

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 7:00 P.M.

● KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Meet every third Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

● RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GUILD

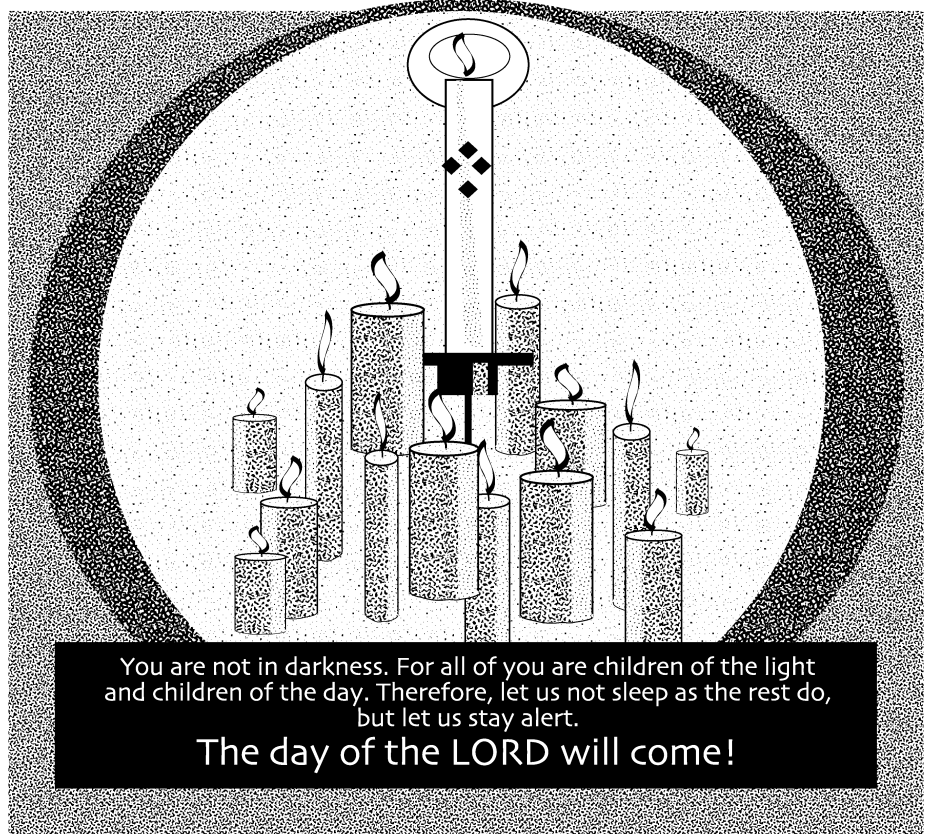
Meets during the school term.

● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



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Thirty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020

Call upon the Lord
and He will answer you!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 14 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30p.m. (St. Teresa) Don Tinko by Ed and Irene Weaver

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Deceased members of the Catholic Daughters of Americas by C D of A Court #35

Sunday, November 15 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Alexander Ross by Shirley Skiff

10:45am (St. Teresa) Intentions of our Parish family

Monday, November 16 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, November 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary

8:00am Deceased members of the Diamond and Keegan families by Jo Cromie

Wednesday, November 18 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Harry L. Parsons by Barbara Parsons Carey

Thursday, November 19 Weekday In Ordinary Time

8:00am Leonard Stepnowski by family

Friday, November 20 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday, November 21 Christ the King

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Helen Smerkar by Eukie Lolley and family

4:30pm (St. Thomas) William Marucci (Anniv. of death) by Aleen & Joe Weindorf

Sunday, November 22 Christ the King

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

10:45am (St. Teresa) Jeanne Vallimont by Dick and Elaine Hasbrouck

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$1,737 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,672 in envelopes and \$65 in loose & \$210 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

A Family Perspective As the man in today's gospel entrusted his servants with his money, so God has 'entrusted' our family to us. Like the good servants we are expected, not to play it safe, but to selflessly and totally invest ourselves in each other.

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

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. Revelation 1:1-4; 2nd 1-5 ♦ Luke 18:35-43
Tue. Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22♦ Luke 19:
Wed Revelation 4:1-11♦ Luke 19:11-28
Thu. Revelation 5:1-10 ♦ Luke 19:41-44
Fri. Revelation 10:8-11 ♦ Luke 19:45-48
Sat. Revelation 11:4-12♦ Matthew 20:27-40
Sun. Revelation 5:12; 1:6 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28♦ Matthew 25:31-46

2020 Catholic Services Appeal

Goal - \$31,004

Amount Pledged to Date - \$28,644

Amount Paid to Date - \$26,929

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

Religious Education

11/15 No REP class, Corry/REP Class, Union City

11/22 REP Class

11/29 No REP Class, Thanksgiving break

12/6 REP Class w/Advent confessions grades 3-11

Christmas Basket Raffle- Beginning on November 14th, The Religious Education Guild (who supports Religious Education) will have their annual Christmas Basket Raffle complete with a \$50.00 Walmart gift card plus many things for wrapping gifts and Christmas itself. Ticket will be \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets will be sold before and after all liturgies till **December 20** the date of the drawing. All religious education students will be given tickets to sell to complete for a class treat.

