# 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.

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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 Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.

FOR THE SON OF MAN DID NOT COME TO BE SERVED, BUT TO SERVE AND TO GIVE HIS LIFE AS A RANSOM FOR MANY

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# Twenty-ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 17, 2021

Our soul waits for the Lord!

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

# Saturday, October 16 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Mary Layden by Cathryn Landis & Mary Harned

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Fred & Mary Walsh by Their Family

# Sunday, October 17 Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Living & Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas by Court Conception #35

10:45am (St. Teresa) Intentions of Our Parish Family

# Monday, October 18 St. Luke

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, October 19 Sts. John de Brebeuf & Issas Jogues

8:00am Communion Service

8:00am (St. Thomas) Albert Ross (anniv. of death) by Shirley Skiff

Wednesday, October 20 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

5:15pm (St. Thomas) Joseph Jawdy by Joe & Janet Jawdy

Thursday, October 21 Weekday

8:00am Katie & Reed Stewart by Dorothy Mongera

# Friday, October 22 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday, October 23 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 (St Teresa) Virginia Hamilton by John & Rita Mineo

4:30 (St. Thomas) Bill Phillips Sr. by The Family

Sunday, October 24 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

10:45am (St. Teresa) Jerry Adams by Diana Adams & Family

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$2,222 for St. Teresa which includes \$2,070 in envelopes and \$152 in loose & \$170 for Our Lady of Fatima. Offertory Goal \$3,000

## PRAY FOR WORLD PEACE & CHRISTIAN UNITY

Anyone wishing to do so may send cards to: Cathryn Landis Brevillier Village 5456 E. Lake Road Erie, PA 16511

Mass Readings for the Week		
Mon	2 Timothy 4:10-17b ♦Luke 10:1-9	
Tue.	Romans 5:12, 15b, 17019, 20b-21+Luke	
	1:35-38	
Wed	Romans 6:12-18 Luke 12:39-48	
Thurs.	Romans 6:19-23 Luke 12:49-53	
Fri.	Romans 7:18-25a Luke 12:54-59	
Sat.	Romans 8:1-11 Luke 13:1-9	
Sun.	Jeremiah 31:7-9♦ Hebrews 5:1-6 ♦Mark	
	10:46-52	

## **Religious Education**

10/17 6<sup>th</sup>

10/24 7<sup>th</sup>

10/31 YOUTH MASS, 10/No Class (Children's Liturgy)

11/07 8th

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.

Goal - \$28,606 Amount Pledged to Date - \$29,447 Amount Paid to Date - \$27,852 Reminder – Please make all CSA checks payable to St. Teresa Church

**Pray for Our Priests** Rev. Jeffrey J. Lucas, Rev. T. Shane Mathew, Rev. Richard Tomasone, Rev. Andrew Boyd, The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico, Rev. Richard J. Toohey, Rev. Jason Mitchell

<u>A Family Perspective</u> While many good books abound on marriage and parenting, Jesus tells us in today's gospel the real secret: satisfying relationships depend on how well we sacrifice our needs to serve others. It is not about "getting," it's about "giving" ourselves. 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.

# SCHEDULES FOR OCTOBER 23 & 24

4:30	10:45 LECTORS	5
Pat Brown	Terry Derna	r
EUC	HARISTIC MINISTERS	
Pat Miller	Paul Beer Choir: Kelly Nordi	in
	ALTAR SERVERS	

Daniel Smith

Emma Geer

**Marriage Moment** "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant." (Mark 10:43) Certainly in marriage couples serve each other in various ways, and that is good. Why not mix it up this week? Do your partner's usual job or an extra task. Enjoy the change of pace.

Rosary Altar Society will be holding a <u>"Harvest Moon Card Party"</u> on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Doors will open at 6:00pm. Cost is \$6 per person. To make reservations, please call 814 438-7013. Any donations of items for the Chinese Auction or for the Bake Sale would be very much appreciated.

