

## 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

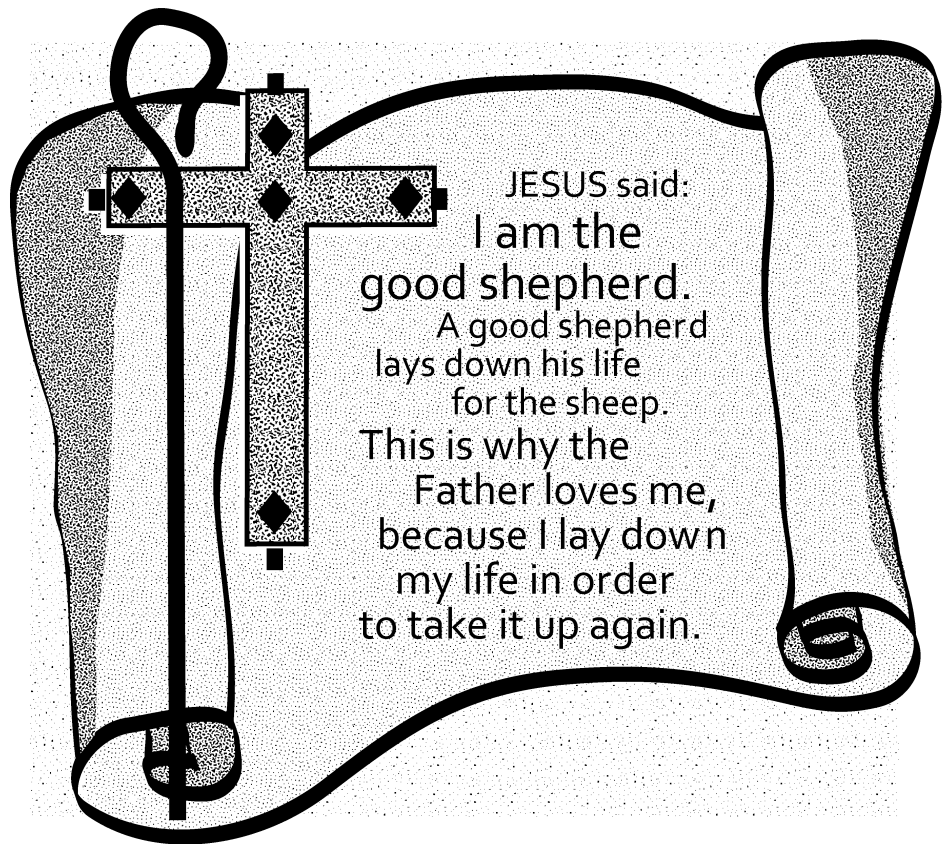
Meets during the school term.

#### ● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

#### ● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



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## Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021

In the Lord we find our refuge.

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

### Saturday, April 24 Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Sophie Combs by Dick & Elaine Hasbrouck

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Sam Baressi by His Children

### Sunday, April 25 Fourth Sunday of Lent

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

10:45am (St. Teresa) Raymond Rhodes by Dorothy & Family

### Monday, April 26 Easter Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

### Tuesday, April 27 Easter Weekday

8:00am The Poor Souls in Purgatory

### Wednesday, April 28 Easter Weekday

8:00am Sophie Combs by Paul & Lillie Mongera

### Thursday, April 29 St. Catherine of Siena

8:00am George & Barbara Pinchak

### Friday, April 30 Easter Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

### Saturday, May 1 Fifth Sunday of Easter

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Fran O'Connell by Ilene Zakovitch

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus by Council #425

### Sunday, May 2 Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:45am (St. Teresa) Intentions of Our Parish Family

10:45am (St. Thomas) First Holy Communion Mass

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Mass time for Sunday May 2nd has been changed. **IT IS FOR THIS WEEK ONLY**

**Sacrificial Giving:** The offertory last weekend was \$1,907 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,865 in envelopes and \$42 in loose & \$265 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

**Please Pray for Our Priests** Rev. Henry C. Andrae, Rev. Stanley J. Swacha, Rev. John A. Walsh, Rev. Jason A. Glover Rev. James G. Gutting

**A Family Perspective** Today's gospel is a job description for Christian parents. For most people, the most influential shepherd in their lives is a parent. Every parent is called to be a "good shepherd" to "freely lay down their life" for their children, to "love" and "know" their children and to "lead" them so "they know your voice."

