

Saint Thomas the Apostle Church 203 W. Washington Street Corry, PA 16407

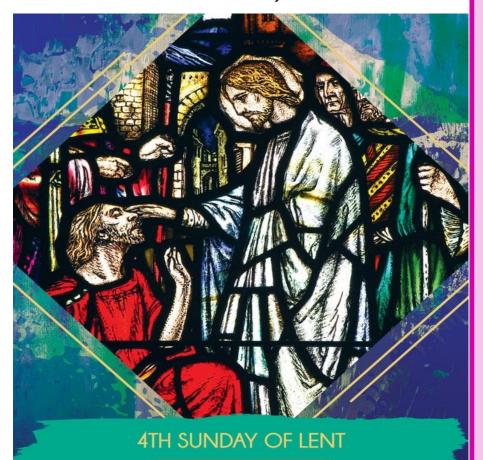
# THE PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND

ST. TERESA OF AVILA



Saint Teresa of Avila Church 9 Third Avenue Union City, PA 16438

# March 19, 2023



The Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." - Jn 9:15

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STREET	
CITY & ZIP	
PHONE	
☐ St. Thomas the Apostle ☐ St. Teresa of Avila	
Please drop this information into Offertory Basket or mail to Parish Office.	

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#### **Partnered Parish Offices**

203 W. Washington Street Corry, PA 16407 814-663-3041

#### **Partnered Parish Office Hours**

Monday: 12:30pm—3:30pm

Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30am—3:30pm Thursday: 8:30am—12:00pm (noon)

Friday: Closed



The Season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday on February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Fr. Tom Suppa will offer one weekday Mass at each parish during Lent. The **weekday Masses** will be as follows:

**5:15p.m. Tuesdays at St. Thomas Church, Corry** (Feb. 28, March 7, 14, 21, and 28)

8:00a.m. Thursdays at St. Teresa Church, Union City (March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30)

Our deacons will continue to hold <u>Communion Services</u> during Lent on the following days/times:

8:00a.m. Wednesdays at St. Thomas Church, Corry

8:00a.m. Fridays at St. Teresa Church, Union City



STATIONS Stations of the Cross will be offered at both parishes as follows:

7:00p.m. Thursdays at St. Teresa, Union City

7:00p.m. Fridays at St. Thomas, Corry

Lenten Penance Service 3:00 PM TODAY Sunday, March 19 St. Thomas Church, Corry



Several priests will be available to hear private confessions during the Penance Service. Also, the Sacrament of Confession is available from 3:00pm—3:30pm on Saturdays at the church where Mass is celebrated. During the month of March it will be at St. Thomas Church (Corry).

#### Readings for the week of March 19, 2023

Sun.: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a ◆ Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1) ◆ Ephesians 5:8-14 ◆ John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Mon.: 2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 ♦ Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 ♦ Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22 ♦ Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2:41-51a

Tues.: Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 ♦ Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 ♦ John 5:1-16 Wed.: Isaiah 49:8-15 ♦ Psalm 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 ♦ John 5:17-30

Thur.: Exodus 32:7-14 ♦ Psalm 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 ♦ John 5:31-47

Fri.: Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22 ◆ Psalm 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 ◆ John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Sat.: Isaiah 7:10-14; 8:10 ♦ Psalm 40:7-8a,8b-9, 10, 11 ♦

Hebrews 10:4-10 ♦ Luke 1:26-38

Next Sun.: Ezekiel 37:12-14 ♦ Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7) ♦

Romans 8:8-11 ♦ John 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45





#### Monday, March 20

No Mass or Service at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa today.

#### Tuesday, March 21

5:15p.m. ⊕Ann Gluvna by Amelia Gluvna and Larry & Chris Lettrich (St. Thomas, Corry)

#### Wednesday, March 22

8:00a.m. Communion Service at St. Thomas Church

#### Thursday, March 23

8:00a.m. ⊕Deceased Members of the Haluska Family (St. Teresa, Union City)

#### Friday, March 24

8:00a.m. Communion Service at St. Teresa Church

#### Saturday, March 25

4:00p.m. \$\psi\$Sophie Girovsky by Randy & Anne Kondrlik (St. Thomas, Corry)

#### Sunday, March 26

8:00a.m. ⊕Andy Tomcho, Sr. by Peter Sander

(St. Thomas, Corry)

10:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes

(St. Teresa, Union City)

#### **A Family Perspective**

Failure to forgive blinds us to another's goodness. Lent provides an opportunity to wash away our blind-spots in the pool of forgiveness. Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "Go wash and see."



#### **WELCOME**

If you are new to our Parishes, we extend a warm welcome and hope you will find here a place where your faith will be nourished.

#### **PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

New Parishioners are welcome to register by completing the form on the front of the bulletin and returning it to the Offertory Collection or the Parish Office.

#### BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish office to schedule a Baptism.

#### **MARRIAGE**

Please contact the Parish office at least six months in advance to schedule a Wedding.

#### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please let the Parish office know of anyone in need of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, or anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would desire weekly Holy Communion to be brought to them.

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Confessions are offered at the following times/locations: 3:00pm—3:30pm on Saturdays at St. Thomas Church, Corry and/or at St. Teresa Church, Union City (when Mass is celebrated that evening); and other times by request made to the parish office.



# St. Thomas Parish News

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: N	March 11 & 12, 2023	
Amount in Envelopes: (66)	\$2,540.00	
(Total Envelopes sent: 187 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 121)		
Loose	\$227.00	
Online Giving (9)	\$295.00	
Total Offertory Income	\$3,062.00	
Average Weekly Expenses	\$7,656.00	
Weekly Average Shortfall	\$(-4,594.00)	

Thanks to everyone who regularly uses his/her envelopes.

Please write checks to St. Thomas Church.
If checks are to go to our parish cemeteries—please make them to St. Thomas Cemetery or St. Elizabeth Cemetery.

Thank you.

Please know that you can now give all your donations online by



visiting our parish website at www.StThomastheApostle.Church and click 'Donate Online'.



#### 2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 03/07):

St. Thomas Diocesan Goal is \$39,417.00

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$31,025.00

Total Paid to date = \$17,980.00

# of Families who made a pledge = 70

Prayerfully consider what God is leading you to give.

Please make a pledge today. Thank you.

Be sure to make your check payable to

'ST. THOMAS CHURCH' when making a CSA payment.



Our prayers & sympathy to the family and friends of Nicholas Waltier who recently passed away from Saint Thomas Parish. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



#### <u>Food Drive Collection Sponsored by the</u> <u>Corry Knights of Columbus</u>

The Corry Knights of Columbus is wrapping up their food drive to benefit the Corry Food Pantry.

Donations of non-perishable food items may be placed in the marked bins at the entrances of Saint Thomas Church. Please donate! Thank you for your generosity.





PRAYER LINE... call: Gerrie (814-665-6944), Shirley (814-392-5411), Pam (814-664-7459), or Diane (814-663-3753). Since prayer is an important ministry of trust,

know that all requests are kept confidential.



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Thomas Church for the week of March 19<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Nick Waltier.



#### Catholic Daughters of the Americas Meeting this Week

Members are reminded of our meeting in St. Elizabeth Parish Center on Thursday, March 23 at 6:00pm. Please try to attend and bring friend. Hope to see you there! God bless.

#### Easter Treats to Share with Loved Ones

The Catholic Daughters are selling Chocolate-covered Easter Eggs (maple cream and peanut butter) at the Fish Dinner and after the Saturday and Sunday Masses this week. Cost is \$7 each. Sales supports the projects of the Catholic Daughters.

# St. Thomas Lenten FISH DINNERS

Ash Wednesday, February 22 Fridays, March 3, 17 & 31 & 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm St. Elizabeth Parish Center 33 W. Pleasant St., Corry

Beer Battered or Crumb-Topped Baked Alaskan Cod, Baked Potato or Fresh Cut Fries or Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw or Applesauce, Italian Bread, Dessert & Beverage

Adults \$14.00 *Dine-in, Takeout & Delivery* Child (6-12) \$7.00

For Delivery Call 664-9187 Food, Fellowship & Basket Raffles!

#### **Donations Needed for our Lenten Fish Dinners**

Thank you to all who helped, donated, worked, and supported our fish dinners so far. We appreciate everyone's efforts. Please remember, we have one more Fish Dinner on March 31 and help is always needed, especially donations of pies/desserts (homemade or store bought) for the dinner. Dessert donations can be dropped off at St. Elizabeth Parish Center on Friday from 1:00pm-4:00pm for our last Fish Dinner. Thank you for your support. Please come to the dinner and let us cook for you! Hope to see you there.

# St. Teresa Parish News

ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:	March 12, 2023
Amount in Envelopes: (49)	\$1,447.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unuse	d Envelopes: 108)
Loose	\$76.00
Continuing the Vision	\$100.00
Total Offertory Income	\$1,623.00
OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: Amount in Envelopes: (6)	\$800.00   Envelopes: 24)
St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income Average Weekly Expenses	
Weekly Average Shortfall	

Thanks to everyone who regularly uses his/her envelopes. Please write checks to St. Teresa Church or Our Lady of Fatima Church.

#### 2023 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 03/07):

St. Teresa Diocesan Goal is \$24,055.00

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$26,325.00 Total Paid to date = \$16,920.00 # of Families who made a pledge = 52 Prayerfully consider what God is leading you to give. Please make a pledge today. Thank you. Be sure to make your check payable to 'ST. TERESA CHURCH' when making a CSA payment.

#### St. Teresa Reverse Raffle

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Reverse Raffle will be held on April 28, 2023. Those who wish to pay for their tickets should mail the slip and payment to the parish office. You may also bring payment to the partnered parish office, or place it in the collection basket at Mass in an envelope clearly marked 'Reverse Raffle'. Please include the ticket sub when putting in your RSVP. Thank you.

