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Corry, PA 16407

# THE PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

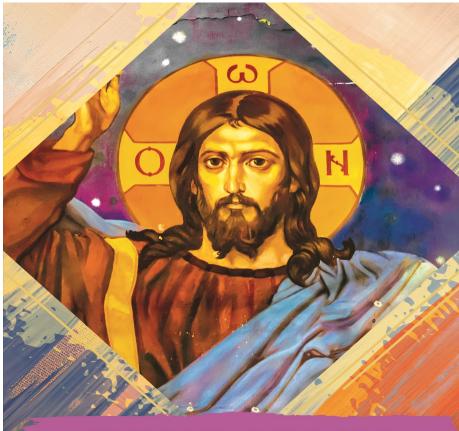
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### **ST. TERESA OF AVILA**



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

# June 18, 2023



**11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 

"Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." - Mt 10:6-8

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□ St. Thomas the Apostle □ St. Teresa of Avila Please drop this information into Offertory Basket or mail to Parish Office. **Rev. Gregory Passauer** Temporary Parochial Administrator

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Saint Teresa of Avila Parish 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

## **2023 SUMMER AMASS** SCHEDULE

Begins May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Memorial Day through Labor Day weekends

<u>Saturday</u>

4:30PM at St. Thomas Church, Corry

Sunday 8:00AM at St. Thomas Church, Corry

10:00AM at St. Teresa Church, Union City

11:00AM at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Canadohta Lake

#### Confessions

Saturdays from 3:30pm—4:00pm at St. Thomas Church

- OR - by appointment, please contact the parish office (814-663-3041)

#### Change to Communion Service Schedule THIS WEEK

Because both of our Deacons will be at the Diocese-wide retreat on Friday, June 23, the Communion Service schedule for that day will be held on Tuesday, June 20 at 8:00am at St. Teresa Church. No Communion Service on Friday, June 23. Thank you.



#### We Are the Church

People make up the church, not buildings. Our **Parishioners**, staff, and clergy affect the future direction of our parishes. We need your help to REVIVE our churches! Parishioners are invited to join us for brainstorming meetings to share ideas to help our parishes. The first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 18 at St. Teresa Parish Center at 6:30pm and a second meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 8 at 6:30pm. Imagine the possibilities TOGETHER! Hope to see you there.

#### Readings for the week of June 18, 2023

Next Sun.: Exodus 19:2-6a ♦ Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c) ♦ Romans 5:6-11 ♦ Matthew 9:36—10:8

Mon.: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 ♦ Psalm 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4♦ Matthew 5:38-42 Tues.: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 ♦ Psalm 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a ♦ Matthew 5:43-48 Wed.: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 ♦ Psalm 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 ♦ Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 Thur.: 2 Corinthians 11:11 ♦ Psalm 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 ♦ Matthew 6:7-15 Fri.: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30 ♦ Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 ♦ Matthew 6:19-23 Sat.: Vigil/Nativity of St. John the Baptist: Jeremiah 1:4-10 ♦ Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17 ♦ 1 Peter 1:8-12 ♦ Luke 1:5-17 Day: Isaiah 49:1-6 ♦ Psalm 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15 ♦ Acts 13:22-26 ♦ Luke 1:57-66, 80

Next Sun.: Jeremiah 20:10-13 ♦Psalm 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 (14c) ♦ Romans 5:12-15 ♦ Matthew 10:26-33



8:00a.m. Deceased & Living Fathers, especially those on the Father's Day Memorial List (St. Thomas, Corry) 10:00a.m. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Joseph S. Kusiak and Tom Kusiak by Patricia Kusiak (St. Teresa, Union City) 11:00a.m. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Jim Reagan by Becky Reagan and family (Our Lady of Fatima, Canadohta Lake) Monday, June 19 No Mass or Service at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa today. Tuesday, June 20 8:00a.m. Communion Service at St. Teresa Church Wednesday, June 21 8:00a.m. Communion Service at St. Thomas Church Thursday, June 22 No Mass or Service at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa today. Friday, June 23 No Mass or Service at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa today Saturday, June 24 4:30p.m. ⊕Judy Bitters by Rosemarie Ross and Family (St. Thomas, Corry) Sunday, June 25 Buccolini Families by Steve & Julie Rushin (St. Thomas, Corry) 10:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes (St. Teresa, Union City) 11:00a.m. <sup>1</sup>Clucy & John Zethner and Nick Brinsky by Elaine

Rusilko and family

(Our Lady of Fatima, Canadohta Lake)

#### 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 St. Thomas Church, Corry and/or at St. Teresa Church, Union City (when Mass is celebrated that evening); and other times by request made to the parish office.

#### ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH

### St. Thomas Parish News

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:	June 10 & 11, 2023
Amount in Envelopes: (71)	\$2,959.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 174 / Number	of Unused Envelopes: 103)
Loose	\$202.00
Online Giving (9)	\$295.00
Religious Education (5)	\$60.00
Father's Day Memorials (35)	\$665.00
Total Offertory Income	\$4,181.00

Average Weekly Expenses ......\$7,656.00 Weekly Average Shortfall ......\$(-3,475.00)

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 and click 'Donate Online'.

#### 2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 06/04):

St. Thomas Diocesan Goal is \$39,417.00 Total Amount Pledged to date = \$41,355.00 Total Paid to date = \$33,340.00 # of Families who made a pledge = 104 Prayerfully consider what God is leading you to give. If you have not yet pledged to the 2023 CSA, please do so today. <u>Be sure to make your check payable to</u> 'ST. THOMAS CHURCH' when making a CSA payment.

Thank you to those who already made their pledge to this year's CSA. Please remember, that every dollar raised above our diocesan goal stays right here in the parish to help with our designated project of much needed repairs to the church roof at St. Thomas. *Remember, no gift is too large or too small!* 

### $\sim$ Pray without Ceasing $\sim$



We wish to congratulate the newly married Trevor & Maggie (Roche) Newton who celebrated their wedding at St. Thomas the Apostle Church on June 17, 2023. May Christ be ever-present in their marriage and family life together.

#### Did You Remember Your Baby Bottle?

TODAY (June 18<sup>th</sup>) is Fathers' Day and time to return the baby bottles for the LifeCare fundraiser. If you forgot your bottle/donation, please bring it to the church or office as soon as possible. Thank you for supporting LifeCare.



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, know that all requests are kept confidential.

The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Thomas Church for the week of June 18<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of All Fathers.



Coffee and Donuts at Saint Thomas Parish in the multipurpose room following the 8:00am Mass TODAY Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. Donations accepted to help cover the cost of the donuts. All are welcome to join us for fellowship and food.

#### Another Work Session for Our Church Garden Beds

Thanks to everyone who helped spruce up the flower beds around our parish properties. We will be working again, weather permitting, on Tuesday, June 20 at St. Thomas Church and office building. We plan to do weeding and mulching, so please bring your own garden tools. We hope you will join us.

#### St. Thomas Altar Rosary Meeting CANCELLED for June

The meeting originally scheduled for June 21 is cancelled. This was to be the last meeting for the summer months. We will see you in September when the Altar Rosary meetings resume.

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Matthew 9:37

#### Congratulations to Our Newest 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights

We wish to congratulate seven men from Corry Council #425 who recently achieved 4<sup>th</sup> Degree with the Knights of Columbus during a ceremony held at St. Luke's Church in Erie on Saturday, June 10, 2023.



Picture below are: (front row) Gary Johnston, Steve Weis, Rick Ayers; (back row) Mike Hanlin, Rob Weis, Jeff Weis, and Jason Halfast.



#### ST. TERESA OF AVILA PARISH

### **St. Teresa Parish News**

ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: June 11, 2023	
Amount in Envelopes: (49) \$1,765.00	
(Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 108)	
Loose\$142.00	
<b>Continuing the Vision</b> (2) \$75.00	
Total Offertory Income \$1,982.00	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: June 11, 2023	
Amount in Envelopes: (11) \$195.00	
(Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 19)	
Loose	
Total Offertory Income \$344.00	
St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income\$2,326.00	
Average Weekly Expenses	
Weekly Average Shortfall\$(-2,451.00)	

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



2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 05/30) St. Teresa Diocesan Goal is \$24,055.00 Total Amount Pledged to date = \$35,990.00 Total Paid to date = \$31,460.00 # of Families who made a pledge = 77 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.

Thank you to those who already made their pledge to this year's CSA. WE REACHED OUR DIOCESAN GOAL! All money raised now goes directly to the parish to help with our designated project of much needed repairs to the roofs at both St. Teresa Church and St. Teresa Parish Center. Remember, no gift is too large or too small!

#### Fish and Mac & Cheese for Sale

There are a few extra items which have been in the freezer from our parish's Fish Dinner: one case of Haddock (40 pounds) available for \$50 and two trays of Mac & Cheese available for \$10 each. Please call the parish office or Becky Boleratz at 814-572-8126 if interested in purchasing these items.

#### Did You Remember Your Baby Bottles for the Knights?

St. Teresa's Knights of Columbus collected baby bottles filled with change to support pro-life efforts. Bottles were due back today and they can be returned any Union City Knight at Mass this weekend—June 18. Thank you for your support.



