

# 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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**Sixth Sunday  
of Easter**

**May 9, 2021**

The Lord shows His salvation  
from day to day!

**MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, May 8 Sixth Sunday of Easter**

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Sophie Combs by Pat Kusiak & Family

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Intentions of our Parish Family and those listed on the Mother’s Day Memorials

**Sunday, May 9 Sixth Sunday of Easter**

8:45am (St. Thomas) All Living & Deceased Mothers, especially those on the Mother’s Day Memorials

10:45am (St. Teresa) Patricia Arlet by St. Teresa Rosary Altar Society

**Monday, May 10 Easter Weekday**

8:00am Communion Service

**Tuesday, May 11 Easter Weekday**

8:00am Tom Zakovitch by Paul & Lillie Mongera

**Wednesday, May 12 Easter Weekday**

8:00am Twila Davis by Fr. Skip Davis

**Thursday, May 13 The Ascension of The Lord**

8:00 am Marylynn Schelling by Rita Radock

**Friday, May 14 St. Matthias, Apostle**

8:00am Communion Service

**Saturday, May 15 Seventh Sunday of Easter**

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Bernard Godak by Shirley Godak & Family

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Bruce & Elizabeth Waldo by their daughter, Mary Jane Adamaszek

**Sunday, May 16 Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Outdoor Mass at Elgin Park for both St. Teresa & St. Thomas Parishes

10:00am Dorothy Baressi by Deacon Randy & Anne Kondrlik

**Sacrificial Giving:** The offertory last weekend was \$3,122 for St. Teresa which includes \$3,075 in envelopes and \$47 in loose & \$70 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

**Please Pray for Our Priests** Rev. James J. Kennelley, Rev. James P. McCormick, Rev. Msgr. Joseph K. Bobal, Rev. Gregory P. Passauer, Rev. Glenn Whitman, Rev. Richard Tomasone, Rev. Lawrence Richards

Anyone that is homebound and wishes to receive the Eucharist may contact Ken Calfo 746-8219, Yvonne Stauffer 438-7017, Ilene Zakovitch 438-3664 or the parish office 438-3408

**A Family Perspective** Today’s gospel challenges us to “love one another as I have loved you.” Jesus is our model and he asks us to “lay down our life” (our time, attention, opinions and needs) for each other. This is the sacrament of the family, when God is made visible in our sacrificial love for one another.

Mass Readings for the Week	
Mon.	Acts 16:11-15♦John 15:26 – 16:4a
Tue.	Acts 16:22-34♦John 16:5-11
Wed	Acts 17:15-22 – 18:1♦John 16:12-15
Thur	Acts 18:1-8♦John 16:16-20
Fri.	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26♦John 15:9-17
Sat.	Acts 18:23-28♦John 16:23b-28
Sun.	Acts 1:15-17, 20a,20c♦1 John 4:11-16♦John 17:11b-19

Religious Education

05/09 last REP class (May Crowning w/First Holy Communion as both parishes)  
 05/16 Youth Mass Grade 3 w/spring Social (picnic for both parishes)

**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 Missy Silka, Religious Education Facilitator.**

SCHEDULES FOR MAY 15 & 16		
4:30		10:00
<b>LECTORS</b>		
Pat Brown		Vickie Stull
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>		
Nancy Ferro		Deacon Randy
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>		
Luke Racop		Allie Anderson

**MASSES will resume at Our Lady of Fatima Parish at 9:30am on Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup> and will continue through Labor Day.**

**Masses for our deceased loved ones:** The Church teaches us to pray for the dead that they may live eternally in the presence of God. There is no greater prayer than the holy sacrifice of the Mass. If you wish to have a memorial Mass said, please place your request in the collection basket, and include your name and contact information and the name(s) of the deceased. If you wish, you may request a specific date and time for the Mass; however, please be aware that the date and time you request may already be filled, in which case the Mass will be scheduled as close as possible to your request. Alternatively, you may contact Natalie Wilmoth directly at 814-397-4933 to arrange a specific schedule. The normal donation of \$10 should also be placed in the envelope with your request.

As part of the ongoing celebration to mark Union City's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, there will be an outdoor community church service & ice cream social event at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 3-5pm. There will be praise bands, children's activities & community walk around the neighborhoods to walk & pray together. This event is being hosted by several local churches. It is important that our parish be involved as well. Volunteers are needed to help serve ice cream or assist with the children's activities. If you're able, please let Mary Harned in the parish office know so we can get an idea of how many we have.

