

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.

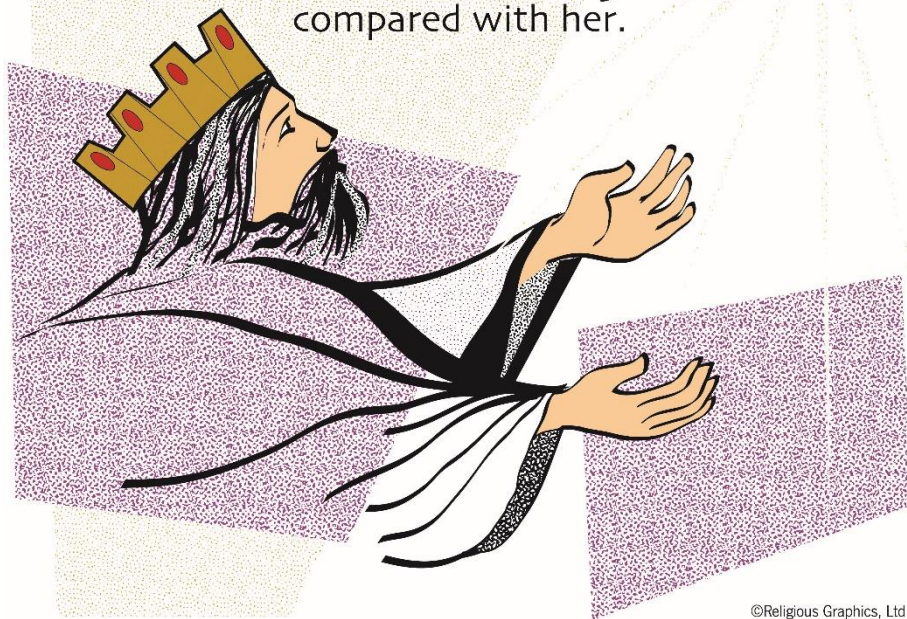
● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494

I prayed,
and prudence was given to me.
I pleaded,
and the spirit of wisdom came to me.
I preferred her to scepter and throne
and deemed riches as nothing
compared with her.



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Twenty-eighth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

October 10, 2021

Fill us with your love,
O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 9 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Alfred Tujetsch by Carol Bryant

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

Sunday, October 10 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Tie

8:45am (St. Thomas) Earle Slayton by Will & Patty Birtciel

10:45am (St. Teresa) Bernard & Helen Gluvna by Sigmund & Mary Ann Bronowski

Monday, October 11 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, October 12 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

8:00am (St. Thomas) Gene Vinca by a Parish Friend

Wednesday, October 13 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

5:15pm (St. Thomas) Doris & Louis Lutz by John Lutz

Thursday, October 14 Weekday

8:00am Deceased Members of the Pacyna Family by Family

Friday, October 15 St. Teresa of Jesus

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday, October 16 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Mary Layden by Cathryn Landis & Mary Harned

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Fred & Mary Walsh by Their Family

Sunday, October 17 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Living & Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas by Court Conception #35

10:45am (St. Teresa) Intentions of Our Parish Family

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$1,921 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,760 in envelopes and \$161 in loose & \$145 for Our Lady of Fatima. Offertory Goal \$3,000

Anyone wishing to do so may send cards to:

Cathryn Landis

%Brevillier Village

5456 E. Lake Road

Erie, PA 16511

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon Romans 1:1-7 ♦ Luke 11:29-32

Tue. Romans 1:6-25 ♦ Luke 11:37-41

Wed Romans 2:1-11 ♦ Luke 11:42-46

Thurs. Romans 3:21-30 ♦ Luke 11:47-54

Fri. Romans 4:1-8 ♦ Luke 12:1-7

Sat. Romans 4:13, 16-18 ♦ Luke 12:8-12

Sun. Isaiah 53:10-11 ♦ Hebrews 4:14-16 ♦ Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Religious Education

10/10 5th (Living Rosary)

10/17 6th

10/24 7th

10/31 YOUTH MASS, 10/No Class
(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 - \$29,447

Amount Paid to Date - \$27,837

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

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.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Diocesan Code of Conduct: Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Bullying Prevention Month: Cyberbullying is bullying that takes place over digital devices like cell phones, computers, and tablets. Cyberbullying can occur through SMS, Text, and apps, or online in social media, forums, or gaming where people can view, participate in, or share content. Cyberbullying includes sending, posting, or sharing negative, harmful, false, or mean content about someone else. It can include sharing personal or private information about someone else causing embarrassment or humiliation. Some cyberbullying crosses the line into unlawful or criminal behavior. The most common places where cyberbullying occurs are: Social Media, such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, and Tik Tok; Text messaging and messaging apps on mobile or tablet devices; Instant messaging, direct messaging, and online chatting over the internet; Online forums, chat rooms, and message boards, such as Reddit; Email; and online gaming communities. Adults should take the same approach to address it: support the child being bullied, address the bullying behavior of a participant, and show children that cyberbullying is taken seriously. To see what the diocese is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit

<https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/>.

