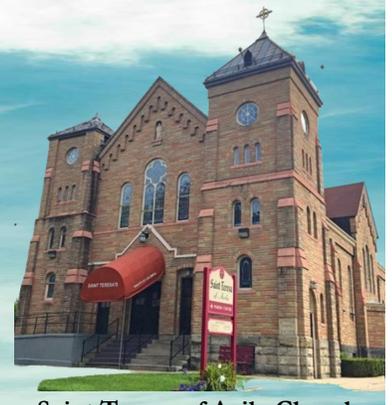




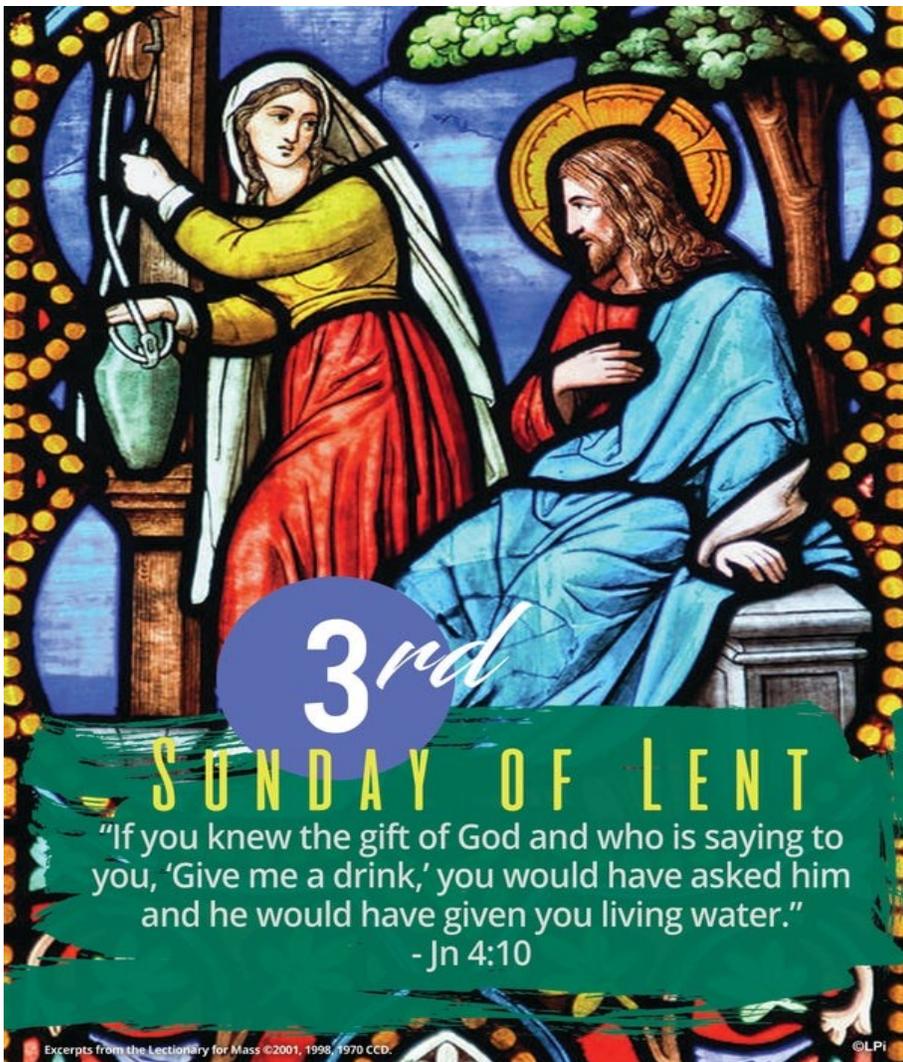
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Corry, PA 16407



Saint Teresa of Avila Church  
9 Third Avenue  
Union City, PA 16438

# THE PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND ST. TERESA OF AVILA

## March 12, 2023



3<sup>rd</sup>

### SUNDAY OF LENT

"If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."  
- Jn 4:10

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

#### NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY & ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

St. Thomas the Apostle     St. Teresa of Avila

Please drop this information into Offertory Basket or mail to Parish Office.

