Jesus about what you want most to ask from him, what your experience as your greatest need at this time in your life.

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Mass Schedules:
Monday - Friday: 8:30 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Reconciliation:
Saturdays 4:00-4:30 pm
or by appointment

Parish Center Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON FRIDAY
Phone 510.547.2777 ~~~ Fax 510.653.3575
After Hours Medical Emergency & Emergency Line:
510.610.7715
Parish Website: www.sttheresaoakland.org
Facebook: StTheresaChurch/Oakland

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@sttheresaoakland.org

Kinderchurch
Preschoolers and Kindergarteners
9:00 am Sunday Mass

Children’s Liturgy of the Word
Grades 1-5, 9:00 am Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Friday of the month (September - May)

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