

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 7:00 P.M.

● KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Meet every third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

● RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GUILD

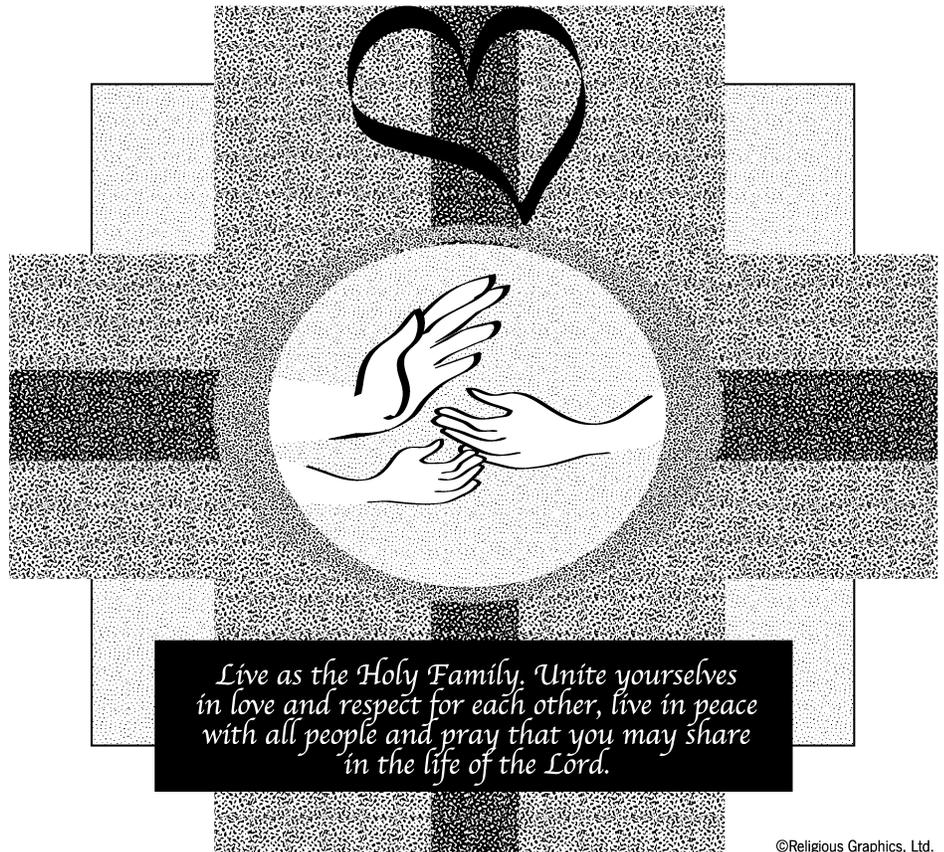
Meets during the school term.

● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



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Feast of the
Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 27, 2020

Our God lives now among us!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 26 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Intentions of our parish families

4:30pm (St. Thomas) John J. Lutz by John & Grace

Sunday, December 27 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:45am (St. Thomas) The Morris & O'Brien Families by the Estate of Anna O'Brien

10:45am (St. Teresa) Steven Paul Mongera by family

Monday, December 28 The Holy Innocents

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, December 29 Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of The Lord

8:00am Jeanne Vallimont by Patrick Vallimont

Wednesday, December 30 Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of The Lord

8:00am Herb Combs by Sophie and family

Thursday, December 31 Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of The Lord

8:00am (St. Teresa) Special Intention by Charlene Hassing

7:00pm (St. Thomas) Margaret & Walter Komenda by Their Estate

Friday, January 1 The Octave day of the Nativity of The Lord, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

8:00am (St. Teresa) George & Irene Tinko by Ed & Irene Weaver & Family

9:30am (S. Thomas) Intentions of our Parish Family

Saturday, January 2 Epiphany of The Lord

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Dick Landis by Cathryn Landis, Mary Harned & Linda Fucci

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Dorothy Wotus by Altar Rosary Society

Sunday, January 3 Epiphany of The Lord

8:45am (St. Thomas) Intentions of our Parish Family

10:45am (St. Teresa) Our Nation by Katherine Young

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$2,000 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,905 in envelopes and \$95 in loose & \$140 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

STAY-WELL - STAY HAPPY - STAY SAFE

The Union City Food Bank is in need of volunteers to help distribute food on Monday's 9-12noon and/or 4-6pm. Also, every other Friday morning 9-10:30am to unload deliveries from The Second Harvest Food Bank. For more information, call Pat Vallimont (460-8732) or Lynora Rumm (McLane Church 814-734-1907 ext 31)

The Parish Bulletin is available weekly on line at st-teresa-unioncity.org

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. 1 John 1:5-2:2 ♦Matthew 2:13-18

Tue. 1 John 2:3-11♦ Luke 2:22-35

Wed 1 John 2:12-17♦ Luke 2:36-40

Thu. 1 John 2:18-21 John 1:1-18

Fri. Numbers 6:22-27 Galatians 4:4-7 ♦ Luke 2:16-21

Sat. 1 John 2:22-28♦ John 1:19-28

Sun. Isaiah 60:1-6: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6♦ Matthew 2:1-12

2020 Catholic Services Appeal

Goal - \$31,004

Amount Pledged to Date - \$28,654

Amount Paid to Date - \$27,709

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

Religious Education

12/27 no REP Class, Christmas break

01/03 REP Class

01/10 REP Class-First Penance Enrollment at 10:45 Mass

01/14 First Penance catechesis begins w/DRK

PLEASE – any calls regarding the Religious Education Program should be made directly to the parish office.