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*Temporary Parochial Administrator*

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*Deacon*  
deacon@stparish.org

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*Deacon—Retired*

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814-462-6375

**Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish**  
[www.stthomastheapostle.church](http://www.stthomastheapostle.church)

**Saint Teresa of Avila Parish**  
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**Partnered Parish Offices**  
203 W. Washington Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
814-663-3041

**Partnered Parish Office Hours**  
Monday: 12:30pm—3:30pm  
Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30am—3:30pm  
Thursday: 8:30am—12:00pm (noon)  
Friday: Closed

# LENTEN Schedule

The Season of Lent began on [Ash Wednesday on February 22<sup>nd</sup>](#).

Fr. Tom Suppa will offer one weekday Mass at each parish during Lent. The [weekday Masses](#) will be as follows:

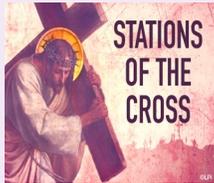
**5:15p.m. Tuesdays at St. Thomas Church, Corry**  
(Feb. 28, March 7, 14, 21, and 28)

**8:00a.m. Thursdays at St. Teresa Church, Union City**  
(March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30)

Our deacons will continue to hold [Communion Services](#) during Lent on the following days/times:

**8:00a.m. Wednesdays at St. Thomas Church, Corry**

**8:00a.m. Fridays at St. Teresa Church, Union City**



[Stations of the Cross](#) will be offered at both parishes as follows:

**7:00p.m. Thursdays at St. Teresa, Union City**

**7:00p.m. Fridays at St. Thomas, Corry**

## Lenten Penance Service

**3:00 PM Sunday, March 19**  
**St. Thomas Church, Corry**

Several priests will be available to hear private confessions during the Penance Service. Also, the Sacrament of Confession is available from 3:00pm—3:30pm on Saturdays at the church where Mass is celebrated. During the month of March it will be at St. Thomas Church (Corry).



PRAY



FAST



GIVE

## Readings for the week of March 12, 2023

Sun.: Exodus 17:3-7 ♦ Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8) ♦ Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
♦ John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42  
Mon.: 2 Kings 5:1-15ab ♦ Psalm 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 ♦ Luke 4:24-30  
Tues.: Daniel 3:25, 34-43 ♦ Psalm 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 ♦  
Matthew 18:21-35  
Wed.: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 ♦ Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 ♦  
Matthew 5:17-19  
Thur.: Jeremiah 7:23-28 ♦ Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 ♦ Luke 11:14-23  
Fri.: Hosea 14:2-10 ♦ Psalm 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 ♦  
Mark 12:28-34  
Sat.: Hosea 6:1-6 ♦ Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab ♦ Luke 18:9-14  
Next Sun.: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a ♦ Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)  
♦ Ephesians 5:8-14 ♦ John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



## Monday, March 13

No Mass or Service at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa today.

## Tuesday, March 14

5:15p.m. †Ed Giacomina by the Weldon Family  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

## Wednesday, March 15

8:00a.m. Communion Service at St. Thomas Church

## Thursday, March 16

8:00a.m. †Antoinette Ranyak by St. Teresa Rosary Altar  
Society (St. Teresa, Union City)

## Friday, March 17

8:00a.m. Communion Service at St. Teresa Church

## Saturday, March 18

4:00p.m. †Judy Bitters by Andy & Deb Tomcho  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

## Sunday, March 19

8:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes  
(St. Thomas, Corry)  
10:00a.m. †Steven Paul Mongera by Cheryl & Steve  
Mongera (St. Teresa, Union City)

## A Family Perspective

Our children are like the Samaritan woman in today's gospel. They need more than material things. They need the "living water" only good role models can give. It will teach them how to make decisions, take responsibility, respect themselves and others and live their commitments. With this "living water" they will "never thirst."

## WELCOME

If you are new to our Parishes, we extend a warm welcome and hope you will find here a place where your faith will be nourished.

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New Parishioners are welcome to register by completing the form on the front of the bulletin and returning it to the Offertory Collection or the Parish Office.

## BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish office to schedule a Baptism.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish office at least six months in advance to schedule a Wedding.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please let the Parish office know of anyone in need of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, or anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would desire weekly Holy Communion to be brought to them.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are offered at the following times/locations:  
3:00pm—3:30pm on Saturdays at St. Thomas Church, Corry and/or at St. Teresa Church, Union City (when Mass is celebrated that evening); and other times by request made to the parish office.

## St. Thomas Parish News

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: March 4 & 5, 2023**

<b>Amount in Envelopes:</b> (87) .....	\$4,564.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 187 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 100)	
<b>Loose</b> .....	\$231.00
<b>Online Giving</b> (12) .....	\$565.00
<b>Religious Education</b> (11) .....	\$109.00
<b>Total Offertory Income</b> .....	\$5,469.00
<b>Average Weekly Expenses</b> .....	\$7,656.00
<b>Weekly Average Shortfall</b> .....	\$(-2,187.00)

*Thanks to everyone who regularly uses his/her envelopes.*

*Please write checks to St. Thomas Church.*

*If checks are to go to our parish cemeteries—please make them to St. Thomas Cemetery or St. Elizabeth Cemetery.*

*Thank you.*



*Please know that you can now give all your donations online by visiting our parish website at*

*[www.StThomastheApostle.Church](http://www.StThomastheApostle.Church) and click 'Donate Online'.*

**2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 03/07):**

**St. Thomas Diocesan Goal is \$39,417.00**

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$31,025.00

Total Paid to date = \$17,980.00

# of Families who made a pledge = 70

Prayerfully consider what God is leading you to give.

**Please make a pledge today. Thank you.**

**Be sure to make your check payable to**

**'ST. THOMAS CHURCH' when making a CSA payment.**



Our prayers & sympathy to the family and friends of Henry Pondel who recently passed away from Saint Thomas Parish. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**St. Thomas Altar Rosary Meeting—March 15<sup>th</sup>**

Members are reminded of our meeting at 1:00pm on Wednesday, March 15 in the multipurpose room at St. Thomas. Lunch will be served. *Please plan to join us!*



**Corry Knights of Columbus Meet THIS WEEK**

Brother Knights are reminded of our meeting on Tuesday, March 14 at 6:30pm in the St. Elizabeth Parish Center. *Hope you will join us!*

**Food Drive Collection**

The Corry Knights of Columbus food drive to benefit the Corry Food Pantry is ending soon. Please donate non-perishable food items this week at Saint Thomas Church. Thank you.

**THANK YOU** to all of our bulletin sponsors!



**PRAYER LINE... call:** Gerrie (814-665-6944), Shirley (814-392-5411), Pam (814-664-7459), or Diane (814-663-3753).

*Since prayer is an important ministry of trust, know that all requests are kept confidential.*



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Thomas Church for the week of March 12<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Henry Pondel.

# St. Thomas Lenten FISH DINNERS

**Ash Wednesday, February 22**

**Fridays, March 3, 17 & 31**

**4:30 pm - 6:30 pm**

**St. Elizabeth Parish Center**

**33 W. Pleasant St., Corry**



**Beer Battered or Crumb-Topped Baked Alaskan Cod, Baked Potato or Fresh Cut Fries or Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw or Applesauce, Italian Bread, Dessert & Beverage**

**Adults \$14.00**

**Dine-in, Takeout & Delivery**

**Child (6-12) \$7.00**

**For Delivery Call 664-9187**

*Food, Fellowship & Basket Raffles!!*

**Results from our Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> Fish Dinner**

Thanks for so much for continued support of our Fish Dinners. Here are the totals from last Friday: Dine-in dinners were 72, Take-out was 121, and Delivery was 11, for a total of 204 dinners. We deposited \$2,923.52 for St. Thomas. We don't have all the expenses yet; a more detailed report for the dinners will be in a future bulletin. Winners of the 50/50 have been Anne Kulin on Ash Wednesday and Janet Ahl on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. *Thanks again to EVERYONE who helped!*

**Donations Needed for our Lenten Fish Dinners**

Thank you to all who helped, donated, worked, and supported our two fish dinners so far. We appreciate everyone's efforts. We have two more Fish Dinners coming and help is always needed. **Also, we need donations of pies/desserts (homemade or store bought) for each dinner.** Dessert donations can be dropped off at St. Elizabeth Parish Center on Thursdays from noon—3:00pm and Fridays by 4:00pm for the dinner (see above for dates). *Please come to the dinner and let us cook for you! Hope to see you there.*

## St. Teresa Parish News

**ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:** March 5, 2023  
**Amount in Envelopes:** (63) ..... \$3,476.00  
 (Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 94)  
**Loose** ..... \$72.00  
**Continuing the Vision** ..... \$306.00  
**Total Offertory Income** ..... \$3,854.00

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP:** March 5, 2023  
**Amount in Envelopes:** (4) ..... \$165.00  
 (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 26)  
**Total Offertory Income** ..... \$165.00

**St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income** ..... \$4,019.00  
**Average Weekly Expenses** ..... \$4,777.00  
**Weekly Average Shortfall** ..... \$(-758.00)

*Thanks to everyone who regularly uses his/her envelopes.  
 Please write checks to St. Teresa Church or  
 Our Lady of Fatima Church.*

 **The SANCTUARY CANDLE** at St. Teresa Church for the week of March 12<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Bob Adams by Melody and Family.

*You may sponsor the candle at St. Teresa in memory/honor of a loved one for \$10, please call the parish office.. Thank you.*



Rev. David Perry, Rev. William O'Brien,  
 Rev. Joseph Gregorek, Rev. Thomas Aleska,  
 Rev. Jason Glover, Rev. Leo Gallina  
**Pray for Vocations in the Erie Diocese**



**2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 03/07):**

**St. Teresa Diocesan Goal is \$24,055.00**

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$26,325.00

Total Paid to date = \$16,920.00

# of Families who made a pledge = 52

Prayerfully consider what God is leading you to give.

**Please make a pledge today. Thank you.**

**Be sure to make your check payable to**

**'ST. TERESA CHURCH' when making a CSA payment.**



# St. Teresa

## --LENTEN FISH FRY--

### Dine in or Take Out

Feb. 24,  
 March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

4:30 to 7:00 P.M.

### St. Teresa Parish Center

Third Avenue • Union City, PA

Baked or Fried Fish (Haddock)

Choice of Baked Potato, French Fries or  
 Mac & Cheese, Homemade Coleslaw or Applesauce,  
 Dinner Roll, Homemade Dessert and Beverage

Price: Adults \$14.00

Children Meal (12 and under) \$6.00

Mac & Cheese, French Fries and Applesauce.

\*Add \$2.00 for Fish Sticks



For Take-outs Call  
 814 - 438 - 2000



**"Question of the Week" - Third Sunday of Lent**

**Question for Children:** How do you experience Jesus helping and loving you?

**Question for Youth:** Jesus revealed himself to an outcast of society. How can you be "living water" to the outcasts of your school? Society? The world?

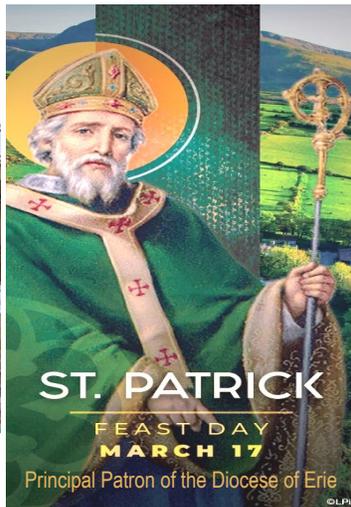
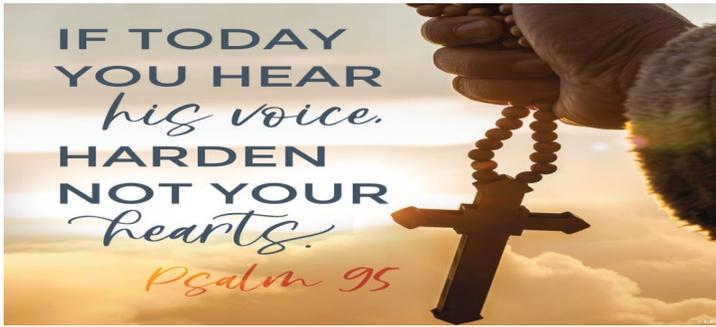
**Question for Adults:** When you are tempted to try to satisfy your "thirst for meaning" through some other means, what keeps you coming back to the living water of intimacy with Christ? Through what means do you experience Christ's power in your life: Sacraments? Scripture? Prayer? Others?

- St. Teresa Church Organizations / Groups**
- Rosary—Altar Society**  
Meets the first Monday of each month at 4:30 PM
  - Knights of Columbus**  
Meet every third Wednesday at 7:00 PM
  - Religious Education Guild**  
Meets during the school term

**Totals from St. Teresa Fish Dinner Held on March 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
 We had a total of 292 dinners served at our latest Fish Dinner: 130 dine-in and 162 take-out. We had a deposit of \$4,117.20.

**Calling all Bakers!!**  
 We ask that you continue to share your yummy desserts with our Lenten Fish Dinner guests! You can drop off desserts through the kitchen door on Thursday's from 6:00pm—8:00pm and on Friday's starting at Noon. Thank you.

**Volunteers needed for our Lenten Fish dinners!**  
 Wednesday and Thursday's from 6:00pm—8:00pm will be work nights to prepare for our AMAZING fish dinners. Please stop in if you're able to help. We will also need help cleaning up on Friday nights from 7:00pm—8:00pm. **We are in need of help washing dishes on Friday, March 17 from 5:00pm-8:00pm. It would be helpful if a couple or family could come on Friday, March 10 to get instructions on how to run the dishwasher.** Remember, many hands make light work! If you have any questions, please call Becky Boleratz, Fish Dinner Chairperson, at 814-572-8126.



**LENTEN DISCIPLINES OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE**

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

**WINTER MASS SCHEDULE**  
September 10, 2022 thru May 21, 2023

**Saturday 4:00PM**  
**St. Thomas Church (Corry)**  
September, November, January, March, May

**St. Teresa Church (Union City)**  
October, December, February, April

**Sunday**  
**8:00AM at St. Thomas Church (Corry)**  
**10:00AM at St. Teresa Church (Union City)**

**Confessions**  
**Saturday from 3:00pm—3:30pm**  
at the church where Saturday Mass is celebrated  
OR by appointment—please call the parish office

**Faith Formation & Religious Ed. News**

**Religious Education Classes**

Classes are Sundays following Mass. Students in Corry attend class from 8:45am until 10:00am in the former school building. Union City students attend class from 10:45am until 12:00pm (noon) at St. Teresa Parish Center.



**Class Schedule for March**

Sunday, March 12—Class  
Sunday, March 19—Class  
Sunday, March 26—No Class / Youth Mass today

**Religious Education Raffle Baskets at the Fish Dinners**



Our Religious Education Programs will have Raffle Baskets at each parishes' Lenten Fish Dinners. Money raised will be used for our Religious Education programs at both parishes. Basket winners will be drawn after the final Fish Dinners. *Don't forget to take a chance on some wonderful raffles. Thanks for your support!*

**Congratulations to Students making First Reconciliation**

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation was held for students from both of our parishes on Saturday, March 11, 2023 at St. Teresa Church. Please continue to pray that these students may walk closely with Jesus and always experience his healing mercy: *Elise Kafferlin, Teagen Parker, Isaac Shick.*



**Walk with Purpose!**  
to the Eighth Annual

**1:38 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**  
**MARCH 25, 2023**

ST. JUDE PARISH / 2801 West 6th Street, Erie  
TIME: 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM  
REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS: 8:00-8:45 AM in the School Cafeteria  
ACTIVITIES: Adoration, Confession, and Mass / Master of Ceremonies: Fr. Larry Richards  
COST: \$20; College students \$10; High school students \$5; Religious FREE  
ATTENDANCE: In-Person Event this year!



**LAURA PHELPS**  
Laura Phelps is a national speaker, writer, and the blogger and social media content creator at Walking With Purpose.



*Luke 1:38 Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."*

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