## 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 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

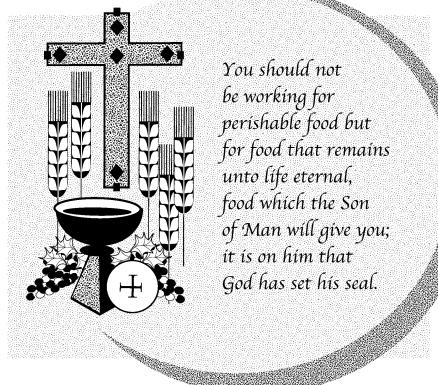
Meets during the school term.

## •SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

#### •PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



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## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 1, 2021

Give peace, O God, to those who wait for you.

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

## Saturday, July 31 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (**St. Teresa**) Walter Bartyzel by Altar Servers

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

## Sunday, August 1 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (**St. Thomas**) Louis & Charlotte Sproveri by Christine & Denny Anderson

9:30am (**Our Lady of Fatima**) Virginia Poninsky by Noreen Hurlburt

10:45am (**St. Teresa**) Bernard & Helen Gluvna by Tricia, Sophie & Jessica

## Monday, August 2 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

## Tuesday, August 3 Weekday

8:00am The Poor Souls in Purgatory

## Wednesday, August 4 St. John Vianney

8:00am Deceased Members of the Polish National Alliance Lodge 2230 by PNA Members & Officers

## Thursday, August 5 Weekday

8:00am Saturnino & Deceased embers of the Allanigue Family by Angie Masangcay

## Friday, August 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00am Communion Service

## Saturday, August 7 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (**St. Teresa**) Intentions of Our Parish Family 4:30pm (**St. Thomas**) Deceased Members of the Jeffords & Palmer Families by Richard & Jean Farver

## **Sunday, August 8 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:45am (**St. Thomas**) Gene Vinca by Daniel & Cassandra Pfeiffer

9:30am (**Our Lady of Fatima**) Alfred and Francis Gavulic by Carol and Gregg Steinmetz and Family 10:45am (**St. Teresa**) Rosemary Sefchick by Ilene Zakovitch

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$1,168 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,035 in envelopes and \$133 in loose & \$582 for Our Lady of Fatima which includes \$335 in envelopes and \$247 in loose. Offertory Goal \$3,000

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. Numbers 11:4b-15◆Matthew 14:13-2 Tue. Numbers 12:1-13 ◆Matthew 14:22-36 Wed Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-49a, 34-

35♦Matthew 15:21-28

Thur Numbers 20:1-13♦ Matthew 16:13-23
Fri. Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14♦ 2 Peter 1:16-19
Sat. Deuteronomy 6:4-13♦Matthew 17:14-20
Sun. 1 Kings 19:4-8♦ Ephesians 4:30-5:2♦John

6:41-51

## 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 Lisa Lockwood, Religious Education Administrator or Missy Silka, Religious Education Facilitator.

### **SCHEDULES FOR AUG 7-8**

4:30

LECTORS

Ernie Ferro

Bill Sullivan

10:45

### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Mary Ann Shinko

Kim Yaple Choir: George Wetzel

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

Mary Jo Smith

Jessica Messinger

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$26,177 Amount Paid to Date - \$23,877

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

The Rosary Altar Society will meet Monday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6pm in the Parish Center.

The Rosary Altar Society will hold a Bake Sale after all Masses on August 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Chapel bulletin and Mass of August 1, 2021

Sunday August 1 9:30AM Virginia Poninsky by Noreen Hurburt

Sunday August 8 9:30AM Alfred and Francis Gavulic by Carol and Gregg Steinmetz and Family

## **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

What sustains us comes from God. Just as God provided for the Israelites in the desert and also the crowds who followed Jesus; God gives us what we need. Jesus, the Bread of Life, gave us the Eucharist which sustains and strengthens us in God's graces. Jesus also gave us the opportunity for eternal life through His death on the cross. We have been called to participate in a personal relationship with Christ. By heeding the call we must live in accord with Jesus's commands to love God and one another. We honor these commands when we offer care and compassion to others. Our genuine hunger will be satisfied at God's heavenly banquet table.

**WEEKLY OFFERING** The collection of Sunday, July 25, was \$582.00 and included \$335.00 in 15 adult envelopes, and \$247.00 in loose money. The Chapel is grateful for your contributions that support the work of God here in this faith community.

**NOTEABLE DATES Wednesday, August 4,** is the memorial of St. John Vianney, the patron of parish priests. Although he was not considered highly scholastic, he was ordained a priest because of his virtue. He became a noted catechist, confessor, and spiritual director and performed miracles and healings.

