

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

Hear, O Israel!
The LORD our GOD is one!

You shall
LOVE the LORD
with all your heart
with all your soul
✠ with all your mind
and with all your strength
and you shall
LOVE your NEIGHBOR
as yourself

There is no commandment greater than these.

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**Thirty-first Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

October 31, 2021

The Lord lives!
Blessed be my rock!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 30 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Ann Layden by Cathryn Landis & Mary Harned

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus by Corry Council #425

Sunday, October 31 Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Catherine Habursky by Nigbor Family

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

Monday, November 1 All Saints Day

8:00am Deceased parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish and Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

Tuesday, November 2 All Souls Day

8:00am Communion Service

8:00am (St. Thomas) John J. Hajec by Warren Knights of Columbus & Corry Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, November 3 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

5:15pm (St. Thomas) Andy Tomcho Sr. by Diane Hall

Thursday, November 4 St. Charles Borromeo

8:00am Elenore Henry by Ed & Irene Weaver

Friday, November 5 Weekday

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday, November 6 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Herb Combs by Family

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

Sunday, November 7 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:45am (St. Thomas) Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughters of Americas by Court Conception #35

10:45am (St. Teresa) Dr. Ronald Rejzer by Sophie Combs & Family

PLEASE NOTE – There will be an 8:00am Mass on Monday, November 1st.

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$1,480 for St. Teresa which includes \$1,415 in envelopes and \$65 in loose & \$180 for Our Lady of Fatima. Offertory Goal \$3,000

The Altar Rosary Society will meet Monday evening, November 1st. at 6:00pm in the parish center.

The Rosary Altar Society would like to thank all those who attended the card party on October 20th. A special thank you to all who donated Chinese Auction prizes and baked goods and to all the many, many people who worked so hard to make this event such a success.

Mass Readings for the Week

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

Tue. Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11♦John 6:37-40

Wed Romans 13:8-10♦Luke 14:25-33

Thurs. Romans 14:7-12♦ Luke 15:1-10

Fri. Romans 15:14-21♦ Luke 16:1-8

Sat. Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27♦ Luke 16:9-15

Sun. 1 Kings 17:10-16♦ Hebrews 9:24-28 ♦Mark 12:38-44 or 12:

Religious Education

10/31 YOUTH MASS, 10/No Class
(Children's Liturgy)

11/07 8th

11/14 9th

11/21 10th

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 Lisa Lockwood, Religious Education Administrator or Missy Silka, Religious Education Facilitator.

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 percentage will win a breakfast of doughnuts and milk. The contest will begin November 7 through November 21.

Attention St. Teresa Cemetery Lot Owners – The water will be turned off at the cemetery the last of this month. Clean up will also be done. Old plants will be removed. If you wish to take yours home, please remove them before the clean-up.

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. You can leave donations at the back of the church or at the church center. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Goal - \$28,606

Amount Pledged to Date - \$29,947

Amount Paid to Date - \$28,507

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

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.

A Family Perspective In a family, children are taught to be respectful if they want to be respected, to share, if they want their fair share and to listen if they want to be heard. Family life rescues us from arrogance by teaching us to love others as we love ourselves.

Diocese to offer prayer service for racial healing: In a family, children are taught to be respectful if they want to be respected, to share, if they want their fair share and to listen if they want to be heard. Family life rescues us from arrogance by teaching us to love others as we love ourselves.

Pray for Our Priests Rev. Glenn Whitman, Rev. Peter Pierjok, OSB, Rev. Thomas M. Brooks, Rev. B. LaMounte Sayers, Rev. David Carter, Rev. Dennis A. Martin

SCHEDULES FOR NOVEMBER 6 & 7

4:30

10:45

LECTORS

Marty Brown

Tricia Young

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Nancy Ferro

Tom Kunzel

Choir: Pat Vallimont

ALTAR SERVERS

Colton Boyd

Allie Anderson

Marriage Moment Nov. 1 is All Saints Day in which the Catholic Church honors all saints known and unknown. Your spouse may not always act like a saint. None of us do, but I bet you can find a saintly quality if you pay attention. Is he or she generous, humble, self-sacrificing, courageous... Celebrate the saint you are living with today.

