

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

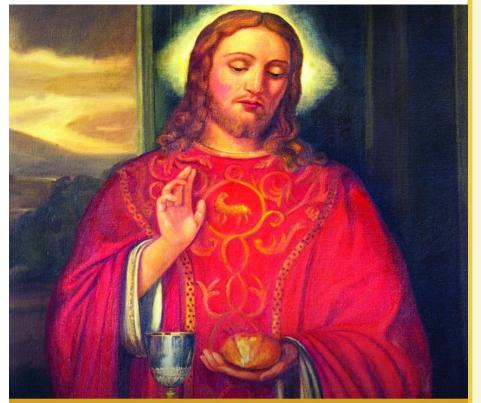
# THE PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND

ST. TERESA OF AVILA



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

# June 11, 2023



# THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." - Jn 6:56

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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 www.stthomastheapostle.church

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

# AMASS SCHEDULE

Begins May 27th, 2023

**Memorial Day through Labor Day weekends** 

#### Saturday

4:30PM at St. Thomas Church, Corry

#### Sunday

8:00AM at St. Thomas Church, Corry

10:00AM at St. Teresa Church, Union City

11:00AM at Our Lady of Fatima Church,

Canadohta Lake

#### **Confessions**

Saturdays from 3:30pm—4:00pm at St. Thomas Church

- OR - by appointment, please contact the parish office (814-663-3041)

#### **Congratulations to Our Graduates**

We wish to congratulate members of our parishes who recently graduated from local area high schools. We applaud them for their accomplishments and commend them on their



achievements. We wish them much success in all their future endeavors. May God continue to pour out His blessings on them. We will be honoring our high school graduates with a Baccalaureate Mass at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa parishes on Sunday, June 25, during the morning Masses. We ask that seniors and/or their parents please contact the parish office if they plan to attend either the 8:00am or 10:00am Mass.

#### A Family Perspective

Parenting is a Eucharistic activity because from the first moment of conception children receive life from us. If we don't sacrifice ourselves, our children would not have life. This is the paschal mystery of parenting. Christ is present in each self-sacrifice.

#### Readings for the week of June 11, 2023

Sun.: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a ◆ Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 (12) ◆ 1 Corinthians10:16-17/John 6:51-58

Mon.: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7 ♦ Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 ♦ Matthew 5:1-12

Tues.: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22 ◆ Psalm 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135 ◆ Matthew 5:13-16

Wed.: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 ♦ Psalm 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 ♦ Matthew 5:17-19

Thur.: 2 Corinthians 3:15—4:1, 3-6 ♦ Psalm 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 ♦ Matthew 5:20-26

Fri.: Deuteronomy 7:6-11 ◆ Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 (see 17) ◆ 1 John 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30

Sat.: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 ♦ Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 ♦ Luke 2:41-51

Next Sun.: Exodus 19:2-6a ♦ Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c) ♦ Romans 5:6-11 ♦

Matthew 9:36—10:8



#### Sunday, June 11

8:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes (St. Thomas, Corry)

Debbie, and Chris (St. Teresa, Union City)

11:00a.m. 
⊕Virginia Poninsky by the family

(Our Lady of Fatima, Canadohta Lake)

#### Monday, June 12

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

#### Tuesday, June 13

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

#### Wednesday, June 14

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

#### Thursday, June 15

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

#### Friday, June 16

12:00p.m. Communion Service at St. Teresa Church

#### Saturday, June 17

4:30p.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes (St. Thomas, Corry)

#### Sunday, June 18

the Father's Day Memorial List

(St. Thomas, Corry)

Kusiak (St. Teresa, Union City)

11:00a.m. ⊕Jim Reagan by Becky Reagan and family

(Our Lady of Fatima, Canadohta Lake)



#### 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.

#### **RAPTISM**

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: June 3 & 4, 2023		
Amount in Envelopes: (72)	\$3,454.00	
(Total Envelopes sent: 174 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 102)		
Loose	\$480.97	
Online Giving (14)	\$745.00	
Total Offertory Income	\$4,679.97	
Average Weekly Expenses	\$7,656.00	
Weekly Average Shortfall	\$(-2.973.03)	

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 <a href="https://www.StThomastheApostle.Church">www.StThomastheApostle.Church</a> and click 'Donate Online'.

International Needs: (20) ......\$488.00

This is a special diocesan collection which was taken up on May 21, 2023 in support of Catholic Relief Services, the Church in Central & Eastern Europe, and the Church in Africa. Thank you for your support.



