

## 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 6:00 P.M.

#### • KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

#### • RELIGIOUS EDUCATION GUILD

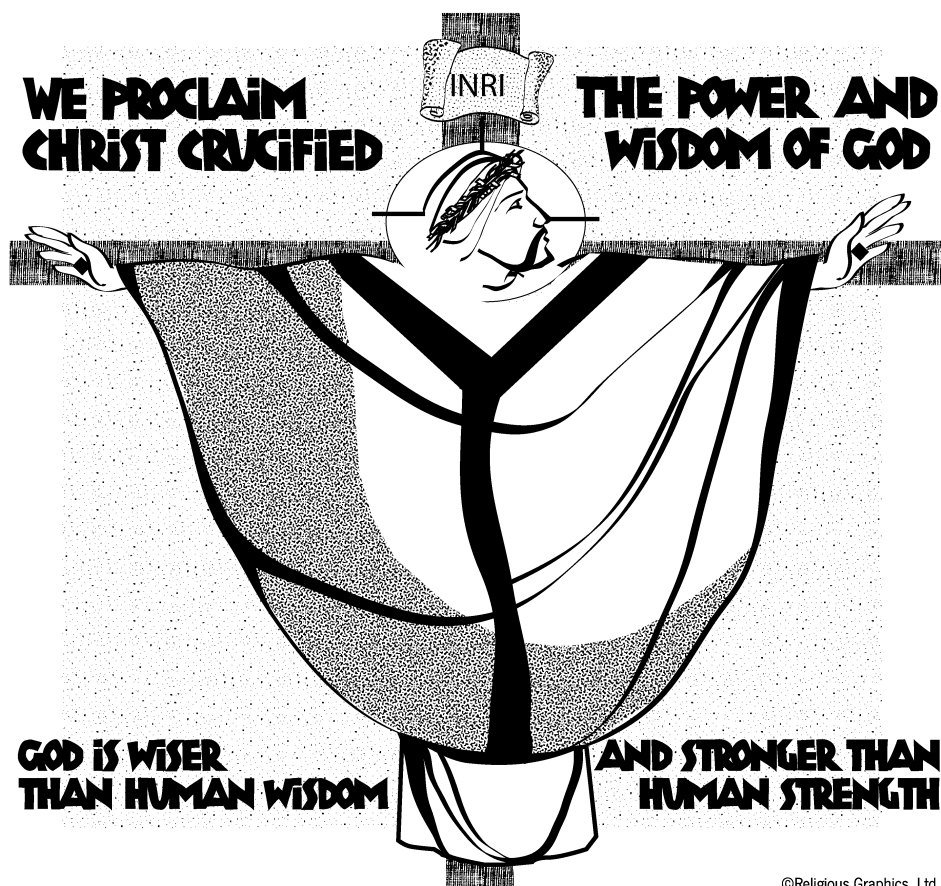
Meets during the school term.

#### • SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

#### • PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



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**Third Sunday  
of Lent**

**March 7, 2021**

God gave us His only Son  
that we might have life.

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

### Saturday, March 6 Third Sunday of Lent

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Wilbert & Patricia Arlet, John & Betty Arlet by Family

4:30pm (S. Thomas) Ellen J. Pasi by Edward Pasi

### Sunday, March 7 Third Sunday of Lent

8:45am (St. Thomas) Stanley Sander by his brother, Pete Sander

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

### Monday, March 8 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

### Tuesday, March 9 Lenten Weekday

7:00pm Irene Tinko by Ed & Irene Weaver & Family

### Wednesday, March 10 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Catherine Kirik by Melody Adams & Family

### Thursday, March 11 Lenten Weekday

8:00am For All the Poor Souls in Purgatory

### Friday, March 12 Lenten Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

### Saturday, March 13 Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Bob Adams by Melody Adams & Family

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

### Sunday, March 14 Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:45am (St. Thomas) Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council #425

10:45am (St. Teresa) Pro Life Efforts by Katherine Young

**PLEASE NOTE** – 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 \$1,966 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,915 in envelopes and \$51 in loose & \$45 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

The Parish Bulletin is available weekly on line at [st-teresa-unioncity.org](http://st-teresa-unioncity.org)

The Union City Food Bank is in need of volunteers to help distribute food on Monday's 9-12noon and/or 4-6pm. Also, every other Friday morning 9-10:30am to unload deliveries from The Second Harvest Food Bank. For more information, call Pat Vallimont (460-8732) or Lynora Rumm (McLane Church 814-734-1907 ext. 31)

**A Family Perspective** Today's gospel says Jesus chased the merchants out of the temple. Jesus teaches us to act from conviction and not just from anger. He didn't condemn the merchants, only their business practice. Attack the behavior and not the person.