## Mass Readings for the Week

Mon.	Acts 11:1-18♦John 10:1-10
Tue.	Acts 11:19-26:♦John 10:22-30
Wed	Acts 12:24, 13:5♦John 12:44-50
Thur	Acts 13:13-25♦John 13:16-20
Fri.	Acts 13:26-33♦John 14:1-6
Sat.	Acts 13:44-52♦John 14:7-14
Sun.	Acts 9:26-31♦1 John 3:18-24♦John 15:1-8

## Religious Education

04/25 REP Class, Youth Mass/Grade 5

05/01 First Holy Communion Retreat w/practice, 9am-12pm

05/02 No REP Class, First Holy Communion, 10:45 at St. Thomas

**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.**

**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**

## SCHEDULES FOR MAY 1 & 2

<b>4:30</b>		<b>8:45</b>
	<b>LECTORS</b>	
Nancy Ferro		Pat Vallimont
	<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	
		Kim Yaple
	Choir	George Wetzel
	<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	
Colton Boyd		Sophia Messinger

**The Parish Bulletin is available weekly on line at [st-teresa-unioncity.org](http://st-teresa-unioncity.org)**

**Pray for Consecrated Life**

**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 part of the ongoing celebration to mark Union City's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, there will be an outdoor community church service & ice cream social event at the First United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 3-5pm. There will be praise bands, children's activities & community walk around the neighborhoods to walk & pray together. This event is being hosted by several local churches. It is important that our parish be involved as well. Volunteers are needed to help serve ice cream or assist with the children's activities. If you're able, please let Mary Harned in the parish office know so we can get an idea of how many we have.

**2021 Catholic Services Appeal**

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$23,177

Amount Paid to Date - \$17,807

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

**SUB SALE** – To Benefit the Corry Area Missionary Fund which offers financial support to local missionaries as they mission for the Gospel of Christ.

Choice of...Italian Sub w/salami, ham, capricola & cheese or Ham & cheese Sub. All subs include sides of tomatoes, onions, lettuce, Italian dressing or mayo.

\$8 for 8" sub – payable at time of order.

Orders taken until May 10 –Pick up at SALT or St. Thomas Church the weekend of May 15-16

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Father Davis on the occasion of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on April 24th. We ask God's continued blessings on you.

**PSA** Scammers claiming to be diocesan priests are sending private text messages to individuals and asking for cash or gift cards. Do not fall for this scam – do not give your personal information, and do not interact with the scammer. If this happens to you, notify your parish immediately and also report of the Diocese of Erie.

**OUR RETIRED DIOCESAN PRIESTS** This weekend, we will have our annual **Good Shepherd Collection** in our parish to assist with the needs of caring for our retired diocesan priests. There is a special need to assist them with the escalating health care costs and long-term care expenses. As more priests become eligible to retire from active ministry in the next few years, our Priest Retirement Plan must be adequately funded to cover their future needs. Please consider a generous gift to the annual Diocesan Good Shepherd Collection. Use the special envelope provided or any envelope and mark on it– “Good Shepherd Collection.”

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments**  
**Child Abuse Prevention Month: Mandated Reporters** in the Diocese of Erie are people who hold positions of trust in our schools, parishes, agencies and institutions and are mandated by Pennsylvania law and the diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children to report suspected abuse of a minor. All employees and volunteers working/serving for the Diocese of Erie, in our parishes, schools or agencies are considered mandated reporters both legally and morally obligated to report any reasonable suspected child abuse to ChildLine, the local police, or other appropriate agency. Visit <https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/> to learn the specific reporting procedures required by the diocese.

**Marriage Moment** “Screens” (TV, computers, cell phones...) can give us a lot of helpful information. BUT, they can also crowd out relationship time. May 3-9 is **Screen Free Week** (<https://commercialfreechildhood.org/sfw-21-save-the-date/>) Although this is often directed to children, it starts with you and your beloved. Can you spend a day without using a screen this week? What will you substitute?

There will be a meeting to discuss the 2021 **Lawn Festival** on Tuesday May 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the center. Please attend if you are able.

The 2021 **Golf Outing** is scheduled for July 10. A meeting will be held on Tuesday April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the Parish Center. Anyone interested, please join us. If you would like to help but can't make the meeting, contact Dick & Elaine Hasbrouck 814-438-3893

*We shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.  
(1 John 3:2)*

What a marvelous promise! John is telling us that when we see Jesus in heaven, “as he is,” we will be transformed (1 John 3:2). That vision of Jesus will have such a powerful effect on us that all of the sinful tendencies we have accumulated over the years will be no more, and we will become like him. All our selfishness, our pride, our lusts, and our pettiness will melt away.

But what is it about seeing Jesus that brings about such a change? After all, his three closest disciples – including John himself – saw Jesus’ heavenly glory at the transfiguration, but it didn’t have as powerful an effect on them. They still had a lot of changing to do (Mark 9:2-12).

The difference is that in heaven we will see Jesus as he is after his death and resurrection. We’ll see him as the “Lamb” who was “slain” for us and who bears the marks of his death as emblems of his love (Revelation 5:6). And not only will we see the evidence of Jesus’ love, but we’ll be enveloped in it

The world has never seen a love as complete and pure as the love Jesus has for us. There is no self-interest in it. There is no ulterior motive. There are no conditions. There is only love: pure and strong and merciful. And where there is love like this, there is no room for sin of any kind.

That’s what the future holds. But this vision isn’t limited to the day we stand before Jesus in heaven. We can “see” him every single day: in our prayer, in the Scriptures, and in the people and the world around us.

And most powerfully, we can see him – and receive him – at every Mass: the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

So come and behold Jesus today. Come and see him with the eyes of your heart, and let what you see make you a little more like him.

*“Jesus, open my eyes to see you and my heart to welcome you today.”*

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.