The Special Intentions of Pope Francis

Lord Jesus, during this month of October, we pray for all missionary disciples. We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

Union City Pride, Inc. will be holding their annual Festival of Trees event on December 11th and 12th from 10-4 at the Union City Elementary School. There will be a craft/vendor show in the gym. This is a free event. Local organizations are invited to bring in a tree and decorate it for the event. 1st and 2nd place prizes will be awarded. Contact Terristax@hotmail.com or 814-438-3867 for more information

Attention Lectors – 2022 Lector Workbooks are in. All lectors for the 4:30 and 10:45 weekend Masses may pick up their books in the back of the church. Your names are on the front of the book.

Inspiration

There are some comforts that will never poison your soul. Inspiration is first among them. The word literally means to *breathe life into*. If you must seek comfort, seek those which raise you up.

Inspiration brings the best out of us. Inspiration plays a critical role in our lives. It can be the difference between feeling fully alive and the drudgery of slogging your way through another day.

What inspires you? Books? Movies? Comedy? Music? Nature? Prayer? People? Whatever it, find a way to build it into your daily routine.

We thrive if we have a steady stream of inspiration. Many of us have never experienced that. We get a little bit here and there, from time to time, but a steady stream of inspiration is life changing.

Inspiration stimulates our creativity, and creativity affects everything. When we are in a creative space, we listen differently, love differently, work differently, spent money differently, parent differently, and make decisions on a higher level. We are altogether different when our creativity is firing. You see it in conversation all the time. I was talking with a friend the other day and asking him about a variety of topics. When the topic that inspired him came up, his posture changed his face became animated, and his voice filled with enthusiasm.

We are at our best when we are inspired! Inspiration triggers creativity, and creativity changes the way we see everything and do anything.

You may be thinking that you are not a creative person. You may have been told this at some time in your life, but it isn't true. The idea that some people are creative and other people aren't is a myth.

We are all creative. Creativity is a human quality that we all possess. You may not be able to paint like Michelangelo. That's okay. If creativity expressed itself the same way in everyone that would be boring. It manifests differently from one person to the next. Creativity has an infinite number of expressions.

Anytime someone does something with passion and purpose, even the most ordinary things you are witnessing creativity. Yes, we see this passion and purpose in musicians and artists, but we also see it in nurses and teachers, firefighters and entrepreneurs, mothers, and fathers.

Creativity is everywhere if you know how to look for it. And it is in you. Learn how to feed yourself a steady diet of inspiration and you will live and love more creatively.

You shall love...

(Mark 12:30, 31)

What does it mean to love God and our neighbor? How do we keep these two great commandments, especially when we aren't feeling the love? Let's look to the greatest Lover of all time, Jesus, to find some answers.

How did Jesus love God? His relationship with His heavenly Father was the focus of His love. Jesus spent hours – and even whole nights – praying so that He could converse with His Father. Every action and decision He took reflected His Father's will.

Out of His loving relationship flowed Jesus' love for His neighbor. No matter what He was feeling at each moment, Jesus did what God asked of Him. He taught and helped people. He forgave His persecutors. Ultimately, He gave His life out of loving obedience to His Father and deep love for each of us.

There are – and will be – many times when we don't feel particularly loving. But as Jesus showed us, love is more than an emotion; it's a series of actions and decisions that reflect God's will. When we make our relationship with our Father the focus of our lives, He will give us the grace to love, even when our emotions don't fall in line.

So how do you love your heavenly Father? Spend time in prayer and Scripture each day. Seek His grace and mercy in the sacraments. Try to fulfill the unique mission you believe God has given you.

And how do you love your neighbor? Care for the people God has put in your life. Build up rather than tear down. Forgive those who have hurt you. Tell people about Jesus.

Today, think about all the opportunities you will have to love God and your neighbor. Then go ahead and do these things. Don't worry if you don't "feel the love." What matters is that you are obeying the two most important commandments – and reflecting God's love into the world.

“Jesus, show me how to love today”