### St. Teresa Lenten Fish Fry

Take Out Only

Masks must be worn

March 12, 19, 26

4:00-6:30pm

St. Teresa Parish Center

Bake or Fried Fish (Haddock)

choice of

French Fries or Mac & Cheese, Homemade Coleslaw or Applesauce, Dinner Roll

Also includes Fresh Baked Cookies.

Price \$10.00

**St. Thomas Parish in Corry** will be holding TAKE OUT ONLY Fish Dinners on Fridays, March 12 & 26. 4:30-6:30pm in St. Elizabeth Parish Center. Adults \$10, Children 12 & under \$5

### Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. 2 Kings 5:1-15ab ♦ Luke 4:24-30

Tue. Daniel 3:25, 34-43 ♦ Matthew 18:21-35

Wed Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 Matthew 5:17-19

Thur. Jeremiah 7:23-28, Luke 11:14-23

Fri. Hosea 14:2-10 ♦ Mark 12:28-34

Sat. Hosea 6:1-6 ♦ Luke 18:9-14

Sun. 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7. 10-13a  
Ephesians 5:8-14 ♦ John 9:1-41 or 9:13-17,  
34-38

**Marriage Moment** Intl. Women's Day is March 8. So what's that got to do with your marriage? Hopefully each of you already have times when you take the lead. This day is mainly notable because women were not *always* valued to lead as much as men. Honor each other today.

### Religious Education

03/06 First Penance, 10am, St. Thomas  
03/07 REP Class- First Holy Communion enrollment  
@10:45 Mass  
03/11 First Holy Communion catechesis begins w/DRK  
03/14 REP Class w/Lent confessions grades 3-11  
03/18 First Holy Communion catechesis

**PLEASE – any calls regarding the Religious Education Program should be made directly to the parish office.**

#### SCHEDULES FOR MARCH 13 & 14

4:30

10:45

#### LECTORS

Pat Brown

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Mary Ann Shinko

George Wetzel

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Colton Boyd

Sophia Messinger

The 2021 monthly adult Bible study sessions will continue on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. These will be held at St. Thomas School from 7-9pm.

**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 Pray for Our** Rev. Philip Bilotte, Very Rev. Msgr. Richard R. Siefer, E.V. Rev. Msgr. Henry L. Krebs, The Most Rev. Donald W. Trautman, Rev. Mark A. Hoffman, Rev. Msgr. Daniel E. Magraw, Rev. Msgr. David A. Rubino

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS** The Mass on Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 from \$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.

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Pledge to Heal:** The Diocese of Erie remains committed to helping victims of clergy sexual abuse heal and recover. Counseling assistance is available for victims and/or their family members through the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, VAC for short, Dr. Gerard Tobin, who can be reached at 814-451-1521. The diocese encourages anyone who has experienced abuse or misconduct by a member of the clergy or any employee or volunteer of the church to contact law enforcement. To report abuse to the independent investigators retained by the diocese, email [ErieRCD@KLGates.com](mailto:ErieRCD@KLGates.com). Victims or concerned individuals can report abuse directly to the diocese by calling 814-451-1543. *For particular questions you may call: **Cindy Zemcik, Coordinator for the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth in the Diocese of Erie at 814-824-1195.***

#### 2021 Catholic Services Appeal

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$16,367

Amount Paid to Date - \$10,212

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

Stations of the Cross during Lent will be held within the context of the Friday 8am Mass in Corry and within the context of the Tuesday 7pm Mass in Union City.

The Lenten edition of **The Word Among Us** is in the back of the Church. They are free of charge. Please take one and use it for your Lenten devotional readings.

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

## CHOOSE CAREFULLY

*Many Samaritans came to believe in him because of the woman's testimony. John 4:39*

Mark Twain said, "I can live for two months on a good compliment." On the other side of the coin, Cher sang, "I'd take back those words that hurt you...words are like weapons, they wound sometimes." The power of words. They can heal or hurt. Build or tear down.

In every marriage, careless words are often said at the wrong time. Aggressive words, putdowns, accusations, and sarcasm that escalate conflict. Like pouring gasoline on a fire, we strike back when attacked rather than disarming the hostility with kind, gentle, and sensitive words – words that express peace, love and concern.

Jesus puts the spotlight on the woman at the well. He let her talk about her life without throwing her past in her face. His words made her feel valued and loved. Imitating Jesus, we need to choose words that encourage, enable, and empower those who are going through difficult times and have messed up. Our words, spoken at just the right moment, can boost someone's confidence, heal their pain, and give them the hope they need.

Leave notes for your spouse, parent, or child highlighting their strengths and endorsing their God-given worth and beauty. It's simple and costs nothing, but it can be priceless to someone starving for acceptance.

*Jesus, may all my words be immaculate and inspiring, lifting up others. Amen*

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 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

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.

