



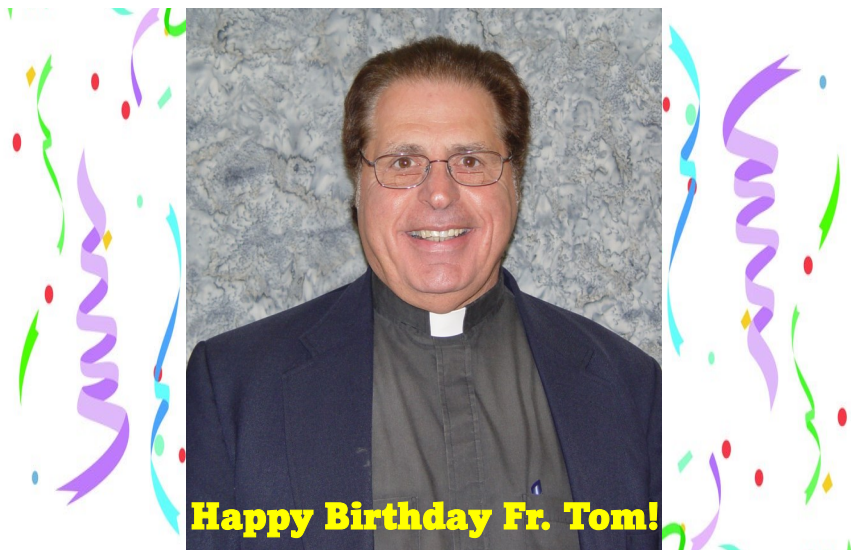
Saint Thomas the Apostle Church  
203 W. Washington Street  
Corry, PA 16407

# THE PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND ST. TERESA OF AVILA



Saint Teresa of Avila Church  
9 Third Avenue  
Union City, PA 16438

## October 30, 2022



**Happy Birthday Fr. Tom!**



**Join Us in Celebrating Fr. Tom's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
in the St. Teresa Parish Center following  
the 4:00pm Mass this weekend.  
All are welcome!**

### 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



A most blessed and happy birthday to our Pastor Emeritus at St. Teresa's, Fr. Tom Suppa! We hope you are able to join in the celebration of his special day at Mass this Saturday and at the reception to follow at the St. Teresa Parish Center.

We are beyond grateful to Fr. Tom for his years of faithful service to the people of God, but especially for his more than 20 years serving the people of St. Teresa—service which continues as he still ministers and helps out whenever he can, including this weekend as I am out of town for a wedding! Please keep him in your prayers and congratulate him when you see him. Ad Multos Annos!

This week we celebrate those sacred days at the beginning of November—All Saints and All Souls. Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is a Holy Day of Obligation, so make sure you check out the schedule of Masses in the bulletin. On Wednesday, we will pray in a special way for our beloved dead. You are invited to inscribe the names of your loved ones who have died in our Book of Remembrance, located in each Church near the Sanctuary. We will pray for those inscribed in this book at every Mass during the month of November. Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual Light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.

The new Parish Office is filled with mold. Isn't that delightful? No. No it is not delightful. In any way!!! So for the time being, the Parish Office is back in the former school building. We are limited with access to things like Voicemail, so please be patient and persistent as needed. We will likely be over there for a while until the issue is resolved. I am in the old nurses office. So if you need some expired gauze or rubbing alcohol, just let me know.

As we started our Faith Formation classes for our young people last weekend, I want to especially thank our Director of Faith Formation, Missy Silka, for getting things up and running again. I also want to thank all of those who stepped up to help serve as catechists as well, and our families for bringing their kiddos to classes as well. Let us all keep all of them in our prayers as they grow in their faith....something we all should definitely follow their lead in!

As Election Day approaches, I want to make sure you have access to the resources authorized by Bishop Persico. You can find them at: [www.eriescd.org/election2022.html](http://www.eriescd.org/election2022.html). And just in case, NO group, organization, band of persons, or wandering souls has been given approval to put propaganda on your cars at Church during Mass. In the event you come across such material, I encourage you to return it to the earth from whence it came or surrender it to the nearest trash receptacle.

