

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

St. Teresa Church
(Union City)

Weekend Masses
Saturday: 4:30 P.M.
Sunday: 10:45 A.M.
Confessions: Saturday, 4:00 P.M.

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Our Lady of Fatima Chapel
(Canadohta Lake)

Weekend Masses
(Memorial Day – Labor Day)
Sunday: 9:30 A.M.
Confessions: before Mass

WELCOME

If you are new to our parish, we extend a warm welcome and hope you will find our parish community a place where your faith will be nourished. Newcomers are asked to introduce themselves to the pastor and call the office to register.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

See inside of bulletin for current weekday schedule.

BAPTISM

By appointment. Parents must attend pre-baptismal instruction.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please let the pastor know when a family member or a friend is ill, either at home, in the hospital or at a nursing home.

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

● ROSARY-ALTAR SOCIETY

Meets the first Monday of each month at 6:00 P.M.

● KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Meet every third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

● RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GUILD

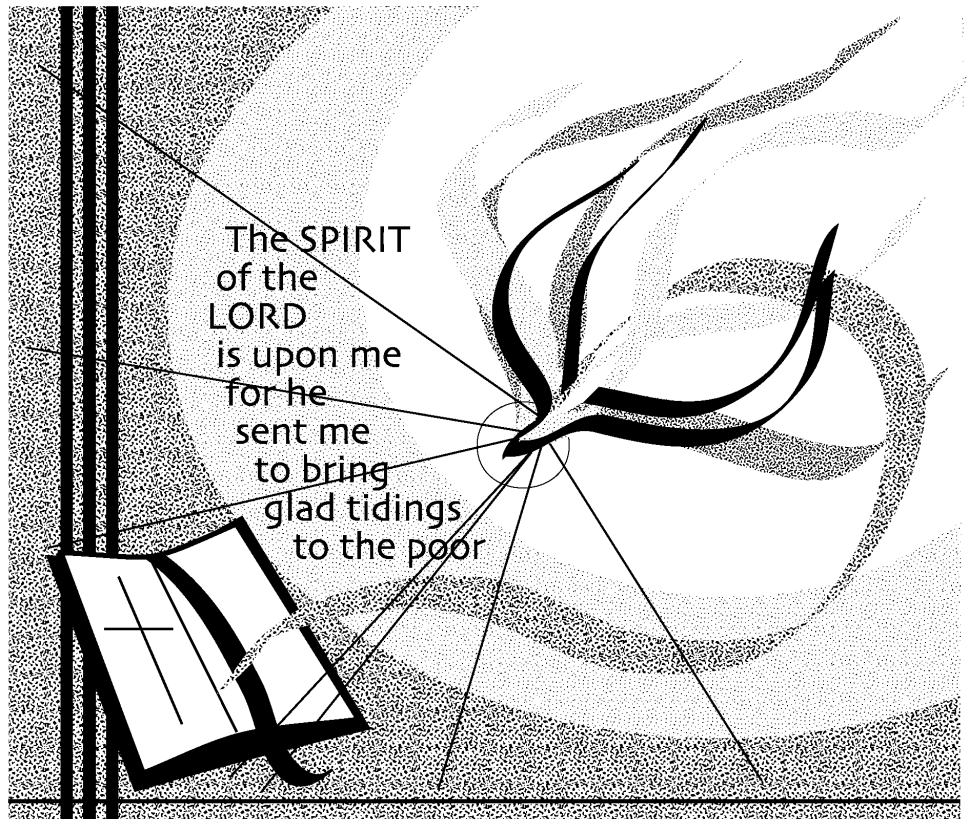
Meets during the school term.

● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 4, 2021

It is good to confide in our God!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 3 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) John Fifer by Sam & Lou
 4:30pm (St. Thomas) Intentions of Our Parish Family

Sunday, July 4 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) (Outdoor Mass) Richard & Eileen Farver by Richard K. & Jean Farver
 9:30am (Our Lady of Fatima) (Outdoor Mass) Van and David Vandever by the Vandever Family
 10:45am (St. Teresa) (Outdoor Mass) Jeanne Vallimont by Patrick Vallimont

Monday, July 5 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, July 6 Weekday

8:00am The Poor Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, July 7 Weekday