#### 2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 06/04):

St. Thomas Diocesan Goal is \$39,417.00

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$41,355.00

Total Paid to date = \$31,745.00

# of Families who made a pledge = 104

Prayerfully consider what God is leading you to give.

If you have not yet pledged to the 2023 CSA, please do so today.

Be sure to make your check payable to

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

Thank you to those who already made their pledge to this year's CSA. Please remember, that every dollar raised above our diocesan goal stays right here in the parish to help with our designated project of much needed repairs to the church roof at St. Thomas. *Remember, no gift is too large or too small!* 

"God dwells in our midst, in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar."

St. Maximilian Kolbe

#### Time to Return the LifeCare Baby Bottles

Next weekend (June 18<sup>th</sup>) is Fathers' Day and time to return the baby bottles for the LifeCare fundraiser. If you didn't take a bottle home to fill with change, there are large bottles at each entrance for one-time donations which are still being accepted. Thank you for supporting LifeCare and their good works!





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 June 11<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Clyde Ross.





*Margaret Roche and Trevor Newton* 



Coffee and Donuts at Saint Thomas Parish in the multipurpose room following the 8:00am Mass next Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Donations accepted to help cover the cost of the donuts. All are welcome to join us for a time of food and fellowship.

"Question of the Week" - Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

**Question for Children:** How does receiving Holy Communion change how you treat those around you?

**Question for Youth:** Jesus tells us that through the Eucharist we will remain in him and he is us. How does the Eucharist keep you in relationship with Jesus?

Question for Adults: Share one way that the Eucharist connects us as "one body" – how does it change the way we relate to each other

#### Knights of Columbus Meeting on June 13th

The Corry Knights of Columbus will meet on Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30pm. During the summer months, meetings are outdoors at the Greentop Pavilion in Mead Park. If the weather is inclement, the meetings will be moved to St. Elizabeth Parish Center. All Brother Knights are encouraged to attend and please bring a dish to share during a time of fellowship. Hope to see you there!

#### Thank You for Helping with Our Church Garden Beds

We are most grateful to everyone who helped spruce up the flower beds around St. Thomas Church on May 31<sup>st</sup>. You did a great job! We wish to thank the volunteer who organized the work session. We will again be working on the garden beds, weather permitting, on Monday, June 12 at 4:00pm around the

St. Elizabeth Parish Center and on Tuesday, June 20 at St. Thomas Church and office building. We plan to do weeding and mulching, so please bring your own garden tools—rakes, gloves, shovels, etc. We hope you will consider joining us in our efforts to beautify our parish properties. Thank you.



#### St. Teresa Parish News

ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:	June 4, 2023
Amount in Envelopes: (54)	\$1,860.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused	Envelopes: 103)
Loose	\$188.00
Continuing the Vision (8)	\$190.00
Total Offertory Income	\$2,238.00
OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: J Amount in Envelopes: (9) (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes	\$190.00 nvelopes: 21) \$109.00
St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income	\$2,537.00 \$4,777.00

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#### International Needs: (28)......\$485.00

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### 2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 05/30) St. Teresa Diocesan Goal is \$24.055.00

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$35,990.00

Total Paid to date = \$30,700.00

# of Families who made a pledge = 77

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.

Thank you to those who already made their pledge to this year's CSA. WE REACHED OUR DIOCESAN GOAL! All money raised now goes directly to the parish to help with our designated project of much needed repairs to the roofs at both St. Teresa Church and St. Teresa Parish Center. Remember, no gift is too large or too small!



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#### 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

#### Time Change for Communion Service on Friday, June 16

The Communion Service on Friday, June 16 at St. Teresa Church at 8:00am is changed to 12:00pm. This is the Feast Day of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Hope to see you there! - Deacon Randy.



#### St. Teresa Reverse Raffle Fundraiser

We wish to thank Kim & Larry Yaple who chaired this year's Reverse Raffle event. They and their committee of volunteers did a fantastic job! The Raffle was enjoyed by many and was successful. The net profit for the event was \$5,350. Thanks again to everyone for their hard work and participation, whether you worked at the event, donated items, purchased tickets, or helped clean up. We appreciate all you do for the parish.



"Every year the feast of Corpus Christi invites us to renew the wonder and joy for this wonderful gift of the Lord, which is the Eucharist."

