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

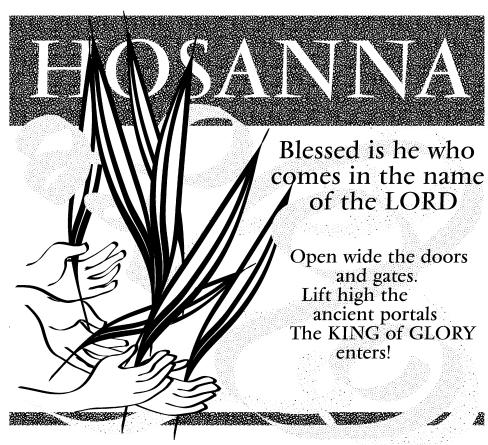
Meets during the school term.

•SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

•PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

March 28, 2021

Jesus became obedient even up to death.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 27 Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Henry Wienzckowski by Family 4:30pm (St. Thomas) Gilbert A. Sorenson by Tim & Sue Vinca

Sunday, March 28 Palm Sunday Of The Passion Of The Lord

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

10:45am (St. Teresa) Lois O'Connor by Family

Monday, March 29 Monday of Holy Week

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, March 30 Tuesday of Holy Week

7:00pm George, Irene & Don Tinko by Ed & Irene Weaver & Family

Wednesday, March 31 Wednesday of Holy Week

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

Thursday, April 1 Holy Thursday

(St. Teresa) No Services

7:00pm (St. Thomas) Phillip Amoroso by John Lutz

Friday, April 2 Good Friday

3:00pm (St. Teresa) Good Friday Service w/Stations

Saturday, April 3 Holy Saturday

(St. Teresa) No Mass

8:30pm (St Thomas) (Easter Vigil) Intentions of Our Parish Family and those listed on the Easter Flower Memorials

Sunday, April 4 Easter Sunday

8:45am (St. Thomas) Intentions of Our Parish Family and those listed on the Easter Flower Memorials

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

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u> – During Lent, the Masses on Tuesday at. St. Teresa will be held at 7:00pm with Stations of the Cross.

If your address or phone number has changed, please notify the parish office of these changes so that we can keep our records current and up to date.

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$2,527 for St. Teresa which includes \$2,460 in envelopes and \$67 in loose & \$135 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

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

<u>A Family Perspective</u> The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable, but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.

<u>Marriage Moment</u> Palm Sunday reminds us that there is a time for rejoicing. Of course marriage will always have times of sorrow and testing, but today recall a joyous time in your life together – your wedding day, birth of a child, whatever...

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. Isaiah 43:1-7♦John 12:1-11

Tue. Isaiah 49:1-6♦ John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wed Isaiah 50:4-9a Matthew 26:14-25

Thur Exodus 12: 1-8, 11-14 1 Corinthians 11:23-

26 John 13:1-15

Fri. Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

John 18:1-19:42

Sat. Genesis 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a Genesis 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a 10-13, 15-18 Exodus 14:15-15:1 Isaiah 54:5-14 Isaiah 55:1-11 Baruch

3:9-15, 32-4:4 Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28

Romans 6:3-11 Mark 16:1-7

Sun. Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 or 1

Corinthians 5:6b-8♦ John 20:1-9

Religious Education

03/28 Youth Mass Grade 5

04/01 no First Holy Communion catechesis, Holy Thursday

04/04 no REP class, Easter Sunday

04/08 First Holy Communion catechesis

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.

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

A riveting dramatic explanation of **the PASSION OF JESUS** presented by Father Larry Richards will be held Tuesday, March 30th at 7pm at St. Joseph Church Bread of Life Community in Erie. Please call the parish office at 438-3408 if you are interested in attending.

SCHEDULES FOR APRIL 3 & 4

4:30 10:45

LECTORS

Becky Boleratz

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Deacon Randy

ALTAR SERVERS

Emma Geer

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.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS The Mass on Sunday, May 2nd will be 8:45am for St. Teresa and 10:45am for St. Thomas. IT IS FOR THIS WEEK ONLY.

CHANCE OF A LIFETIME TICKETS- The K of C is again, this year, selling the COAL SWEEPSTAKES tickets. Donation is \$5. This gives you 16 chances to win cash prizes form \$15,000 to \$1,000. To purchase your ticket, you may contact Bill Flynn at 438-3493 or any Knight. They will also be available in the back of Church after Mass or at the parish office.

2021 Catholic Services Appeal

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$20,417 Amount Paid to Date - \$13,527

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

Confirmation is scheduled for St. Thomas Church on April 22^{nd} at 7pm. All other details will be forthcoming. Confirmation practice will be held April 21st at 6:30pm at. St. Thomas Church.

IN COMMUNION

"Take it; this is my body". Mark 14:22

This time last year, we were out of communion in a big way. We'd lost access to our worship space. Some of us, due to health constraints, may not have returned to tangible sacraments even now. If you tell time by the church calendar, it's been an indescribable loss.

Add to that burials without gatherings or embraces. Abbreviated weddings with a handful of witnesses. First Communions and Confirmations postponed; baccalaureates bypassed. Even returning to the pews, parishes are not whole. Liturgies were necessarily sterilized of touch. Since sacraments make the sacred tangible, something feels broken in both our spiritual and literal communion.

This is our participation in the Passion of Christ and the passion of our world. The community isn't whole yet; why shouldn't our liturgies reflect this? Many are still ailing, grieving, out of work, struggling; why should Sunday be business as usual? Roped-off pews and sacred separations are a silent homily to the mortal reality. *Take it; this is my body*.

Even if things seem mostly "back to normal" where you are, how do you keep communion with the suffering world?

Lord, give e the strength to relieve some share of the suffering of the world.

Please Pray for Our Priests Rev. William R. Barron, Rev. Joseph C. Gregorek, Rev. Zab Amar, Rev. James G. Gutting, Rev. Robert A. Manning, Rev. Leo J. Gallina, Rev. Msgr. James E. Sanner

HIS GLORIOUS THRONE

Jesus said..."At the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man is seated on the throne of his glory, you have followed me...will inherit eternal life." Matthew 19:28-29

It seems impossible to see joy in the tortured, naked body hanging with outstretched arms on a wooden cross. Still, the cross of Jesus is often presented as a glorious throne on which the King is seated. (Can you drink the Cup?)

At first glance, the two themes for this Sunday seem incompatible. How do you correlate the joy and celebration of Jesus' triumphal procession into Jerusalem with the harsh realities of the passion reading, where we see his tortured body hanging with outstretched arms on the cruel cross?

On that joyous Palm Sunday, Jesus was met with shouts of "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Luke 19:38). But his kingly throne was not to be in Jerusalem. Five days later, inscribed on his triumphant cross were the fitting words, "This is the King of the Jews" (Luke 23:38).

Ironically, the tortuous cross was Jesus' true and glorious throne – and the source of our eternal joy. Because he willingly bore the crown of sin ad shame, we who look with faith to the crucified Christ will receive the crown of life. What a glorious day it will be when we meet the King of Kings, seated on his glorious throne!

Our Savior and King, we look forward to the blessed day when we will greet you with shouts of joyous praise that will continue forever and ever. Amen

JUST A REMINDER – If you have not yet returned your <u>census form</u>, please do so as soon as possible so that we might update out records.

The "Dee J" experience, meaning "Do Everything Exalting Jesus", is a very exciting and innovative upcoming media broadcast which will exclusively offer Christian opportunities for scripture, prayer, reflection and music. It will first be available around the first of the New Year. It's appropriate to say in this regard, "Stay Tuned"



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.

