

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

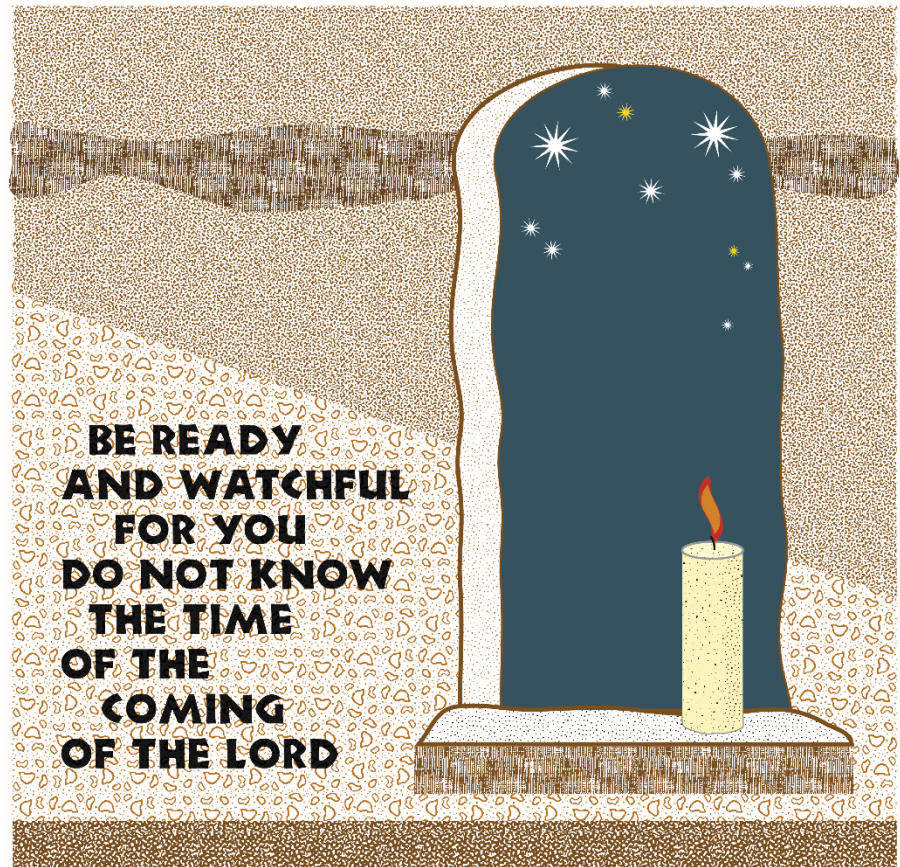
Meets during the school term.

● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

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**Thirty-third Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

November 14, 2021

You are my inheritance, O Lord!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 13 Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Intentions of Our Parish Family
4:30pm (St. Thomas) Albert & Dorothy Wotus by John Wotus

Sunday, November 14 Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus by Corry Council #425
10:45am (St. Teresa) Fr. James Peterson by Bill & Judy Flynn

Monday, November 15 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, November 16 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Wednesday, November 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary

8:00am Communion Service

5:15pm (St. Thomas) Leona Stino by Diane & Julie

Thursday, November 18 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Friday, November 19 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday, November 20 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

4:30pm (St. Teresa) NO MASS

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Richard & Jennie Kinney by Walter & Rose Cmiel

Sunday, November 21 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:45am (St. Thomas) Intentions of our Parish Family
10:45am (St. Teresa) John & Anna Tomcho by Hilda Szabo

Please note that there will be no daily Mass on Thursday at St. Teresa or Tuesday at St. Thomas for the next two weeks.

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$2,097 for St. Teresa which includes \$2,047 in envelopes and \$50 in loose & \$190 for Our Lady of Fatima. Offertory Goal \$3,000

Pray for Our Priests Rev. Thomas Curry, O.S.B. Rev. Richard Tomasone, Rev. Robert Horgas, Rev. Robert A. Manning, Rev. Christopher J. Singer, Rev. Henry C. Andrae, Very Rev. Vincent P. Cieslewicz, V.F.

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 54-57, 62-63 ♦ Luke 18:35-43
Tue. 2 Maccabees 6:18-31 ♦ Luke 19:1-10
Wed 2 Maccabees 7:20-31 ♦ Luke 19:11-28
Thurs. 1 Maccabees 2:15-29 ♦ Luke 19:41-44
Fri. 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59 ♦ Luke 19:45-48
Sat. 1 Maccabees 6:1-13 ♦ Luke 20:27-40
Sun. Daniel 7:13-14 ♦ Revelation 1:5-8 ♦ John 18:33b-37

Religious Education

11/14 No Class
11/21 10th
11/28 Youth Mass 9/10th (Children's Liturgy)
No Class
12/5 11th

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.

Attention Religious Education Classes: We need your help. The parish is making food baskets for those in need this Thanksgiving. We are having a contest to see which Religious Ed. Class can bring in the most non-perishable food goods. Since classes are different sizes, we will base the count on the percent per student. The class with the highest percentage will win a breakfast of doughnuts and milk. The contest will begin November 7 through November 21.

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$29,947

Amount Paid to Date - \$28,652

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

Please keep Fr. Suppa in your prayers as he will be having his medical procedure on November 16th.

If you have borrowed Card Tables from St. Teresa Church or the Center, would you please return them? We are missing 4 that we know of.

The Special Intentions of Pope Francis

Father of all mercies, during this month of November, we pray for every person who suffers from depression. May all who suffer from depression or burn-out find support and a light that opens them up to life.

JUST A REMINDER – There will be no Saturday Mass on November 20th & 27th at St. Teresa Parish but there will be at St. Thomas Corry. Going forward Saturday Masses will be said in Union City in December with no Saturday Masses in Corry, in January Saturday Masses will be said in Corry and none in Union City. We will continue alternating going forward until the new pastor makes a determination. This schedule will in no way affect Sunday Masses.

A Family Perspective Today’s gospel teaches us **UNCERTAINTY** is normal. There are some things in life which “no one knows ... only the Father.” Marriage and parenting are full of uncertainty for like the fig tree in the gospel, the people we love grow and change.

Thanksgiving Food Baskets: We will soon begin filling food baskets for Thanksgiving. If you know of anyone in need of a basket, please call the parish office with a name and phone number of the person in need. We will need non-perishable food goods, cash donations, and we also have freezer space for a few turkeys. Our collective efforts will ensure that many people will have a good Thanksgiving Day. You can leave donations at the back of the church or at the church center. Thank you in advance for your donations.

CLEANING POSITION AVAILABLE – We are looking for help to clean the church and center on a temporary basis until a new Pastor is appointed. Possibly two people to lighten the load. We have a person handling the rentals of the center and cleaning up after events which is a job in itself. The help would be very much appreciated and you would be paid for your efforts. Please call Mary at the church office (814-438-3408) if you are interested.

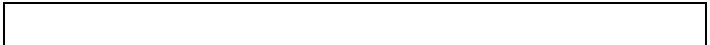
Gifts for Kids – Again this year we will be having the Gifts for Kids project. This benefits local kids only. Names will be on a tree in the church with the information to buy the requested clothing item for a child. (This information will include the child’s sex, size and item wanted) In the past we have used girls and boys silhouettes. We will be using “bear” cutouts for both boys and girls this year. To participate, please take a tag from the tree. Buy the desired gift. Wrap it or use a gift bag. Please include the tag on the outside of the gift. Small toys or/and candy may be included inside the gift. **All gifts** must be returned by Sunday, **December 19 at noon**. If you have any questions, please call Cheryl Nothum at 873-9551 after 3pm on weekdays or after 9am on weekends. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

Marriage Moment: “Heaven and earth will pass away...But of that day or hour, no one knows.” (Mark 13: 31-32) Although this scripture probably refers to the end of the world, in marriage the day one of you dies is the end of your earthly marriage. It’s hard to think about this, but it will happen. Dare to take a moment this week to write a sentence to your beloved about how you will feel upon their death.