- Pope Francis

#### Commissioning of Lectors and Ministers of Holy Communion

Periodically, parishioners who serve in the role as lectors and/or Eucharistic ministers must be commissioned, which means that the priest has approved them to serve in ministry in the parish and is notifying the dioceses of the same. Father Tom Suppa plans to commission our current volunteers who serve in ministry at both Sts. Thomas and Teresa over the next few weekends. Please be informed that he will ask those involved in ministry as lectors or ministers of Holy Communion to stand/come forward for a blessing at Mass. If you have any questions, please call the parish office. Thank you for your service to our parishes through ministry. We appreciate you!

#### Fundraising Campaign Sponsored by Knights of Columbus

St. Teresa's Knights of Columbus are collecting the baby bottles from the "Mother of All Baby Bottle Campaigns". Please return bottles to any Union City Knight at Mass by Father's Day—next weekend, June 18. If paying by check, be sure to make your check payable to "Knights of Columbus" and please write "Baby Bottle Campaign" on the memo line. Thank you.





## Pastoral Planning Prayer

Loving God, author of creation, your spirit pervades and enriches our world. Through your Son, who shares our humanity, you have called us to participate in your divine creativity and to build the kingdom of God here on earth. Form us, we pray, as one community under the leadership of our bishop to serve all the people of this region in your name.

Inspire us to discover new ways and structures to spread your Gospel. Open our eyes to see Christ in others, especially the poor, the sick and the marginalized. Empower us to be the hands and feet of Christ in our parishes and communities. Help us to welcome all into His embrace.

Guide us in our discernment, as we pray with Pope Francis for the vision to see new paths of possibility; for a spirit of mission that invigorates our every effort; and for the strength to be unafraid of what is new. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

> Imprimatur, July 25, 2014 The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico JCL Bishop of Erie

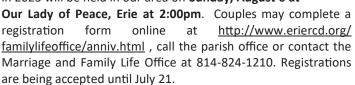
To learn more and keep up to date about the Pastoral Planning in the Diocese of Erie, please visit their website at www.eriercd.org/planning.html.

#### Partnered Parish Office Closed Most of this Week

The Partnered Parish Office will be open on Monday, June 12, as normal. However, we will be CLOSED the reminder of this week (Tues.—Fri./June 13—16) due to staff being away and also attempting to move back over to the office in the old convent building. We will be periodically checking both voicemails and emails, so please reach out to us if needed. We will be back to regular office hours on Monday, June 19. Thank you for your patience and understanding. We will be sure to notify the parishes when we are 'officially' working out of the new location. Thanks again.

#### Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Persico

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2023 will be held in our area on Sunday, August 6 at



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Our Lady of Fatima Church 36198 Lake Road Union City, PA 16438

#### **Our Lady of Fatima News**

#### The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (also known as Corpus Christi), goes back to the 13<sup>th</sup> century, but it celebrates something far older: the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper. We celebrate this feast at every Mass when the very life of God under the appearance of bread and wine are offered to us. And what is our response when the Body and Blood is given to us? "Amen"! As Catholics we affirm our belief in the true presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist the members of the Church; the body of Christ; join their lives, their praise, sufferings, prayers, and work to those of Christ.

#### Commencement

Our best wishes to all area graduates and also to any of our summer friends who all celebrating a graduation. We pray that God will bless the future endeavors of the Class of 2023 with success and happiness.

#### School Year Ending

With the academic institutions finishing instructions for the term, we wish all of our school children a safe and happy summer. We also hope the teachers have an enjoyable and relaxing vacation. Although the student's classroom education is on hiatus for the next couple of months, that doesn't mean they will stop learning. Consider this: You may be the best Christian your child, grandchild, niece, nephew, or neighborhood youngster knows, so teach them well by your fine example!

#### **Observance**

The Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrated this Friday, June 16. The date is in relation to the feast of Pentecost and Trinity Sunday and is linked to the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. In a series of revelations given to Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690), Jesus promised special graces to those who gave honor to His Sacred Heart; and the revelations of the Sacred Heart encourages the faithful to appreciate the Eucharist as the finest means of growing in holiness.

#### Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Teach your child to protect him/herself at home: We consider our homes to be safe places for our children but being home alone can pose risks for children. Here are a few tips to teach kids that will help keep them safe when you are not at home: Teach your child to never answer the door if home alone. Teach them to never tell anyone, on the phone, on social media, or while gaming, that their parents are not home. Make a rule to not allow friends into the home without the permission of a parent or babysitter. Have your child check in with Mom or Dad at set times during the day. Parents should reinforce the rules each time they leave their child home alone. For additional parent resources visit: www.eriercd.org/childprotection/

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