One of my favorite memories from elementary school is that every Halloween, the cook would make a special menu that sounded extra spookie. The item I always remember was the 'Happy Halloweenie on a bun' I hope your Halloween is as exciting as you are hoping it will be. God help us all! -Fr. Matt



#### Don't Forget to Turn Your Clocks

Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend on November 6, 2022. Please remember to turn your clocks back 1 hour before going to bed to make it to Mass on time.



#### **Monday, October 31**

No morning Mass at St. Teresa today.

7:00p.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

#### **Tuesday, November 1—All Saints Day / Holy Day**

8:00a.m. †Sophie Combs by Dan & Casey Pfeiffer  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

#### **Wednesday, November 2—All Souls Day**

8:00a.m. †All the Souls of the Faithful Departed  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

12:10p.m. †All the Souls of the Faithful Departed  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

#### **Thursday, November 3**

8:00a.m. Communion Service (St. Thomas, Corry)

#### **Friday, November 4**

8:00a.m. †Paula Sadowski by Virginia Kozik  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

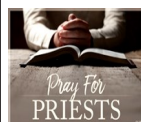
#### **Saturday, November 5**

4:00p.m. †Judy Bitters by Dave & Marie Mitchell  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

#### **Sunday, November 6**

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

10:00a.m. †Bernard & Helen Gluvna by Tricia, Sophia, and Jessica (St. Teresa, Union City)



This week we offer prayer for: Rev. John Jacquell, Rev. William Barron, Pray for Vocations, Rev. Msgr. Edward Lohse, V.G., Very Rev. Scott Jabo, Rev. Glenn Whitman, and Rev. David Perry

#### **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 the church where Mass is being celebrated; and by request made to the parish office.



## St. Thomas Parish News

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: October 23, 2022

<b>Amount in Envelopes: (55)</b>	<b>\$2,055.00</b>
(Total Envelopes sent: 187 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 132)	
<b>Loose</b>	<b>\$101.00</b>
<b>Online Giving (10)</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>
<b>Total Offertory Income</b>	<b>\$2,456.00</b>
<b>Average Weekly Expenses</b>	<b>\$7,656.00</b>
<b>Weekly Average Shortfall</b>	<b>..\$(-5,200.00)</b>

*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,*

### Holiday Pastry Sale by St. Thomas Altar Rosary Society

The St. Thomas Altar Rosary Society will be selling pastries again this year. The dates of the sale will be before and after both Masses the weekends of November 12/13 and November 19/20.

**Cost is \$15 for Kolachi and \$12 for Baklava.** As a reminder, all monies raised by the Altar Rosary are used for purchases made to enhance the altar and our church. Your support is always appreciated. Thank you.



### 2022 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 10/24):

**Our Parish Goal is \$78,564.00**

**Total Amount Pledged to date = \$46,904.00**

**Total Paid to date = \$44,349.00**

**# of Families who made a pledge = 133**

**# of Families who did not pledge = 212**

We appreciate your generosity to the CSA. 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.**

**VIBRANT, DYNAMIC CHURCH NEEDS**

**YOU!**



**The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Thomas Church for the week of October 9<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of our loved ones.**



### Knights of Columbus Food Drive Collection

The Corry Knights of Columbus are holding a food drive to benefit the Corry Food Pantry from now until the Thanksgiving holiday. Parishioners are asked to please donate non-perishable food items. You may place your donations in the marked bins at the entrances of St. Thomas Church. Thank you for your support!

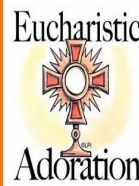


### Winterizing Our Parish Cemeteries

Parishioners are reminded to remove all potted urns/plants from graves for the winter as of November 2 at both St. Thomas and St. Elizabeth Cemeteries. Holiday wreaths/decorations may be placed on graves at this time. Thank you.

### Saturday Vigil Mass Returning to St. Thomas Church

Just a reminder that the Saturday Vigil Mass will be said at 4:00pm at St. Thomas Church for the month of November. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available at St. Thomas Church on Saturday's from 3:00pm-3:30pm during November.



### 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration THIS WEEK

Eucharistic Adoration will begin on Thursday, November 3 and goes until Friday, November 4 at Saint Thomas Church. **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 8:00am on Thursday and ends at 8:00am Friday morning.** All are welcome. We are always looking for more 'adorers', so if you can commit to one hour a month to be with Our Lord, please call the parish.

