

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.

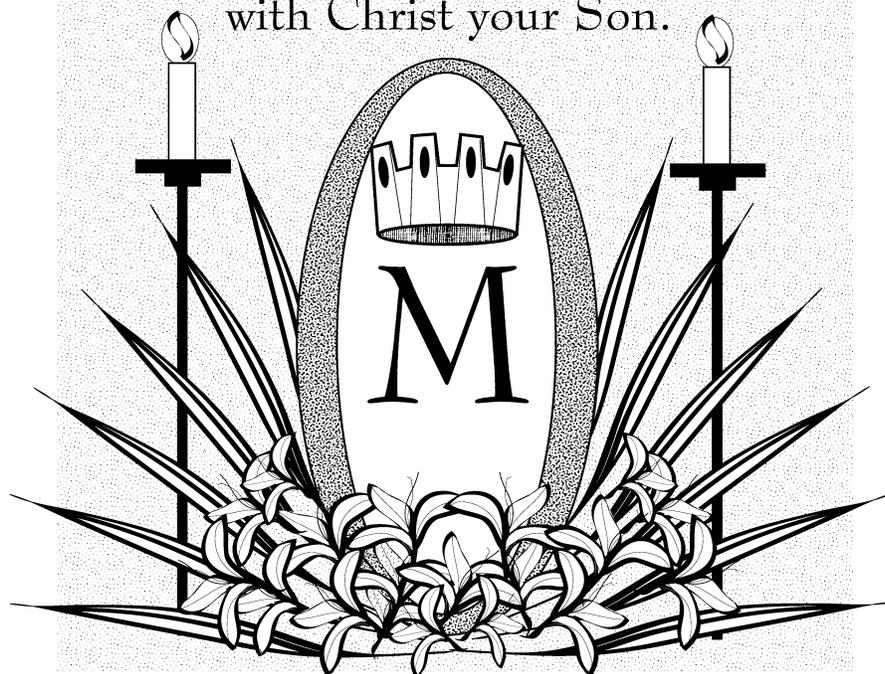
● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494

All honor to you, O Mary, for today you
were raised above the angels to lasting glory
with Christ your Son.



The Assumption
of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

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August 15, 2021

Hail Mary, full of grace.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 14 The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30pm (St. Teresa) John Fifer by Altar Servers

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Intentions of Our Parish Family

Sunday, August 15 The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

8:45am (St. Thomas) Madeline Jawdy by Joe & Janet Jawdy

9:30am (Our Lady of Fatima) Peg and Herb Lloyd by Pam and Tim Roberts

10:45am (St. Teresa) Dr. Ronald Rejzer by Sophie Combs & Family

Monday, August 16 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

8:00am (St. Thomas) Carol Vanchieri by Bill & MaryKay Zimmer

Tuesday, August 17 Weekday

8:00am Bernard & Helen Gluvna by Sigmund & Mary Ann Bronowski

Wednesday, August 18 Weekday

8:00am Roberto & Deceased Members of the Masangcay Family by Angie Masangcay

5:15pm (St. Thomas) Helen & Jack Armitage by Julia Zulovich, Shelly & Todd

Thursday, August 19 Weekday

8:00am Michael Poninsky by The Poninsky Family

Friday, August 20 St. Bernard

8:00am Communion Service

8:00am (St. Thomas) Andy Tomcho Sr. by Rick, Debbie & Richelle Ayers

Saturday, August 21

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Intentions of Our Parish Family

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Bernard Gluvna by The Michael Gluvna Family

Sunday, August 22 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Anna Amoroso by John Lutz

9:30am (Our Lady of Fatima) Virginia Poninsky by William and Catherine Poninsky

10:45am (St. Teresa) Marjorie & Kenneth Hanlin Sr. by The Family

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$1,760 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,715 in envelopes and \$45 in loose & \$626 for Our Lady of Fatima which includes \$480 in envelopes and \$146 in loose. Offertory Goal \$3,000

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. Judges 2:11-19♦Matthew 19:16-22

Tue. Judges 6:11-24a♦Matthew 19:13-30

Wed. Judges 9:6-15♦Matthew 20:1-16

Thur. Judges 11:29-39a17♦ Matthew 22:1-14

Fri. Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22♦ 2 Matthew 22:34-40

Sat. Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11, 4:13-17♦Matthew 23:1-12

Sun. Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b♦ Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:25-32♦John 6:60-69

Religious Education

ATTENTION PARENTS!! The Pre-K/Kindergarten class is back for the upcoming Religious Education school year! Registration is open for Pre-K/Kindergarten and any new students, please contact Lisa at the Parish Office for registration forms.

08/29 Parent Mtg K-11 9am

09/05 No Class

09/12 Class

09/19 Class

09/26 Youth Mass 11/Enroll 3rd (Children's Liturgy)

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.

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$28,897

Amount Paid to Date - \$26,962

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

Marriage Moment On Aug. 15 the Catholic Church celebrates the feast of The Assumption of Mary. Whether or not you are Catholic, however, there is another English meaning of “assumption” It’s risky in marriage to *assume* too much about your spouse. Do not assume that you will both be alive tomorrow. How might you treat your beloved today if tomorrow brings tragedy?