SCHEDULES FOR NOVEMBER 21 & 22

4:30

10:45

LECTORS

Ernie Ferro

Tricia Young

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Rowena Watts

Mary Hoffman

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.

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

Thanksgiving Food Baskets: We will soon begin filling food baskets for Thanksgiving. If you know of anyone in need of a basket, please call the parish office with a name and phone number of the person in need. We will need non-perishable food goods, cash donations, and we also have freezer space for a few turkeys. Our collective efforts will ensure that many people will have a good Thanksgiving Day. Thank you in advance for your donations. These food items can be left in the back of the church or dropped off at the parish center. Donations will be received through November 22nd.

ATTENTION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES: We need your help. The parish is making food baskets for those in need this Thanksgiving. We are having a contest to see which Religious Ed. Class can bring in the most non-perishable food goods. Since classes are different sizes, we will base the count on the percent per student. The class with the highest percent will win a breakfast of doughnuts and milk. The contest will begin November 8 through November 22.

Please Pray for Our Priests: Rev. John P. Beal, Rev. Michael G. DeMartinis, Rev. Mark A. Nowak, Rev. Ian McElrath, Rev. Joseph V. Wardanski, Rev. Philip A. Pinczewski

The monthly Bible Study, "Christology in Film" will continue on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 7-9pm, in the former St. Thomas School multi-purpose room, through the end of 2020. All those previously in attendance as well as any new participants are welcome as we show and discuss the film "Jesus of Nazareth." Please mark your calendars.

During the month of November, there will be a "Book of the Dead" in the back of the church. You may write the names of any deceased family members, friends, parishioners, etc. in the book at any time in November, and those names will be remembered in our intercessory prayers throughout the month.

All Souls envelopes: In your envelope packet there is an envelope for *All Souls Day Remembrances*. You can list the names of deceased loved ones on this envelope and place it in the offertory, mail it, or bring it to the parish office any time during the month of November. The envelope will be placed on the main altar and remain there throughout the month. A donation in the envelope would be appreciated, and it will be deposited in the parish Mass account; Masses for "Our Beloved Deceased" will be offered throughout the year. Any envelope can be used for this purpose as long as names of loved ones are listed and it is "earmarked" for this purpose.

Give Catholic – Advanced Giving on November 16-30. Online giving starts December 1st. and can be processed through <https://erie.igivecatholic.org/> and search for St. Teresa. More about this can be found on our website.

Your creativity is earnestly solicited: In previous years, you will remember how wonderfully St. Teresa's Church has been decorated – especially during the special seasons of the year. Advent and Christmas is fast approaching. At the present time, we have no one who has volunteered to be in charge of decorating. **PLEASE** we need someone to step up to the plate and oversee this. If Father Davis asks for your help, please do what you can to help or just let him or the office know if you would be available to help in any way. Many hands make light work.

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

The Union City Food Bank is in need of volunteers for Mondays. For more information, you may contact Pat Vallimont at 529-2103

PRAY FOR PEACE

STAY SAFE – STAY HEALTHY – STAY HAPPY

A man . . . called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. (Matthew 5:14)

Valued at nearly twenty years' wages, even one talent was an astonishing amount of money. So the master was not giving his servants a small gift or an insignificant coin. While we often think these talents represent our own gifts or abilities, a number of commentators suggest that we look at them as the extremely valuable gifts of mercy and love that God lavishes on us. And as we learn from the servant who hid his talent, those gifts multiply, not when we try to guard and keep them, but when we use them!

That's where our first reading comes in. The "worthy wife" of Proverbs 31:10-31 is not just a quaint lesson, or worse, the product of a patriarchal society. Her story is much closer to the servant in today's Gospel who doubled his five talents by using them—by multiplying mercy and love by sharing it.

Look at how she is described: She works busily within her household and does it "with loving hands" (Proverbs 31:13). But she doesn't stop there. "She reaches out her hands to the poor, and extends her arms to the needy" (31:20). She does not hoard the self-giving love and compassion she has received from God. She generously gives it away, both to her family and to anyone she sees in need.

You see, it's not her charm or beauty that gives her value. It's her fear of the Lord, her reverence for God. It's the way she recognizes the wideness of his mercy and love and imitates him by sharing them. That is what brings her, and her whole family, such joy.

Each one of us has received God's precious gifts of mercy and love. Each of us has the opportunity to open our hands and our hearts to give them away to the people around us. The wife from Proverbs 31 did it. Let's go out and do the same.

"Father, you have given me precious gifts. Help me to multiply them by sharing them."