**HELP**

**WANTED**

### Bookkeeper Position Available

As part of the newly combining Parish Office for Sts. Thomas and Teresa Parishes, we are looking for a part-time bookkeeper. This position will be approximately 10-15 hours per week. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact our Business Manager, Missy Silka at the St. Thomas Office 814-663-3041 or [business@stparish.org](mailto:business@stparish.org)

### "Question of the Week" - 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Question for Children:** Jesus showed that he loved Zacchaeus by having supper with him. How does Jesus show his love for you?

**Question for Youth:** Jesus saw Zacchaeus as he was – mistakes and all. What masks, if any, do you hide behind so others won't see who you really are? Who do you trust to see your true self?

**Question for Adults:** Why do you suppose Jesus was so kind to Zacchaeus? What lesson do you draw from this reading regarding those who are considered "public sinners" today?

## St. Teresa Parish News

**ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:** Oct. 22/23, 2022  
**Amount in Envelopes:** (51) ..... \$1,605.00  
 (Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 106)  
**Loose** ..... \$143.00  
**Total Offertory Income** ..... \$1,748.00

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP:** Oct. 22/23, 2022  
**Amount in Envelopes:** (5) ..... \$115.00  
 (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 25)  
**Total Offertory Income** ..... \$115.00

**St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income**.....\$1,863.00  
**Average Weekly Expenses**.....\$4,777.00  
**Weekly Average Shortfall**.....\$(-2,914.00)

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

**Eucharistic Adoration** *Eucharistic Adoration at St. Teresa THIS WEEK*  
 Our parish will hold Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, November 4. **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins after the 8:00am Mass and continues until 12:00pm (noon).** All are welcome to join us anytime during Adoration. If you wish to commit to one hour a month to be with Our Lord, please call the parish.

**Thank You from the Knights**  
 St. Teresa's Knights of Columbus wish to thank all who supported their Pancake Breakfast on October 16. Watch the bulletin for the date of our next breakfast.

### Thanksgiving Food Baskets

We will soon begin filling food baskets for Thanksgiving for those in need. If know of anyone in need of a basket, please call the parish office with the name and phone number of the person in need. We are seeking 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 your donations at the back of Saint Teresa church. Thank you in advance for your donations.



### St. Teresa Rosary Altar Society Meeting

The St. Teresa Rosary Altar Society will meet on Monday, November 7 at 4:30pm in the St. Teresa Parish Center. All members are encouraged to attend.

### Thank You for Supporting the Harvest Moon Card Party

The St. Teresa Rosary Altar Society wishes to thank everyone who support our Harvest Moon Card Party. It was an enjoyable event. We look forward to hopefully seeing you again next year. Thank you again for your support!



The **SANCTUARY CANDLE** at St. Teresa Church for the week of September 18<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Jay Downor (birthday on Nov. 2) by Valerie Downor.

**In honor of**  
**National Eucharistic Revival**  
 Presentation with exhibition on  
**EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES**  
*"My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink"*  
**Come in 'believing.'**  
**Walk out 'BELIEVING!'**

**VIDEO INTRO**  
 Fr Joe Petrone

**SPEAKER**  
 Jaci Phillips PhD

*"Cease your doubting and believe!" ...Jesus*

St Teresa's - Sunday, November 6th - 11:15am  
 9 Third Street, Union City

*Free event. Multimedia presentation of the evidence and science of Eucharistic miracles, by Dr. Phillips. Please bring people who would like to increase their belief in the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.*

*"This is the first time in my life that I actually believe it's really Jesus" - Participant*

### Mass Readings for the Week of October 30, 2022

Sun.: Wisdom 11:22—12:2 ♦ 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 ♦ Luke 19:1-10  
 Mon.: Philippians 2:1-4 ♦ Luke 14:12-14  
 Tues.: Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 ♦ 1 John 3:1-3 ♦ Matthew 5:1-12a  
 Wed.: Wisdom 4:7-14 ♦ Romans 5:17-21 ♦ Matthew 11:25-30  
 Thur.: Philippians 3:3-8a ♦ Luke 15:1-10  
 Fri.: Philippians 3:17—4:1 ♦ Luke 16:1-8  
 Sat.: Philippians 4:10-19 ♦ Luke 16:9-15  
 Next Sun.: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 ♦ 2 Thessalonians 2:16—3:5 ♦ Luke 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

### 2022 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 10/24):

**Our Parish Goal is \$52,346.00**

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$36,455.00

Total Paid to date = \$33,320.00

# of Families who made a pledge = 93

# of Families who did not pledge = 201

We appreciate your generosity to the CSA. 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.**







Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual Light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.

