

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

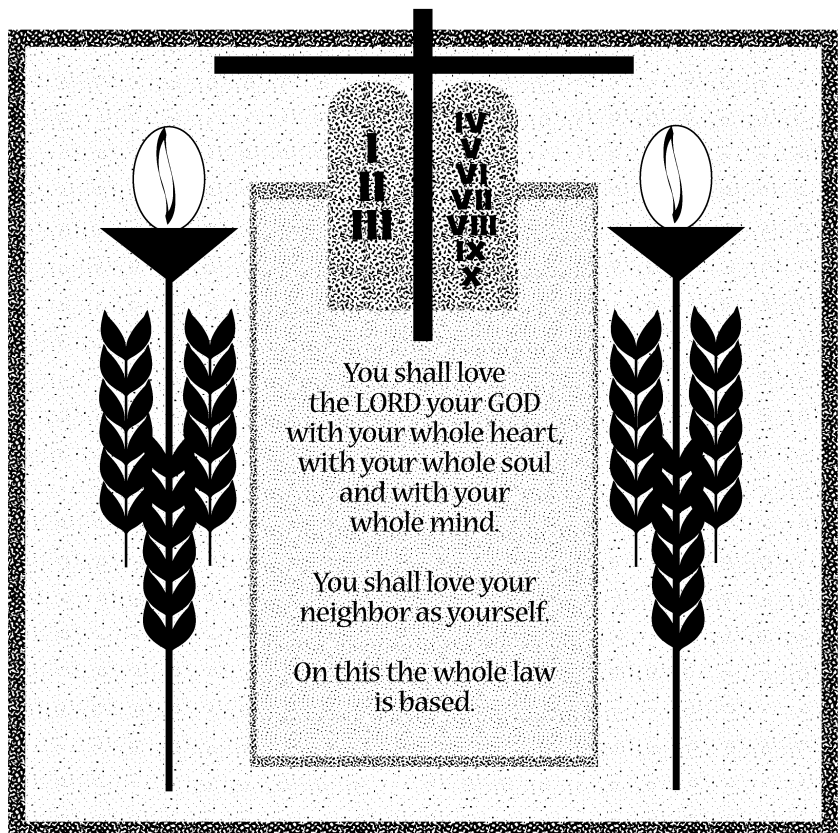
Meets during the school term.

● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

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Thirtieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

October 25, 2020

Let the hearts
that seek the Lord rejoice!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS
Saturday October 24 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Donald Thomas by Mary and family

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

Sunday October 25 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Deceased Member of the Knights of Columbus by K of C Council #425

10:45am (St. Teresa) Jeanne Vallimont by Ray Zapolski

Monday October 26 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday October 27 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Lois Tujetsch by Carol Bryant

Wednesday October 28 Sts. Simon and Jude

8:00am Herb Combs by the John Gronostaj family

Thursday October 29 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Veronica Auerbach by family

Friday October 30 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday October 31 Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Anne Luba

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Louise Zajac by Eleanor Douglas

Sunday November 1 Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time – All Saints

8:45am (St. Thomas) Elizabeth Wascak by Jennifer Stotka

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

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$2,320 for St. Teresa which includes \$2267 in envelopes and \$53 in loose & \$215 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

A Family Perspective In today's gospel the Pharisee was talking about commandments, and Jesus was talking about love. One demands allegiance, the other requires personal commitment. In our families we daily lay down our lives for each other not because we have to, but because love compels us to make sacrifices.

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

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. Ephesians 4:32-5:8 ♦ Luke 13:10-17

Tue. Ephesians 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-32♦
Luke 13:18-21

Wed. Ephesians 2:19-22♦ Luke 6:12-16

Thu. Ephesians 6:10-20 ♦ Luke 13:31-35

Fri. Philippians 1:1-11 ♦ Luke 24:1-6

Sat. Philippians 1:18b-26♦ Luke 14:1, 7-11

Sun. Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 1 John 3:1-3 ♦
Matthew 5:1-12a

2020 Catholic Services Appeal

Goal - \$31,004

Amount Pledged to Date - \$28,644

Amount Paid to Date - \$26,569

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

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.

PLEASE NOTE – The water will be turned off at St. Teresa Cemetery on October 31st.

Religious Education

10/25 No Class, Youth Mass/Grade 10, Fall Social

11/01 REP Class, Corry/No REP class, Union City

11/08 REP Class

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

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.

STAY SAFE – STAY HEALTHY – STAY HAPPY

SCHEDULES FOR OCTOBER 31 & NOVEMBER 1

4:30

Pat Brown

Yvonne Stauffer

LECTORS

10:45

Pat Vallimont

Paul Beer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Congratulations to Leilani Merkle who received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Persico on October 10th.

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

Please Pray for Our Priests: Rev. Jason Mitchell, Rev. William M. Kuba, Rev. T. Shane Mathew, Rev. John M. Fischer, Rev. Kyle Seyler, Rev. Lawrence Richards

THANK YOU for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised \$240. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday by visiting MISSIO.org.

Happy Birthday to Msgr. John Swoger and Father Tom Suppa who celebrated birthdays in October.

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.

Search for peace, and work to maintain it.

This verse tells us to "work to maintain" peace. Interestingly, Romans 12, which is full of brief "nuggets" that explain how to live the joyful life, also tells us to do all we can to live in harmony with others. We can tell from the way the Romans' passage is worded that Paul was a realist; he understood that certain folks don't want any part of harmony. Sometimes they've been wounded; they've decided that even the slightest offense is cause for war, which makes peace next to impossible.

Other times, they're not so easily angered, but they thrive on drama: the sky is always falling, and the smallest hiccup becomes a crisis. Often, numerous people are pulled into the drama via breathless conversations and texts, but you have a choice: join in the ruckus or calmly distance yourself. If you must participate, then do your best to defuse the situation. The result is that you'll be able to hold on to joy while living at peace with everyone-including yourself.

Lord, when angry words are flying back and forth, or drama unfolds all around me, help me to be at peace with everyone.

Love the Lord. . . . Love your neighbor. (Matthew 22:37, 39)

What a rough day! From the start, Jesus had to contend with groups of religious leaders trying to trip him up. First came the chief priests and scribes, then some Pharisees, followed by some Sadducees, followed by even more Pharisees. And all the while, Jesus was trying to preach to the people—including “the blind and the lame”—who had gathered around him (Matthew 21:14).

How ironic! Jesus faced a parade of dignitaries trying to trap him instead of asking how they could better care for the people surrounding him. Their very actions showed how blind they were to what it really meant to love God (Jesus) or their neighbor (the people). Of course, we shouldn't single them out as especially evil or misguided. We can all point to times when we have overlooked opportunities to love, even when they are staring us in the face.

Why would that be? Part of the reason is that we may have a narrow definition of Jesus' command to love. We might tend to reduce loving God to attending Mass or getting our prayer times in—walled-off situations that are limited in time and not very demanding. As for loving our neighbor, we can fall into the trap of deciding for ourselves who our “neighbor” is. Maybe he's our husband but not the coworker who rubs us the wrong way. Maybe she's our sister but not the in-law who is always offering her advice, whether we want it or not.

Jesus came to expose the indifference that lies at the heart of our failures to love. But he didn't stop there. He also overcame it as only he could: by pouring himself out in love for us. May we take up his example and pour ourselves out as well.

“Jesus, teach me to love all my neighbors.”