8:00am Special Intention

Thursday, July 8 Weekday

8:00am Danny Chundrelek by Bill & Judy Flynn

Friday, July 9 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday, July 10 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Intentions of Our Parish Family
 4:30pm (St. Thomas) Mildred Lutz Helman by John Lutz

Sunday, July 11 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus by Corry Council #425
 9:30am (Our Lady of Fatima) Sonny Rusilko by wife Elaine and the Rusilko Family
 10:45am (St. Teresa) Fran O'Connell by Uncle Henry Smergalski

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$1,440 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,410 in envelopes and \$30 in loose & \$454 for Our Lady of Fatima which includes \$265 in envelopes and \$189 in loose. Offertory Goal \$3,000

Please Pray for Our Priests Rev. Paul S. Siebert, Rev. Marc A. Stockton, Rev. Jerry S. Priscaro, Rev. John E. Santor, Rev. Rocco A. Tito, Rev. Thomas J. Whitman

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. Genesis 28:10-22c ♦ Matthew 9:18-26
 Tue. Genesis 32:23-33 ♦ Matthew 9:32-38
 Wed. Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24c
 ♦ Matthew 10:1-7
 Thur. Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45: 1-8 ♦
 Matthew 10:7-15
 Fri. Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30 ♦ Matthew 10:16-23
 Sat. Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a26a ♦ Matthew
 10:24-33
 Sun. Amos 7:12-15 ♦ 2 Ephesians 1:3-14 or 1:3-10 ♦ Mark 6:17-18

Religious Education

PLEASE – any calls regarding the Religious Education Program should be made directly to the parish office. The extension is 103 to leave a message for Lisa Lockwood, Religious Education Administrator or Missy Silka, Religious Education Facilitator.

SCHEDULES FOR JULY 10 & 11

4:30

10:45

LECTORS

Nancy Ferro

Elizabeth Moon

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Paul Maynard

Kim Yaple
 Choir: Ilene Zakovitch

ALTAR SERVERS

Colton Boyd

Joseph Kondrilik

Our annual GOLF OUTING will be held on Saturday, July 10th, 8:30 start. Everyone is welcome. Registration forms are available in the back of the church. For more information contact: Dick Hasbrouck at 814-450-9333.

Desserts are needed for the golf outing. Please call or text Elaine Hasbrouck at 814-450-2766 if you can help out. Thanks.

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$25,927

Amount Paid to Date - \$23,377

Reminder – Please make all CSA checks payable to St. Teresa Church

“The St. Teresa’s Lawn Festival will be held on Thursday, July 22nd of this year. We are in need of the following items to make this endeavor a success. Donations for our Chinese Auction, 2 liter bottles of pop, baked goods, glassware and plants. We also need your time! If you can help by working in one of the many booths for a couple hours please call Matt Moon at (814)490-1494. There are raffle tickets and festival signs in the back of the church. Please take an envelope of raffle tickets and a sign or two if you know of a place to advertise for us. Please return your raffle tickets with the money and ticket stubs in an envelope marked “Lawn Festival”. They can be placed in the collection basket (preferred), dropped off at the Parish Office or returned the evening of the festival before 8pm. If you any questions please call Matt Moon at (814) 490-1494. THANK YOU!!”

Rosary-Altar Society will meet Monday, July 5th at 6pm in the Parish Center.

Chapel bulletin and Mass of July 4, 2021

Sunday July 4 9:30AM
Van and David Vandever by the Vandever Family

Sunday July 11 9:30AM
Sonny Rusilko by wife Elaine and the Rusilko Family

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we gather together as a faith community to give glory to God, we expect that our experience will be similar to what it was the week before, or the week before that. Most likely this is how the faithful of Nazareth felt when they went to synagogue. Then one day, Jesus, son of Mary, a carpenter whom some may have known when He was just a boy, stood up to preach. Jesus was dismissed because the people could not accept that this seemingly ordinary neighbor could teach them about God. In the Old Testament reading, Ezekiel had to preach to a people who had rebelled against God and were “obstinate of

heart.” Perhaps St. Paul’s insight is most helpful here: it is when God’s grace allows me to overcome my own weakness that Christ’s power is most truly revealed. May we be open to the Word of God entering in unexpected ways, and have the humility to allow God’s grace to strengthen us.

