## St. Teresa of Avila Parish

St. Teresa Church (Union City) <u>Weekend Masses</u> Saturday: 4:30 P.M. Sunday: 10:45 A.M. Confessions: Saturday, 4:00 P.M. Rev. D. G. Davis III, Pastor Rev. Mr. Randy Kondrlik, Deacon 9 Third Avenue Union City, Pennsylvania 16438 Fr. Davis: 663-3041 Office: 438-3408 Email: stteresa@verizon.net www.st-teresa-unioncity.org

Our Lady of Fatima Chapel (Canadohta Lake) <u>Weekend Masses</u> (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 prebaptismal instruction.

#### MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

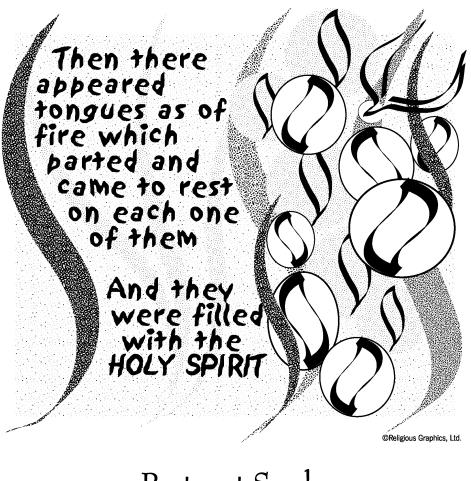
**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** Please let the pastor know when a family member or a friend is ill, either at home, in the hospital or at a nursing home.

#### **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



# Pentecost Sunday

May 23, 2021

Send forth Your Spirit and renew the face of the earth!

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS Saturday, May 22 Pentecost Sunday 4:30pm (St. Teresa) Milda Layden by Estate 4:30pm (St. Thomas) Donald Buell (Anniv. of Death) by Shirley Skiff Sunday, May 23 Pentecost Sunday 8:45am (St. Thomas) Intentions of Our Parish Family 10:45am (St. Teresa) Connie Silka by Cheryl Nothum Monday, May 24 Weekday 8:00am Communion Service Tuesday, May 25 Weekday 8:00am Mike Rushin by Fr. Skip Davis Wednesday, May 26 St. Philip Neri 8:00am Danny Stauffer, Steve Stepnowski, & Steve Andrews by Yvonne Stauffer, Jean Stepnowski & **Dorothy Andrews** Thursday, May 27 Weekday 8:00am The Poor Souls In Purgatory Friday, May 28 Weekday 8:00am Communion Service Saturday, May 29 The Most Holy Trinity 4:30pm (St. Teresa) Sandy King by Larry King & Family 4:30pm (St. Thomas) Carol Vanchieri by Jackie Gatesman & Family Sunday, May 30 The Most Holy Trinity 8:45am (St. Thomas) The Luden Family by The Oldani Family 9:30am (Our Lady of Fatima) Jenine Mineo by John & Rita Mineo & Family 10:45am (St. Teresa) Intentions of Our Parish Family Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$1,198 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,145 in envelopes and \$53 in loose & \$250 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

**Please Pray for Our Priests** Rev. T. Shane Mathew, Rev. Scott W. Jabo, Rev. Thomas M. Aleksa, Rev. Kyle Seyler, Rev. Andrew Boyd, Rev. Richard J. Toohey, Very Rev. Michael T. Kesicki

The Rosary Altar Society will be holding a bake sale this weekend after all Masses. Please support this very worthwhile endeavor. <u>A Family Perspective</u> Today, on Pentecost, we remember Christ has given us the Holy Spirit to assist us in raising our family and he expects us to use this personal gift. Let's set aside the distractions in our lives and let the Holy Spirit "guide us to the truth."

Mass Readings for the Week

- Mon. Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1"12-14♦John 19:25-34
- Tue. Sirach 35:1-12♦Mark 10:28-31
- Wed Sirach 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17 Mark 10:32-45
- Thur Sirach 42:15-25 Mark 10:46-52

Fri. Sirach 44:1, 9-13 Mark 11:11-26

Sat. Sirach 51:12cd-20 Mark 11:27-33

Sun. Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40♦Romans 8:14-17♦Matthew 28:16-20

#### **Religious Education**

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.

## SCHEDULES FOR MAY 29 & 30

**LECTORS** 

4:30

10:45

Nancy Ferro

Elizabeth Moon

## EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Flo Down

Tom Kunzen Choir: Pat Vallimont

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Colton Boyd

Ozzy Williams

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

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

Chapel Re-opens. Our Lady of Fatima Chapel at Canadohta Lake will open Memorial Weekend for the summer season beginning Sunday, May 30. The Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated every Sunday morning at 9:30AM and will follow Covid pandemic protocols as directed by the diocesan office. All members of the Chapel congregation, seasonal visitors, and all those of Saint Teresa parish are welcome to come together during the course of the summer months to celebrate Mass. As directed by the Erie Diocese, Sunday liturgies will be offered at Our Lady of Fatima Chapel through Labor Day Weekend of 2021. Please inform all friends and neighbors of this news. Keep in mind that the Mass schedule at Saint Teresa Church will retain the same schedule as usual.