<u>FALL FISH DINNERS</u> - St. Teresa Parish will be holding a Fall Fish Dinners October 22<sup>nd</sup> between the hours of 4:30pm-7:00pm. This will be TAKE-OUT ONLY. Choice of: Haddock – baked or fried Mac & Cheese or French Fries Homemade Coleslaw or Applesauce Includes cookies for desert! Price \$13.00

<u>The Special Intentions of Pope Francis</u> Lord Jesus, during this month of October, we pray for all missionary disciples. We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

**Bishop Persico releases pastoral letter:** As part of the *Re-membering Our Sunday Story* initiative, Bishop Lawrence Persico has released "a pastoral letter in pandemic." Anchored in the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, one section of the letter looks at the challenges we've been facing during this time of pandemic. The bishop's words invite us to consider how Christ has remained with us, even if, like the disciples who unknowingly met Christ, we didn't always recognize him. Find the letter, as well as questions for reflection and discussion, at <u>www.eriercd.org/SundayStory.html</u>.

Chuck & Ginny's Spaghetti Dinner Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 11:30am-5:30pm 2801 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St. (St. Jude's School Gymnasium) \$10 per person/\$5 per child Take-outs are available at the door.

### HALLOWEEN SPOOK TACULAR

October 30<sup>th</sup> 1-3pm Library Parking Lot (Indoors if inclement weather) Food, Music, Crafts, Games Don't forget your costume! Union City Public Library & Union City Family Support Center

## Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left (Mark 10:35-45)

James and John didn't quite get it, but then again neither did the other apostles! To their credit, James and John did believe that Jesus would reign in glory. They had heard Him predict His passion (Mark 10:32-34), and seemed to believe that some kind of glory would follow whatever suffering Jesus had foretold. And they wanted to be part of it. They wanted to have seats of honor right next to Jesus' throne.

Maybe these two saw Jesus' passion and death as just one step in the process – a sad but necessary step toward their own glory. They seemed to miss the fact that giving Himself up for us defined the mission of Jesus, and it characterized His kingdom. Jesus came to serve, not to be served (Mark 10:45). He wanted James and John – and all His followers – to understand that His glory was at its height when He emptied Himself. His followers would be counted as great to the extent that they imitated His attitude, humbling themselves and becoming the servants of all (10:43-44).

So what will it look like when Jesus comes in glory? The Book of Revelation describes a heavenly throne room with Jesus looking like a lamb that had been slain (5:6). In heaven, He still bears the marks of His sacrifice, and the angels and saints praise Him for the beauty of His humble self-gift. The lofty throne James and John were imagining was actually more like an altar of sacrifice than a seat of government.

As you come to Mass today, know that the glorious Lord, the Lamb of God, is offering Himself to you once again in the sacrifice of the Eucharist. There is glory in this sacrifice in His life poured out for you. Let it inspire you to go and pour yourself out for others.

## "Lord, let me see your glory today!"

### The most important conversation

The most important conversation you have each day is with yourself. It regulates self-esteem and establishes your very sense of self. Harnessing this conversation to help you become the-best-version-of-yourself is critical. Allowing it to work against you, leads you down a long, slow, steady hill toward self-pity, mediocrity, and sadness.

If you needed to radically change your life and you could change only one thing, your inner dialogue-the way you speak to yourself--would be a very strong candidate for that change. Observe how you talk to yourself in various situations each day. Consider how this self-talk is affecting outcomes of perpetuating false assumptions. Adjust when necessary.

After you spend time with people or watch a television show, take note: Is your self-talk positive or negative? Are you speaking to yourself in a way that builds you up or tears you down? How you speak to yourself is far more impactful than how anyone else speaks to you. One of the reasons is because we always believe the things we say to ourselves, even when we are wrong. Even when they are not true.

How many beautiful, healthy women tell themselves they are fat? How many successful men tell themselves they are worthless? These illusions and dozens like them are so common they are clichés.

Choosing to spend time with people who build you up, accept you, and love you is a sign of emotional health and intelligence. But if we do not speak to ourselves in ways that are life-giving, we will not be able to receive the love, encouragement, and acceptance other people extend to us.

Be careful how you speak to yourself. Your words have power. You may never be quite able to fathom just how powerful they are. But don't waste this power. Use it wisely.