WEEKLY OFFERING The collection of Sunday, June 27, was \$454.00 and included \$265.00 in 14 envelopes and \$189.00 in loose money. We are grateful that those attending liturgy are dropping their donations in the offertory basket, since we are not passing the collection basket among the assembly at this time. The support of the faithful is appreciated; from our full-time congregation, our summer members, and the visitors to the lake area. Thank you all!

BAPTISM On Sunday, June 27, Alayna Bidwell, infant daughter of Brandon and Courtney Bidwell, was baptized at Our Lady of Fatima Chapel. We welcome this new child into the Catholic faith and pray that she will grow in grace and the love of God all the days of her life. Congratulations to the Bidwell family.

HOLIDAY REMARKS It is wonderful to celebrate our nation’s birthday today; and have family and friends gather together at the lake area over the 4th of July holiday. We welcome our guests and wish you a happy and safe visit to the community. May we all give thanks for our freedom, and give honor to all who have worked to preserve life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness in United States of America!

NOTABLE DATES Monday, July 5, is the memorial of Saint Anthony Zaccaria (1502-1539). He founded three religious orders and popularized the forty-hour devotion of the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. It is also the memorial of St. Elizabeth of Portugal. After bearing the corruption of her husband’s kingly court, upon his death she joined the Third Order Franciscans and live a life of piety and prayer. On Tuesday, July 6, we remember Saint Maria Goretti, (1890-1902). Her pious life ended early when she was murdered by a young man because she would not succumb to his sexual advances. At her canonization ceremony in 1950, Saint Maria Goretti was declared a martyr for chastity, purity, and forgiveness.

A very big **THANK YOU** to all who supported our sale of Jane's stromboli's and pies. We realized a profit of \$1,639.25

A Family Perspective. Today's gospel is so familiar, it hurts! The home town folks couldn't accept the presence of God in Jesus. After all, they had watched him grow up. We can easily make the same mistake if we don't see God present in the ordinary members of our family. "The Lord be with you" is a statement of fact. Believe it.



Parish Trip to Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster with Fr. Skip
MORE INFORMATION TO COME, but here is a teaser....

We are planning a trip to the Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster PA to see the production of *Queen Esther* on August 24/25.

Set in the opulent yet perilous Persian Empire, *QUEEN ESTHER* is a captivating tale of beauty and bravery. Esther's ordinary life changed forever when she was taken through the palace doors, entering a new world of royalty and risk. With a crown on her head and a secret in her heart, can she find the courage to trust in God's plan and believe that she was made for such a time as this? Experience one of the most riveting Bible stories of the Old Testament as it comes to life with magnificent sets, special effects, and live animals in this original stage production.

Go to <https://www.sight-sound.com/shows/lancaster/queen-esther/2021> for information and to view the trailer.

They took offense at Him. (Mark 6:3)

The people of Jesus' hometown of Nazareth stood at a crossroads. Having heard Jesus preach and having seen His works of healing and deliverance they had to choose. Would they let their amazement lead them to faith and acceptance of Jesus? Or would they respond with hardness of heart, skepticism, and rejection?

Mark tells us how the Nazarenes answered: they "took offense" at Jesus (6:3). The Greek word he uses, *eskandalizonto*, can also be taken to mean that they "fell away," or were "scandalized" by Jesus. Those are pretty harsh words, but they seem to fit the situation. The people's response was so negative that even Jesus was "amazed" at their lack of faith (6:6).

The story of Jesus' return to Nazareth can lead us to our own self-examination. Will we accept Jesus and His will for us today? Or will we take offense at Him and turn aside?

This isn't a one-and-done question. Every day, we face numerous situations where we find ourselves at a crossroads. Should I forgive that casual but hurtful remark from a family member? Can I give up some of my free time to help a neighbor in need? Will I say no to the harsh, judgmental thoughts arising in my heart as I read the day's news? Over and over again, Jesus stands before us as He once stood before the people of Nazareth, asking to accept Him and His word.

Today, along with millions of other believers around the world, you will proclaim your faith in Christ as you recite the Creed during Mass. Take this as a new opportunity to place your faith in Jesus. Take it also as a moment of grace as you ask the Holy Spirit to help you uphold your decision to live for Christ in the coming week. Then, when you are ready to receive Jesus in Communion, seal your declaration of faith and surrender with a firm, trusting "Amen".

"Jesus, I believe. Help me to follow you more closely this week."