#### Totals from St. Teresa Fish Dinner Held on March 10<sup>th</sup>

We had a total of 289 dinners served at our latest Fish Dinner: 125 dine-in and 164 take-out. Thanks to everyone for supporting our efforts!

#### Continued Thanks to our Bakers!

We ask that you continue to share your yummy desserts with our Lenten Fish Dinner guests! You can drop off desserts through the kitchen door on Thursday's from 6:00pm—8:00pm and on Friday's starting at Noon. Thank you.

#### Volunteers needed for our Lenten Fish dinners!

Thursday's from 6:00pm—8:00pm will be work nights to prepare for our fish dinners. Please stop in if you're able to help. We will also need help cleaning up on Friday nights from 7:00pm—8:00pm. Remember, many hands make light work! If you have any questions, please call Becky Boleratz, Fish Dinner Chairperson, at 814-572-8126.



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Teresa Church for the week of March 19<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in W memory of all our loved ones.

You may sponsor the candle at St. Teresa in memory/honor of a loved one for \$10, please call the parish office.. Thank you.



Rev. Howard King, Rev. John Jacquel, Rev. William Laska, Rev. Raymond Gramata, Most Rev. Lawrence Persico, Rev. Daniel PRIESTS Hoffman, and Rev. Msgr. Bernard Urbaniak

#### St. Teresa Rosary Altar - NO MEETINGS until April

Members of the Rosary Altar Society are reminded that they will not meet again until April. Meetings are usually on the first Monday of the month at 4:30p.m. in St. Teresa Parish Center.

#### "Question of the Week" - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Question for Children: What are the things that Jesus wants you to do as his friend?

Question for Youth: Jesus helped a blind man see—and he helps each of us see the world differently. How do you see differently because you believe?

Question for Adults: Share how you, as a child of the light, in the power of Christ, produce goodness, justice, and truth for the world. What specific actions do you take to do this?

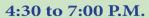


--LENTEN FISH FRY--

# Dine in or Take Out

Feb. 24.

March 3,10,17, 24, 31



# St. Teresa Parish Center

Third Avenue • Union City, PA

Baked or Fried Fish (Haddock)

Choice of Baked Potato, French Fries or Mac & Cheese, Homemade Coleslaw or Applesauce, Dinner Roll, Homemade Dessert and Beverage

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Children Meal (12 and under) \$6.00 Mac & Cheese, French Fries and Applesauce

\*Add \$2.00 for Fish Sticks

For Take-outs Call 814 - 438 - 2000



#### Thank You for Celebrating Mass with Us!

We wish to thank Monsignor John Swoger who celebrated Mass last Saturday, March 11 at St. Thomas Church. And we are most grateful to Fr. Tom Suppa who continues to generously serve the peoples of both Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes, even though he is retired. Thank you for 'shepherding' us and journeying with us this year. We appreciate YOU!





Luke 1:38 Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

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#### Faith Formation & Religious Ed. News

#### **Religious Education Classes**

Classes are Sundays following Mass. Students in Corry attend class from 8:45am until 10:00am in the former school building. Union City students



attend class from 10:45am until 12:00pm (noon) at St. Teresa Parish Center.

#### Class Schedule for March & April

Sunday, March 19—Class Sunday, March 26—No Class / Youth Mass held today Sunday, April 2—Class / Palm Sunday Sunday, April 9—No Class / Happy Easter! Sunday, April 16—Class Sunday, April 23—Class Sunday, April 30—No Class / Celebrating First Communion

## **Religious Education Raffle Baskets** at the Fish Dinners

Still time to purchase Raffle Basket tickets at each parishes' Lenten Fish Dinners. Money raised from the sale of the baskets will be used for our Religious

Education programs at both parishes. Baskets winners will be drawn after the final Fish Dinners. We appreciate your support!



We ask that you please continue to pray for our students who are preparing for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation

in early May. Last Sunday, March 12, they attended a retreat at Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Erie as part of their journey to receiving the sacrament. Those who are to be Confirmed are: Nolan Carey, Erin Geer, Julia Gesing, Jack Hallberg, Quinlan Magee, Shea Magee, Dannica McChesney, Aubrey Robertson, Alyssa Tingley, Noah West, Brooke Whitmeyer, and Brookelyne Wienczkowski.

#### WINTER MASS SCHEDULE

September 10, 2022 thru May 21, 2023

Saturday 4:00PM St. Thomas Church (Corry)

September, November, January, March, May

St. Teresa Church (Union City) October, December, February, April

Sunday

8:00AM at St. Thomas Church (Corry)

10:00AM at St. Teresa Church (Union City)

#### **Confessions**

Saturday from 3:00pm—3:30pm at the church where Saturday Mass is celebrated OR by appointment—please call the parish office