



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

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



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

January 29, 2023



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter
every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be
glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." - Mt 5:10-12a

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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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Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish
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Saint Teresa of Avila Parish
www.st-teresa-unioncity.org

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



Please keep our parishes of Sts. Thomas & Teresa in your prayers during this time. May we be guided by the Holy Spirit to grow together in unity and love for one another.

Pray for our Bishop and those at the Diocesan Offices who are working to help us. May the Holy Spirit guide them in discerning who to send to shepherd us and the best course of action moving forward for our parishes and its peoples.

Pray for Fr. Greg Passauer, who was recently appointed as our Temporary Parochial Administrator. Pray for Fr. Tom Suppa, who generously agreed to provide coverage for our weekend Masses. Pray for our deacons and parish staff. May they all be given the grace to continue to serve the peoples of our parishes to the best of their abilities.

Pray for each other.... for peace in our homes and in our hearts. And please continue to pray for Fr. Matt.

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING



Monday, January 30

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

Tuesday, January 31

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

Wednesday, February 1

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

Thursday, February 2

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

Friday, February 3

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

Saturday, February 4

4:00p.m. †Mary Mongera by Dorothy Mongera
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Sunday, February 5

8:00a.m. †Monsignor Hagerty and Mary Louise Sproveri by
Denny & Chris Anderson
(St. Thomas, Corry)
10:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes
(St. Teresa, Union City)



Daily Masses & Communion Services

At this time, due to current circumstances, we will NOT BE celebrating daily Masses at both Saints Thomas and Teresa Parishes. The diocese has granted us permission to hold one Communion Service per week at each parish. Here is the schedule for the Communion Services:

8:00a.m. Wednesdays at St. Thomas Church (Corry)

8:00a.m. Fridays at St. Teresa Church (Union City)

All are welcome to join us for prayer and Communion. We will let you know when daily Masses are to resume.

A Family Perspective

It is in our family where we learn to be merciful and peaceful and comforting to others. The Beatitudes of the Kingdom of God begin at home and depend on you. Parents lead the way.

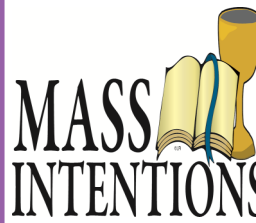
THANK YOU to all of our bulletin sponsors!

2023 Parish Calendars Available in the Church

2023 Parish Calendars are located near the entrances of the church at both Sts. Thomas and Teresa. Please feel free to take a calendar or two for your families.



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 brining/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.

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: January 21 & 22, 2023

Amount in Envelopes: (68)\$2,981.00

(Total Envelopes sent: 187 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 119)

Loose\$177.89

Online Giving (10)\$420.00

Total Offertory Income\$3,578.89

Average Weekly Expenses\$7,656.00

Weekly Average Shortfall \$(4,077.11)

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 January 29, 2023

Sun.: Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13 ♦ Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

(Matthew 5:3) ♦ 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 ♦ Matthew 5:1-12a

Mon.: Hebrews 11:32-40 ♦ Psalm 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24 ♦ Mark 5:1-20

Tues.: Hebrews 12:1-4 ♦ Psalm 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32 ♦ Mark 5:21-43

Wed.: Hebrews 12:4-7, 11-15 ♦ Psalm 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a ♦ Mark 6:1-6

Thur.: Mal 3:1-4 ♦ Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10 ♦ Hebrews 2:14-18 ♦ Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Fri.: Hebrews 13:1-8 ♦ Psalm 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc ♦ Mark 6:14-29

Sat.: Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21 ♦ Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 ♦ Mark 6:30-34

Next Sun.: Isaiah 58:7-10 ♦ Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a) ♦ 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 ♦ Matthew 5:13-16



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

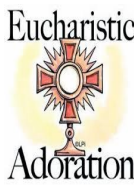
Since prayer is an important ministry of trust, know that all requests are kept confidential.



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Thomas Church for the week of January 29th burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of deceased family and friends.



We will have Coffee and Donuts at St. Thomas in the gym at the school building following the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, February 12th. All are welcome to join us for food and fellowship.



Eucharistic Adoration 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration THIS WEEK

Eucharistic Adoration will begin on Thursday, February 2 and goes until Friday, February 3 at Saint Thomas Church. **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 8:00am on Thursday and ends at 8:00am Friday morning.** All are welcome.

