



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

## June 4, 2023



### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16-17

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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](http://www.stthomastheapostle.church)

**Saint Teresa of Avila Parish**  
[www.st-teresa-unioncity.org](http://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

# 2023 SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

**Begins May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Memorial Day through Labor Day weekends**

## Saturday

**4:30PM at St. Thomas Church, Corry**

## Sunday

**8:00AM at St. Thomas Church, Corry**

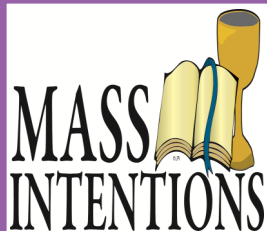
**10:00AM at St. Teresa Church, Union City**

**11:00AM at Our Lady of Fatima Church,  
Canadohta Lake**

## **Confessions**

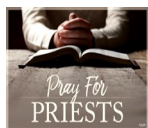
**Saturdays from 3:30pm—4:00pm at St. Thomas Church**

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



## Mass Intentions for Our Parishes

When wishing to schedule Mass Intentions for your loved ones, please contact the partnered parish office at 814-663-3041, whether the Mass is to be said at St. Thomas, St. Teresa, or Our Lady of Fatima Churches. We will do our best to accommodate your date requests. We ask for your patience, as we do have a back log of Masses which were not said earlier this year due to circumstances. Thank you for your understanding. The suggested stipend to have a Mass Intention said is \$10.



Please pray for All Priests in our diocese, both active and retired; also Pray for the Pastoral Planning in the Diocese of Erie.

## Readings for the week of June 4, 2023

Sun.: Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9 ♦ Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 (52b) ♦  
2 Corinthians 13:11-13 ♦ John 3:16-18  
Mon.: Tobit 1:3; 2:1b-8 ♦ Psalm 112:1b-2, 3b-4, 5-6 ♦ Mark 12:1-12  
Tues.: Tobit 2:9-14 ♦ Psalm 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 ♦ Mark 12:13-17  
Wed.: Tobit 3:1-11a, 16-17a ♦ Psalm 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 ♦  
Mark 12:18-27  
Thur.: Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a ♦ Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 ♦  
Mark 12:28-34  
Fri.: Tobit 11:5-17 ♦ Psalm 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 ♦ Mark 12:35-37  
Sat.: Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20 ♦ Tobit 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8 ♦ Mark 12:38-44  
Next Sun.: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a ♦ Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20  
♦ 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 ♦ John 6:51-58



## **Monday, June 5**

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

## **Tuesday, June 6**

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

## **Wednesday, June 7**

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

## **Thursday, June 8**

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

## **Friday, June 9**

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

## **Saturday, June 10**

4:00p.m. †Joette Amy by Casey & Dan Pfeiffer  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

## **Sunday, June 11**

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

10:00a.m. †George, Carol, and Richard Kowalski by Sandy,  
Debbie and Chris (St. Teresa, Union City)

11:00a.m. †Virginia Poninsky by family  
(Our Lady of Fatima, Canadohta Lake)

## PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

## A Family Perspective

As the Father “sent his son into the world” so parents send their children into the world “so that the world might be saved.” This is the missionary role of the Christian family. Your family is a school where your children develop convictions which enable them to make a difference in the world. Fathering is an awesome responsibility and not for the weak or transient.

## **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: May 27 & 28, 2023

<b>Amount in Envelopes:</b> (72) .....	\$2,801.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 174 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 102)	
<b>Loose</b> .....	\$360.50
<b>Online Giving</b> (10) .....	\$345.00
<b>Ascension / May 18, 2023</b> (26) .....	\$479.00
<b>Total Offertory Income</b> .....	\$3,985.50

Average Weekly Expenses .....\$7,656.00

**Weekly Average Shortfall** .....\$(-3,670.50)

*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](http://www.StThomasTheApostle.Church) and click 'Donate Online'.**



**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 4<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Tom Dyne by Pat Keys.**



Our prayers & sympathy to the family and friends of Clyde Ross who recently passed away from Saint Thomas Parish. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

### Offertory Collection at Weekend Masses

We are utilizing ushers again at Mass. They will be taking up the collection during the preparation of the gifts at weekend Masses. We ask that you place your offertory envelopes and donations in the baskets that ushers will bring around. We will no longer have baskets near the entrances. *Thank you for your continued financial support of our parish. We appreciate it!*



### 2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 05/30):

**St. Thomas Diocesan Goal is \$39,417.00**

**Total Amount Pledged to date = \$41,255.00**

**Total Paid to date = \$31,120.00**

**# of Families who made a pledge = 103**

**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. 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!*



### Sit And Be Fit

Classes for *Sit And Be Fit* begins on June 5, meeting on Monday and Thursday morning at 10:00am at the Presbyterian Church, 607 W. Smith St., Corry. This is an exercise program that teaches balance, coordination, strength and flexibility for any age.

Moves are both gentle and slow, sitting and standing with a chair. For more information, please contact the Presbyterian Church at 814-964-4171.



**Margaret Roche and Trevor Newton**



**HELP**

**WANTED**

### Cemetery Manager Position Available

Our parish is looking for an individual to manage our 2 cemeteries (Sts. Thomas & Elizabeth) in Corry. This is a part-time position that requires management skills, computer skills, and the ability to physically visit the cemeteries occasionally. This

position will be approximately 12-15 hours per week. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact our Business Manager, Missy Silka at the parish office 814-663-3041 or [business@stparish.org](mailto:business@stparish.org)

***Jesus, I Trust in YOU.***

**THANK YOU** to all of our bulletin sponsors!

## St. Teresa Parish News

### ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: May 28, 2023

**Amount in Envelopes:** (41) ..... \$1,570.00  
 (Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 116)  
**Loose** ..... \$190.00  
**Continuing the Vision (0)** ..... \$0.00  
**Ascension—May 18 (20)** ..... \$582.00  
**Total Offertory Income** ..... \$2,342.00

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: May 28, 2023

**Amount in Envelopes:** (12) ..... \$405.00  
 (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 18)  
**Loose** ..... \$193.00  
**Total Offertory Income** ..... \$598.00

**St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income** ..... \$2,940.00  
**Average Weekly Expenses** ..... \$4,777.00  
**Weekly Average Shortfall** ..... \$(-1,837.00)

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



### 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 = \$30,175.00**

**# 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!

*Where the world puts a period, God puts a comma.*



### Quo Vadis Days

Quo Vadis Days is a four-day camp for Catholic young men in grades 9-12 who are considering the priesthood or seminary formation or who are wondering if God is calling them to a religious vocation. Quo Vadis Days will be held July 30 – Aug. 2 at St. Mark Seminary, 429 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie. The registration form can be found at [www.erievocations.org/events/quo-vadis-days](http://www.erievocations.org/events/quo-vadis-days). Contact Father Scott Jabo, vocations director, with any questions at 814.824.1198 or [SWJabo@eriercd.org](mailto:SWJabo@eriercd.org).



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Teresa Church for the week of June 4<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of all our deceased loved ones.

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



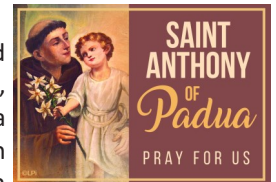
### St. Teresa Co-Ed Cash Bingo



We want to thank everyone who organized, donated and participated in our most recent fundraiser for St. Teresa Parish. We are hoping that the fundraiser was a great success! We do not have any financial information to share at this time, but once finalized we will let you know more in a future bulletin. Thanks again to Elaine & Dick Hasbrouck who were co-chairs for the Bingo and thanks also to their committee. *We hope you all had fun!*

### Novena to Saint Anthony

A novena to Saint Anthony will be held at St. Paul Parish, 1617 Walnut St., Erie, from June 5-13, with Father Leo Gallina officiating. The novena will begin on June 5 after 9:00am Mass, with subsequent novena prayers following the 9:00am Mass from Tuesday to Friday. The novena will conclude on St. Anthony's feast day, June 13, with a 9:00am Mass. Breakfast will be provided afterward at the St. Paul Center for a nominal fee. All are invited to join. For inquiries, please call 814-456-6256.



### 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



## 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](http://www.eriercd.org/planning.html).

### 'Bringing Up the Gifts' During Weekend Masses Returns

We reinstituted the custom of 'bringing up the gifts' during our weekend Masses. If you sponsored the Mass for a loved one, please know that you are now welcome to bring up the gifts from the back of the church to the altar during the preparation. Ushers will be there to assist you. Please try to move toward the back of the church as the ushers begin taking up the collection if you intend to bring up the gifts. Thank you.

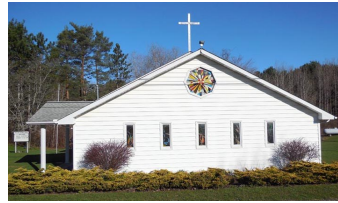
### **"Question of the Week" - Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity**

**Question for Children:** When people love each other, how do they treat each other?

**Question for Youth:** The Trinity is celebrated today. How would you describe your relationship with God the Father? With Jesus? With the Spirit?

**Question for Adults:** If you were to encourage the members of your own parish to live as a "community of love," which is how we define the Trinity, how would you advise them to live? Use St. Paul's list of exhortations as your starting point.

In this age when personal data can be misused by scam artists, please be aware that the Roman Catholic Diocese of Erie, its clergy and entities such as parishes and schools, will never solicit your personal or business information unless initiated by you. Should you receive an unsolicited request for such information – including a request for gift cards of any type – exercise extreme caution. Contact the person or entity by using official contact information only. Do not use the contact information provided in the potential fraudulent request.



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

## Our Lady of Fatima News

### **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

Today we celebrate the Holy Trinity—one God, yet three divine Persons. God is one, but God is not alone. God is love and in the Trinity we have an ideal example of a relationship of pure and infinite love. Every time we make the sign of the cross may we be reminded of the love that bonds the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. May the love of the Holy Trinity be a model for us in our relationships with each other.

### **In Gratitude**

Thanks to all who worked to ready Our Lady of Fatima for the summer season. Volunteers toiled to clean and polish the worship space, and some garden fairies trimmed and spruced up the landscaping, planted flowers in the ground, and filled the urns with blooms. We are grateful to everyone who shared their time and talents. Your efforts are a blessing to this faith community and appreciated very much.

### **Memorial Flowers Inside Our Lady of Fatima**

The flowers at the altar are in memory of Jenine Renee Mineo from the Mineo family.

### **Did You Know**

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. In June, it is the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sacred Heart represents Christ's love for all mankind, and our devotion to it is an expression of our faith in His mercy. When we pray to the Sacred Heart, we unite ourselves fully to the Heart of Christ, asking Him to purify our wills so that everything we do may be in line with His will—and, if we fall, that His love and mercy may shield us from the righteous judgment of God the Father.



### **Wedding Anniversary Celebrations with Bishop Persico**

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2023 will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

- Sunday, August 6 at Our Lady of Peace,  
Erie at 2:00pm
- Sunday, August 20 at Sts. Cosmas and Damian,  
Punxsutawney at 2:00pm

Couples may complete a registration form online at <http://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, call the parish office or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 814-824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 21 for Erie celebrations and until August 4 for Punxsutawney celebrations.