Deceased from St. Thomas the Apostle Parish  
since Last All Souls' Day

Mark Ladika - July 21, 2020 (burial on 7/7/22)  
David Sidelinger - November 28, 2021  
William Brigham - November 30, 2021  
Mary R. Hammond - February 12, 2022  
Robert Borton - February 17, 2022  
Clarence Benedict - March 1, 2022  
Barbara McKeta - March 10, 2022  
Betty Jo Waltier - March 24, 2022  
Margaret 'Peg' Elchynski - March 27, 2022  
Michael Malone - March 30, 2022  
Jerry Waite - April 3, 2022  
Marian Barton - April 6, 2022  
Linda Sherred - April 10, 2022  
William Wellington - May 7, 2022  
Katherine Crawford - May 28, 2022  
Marinette Krupa - June 15, 2022  
Melvin Vanderhoff - June 15, 2022  
John Lutz - June 16, 2022  
Frank Karkoski - June 22, 2022  
Margaret Williams - August 16, 2022  
Deacon William Sproveri - August 22, 2022  
Paul Griebel - September 24, 2022

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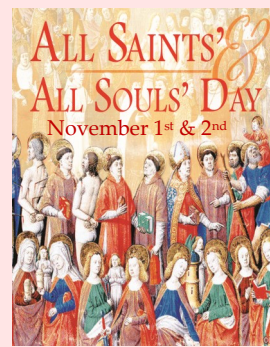
Deceased from St. Teresa of Avila Parish  
since Last All Soul's Day

Jay P. Downor - November 25, 2021  
James L. Smith - December 1, 2021  
Sherry (Bern) Davis - December 5, 2021  
Mildred Hawley - December 5, 2021  
Henry J. Kleszczowski - January 21, 2022  
Paula Sadowski - February 9, 2022  
William 'Bill' Dinsmore - April 28, 2022  
Dr. John Mohr, DMD - May 15, 2022  
Joan Bell - August 22, 2022

*We continue to pray for these and all our loved ones.*

Book of Remembrance

Our parish Book of the Remembrance is available in the sanctuary throughout the month of November at both Saints Thomas and Teresa. You may write the names of beloved family and friends who have gone home to with our Lord, especially those who have died since last November 1. We will continue to pray for these loved ones throughout November, especially as we celebrate the Feast of All Souls this month. Please also utilize your offertory envelopes for All Souls Day by writing the names of deceased loved ones on them. These envelope will be placed on the altar during Masses in November.



Mass Times for the Holy Day  
and Feast of All Souls'

Mon., Oct. 31— 7:00pm at St. Thomas  
Tues., Nov. 1—8:00am at St. Teresa  
Wed., Nov. 2—8:00am at St. Teresa  
Wed., Nov. 2—12:10pm at St. Thomas

All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation.

All Saints Day is when the Catholic Church honors all saints known and unknown. All Souls' Day reminds us to pray for the Holy Souls, faithful departed, in Purgatory who have not yet attained Heaven.

Parish Office Closed on Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>

Our Partnered Parish Office will be CLOSED on the Holy Day of Obligation, Solemnity of All Saints. Sorry for any inconvenience. We will reopen for business on Wed., Nov. 2 at 8:30am.

Faith Formation & Religious Ed. News

Religious Education Classes in Session

Our Religious Education Classes are now meeting. Classes are Sundays following Mass. Students in Corry will attend class from 8:45am until 10:00am in the multipurpose room and classrooms at the former school building. Union City students will attend class from 10:45am until 12:00pm (noon) at St. Teresa Parish Center. If you have not yet registered your children for Religious Education, it's not too late, call the parish office.



Class Schedule for October & November

Sunday, Oct. 30—Class  
Sunday, Nov. 6—Class  
Sunday, Nov. 13—Class w/Sacrament Enrollment at Mass  
Sunday, Nov. 20—Class  
Sunday, Nov. 27—No Class / Youth Mass

**Religious Education:**  
Helps to build a strong foundation



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More  
information  
to come.



Advanced  
Giving Days  
Nov. 14—28

#Giving Tuesday - November 29, 2022

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