Please Pray for Our Priests: Rev. Nicholas J. Rouch
Rev. Matthew J. Strickenberger Rev. Paul A. Schill
Rev. Jerry S. Priscaro The Most Reverend Donald W. Trautman
Rev. Cesar Segovia Rev. F. Thomas Suppa

HAVE A HAPPY, SAFE & BLESSED NEW YEAR

SCHEDULES FOR JANUARY 2 & 3

4:30

10:45

LECTORS

Nancy Ferro

Becky Boleratz

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Rowena Watts

Casey Pfeiffer

There will be an orientation session on January 5th for the 2021 monthly adult bible study, Sessions will continue on the 3rd Tuesday of each month beginning on January 19th. These will be held at St. Thomas School from 7-9pm.

A Family Perspective The gospel today shows Mary and Joseph weren't 'perfect' parents. If you have ever been 'amazed' and 'astonished' at what came out of your child's mouth, then you are in good company. If there were times you 'didn't understand' your children or felt 'anxious' about their behavior so did Mary and Joseph. Parenting is tough but it is also the stuff of holiness.

If you have a family member or know of someone who is in a nursing home and would like them to receive cards, please call the parish office with their names and addresses. We will publish their names in our bulletin so that parishioners can send them cards. We will publish the names and addresses as we receive them.

Frank Hakel, Edinboro Manor, 419 Waterford St. Edinboro PA 16412

Please take the opportunity to send cards to these people. They are lonely and would appreciate hearing from people.

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

I would like to thank all the parishioners for making the giving tree a success. Your generosity will bring a smile to many children this year. I would also like the women who helped make tags for the presents. I wish and pray for all of you to have a Merry Christmas and a healthy New Year. God Bless us. *Ilene Zakovitch*

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 everyone is aware of, due to Covid-19, we are not able to have any books left in the church so we have not been able to use the Word and Song books since this pandemic began. We have some available, if anyone would like to have their own personal copy. PLEASE NOTE – they cannot be left in the church. They must be taken home with you when you leave and then brought back the next time that you come to Mass. Our cost for these books is \$5 each so we are asking if anyone wants one, that they take it and put \$5 in an envelope and drop in the collection basket or take it to the parish office. These books can be found in the back of the church.

Erie March for Life scheduled Jan. 23
The Erie March for Life, sponsored by People for Life, will be held Jan. 23 beginning at 11 a.m. Participants should gather at the pavilion in Perry Square by 10:45 a.m. The march will conclude with a brief program of speakers. The entire event will take approximately one hour. For complete information and updates, visit www.peopleforlife.life/january2021, e-mail office@peopleforlife.org, or call 814-882-1333.

March for Life bus trip information
People for Life in Erie is sending one or more buses to the annual March for Life event in Washington, D.C., on Jan. 29, 2021. Bus(es) will leave Erie at 11 p.m. on Jan. 28, and return about 1:30 a.m. on Jan. 30. Seats are \$55. Inquiries about financial sponsorship are welcome. For complete information and updates, visit www.peopleforlife.life/january2021, e-mail office@peopleforlife.org, or call 814-882-1333.

Collection Envelopes for 2021 will be available in the back of the church by December 31st.

Family Time

The Family is a jewel of God's creation. Our God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – is a family. Just as individual humans are made in the image and likeness of God, so is the human family. For this reason, Satan seeks to destroy both the institution and our personal families. This is evident in the cultural and spiritual war against the family we see all around us. Many of us are also disheartened by discord in our own families

Let us turn to the Holy Family for help. In Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we see the human family as God intends it to be. Their home was uncorrupted by sin. Contemplate the harmony, warmth, love, and peace in the home of the Holy Family.

If there is pain, anger or discord in your own family, call upon Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. If you feel discouraged by the apparent demise of the family in our society, pray to the Holy Family and know that the gates of hell shall not prevail.

Flowers given in memory of Ann & Ken Prichard, Cecile & David Rose, George & Jennie Dernar, Ron Groves, Judy Tuszynski & Phyllis Waite by David Rose, In memory of John Mineo Sr., Janet Mineo Frontino, Jenine Mineo, Charles & Betty Tyson, Earl Love, Marilyn Merosh, Ed Gordon & Joe Cullen by John & Rita Mineo, In memory of Richard S. Brown & Wallace J. Steiner by Marty Brown.

A New Year's Prayer



Lord, You make all things new
You bring hope
alive in our hearts
And cause our Spirits
to be born again.
Thank you for this new year
For all the potential it holds.
Come and kindle in us
A mighty flame
So that in our time,
many will see the
wonders of God
And live forever to praise
Your glorious name.

Amen

The “Dee J” experience, meaning “Do Everything Exalting Jesus”, is a very exciting and innovative upcoming media broadcast which will exclusively offer Christian opportunities for scripture, prayer, reflection and music. It will first be available around the first of the New Year. It's appropriate to say in this regard, “Stay Tuned”



TURTLE'S TOY BOX is an agency that accepts donations of new/gently loved toys to give to children who are victims of misfortune. Any donations that you might have can be dropped off at the parish office.

TURTLE'S TOY BOX

We are here to help children that have been through disasters. We were created to fill the gaps between their smiles.

We accept donations of new, gently loved toys and clothing to redistribute to children.

Contact us at:
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