We are always looking for more 'adorers', so if you can commit to one hour a month to be with Our Lord, please call the parish.

Lenten Fish Dinners at St. Thomas Parish

We will again be hosting Lenten Fish Dinners at St. Elizabeth Parish Center with dine-in and take-out dinners served. The dates of the dinners will be February 22 (Ash Wednesday), and on three Fridays in Lent, March 3, March 17 and March 31.

We need help in the dining room and other areas, donations of store bought pies/desserts and Yuengling beer (for the batter, not the cooks!) More information will be published in future bulletins. With your help (and God's!!!) this will be a financially and spiritually beneficial event, and it will be a wonderful chance to come together as a parish family to serve God, our parish and our community. Call the parish office if you wish to help—Thank you.

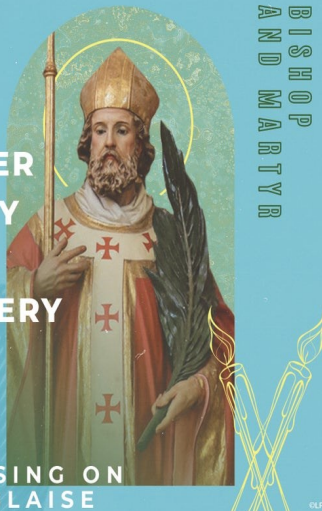


February 3rd

“MAY GOD DELIVER YOU FROM EVERY DISEASE OF THE THROAT AND EVERY OTHER ILLNESS.”

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TRADITIONAL BLESSING ON THE FEAST OF ST. BLAISE



"We must use MERCY for the present and have HOPE for the future." - St. John Bosco

"Question of the Week" - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Question for Children: Choose one of the Beatitudes and share how you will make it part of your life.

Question for Youth: Jesus gives us a plan for our happiness in the beatitudes. Do the things that make you happiest also lead you towards God? Do they follow God's plan?

Question for Adults: How do you describe what it means to be "blest" in your own life?

St. Teresa Parish News

ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: Jan. 22, 2023

Amount in Envelopes: (54) \$1,530.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 103)
Loose \$80.00
Continuing the Vision \$25.00
Total Offertory Income \$1,635.00

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: Jan. 22, 2023

Amount in Envelopes: (3) \$140.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 27)
Total Offertory Income \$140.00

St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income \$1,775.00
Average Weekly Expenses \$4,777.00
Weekly Average Shortfall \$(-3,002.00)

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 January 29th burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of all of our loved ones.

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.

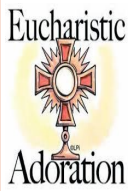


Rev. Joseph Petrone, Rev. Stephen Schreiber, Rev. David Baetzold, Rev. James Campbell, Capt. Joseph Campbell, Rev. Richard Toohey, and Rev. David Renne.



Two Great Speakers = One Great Conference!

Our Tenth Annual 22:32 Men's Conference promises to be the best yet! We have Father Larry Richards as our featured speaker and Father Chase Hilgenbrinck as our guest speaker. You won't want to miss it! The conference begins at 8:30am, March 4th, 2023 at St. Jude the Apostle Parish in Erie and concludes with Mass at noon. It will also be broadcast to outlying parishes via YouTube. Registration opens later this month! Go online to 2232men.com for more information and registration.



Eucharistic Adoration at St. Teresa THIS WEEK

Our parish will hold Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, February 3. **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins after the 8:00am Communion Service and continues until 12:00pm (noon).** All are welcome to join us during Adoration. If you wish to commit to one hour a month to be with Our Lord, please call the parish.

St. Teresa

Lenten Fish Dinner Meeting

It's almost time for Fish Dinners! There will be a meeting in the parish center after Mass on Sunday, February 5th for our upcoming Lenten Fish Dinners. Help is both needed and appreciated! Please consider joining us as we plan for this important fundraiser. If you have any questions, please call Becky Boleratz at 814-572-8126.