Friday, August 6, is the Feast of the Transfiguration. Peter, James, and John were offered a rare glimpse of Jesus' glory. It was a source of enlightenment and encouragement to them. We also may experience "mountain top" moments in our faith journey, but, once they are over, just like the apostles we must come down from the mountain and get back to work! This day also is the anniversary of the 1945 World War II bombing of Hiroshima, an action that transformed the world with the use of nuclear weapons.

TUNE IN Canadohta Lake has a radio station where you can find information about community happenings and listen to music of the 60's, 70's, and 80's by tuning in to WUUK-LP at 105.7 FM. The station is happy to promote non-profit organizations and their events. Contact station manager Brian Silvis at 814-732-0579 or send an email to CanadohtaRadio@gmail.com for more information. FOOD FOR THOUGHT How do you see the Eucharist nourishing you on your journey of life? How does it offer you a foretaste of the eternal life that is to come?

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.

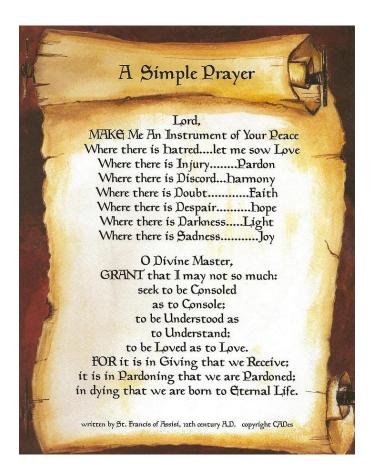
<u>A Family Perspective</u>. In today's gospel Jesus tells us: "Do not work for what perishes." Give your life to what endures such as the family history you are creating, the love and mutual respect which bonds you together, the memories you share and the forgiveness generously given. These are the true treasures that are worth working and dying for.

Marriage Moment Last Thursday, July 29, was Earth Overshoot Day – the day when we humans exhausted nature's budget for 2021. But... we're still alive. Good. Want to personalize this idea to your own home. Click here <a href="http://www.footprintcalculator.org/">http://www.footprintcalculator.org/</a> to calculate your ecological footprint.

Parenting Pointers Officially July 25 was "Parent's Day." But as any 'working' parent knows (and we all work even if we don't get paid), it's not always a holiday. If you didn't take any time off work last Sunday, give yourself a break sometime this weekend.

Child **Protection** and Creating Safe **Environments-Documentation** for **Safety:** Working alongside the Bishop, the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth reinforces the ongoing implementation of policies and procedures that protect children. All employees, volunteers and clergy in the Diocese of Erie who work with children must undergo criminal record checks. The diocesan Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth screening guidelines and abuse prevention training programs emphasize the importance of knowing the employees and volunteers who have access to children in our schools and parishes. Parents should remain vigilant in insisting that those with access to their children have gone through an application process and obtained the required clearances and trainings before being granted access to their children. Visit https://www.eriercd.org/childprotection/ to see what documentation and training is required for those who work with children and youth

parishes/schools/agencies.



If your <u>address</u> or <u>phone number</u> has recently changed, please notify the parish office so that our records are current and up to date.

# Would that we had died at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, as we...ate our fill of bread! (Exodus 16:3)

As the old saying goes, "A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush." It's better to have a sure thing than to hope for something better that's not guaranteed. That seems to capture the Israelites' complaint to Moses. They would rather be enslaved in Egypt and have enough to eat than trust God to lead them to the Promised Land. After all, they're hungry!

It might seem shortsighted. God had just freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. He parted the Red Sea for them to pass through and provided water in the desert. Why didn't they trust him to take care of them? Why were their sights set so love, on such immediate needs?

The short answer is, that it's human nature. The needs that loom before us can make us forget God's faithfulness. It's like the crowd following Jesus in today's Gospel: they searched for Him, not because they had seen healings and miracles, but because He had filled their bellies (John 6:26). Even when Jesus told them that He was the "Bread of God," the One who came down from heaven to give life to the world, they still seemed preoccupied with physical food (6:33).

It can be hard to trust that in the long term, God will bring good out of a hard situation when all we want is relief. It can be a challenge to remember His promises when all we can see is what we're lacking. We need a sign of God's faithfulness, a reminder that He takes care of us.

The Eucharist is that reminder. Day after day, Jesus offers Himself: the Bread come down from heaven. So today, when you receive Communion, place those pressing needs before the Lord. Receive Him and know that He has you in the palm of His hand.

"Lord Jesus, You are the Bread of Life. Help me hunger for the food that endures."