**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 it 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. It you're able, please let Mary Harned in the parish office knows so we can get an idea of how many we have.

Goal - \$28,606 Amount Pledged to Date - \$24,227 Amount Paid to Date - \$18,947 **Reminder – Please make all CSA checks payable** to St. Teresa Church

Altar Rosary Society will meet Monday Evening, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the parish center.

We will once again have a "Wall of Money" located in the back of church. Please help raise funds for the church by removing envelopes & clearing the wall! Once you've filled your envelope, you may return it to the church office or simply place it in the offertory basket. Once the wall is cleared we will have raised \$3500 for our parish!!

**From Fr. Skip**... These past few weeks, there has been so much to be thankful for. First of all, thanks to anyone and everyone who supported my family during this time of loss. We so greatly appreciated your presence and preparations and prayers, and ask that as we move forward, without our Dad and through the piles and piles of legal and bureaucratic paperwork, you would continue to lift us up.

Thank you too to all those who supported the recent sub sale to finance local Christian missionary work to other countries who have yet to hear the Gospel message. The total amount of money deposited in the fund was \$2598.00, of which \$668.12 was deducted for expenses. After that, the \$790.91 that SALT Church raised was given to Nate and Tali Myers for their current trip to Zambia, leaving the CAMF with a profit of \$1138.97. St. Thomas was the church with the second highest sales of \$696.

Thanks to all those who made the outdoor Mass at Elgin Park happen. Prior to my Dad's passing, I was planning on a week away but of course, they didn't happen and in its place, Dad's death still prevented me from being with you all. But I heard from several sources that it went well and thanks go out to those who made that happen, and to all of you for your prayerful attendance.

Please note also that the following COVID protocols have been lifted. Masks are no longer expected, although the choice is still yours, based on your level of comfort. Social distancing is still encouraged. The opening and closing procession is back in place and the presider is now permitted to greet at the doors after Mass, although with an elbow or fist bump instead. All other restrictions remain in place until further notice.

I'm thinking there are other necessary acknowledgements too, but my mind is full right now. When and if the others occur to me, I will be back in touch. God bless you all!

## They were all filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:4)

Just how big was that "all"? Well, Luke tells that "about one hundred and twenty persons" were together the day the apostles chose Matthias to replace Judas (Acts 1:15). It's quite possible that many of them had joined the apostles to celebrate the Jewish feast of Pentecost as well.

So those "all" who had gathered that day probably included people like Mary Magdalene, along with some of the other women who went to Jesus' tomb on Easter Sunday. You can also imagine Simon the Cyrenian being there, along with his sons, Alexander and Rufus (Mark 15:21). And what about Peter's wife? Zacchaeus or Lazarus and Martha and Mary? Maybe Stephen and the other future deacons were there, along with people whose names have been lost to history.

Whoever were there, Luke tells us that they all received the same gift of the Holy Spirit. They all began speaking in tongues. And they all found new courage and boldness to speak "of the mighty acts of God" (Acts 2:11).

You know where this is going, right? God gives the same Spirit that filled Peter and the apostles to everyone who asks. That includes you, your family, your friends, even your enemies. God doesn't restrict his blessings to a chosen few. He wants to fill everyone!

Try something different at Mass today. Whether you're gathered with fellow parishioners in your church or joining others online, imagine what it would be like if the spirit fell on all of you during the liturgy. What would it look like for all of those present – including you – to experience the Holy Spirit in the same way the disciples did? Or to be so filled with joy that all burst out in praise of the Lord? Or to experience God's love in a deep, intimate way? In fact, don't just imagine it. Pray for it!

"Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of your people"

<u>Marriage Moment</u> On Pentecost scripture asks, "How does each of us hear them in our own native language?" (Acts 2:8) In marriage we sometimes have to stretch to really understand what our beloved means by their words. Is your "native" language emotional words, acts of kindness, physical touch...? Listen, watch, and feel carefully as you communicate today.

There are still some parishioners who have not yet turned in their census forms. If you have not turned yours in, please do so as soon as possible. If you need another form, please call the parish office and one will be sent to you.

You recently received order forms for Jane's stromboli's and pies. Please consider placing an order. An excellent way to stock your freezer. If for any reason you did not receive one, please call the parish office and one will be sent to you.