St. Teresa Church Organizations / Groups

•Rosary—Altar Society

Meets the first Monday of each month at 4:30 PM

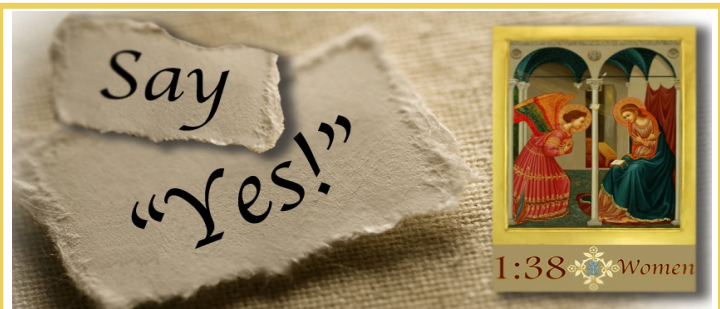
•Knights of Columbus

Meet every third Wednesday at 7:00 PM

•Religious Education Guild

Meets during the school term

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8th Annual 1:38 Women's Conference in March

Please join us for the 8th Annual 1:38 Women's Conference and learn how to "Walk with Purpose!" The conference will be held at St. Jude Parish in Erie, from 8:30am—12:30pm on Saturday, March 25, 2023 with doors opening for registration at 8:00am. The cost is \$20. This year's conference will feature national speaker, Laura Phelps, who is a writer and social media creator at Walking with Purpose. Visit their website at www.138women.com for more information and to register.

Rosary Altar Society to Hold Bake Sale at St. Teresa

The St. Teresa Rosary Altar Society will be holding a Bake Sale the weekend of February 4 & 5, after both Masses. Please look for our table near the entrance of the church. We are sure you will find something delicious for yourself or to share with your family. Thank you for your continued support which also helps our church.



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 January & February**

Sunday, January 29—Class / Youth Mass today

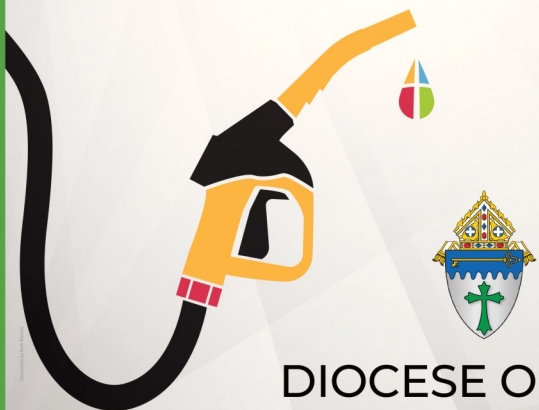
Sunday, February 5—No Class

Sunday, February 12—Class

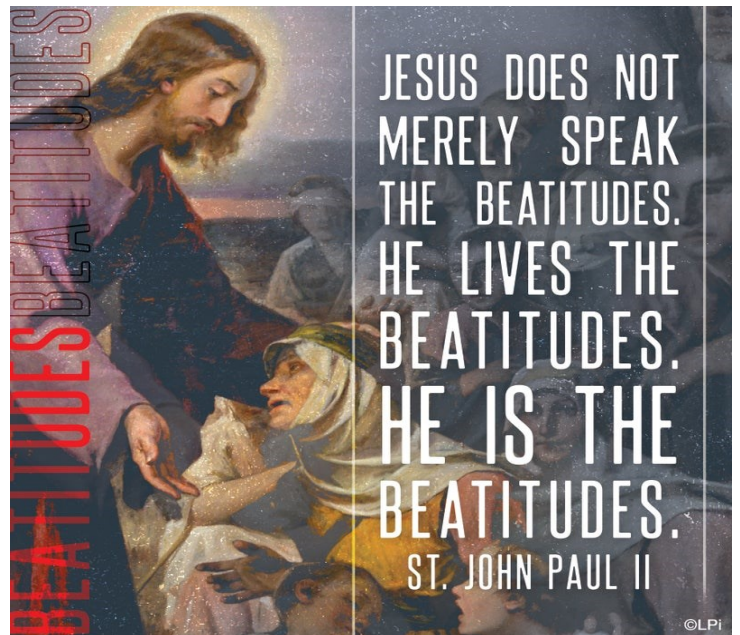
Sunday, February 19—Class

Sunday, February 26—Class / Youth Mass today

FUELING *the*
MISSION
together

**2023*****Catholic Services Appeal*****Commitment Weekend is February 18 / 19****DIOCESE OF ERIE**

Please begin to prayerfully consider what God is calling you to pledge to this year's annual CSA campaign. And remember, all dollars raised beyond our diocesan goal stay in our parishes to help with important projects. Thank you.



"Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are they who mourn,
for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the land.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,
for they will be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful,
for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the clean of heart,
for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of
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