Pray for Our Priests Rev. Scott W. Jabo, Rev. John G. Chaplin, Rev. Msgr. John J. Herbein, Rev. Msgr. Andrew H. Karg, Rev. James J. Kennelley, Rev. William M. Kuba

SCHEDULES FOR OCTOBER 16 & 17

4:30

10:45

LECTORS

Becky Boleratz

Pat Vallimont

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Yvonne Stauffer

Kim Yaple

Choir: Ilene Zakovitch

ALTAR SERVERS

Mary Jo Smith

Sophia Messinger

Marriage Moment “I prayed, and prudence was given me.” (Wisdom 7:7) How one talks with God (prayer) varies from person to person. Some like memorized prayers, some read scripture, some quietly meditate... Share what style is most meaningful to each of you.

GECAC is holding a Warming Event at the Union City Senior Center and are asking for donations of the following: HATS, GLOVES, SCARVES, TOWELS & SOCKS. They are asking that the items be new and not used. Distributions of these items go to Union City and Corry and will be available for pickup at the Union City Center on Saturday, October 16th between 10 & 12 or until they run out of items. If anyone is interested in volunteering their time that would also be appreciated. Refreshments will be available for all volunteers. Items may be brought to the center the week of October 13th between 9 & 3 or by appointment by calling 814-438-2146 and asking for Laura.

Rosary Altar Society will be holding a “Harvest Moon Card Party” on October 20th. Doors will open at 6:00pm. Cost is \$6 per person. To make reservations, please call 814 438-7013. Any donations of items for the Chinese Auction or for the Bake Sale would be very much appreciated.

Never before have men possessed so many time saving devices. Never before have they had so little time for leisure or repose. Yet few of them are aware of this: advertising has created in modern minds the false notion that leisure and not working are the same – that the more we are surrounded by bolts and wheels, switches and gadgets, the more time we have conquered for our own.

FALL FISH DINNERS - St. Teresa Parish will be holding their Fall Fish Dinners October 15th & 22nd between the hours of 4:30pm-7:00pm. This will be TAKE-OUT ONLY. Choice of: Haddock - baked or fried Mac & Cheese or French Fries Homemade Coleslaw or Applesauce Includes cookies for desert! Price \$13.00

The Special Intentions of Pope Francis

Lord Jesus, during this month of October, we pray for all missionary disciples. We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

Re-membering our Sunday Story paving the way for national initiative

In his letter introducing the *Re-membering Our Sunday Story* initiative, Bishop Lawrence Persico said he asked the diocesan Office of Faith Formation to create the effort in order to help parishioners fully embrace this unexpected period of renewal created by the full return to in-person worship. "I believe it will lay the groundwork for next year, when the American bishops launch a three-year effort to help us grow in our understanding of the Eucharist," he said. What new ways did you experience communion with other people during this pandemic? What new insights do you have about God and God's presence because of this pandemic experience? These questions and more can be found, along with the pastoral letter Bishop Persico issued during the pandemic, at www.Eriercd.org/SundayStoryPastoralLetter.html.

A Family Perspective Having possessions is an illusion. In today's gospel Jesus told the young man to give up his need to control and put his trust in God. He couldn't let go! In families, our need to control destroys relationships. We can lead, teach and encourage, but we can't control anyone but ourselves.

St. Teresa of Avila Prayer

Thy Love For Me Is Strong

If Lord, Thy love for me is strong
As this which binds me unto thee,
What holds me from thee Lord so long,
What holds thee Lord so long from me?
O soul, what then desirest thou?
Lord I would see thee, who thus choose thee.
What fears can yet assail thee now?
All that I fear is but lose thee.
Love's whole possession I entreat,
Lord make my soul thine own abode,
And I will build a nest so sweet
It may not be too poor for God.

A soul in God hidden from sin,
What more desires for thee remain,
Save but to love again,
And all on flame with love within,
Love on, and turn to love again.

October 15th – Feast Day of St. Teresa of Avila

They were exceedingly astonished (Mark 10:26)

Of course the disciples were astonished! Jesus had just told them that the rich would find it especially hard to enter the kingdom of heaven. This went against everything they believed. There was a strong strain in ancient Judaism that said that material wealth was a sign of God's blessing. But here was Jesus telling the rich young man to join the ranks of the poor. What was He doing?

First, notice that Jesus wasn't condemning the man for his wealth. On the contrary, Mark tells us that Jesus "loved him" (10:21). Jesus no doubt valued this man's observance of the law and his sincere desire to be pleasing to God. Surely that's how Jesus looks upon everyone who tries to do His will, regardless of how wealthy they may or may not be.

Second, it wasn't Jesus who rejected the man; it was the other way around. Granted, Jesus had set a high bar for him, but there's every indication that Jesus would have helped him make the tough decision to sell all and follow Him. But the man walked away too quickly. And he went away "sad" (Mark 10:22).

Finally, Jesus saw that this man's attachment to his possessions could get in the way of his ability to follow Jesus. Just as He had called Matthew and Peter and the others to leave their jobs, Jesus wanted this man to break free from the one thing that was hindering him from living as a wholehearted disciple. He wanted all His disciples to find freedom through detachment so that they could focus on loving Him and one another.

Today, Jesus is looking at you with love. He has a high calling for you and is ready to help you fulfill it. And He is asking you to let go of anything that distracts you from that calling. What might that be? Take Him up on the offer. Don't walk away sad.

"Lord, help me give up whatever is keeping me from you."

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS