



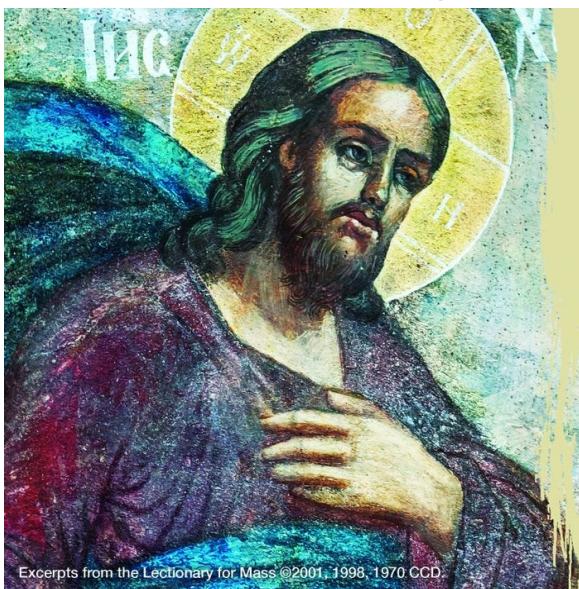
Saint Thomas the Apostle Church
203 W. Washington Street
Corry, PA 16407



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

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

February 19, 2023



7th
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

“Love your
enemies and
pray for
those who
persecute you.”
- Mt 5:44

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Commitment Weekend—February 18 / 19
2023 Catholic Services Appeal

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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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 begins this Week with **Ash Wednesday on February 22nd**. We will offer the following times for distribution of ashes:

- **8:00 AM Mass at St. Teresa Church, Union City**
- **12:10 PM Distribution of Ashes ONLY at St. Thomas Church, Corry**
- **7:00 PM Mass at St. Thomas Church, Corry**



Fr. Tom wishes to 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
(Feb. 23, 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 during the Lenten season 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 19th
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 (February at St. Teresa / March at St. Thomas).

Lent is an intense retreat, a forty-day period of reflection and penance that prepares us to celebrate the passion, death and resurrection of Christ. Our communication with God and our awareness of him is the purpose of prayer. Setting aside extra time each day helps intensify the season. Prayer includes daily Mass (if available), Stations of the Cross, communal penance services and private confession. Making restitution for sin as well as disciplining our hearts and minds to focus on God is the purpose of penance. It helps us restore a sense of balance to our souls, thrown off kilter by sin. Penance includes personal sacrifice, self-denial, fasting, almsgiving and charitable works. Finally, spiritual practices help us sharpen our understanding and insight into the meaning and understanding of our faith. When you take your faith seriously, you do what is necessary to follow Jesus more closely, to integrate your life and your faith more carefully.



Monday, February 20

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

Tuesday, February 21

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

Wednesday, February 22—Ash Wednesday

8:00a.m. †Dorothy Mongera by St. Teresa Altar Server
(St. Teresa, Union City)

12:10p.m. Distribution of Ashes Only at St. Thomas Church

7:00p.m. †Regis Dombrowski by Corry Knights of Columbus, Council #425 (St. Thomas, Corry)

Thursday, February 23

8:00a.m. †Wilbert Arlet by Family (St. Teresa, Union City)

Friday, February 24

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

Saturday, February 25

4:00p.m. †Anna Ranyak by Bill & Judy Flynn
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Sunday, February 26

8:00a.m. †All Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Council #425 by the Knights (St. Thomas, Corry)

10:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes (St. Teresa, Union City)

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING



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

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| FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: February 12, 2023 | |
| Amount in Envelopes: (73) | \$3,251.00 |
| (Total Envelopes sent: 187 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 114) | |
| Loose | \$71.00 |
| Online Giving (9) | \$295.00 |
| Religious Education (1) | \$20.00 |
| Total Offertory Income | \$3,637.00 |
| | |
| Average Weekly Expenses | \$7,656.00 |
| Weekly Average Shortfall | \$(-4,019.00) |

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 and click 'Donate Online'.

Readings for the week of February 19, 2023

- Sun.: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 ♦ Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)
 ♦ 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 ♦ Matthew 5:38-48
- Mon.: Sirach 1:1-10 ♦ Psalm 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 ♦ Mark 9:14-29
- Tues.: Sirach 2:1-11 ♦ Psalm 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 ♦
 Mark 9:30-37
- Wed.: Joel 2:12-18 ♦ Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 ♦
 2 Corinthians 5:20—6:2 ♦ Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thur.: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 ♦ Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 ♦
 Luke 9:22-25
- Fri.: Isaiah 58:1-9a ♦ Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 ♦ Matthew 9:14-15
- Sat.: Isaiah 58:9b-14 ♦ Psalm 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 ♦ Luke 5:27-32
- Next Sun.: Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7 ♦ Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)
 ♦ Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19 ♦ Matthew 4:1-11

Corry Knights of Columbus Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the winners of the Snowman Raffle sponsored by the Corry Council #425 of the Knights of Columbus. Winners were drawn during the Knights meeting held Feb. 13th, and they were: Gary Johnston—first prize (\$100), Tom Dingfelder—second prize (\$50), and Chan Cummings—third prize (\$25).



Food Drive Collection Sponsored by the Corry Knights of Columbus



The Corry Knights of Columbus will again be holding a food drive to benefit the Corry Food Pantry. They are asking parishioners to please donate non-perishable food items. You may place your donations in the marked bins at the entrances of Saint Thomas Church. They will be collecting until mid-March. Thank you for your generosity.



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 February 19th burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of all of our loved ones.

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!!

Help and Donations Needed for our Lenten Fish Dinners

Help is still needed in the dining room and other areas. We need donations of store bought pies/desserts and Yuengling beer for the fried fish. Dessert donations can be dropped off at St. Elizabeth Parish Center on Tuesday, Feb. 21 from noon—4:00pm and Wednesday, Feb. 22 afternoon by 4:00pm for the upcoming Ash Wednesday dinner. Thank you for your support. Please call the parish office if you wish to help. Thank you!

Catholic Daughters Meeting THIS WEEK

Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold their monthly meeting this week on Thursday, Feb. 23 in Saint Elizabeth Parish Center at 6:00p.m. All members are encouraged to attend. *Hope to see you there!*

The Lord is kind and merciful. (Psalm 103)

St. Teresa Parish News

ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: Feb. 11 & 12, 2023
Amount in Envelopes: (64) \$2,400.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 93)
Loose \$244.00
Continuing the Vision \$80.00
Total Offertory Income \$2,724.00

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: Feb. 11 & 12, 2023
Amount in Envelopes: (6) \$280.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 24)
Total Offertory Income \$280.00

St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income \$3,004.00
Average Weekly Expenses \$4,777.00
Weekly Average Shortfall \$(-1,773.00)

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



Our prayers & sympathy to the family and friends of Sharon DeWitt who recently passed away from Saint Teresa Parish. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Thank you to the Corry Knights of Columbus, Council #425
 We wish to thank the Corry Knights of Columbus for their donation of \$500 toward the boiler and roof repairs needed at St. Teresa Parish. As members of the Body of Christ, we must all work together to achieve the mission of the Catholic Church and to support one another.



St. Teresa Rosary Altar - NO MEETINGS until April
 Members of the Rosary Altar Society are reminded that they will not meet again until April in the St. Teresa Parish Center. We encourage all members to attend. Meetings are typically held the first Monday of each month at 4:30p.m. at the St. Teresa Parish Center.

Calling all Bakers!! It's time to share your yummy gifts with our Lenten Fish Dinner guests! Starting Wednesday, February 22 through the end of March you can drop off desserts through the kitchen door on Wednesday and Thursday's from 6:00pm—8:00pm and on Friday's starting at Noon.

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. *Remember, many hands make light work!* If you have any questions, please call Becky Boleratz, Fish Dinner Chairperson, at 814-572-8126.

The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Teresa Church for the week of February 19th burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Don Tinko by Family.

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



Rev. Gregory Passauer, Very Rev. Mark Stockton, *Pray for Consecrated Life*, Rev. Thomas Brooks, Rev. Matias Quimno, and Rev. John Santor.

Initial Planning Meeting for a Cash Bingo Fundraiser

We are hoping to hold a Cash Bingo Fundraiser to help support St. Teresa Church. There will be an initial planning meeting **TODAY - Sunday, February 19th after the 10:00am Mass in St. Teresa Church.** All are welcome to attend to brainstorm ideas.



*Whoever keeps the word of Christ, the love of God
 is truly perfected in him. (1 John 2:5)*

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

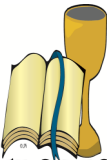
Price: Adults \$14.00
 Children Meal (12 and under) \$6.00
 Mac & Cheese, French Fries and Applesauce.
 *Add \$2.00 for Fish Sticks

For Take-outs Call
814 - 438 - 2000

Today is Commitment Sunday for the 2023 Catholic Services Appeal. Only by working together can we make it possible for parishes, Catholic schools, Catholic Charities, clergy and the Catholic faithful to live and share Christ's teaching. The CSA is the main source of support for projects and services of the diocese which serve parishes and the wider community in northwestern Pennsylvania. Funds donated to the CSA are used solely to support the programs and ministries of the diocese and cannot be used for any other purpose. The CSA is essential to helping the Diocese of Erie fulfill its mission to evangelize, educate, serve, proclaim the Word, celebrate the sacraments, and provide hope to people in need. Your participation ensures the success of the CSA and is important to the health of our parishes. Your gift is so important and no gift is too small.

Thank you for making your pledge to this year's CSA!



MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions for Our Parishes

We are NOT ABLE to take and/or schedule Mass Intentions for loved ones at this time at Sts. Thomas and Teresa Parishes. We ask that you please hold off on bringing/sending Mass Intentions to the office until we are able to accommodate your requests. Thank you for your patience and understanding. We will let you know when this situation changes. We will reschedule intentions not said due to cancelled Masses.

A Family Perspective

Giving the shirt off your back, turning the other cheek or walking / driving the extra mile is normal stuff in families. We do that for one another. Today's gospel reminds us all people, even those we don't like, are our brothers and sisters. Our family should prepare us to be *FAMILY* to others.

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 February

Sunday, February 19—Class
Sunday, February 26—Class / Youth Mass today



Religious Education Raffle Baskets at the Fish Dinners

We are asking Religious Education families to bring in items for our raffle baskets. We will have 3 baskets at each parishes' Lenten Fish Dinners. Themes for the baskets are **Lottery Tree**, **Gift Cards** (from local business), and the third basket theme is **All Things Breakfast at St. Thomas and All Things Easter at St. Teresa**. If you are not able to shop for items to contribute, please consider making a monetary donation so items can be purchased. Money raised from the sale of the baskets will be used for our Religious Education programs at both parishes. Baskets winners will be drawn after the final Fish Dinners.

***** IMPORTANT NOTICE *****

Partnered Parish Office CLOSED—Monday, February 20th

Please be aware that our parish office will be CLOSED on Monday, February 20, 2023. Sorry for any inconvenience. Our offices will re-open on Tuesday, February 21st at 8:30a.m.

"Question of the Week" - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Question for Children: What can you do at home or at school to show that you follow Jesus' Commandments?

Question for Youth: Do you think Jesus was serious when he said to love your enemies? Why or why not?

Question for Adults: Have you ever told someone to do something for his/her own well being? Do you accept God's laws in the same spirit of love and concern?

Lenten Fish Dinners at All Saints Parish in Waterford

Dinners will be from 4:30pm—7:00pm at All Saints, 11264 Route 97 North, on Fridays, Feb. 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31. Menu includes baked or fried white fish, baked potato or French fries, coleslaw, applesauce, homemade desserts and drinks. Cost is \$15 for Adults, \$5 for children under 12, and toddlers eat for free. Takes outs are available by calling 814-796-3023 at 4:30pm or available at the door.



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