SCHEDULES FOR AUGUST 21 & 22

4:30

10:45

LECTORS

Nancy Ferro

Elizabeth Moon

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Yvonne Stauffer

Kelly Nordin
Choir: Paul Beer

ALTAR SERVERS

Ozzy Williams

Chapel bulletin of August 15, 2021

Sunday August 15 9:30AM
Peg and Herb Lloyd by Pam and Tim Roberts

Sunday August 22 9:30AM
Virginia Poninsky by William and Catherine
Poninsky

**Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary**

Mary's place in salvation history has been honored from the earliest days of the Church. This particular feast appears in liturgical books in the middle of the fifth century and reminds us that although Mary died, through the power of the resurrection she was not held captive by the chains of death. While the life and death of Mary is commemorated today, we at Our Lady of Fatima Chapel and Saint Teresa Church must also consider what awaits us in eternity. As Paul tells the Corinthians and all of us in the second reading of our liturgy, "Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep." Through God's mercy, now all who believe in Him can share in His victory over death. Is it any wonder that Mary, the woman who bore Jesus, was justified by her faith in Him and was assumed into heaven upon her death? For all of us, the Blessed Virgin Mary is an exemplary woman of faith and an instrument of God's plan of salvation. Even as a very young woman, Mary, in her beautiful Magnificat recognized the right order the Savior would bring to the world and the joyful dependence of God's people. We, like Mary, must place our trust in God, and believe that His promises to us will be fulfilled.

WEEKLY OFFERING The collection of Sunday, August 8, was \$626.00 and included \$480.00 in 20 adult envelopes and \$146.00 in loose money. Your sacrificial gifts are a blessing to this faith community. Thank you.

MEMORIAL GIFT Please be aware of the new ciborium being used in the celebration of Mass. A ciborium is the vessel that holds the consecrated hosts—the Body of Christ—to distribute during communion, and also to reserve the Eucharist in the tabernacle. The ciborium was donated by the family of Margaret Greaney Brahm. A letter that accompanied this gift explains the significance of the memorial, and also a brief biography of Margaret's life. These missives are posted on the bulletin board in the Chapel lobby. We are grateful for this donation and pray that Margaret lives eternally in the presence of the Risen Christ.

Notable Dates Monday, **August 16 is the memorial of St. Stephen** who is thought of as the founder of the kingdom of Hungary, its first king, and established Christianity there. Friday, **August 20, is the memorial of St. Bernard**, Abbot and Doctor of the Church. St. Bernard was a nobleman who joined an abbey in France. Many of his family members and friends followed in his footsteps. Bernard wanted to follow and lead others to Christ, not to himself. He used his gifts for leadership, arbitration, writing, and creating harmony in the abbey to give glory to God.

On Saturday, **August 21, we remember St. Pius X**, Pope. As pope at the turn of the last century, St. Pius X reformed the liturgy and breviary, promoted Gregorian chant, opposed Modernism, and lowered the age of first Communion from twelve to seven. St. Pius had humble origins and never lost his love for simple, accessible liturgy and expressions of doctrine.

If your address or phone number has recently changed, please notify the parish office so that our records are current and up to date.

A Family Perspective "Blessed is the fruit of your womb" can be said of all mothers, because every child is "blessed" and a child of God upon whom God "looks with favor." This is our deepest identity and destiny. We do not earn this blessing. God's love is a free gift to each of us.

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.

Parenting Pointers If your kids are of school age, it will soon be time to return. Most schools will be different post pandemic – even if it means going back to almost normal. Of course you’ll talk about this, but also listen – to what they’ve learned during 2020-21 and what they fear.

Please Pray for our Priests Rev. Samuel G. Bungo, Very Rev. Msgr. Richard R. Siefer, E.V. Rev. Philip Bilotte, Rev. Scott P. Detisch, Very Rev. Michael P. Ferrick, V. F. Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Smith

The **2021-22 RCIA Program**, which instructs and initiates non-Catholic Christians and non-Christians into the fullness of the Catholic Church, begins this year with an orientation meeting on September 2 from 6:30-8:30pm in the conference room of St. Thomas Rectory. If you, or anyone you know, is interested in this instructional time, please contact Fr. Skip through the parish office, 814-663-3041, ASAP, and he will be glad to provide the details. Hope to see a few of you join us this year! God bless . . .

Due to the need for further planning, the Battle of the Bands that was originally scheduled for August 21 is being postponed, to be rescheduled in early September. Thank you for your understanding and stay tuned . . .

*Blessed are you who believed
(Luke 1:45)*

When the angel Gabriel told Mary that she was to have a son, she asked, “How can this be?” (Luke 1:34)? But the angel assured her that it would happen through the Holy Spirit, and Mary believed him. That’s why, in today’s Gospel for the feast of the Assumption, Elizabeth calls Mary “blessed” - because she believed (1:45).

A virgin birth is not the only truth of our faith that defies a natural explanation. We might also wonder how Jesus was fully God and fully man, or how, after lying in His grave for three days, He rose from the dead. But while we don’t know the how, we do know the why: so that our loving God could save us from sin and death.

Mary’s bodily assumption into heaven is another truth that can’t be explained on a natural level. Again, we don’t know how it happened, but we do know why. By saying yes to the angel’s request Mary gave birth to the Savior of the world. Because of this yes, she played a central role in our salvation. And so God greatly honored her by allowing her to share fully in the fruit of Jesus’ victory over sin and death even now, before He comes again in glory.

One day we too hope to share in Christ’s victory. At His second coming, the corruptible will become incorruptible (1 Corinthians 15:54). Our bodies will be brought to life again as spiritual bodies, and we will see Mary in all her beauty and splendor.

We don’t know how this will happen. But that’s where faith comes in. As Elizabeth said to Mary, *Blessed are those who believe*. We are truly blessed when we choose to believe that all of God’s promises will be fulfilled. And when we struggle to believe, we only have to turn to Mary our Mother. She is always eager to intercede for us and lead us into the loving arms of her Son, Jesus.

“Mary, Mother of God, pray for us”

ERIE GIVES Due to the generosity of many people, St. Teresa Parish was the recipient of \$6,478 in this years campaign. **THANK YOU** to all who participated.