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St. Teresa Parish's Lawn Festival Thursday, July 20, 2023



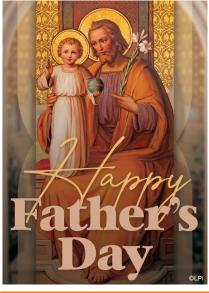
We are in need of the following items to make our festival a success: Plants, Items for

the Chinese Auction, 2 liter bottles of pop (lots of them), baked goods, and YOUR TIME. If you can help working one of the many booths for a couple of hours, please reach out to Matt Moon at 814-490-1494. Please find raffle tickets and signs in the back of the church. Sold tickets can be returned in an envelope marked 'Lawn Festival' and placed in the collection basket or returned the evening of the festival before 8:00pm. There will be a meeting after the 10:00am Mass on Sunday, June 25 in the St. Teresa Parish Center for anyone who would like to attend. Thank you.



St. Teresa Church <u>Co-Ed Cash Bingo Fun</u>draiser Update CO-TETO We wish to thank Elaine & Dick Hasbrouck, co-chairs, and the committee of volunteers who organized the St. Teresa Co-Ed Cash

Bingo fundraiser held on June 3, 2023 at the Union City Fire Hall. It was a fun event and many people came out to support us. The bingo event raised \$5,110 for our parish. Thanks to everyone who helped, volunteered, donated, purchased tickets, and support our efforts. We could not have done it without you!



We Honor Our Fathers Happy Father's Day to all fathers, step-fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, and other men who have loved and mentored children. We ask Our Lord God to bless the men of our parishes, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. May the example of our Heavenly Father's love and compassion inspire them, and may their sons and daughters always honor them with loving respect. We also remember all our deceased fathers with the prayer that they are in Paradise in the glorious presence of the Risen Christ.

#### St. Teresa Church Organizations / Groups

•Rosary—Altar Society Meets the first Monday of each month at 4:30 PM

•Knights of Columbus Meet every third Wednesday at 7:00 PM

> •Religious Education Guild Meets during the school term

### Pastoral Planning Prayer

Loving God, author of creation, your spirit pervades and enriches our world. Through your Son, who shares our humanity, you have called us to participate in your divine creativity and to build the kingdom of God here on earth. Form us, we pray, as one community under the leadership of our bishop to serve all the people of this region in your name.

Inspire us to discover new ways and structures to spread your Gospel. Open our eyes to see Christ in others, especially the poor, the sick and the marginalized. Empower us to be the hands and feet of Christ in our parishes and communities. Help us to welcome all into His embrace.

Guide us in our discernment, as we pray with Pope Francis for the vision to see new paths of possibility; for a spirit of mission that invigorates our every effort; and for the strength to be unafraid of what is new. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

> Imprimatur, July 25, 2014 The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico JCL Bishop of Erie

To learn more and keep up to date about the Pastoral Planning in the Diocese of Erie, please visit their website at www.eriercd.org/planning.html.

#### "Question of the Week" - 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Question for Children:** Have you ever had to walk in the dark with no light? How is that like walking by faith and not by sight? What did you have to do to keep going in the dark?

**Question for Youth:** Do you pray and ask for faith? How do you work on building your faith?

**Question for Adults:** When do you find it hardest to have faith? Must you "see" answered prayer, or can you peacefully accept God's will?

# We are his people his flock of sheep.

Our Lady of Fatima Church 36198 Lake Road Union City, PA 16438

### **Our Lady of Fatima News**

#### Honoring Monsignor John Swoger

Please join us after Our Lady of Fatima's Mass next Sunday, June 25 for coffee and donuts as we celebrate Msgr. Swoger's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination. He has served our congregation at the lake for many years and we are thankful for his dedication to this faith community. Let him



know that we are grateful for his devotion to God and the celebration of Mass with us here at Our Lady of Fatima, and his assistance within our partnered parishes. All are welcome to attend.

#### Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Let us open our hearts to the wonderful outpouring of grace as the word of God is proclaimed this day. The final line of Matthew's Gospel beautifully describes the great gift of the new covenant in which we were baptized: "Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give." Let us be open to the free gift of grace showered upon us through the proclamation of God's sacred word, and by that grace give witness to our faith with others.

Happy Father's Day to the men of our parishes; and those visiting families at Canadohta lake; may God strengthen them as Christian fathers. We also pray for fathers who have passes and are now with God. May God grant them eternal rest.

#### Congratulations to Our Graduates

We wish to congratulate members of our parishes who recently graduated from local area high schools. We applaud them for their accomplishments and commend them on their



achievements. We will be honoring our high school graduates with a Baccalaureate Mass at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa parishes on Sunday, June 25, during the morning Masses. We ask that seniors and/or their parents please contact the parish office if they plan to attend either the 8:00am or 10:00am Mass.



Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Persico Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2023 will be held in our area on **Sunday, August 6** 

at Our Lady of Peace, Erie at 2:00pm. Couples may complete a registration form online at <u>http://www.eriercd.org/</u><u>familylifeoffice/anniv.html</u>, call the parish office or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 814-824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 21.

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