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$23,727

Amount Paid to Date - \$18,567

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

We will once again have a "Wall of Money" located in the back of church. Please help raise funds for the church by removing envelopes & clearing the wall! Once you've filled your envelope, you may return it to the church office or simply place it in the offertory basket. Once the wall is cleared we will have raised \$3500 for our parish!!

The Mission Office of the Diocese of Erie is holding an online auction May 17-22 to raise funds to honor the Mission of Friendship's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year. The Mission of Friendship is the Diocese of Erie's mission located in Merida, Mexico. People may access the auction through the Mission Office website at [www.eriercd.org/missions/](http://www.eriercd.org/missions/). For questions, contact Indira Suarez, Director of the Mission Office, at [is Suarez@ErieRCD.org](mailto:is Suarez@ErieRCD.org) or 814-824-1231.

**The Parish Bulletin is available weekly on line at [st-teresa-unioncity.org](http://st-teresa-unioncity.org)**

***Memorial – Restoration Fund  
Walt Bartyzel by Mary & Ken Harned***

**Marriage Moment** "Beloved, let us love one another because love is of God." (1 John 4:7) Sounds simple, but anyone married even a short time knows that love can be a challenge when two wills conflict. Just for today, pretend you are God trying to love your spouse selflessly.

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments-Digital safety and keeping your child's personal information personal:** If your child gives out personal information over the internet, it is easy to track and tough to completely remove. Teach your children to never give out personal information, such as: full name, address, phone number, email, school, or birthday on any social media site. Help your child set up strong passwords (alphanumeric) and do a yearly checkup on passwords. Adjust privacy settings for online games, apps, social media sites and your child's electronic devices. Don't forget to check the GPS settings ability to unintentionally share your child's location. Avoid using public wi-fi when sharing personal information. Visit <https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/> to see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments for children and youth.

**ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY CARNATION SALE**

**Donations Support Local Pro-Life Educational Activities**

**Mother's Day carnations provided by People for Life will be available after all liturgies this weekend, May 8 – 9.** Surprise your mom or other special person on Mother's Day with a beautiful bouquet of carnations. Your donation of two dollars per carnation, \$10 for 6 carnations or \$20 for 12 carnations will help support local People for Life Pro-Life educational activities from conception to natural death. Cash donations are always welcome. Decorated memorial vases for those who would like to honor a deceased loved one or the Blessed Mother will be available in limited quantities for you to place on Mary's altar in the front of the church.

*The Holy Spirit fell upon all who were listening.  
(Acts 10:44)*

The story of Peter and Cornelius is one of the most remarkable in the Books of Acts – and worth reading in its entirety (10:1-49). Yet none of it would have happened if these two men had not been open to the possibility of God doing something new.

Peter, a devout Jew, had never eaten anything “unclean.” When God gave him a vision asking him to eat one of those forbidden animals, Peter’s first reaction was to recoil in horror (Acts 10:14). But when three men arrived asking him to come to Cornelius’ house, Peter realized what the vision meant. Despite the strict separation between Gentile and Jew that had been practiced for centuries, God wanted him to go (10:17-20).

Cornelius was a “God-fearer,” meaning he was a Gentile who worshipped the God of Israel (Acts 10:2). His openness to God had been nurtured through years of following the Lord. So when an angel appeared to him and told him to send for Peter, he obeyed (10:5). Then as Peter was proclaiming the gospel, Cornelius received the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues (10:44, 46).

How can we be open to the Lord and whatever “new things” he may want to do through us? First, like Peter and Cornelius, we need to stay close to God in prayer. Because of their faithfulness God was able to speak to both men and show them how he wanted to bring salvation to the Gentiles. Second, we should be careful not to place limits on God. Peter had to trust God with a new and different way of living out his faith. Cornelius had to be open to receiving new life in the Spirit through Baptism.

Are you open to anything God might ask of you? Today, pray for the grace to see where you might have drawn a line in the sand that you have asked God not to cross. God can, and will, use you – as long as you remain open to him.

*“Lord, give me an open heart that places no limits on you.”*

**A Prayer in Gratitude for Our Mothers**

Good and Gentle God,  
we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women of theory who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings.  
Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly.  
Give them the faithful support of husband, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children.  
Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.

**CONGRATULATIONS: to the following young people who were recently confirmed: Anthony Bowes, Garrett Lowther, Michayla Magee, Zoe Magee, Leanna McChesney, Jessica Messinger, Sophia Messinger, Julia Murphy, Wyatt Post, Hannah Robertson, Abigail Tingley, & Matthew Yaple.**