Special Retreat for Engaged Couples Engaged couples are invited to attend an Engagement Encounter this January 28-30, 2022. Engagement Encounter is a restful retreat designed to provide a meaningful environment for deepening the conversations and habits necessary in a happy, holy, and lasting marriage. Here is what a past participant had to say: “I cannot thank you enough for an amazing experience this weekend. My fiancé and I will never forget it and all of the special moments.” Learn more or register at <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/ee.html>. We would love to welcome you this January!

SCHEDULES FOR NOVEMBER 20 & 21

4:30		10:45
	LECTORS	
No Mass		Cheryl Mongera
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
No Mass		Paul Beer
		Choir: Ilene Zakovitch
	ALTAR SERVERS	
No Mass		Morgan Beer



Getting unstuck

When you experience a setback in life, or disappointment, or heartbreak, it's easy to get stuck in a rut. When our hearts are heavy, it's hard to move on.

When a car gets stuck in the mud, our instinct is to accelerate in a desperate attempt to set ourselves free. These attempts are futile. Mud flies everywhere, the car sinks deeper into the mud, and we end up with a bigger mess than we had to begin with.

We all get stuck from time to time. Sometimes we do it to ourselves, sometimes someone else does something to cause it, and sometimes circumstances conspire against us. And sometimes we get stuck because stuck is exactly where we need to be in order to pause and reflect on life.

The question is what to do when we find ourselves stuck. Albert Einstein observed. "We cannot solve problems by using the same thinking we used when we created them."

We need a new level of consciousness to get unstuck. It's one of the hardest things to attain in life. We strive for knowledge and education, but beyond these await wisdom and consciousness. The hardest thing to do in this life is to make the unconscious conscious.

From the ground floor of any of the buildings that surround Central Park it is hard to distinguish it from any other park. Go up to the tenth floor and you begin to see its scope and scale. It looks almost completely different from that vantage point. Go to the twenty-first floor and again it looks different. But it isn't. It hasn't changed, your awareness has changed. Go the thirty-fifth floor and you will have an even greater appreciation for this spectacular greenspace in the midst of the most densely populated urban area in the United States. Fly in a helicopter over the park and you will gain new insights again.

What's going to help you get unstuck? What's going to give you a new perspective and raise your consciousness? Reading. Long walks. New friends. Old friends. Prayer. Reflection. Meditation.

What will prevent you from getting unstuck? One thing above all else: shame. Beware shame. Shame allows us to stay stuck. Enduring shame is like falling in love with being stuck.

It's okay to feel stuck. It's okay to be stuck. Just remember that you were not created to be stuck, you were created to grow. Rest a little, take some naps, cry a little, or a lot, but then listen to life pulsing through your body. You will hear that it is time, once again, to walk, to sing, to laugh, or dance, to live.

***Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer offering for sin.
(Hebrews 10:18)***

In just a few verses the author of Hebrews makes quite a bold claim. He tells us that the centuries-old practice of offering sacrifices to God has been fulfilled. The entire Temple apparatus—its feasts and fasts, its priests and practices, its liturgies and legalities—is no longer necessary. No more bulls or goats or rams or turtledoves.

Why? Because one single sacrifice of much greater power and effect has taken place: the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. This sacrifice has done far more than any priestly sacrifice ever could. Whereas the ancient sacrifices obtained a cleansing from the sin of the past year and so had to be reenacted over and over again, Jesus' sacrifice of His life has washed away all sins for all time. Every sin, from the sin of Adam to the final sin before the Second Coming, has been atoned for. Now anyone who turns to Jesus can be cleansed and receive the pledge of eternal salvation.

This is the true heart of the gospel. Christ has done for you what you could never do for yourself. His perfect sacrifice has opened the gates of heaven – to you – forever. No matter who you are or what you have done, you can "confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help" (Hebrews 4:16).

Keep this magnificent truth in the forefront of your mind, especially when you start to feel discouraged by your sin or if you begin to feel the pangs of guilt for sins you've already confessed. Jesus is seated "forever at the right hand of God" all His enemies – especially sin – are being made His footstool (Hebrews 10:12, 13). He is also standing by your side, assuring you of His mercy and salvation. Take some time right now to silence your heart and listen to Him.

"All praise to you, Jesus! You are my salvation!"

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than thirty-eight million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd

