

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

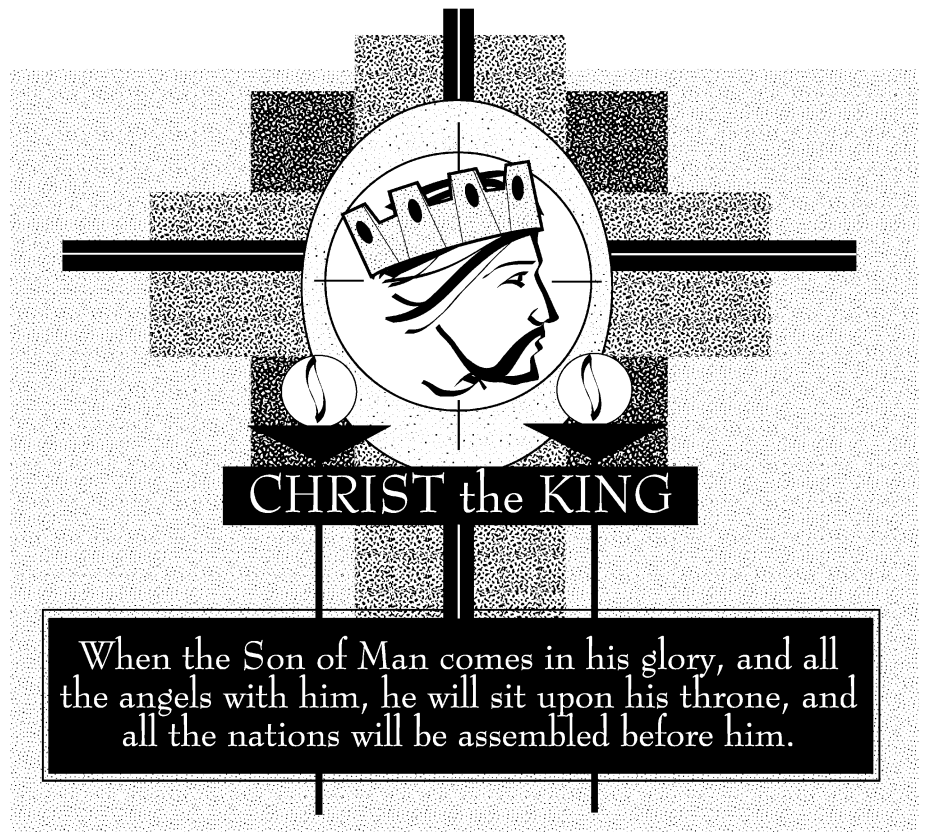
Meets during the school term.

● SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION GROUP

1:00 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept. – May)

● PARISH CENTER RENTAL

Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



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Solemnity of Our Lord
Jesus Christ the King

November 22, 2020

Hail Christ the King of salvation!

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 21 Christ the King

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Helen Smerkar by Eukie Lolley and family

4:30pm (St. Thomas) William Marucci (Anniv. of death) by Aleen & Joe Weindorf

Sunday, November 22 Christ the King

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

10:45am (St. Teresa) Jeanne Vallimont by Dick and Elaine Hasbrouck

Monday, November 23 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Communion Service

Tuesday, November 24 St. Andres Dung-Lac

8:00am Anne Luba by Mary Ann Luba and family

Wednesday, November 25 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Jeanne Vallimont by Ilene Zakovitch

Thursday, November 26 Thanksgiving Day

9:00am Margaret Campbell by Family and Friends

Friday, November 27 Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday, November 28 First Sunday of Advent

4:30pm (St. Teresa) Bob Adams by Melody and family

4:30pm (St. Thomas) Joe & Jerry Hand, Terry Hand & Mary Hand by Judy Green

Sunday, November 29 First Sunday of Advent

8:45am (St. Thomas) Earle Slayton by Knights of Columbus. Council #425

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

Sacrificial Giving: The offertory last weekend was \$2,265 for St. Teresa which includes \$2,223 in envelopes and \$42 in loose & \$90 for Our Lady of Fatima in envelopes. Offertory Goal \$3,000

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)

PRAY FOR PEACE

Mass Readings for the Week

Mon. Revelation 14:1-2,4b-5 ♦ Luke 21:1-4

Tue. Revelation 14:14-19♦ Luke 21:5-11

Wed Revelation 15:1-4♦ Luke 21:12-19

Thu. Revelation 18:1-2,21-23:19:1-3.9a ♦ Luke 21:20-28

Fri. Revelation 20:1-4,11, 21:2 ♦ Luke 21:29-33

Sat. Revelation 22:1-7♦ Luke 21:34-36

Sun. Isaiah 63:16b-17,19b 64:2-7 1 Corinthians 1:3-9♦ Mark 13:33-37

2020 Catholic Services Appeal

Goal - \$31,004

Amount Pledged to Date - \$28,644

Amount Paid to Date - \$27,009

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

Religious Education

11/22 REP Class

11/29 No REP Class, Thanksgiving break

12/6 REP Class w/Advent confessions grades 3-11

12/13 REP Class, Youth Mass/Grade 4

Christmas Basket Raffle Currently, The Religious Education Guild (who supports Religious Education) are having their annual Christmas Basket Raffle complete with a \$50.00 Walmart gift card plus many things for wrapping gifts and Christmas itself. Ticket will be \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets will be sold before and after all liturgies till **December 20** the date of the drawing. All religious education students will be given tickets to sell to complete for a class treat.

SCHEDULES FOR NOVEMBER 28 & 29

4:30

10:45

LECTORS

Fran O'Connell

Elizabeth Moon

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Nancy Ferro

Deacon Randy

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.

STAY HEALTHY – STAY WELL – STAY HAPPY

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. Daniel R. Hoffman, Rev. Dennis C. Hadberg, The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico, Rev. Msgr. Casimir A. Bogniak, Rev. G. William Fischer, O.S.F.S. Very Rev. Msgr. Edward M. Lohse, V.G. Rev. William C. Miller

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.

Marriage Moment Nov. 22 is the feast of Christ the King. What does it mean to be a King (or Queen)? According to the Gospel it means to feed the hungry & thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, care for the ill and imprisoned. (Mt: 25). Discuss with your beloved how you can do one of these this week. Yes, feed your kids, plus what else?

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.

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

A Family Perspective As we gather to give thanks this week, we must also ask how well we share with “the least.” Happiness is secured not by having, but by sharing.

MAY EVERYONE HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING

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.

Your creativity is earnestly solicited: In previous years, you will remember how wonderfully St. Teresa’s Church has been decorated – especially during the special seasons of the year. Advent and Christmas is fast approaching. At the present time, we have no one who has volunteered to be in charge of decorating. **PLEASE** we need someone to step up to the plate and oversee this. If Father Davis asks for your help, please do what you can to help or just let him or the office know if you would be available to help in any way. Many hands make light work.

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

This year, the parish will decorate it’s first annual Christmas Remembrance Tree, with ornaments in memory of all those loved ones who have passed away. If you have an ornament like that at home, please let us borrow it for the Christmas season. Simply bring it to us before the day we decorate, December 20, so that we ensure it is hung. Also, all those parishioners who had a funeral for a loved one in the past year, an ornament has been ordered for them, and will be hung on this same tree. All ornaments are yours and can be picked up after we undecorate on January 10.

The parish will be decorating our sanctuary for Christmas after the 10:45am Mass on December 20. Please come and help us. We want our church to be fully reflective of the season. See you then, and thanks in advance. Happy Advent and Merry Christmas!!

THE WORD AMONG US Advent edition is available Free of Charge in the back of the church. Please take one and use it for your Daily Meditations during Advent.

Give Catholic – Advanced Giving on November 16-30. Online giving starts December 1st. and can be processed through <https://erie.igivecatholic.org/> and search for St. Teresa. More about this can be found on our website.

Inherit the kingdom. (Matthew 25:34)

Today, on the feast of Christ the King, we celebrate Jesus' sovereignty over all creation. We celebrate the fact that all things were created through him, all things are redeemed through him, and all people will be judged by him.

It's this last point—Jesus as judge—that today's Gospel focuses on. It tells us that as our King, Jesus has the right to set the standard by which we will be judged. Other judges exercise their office based on the existing laws of the land. But Jesus is the law of the kingdom. His life, his way, is the standard by which we will be judged.

If you want to be a judge in this world, you have to know the law intimately. Just one word in one statute can affect the entire outcome of a case. Not so with Jesus. His law is simple. We will "inherit the kingdom" based on this guiding principle: "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25:34, 40). That's the standard: mercy, generosity, and self-giving love.

It's often said that you can't take it with you, and there is a lot of truth to that. All our money, all our honors, all our possessions are temporary. They won't follow us to heaven, and they can't help us get in. But there is something we can take with us: our acts of charity. In fact, they are the very things that will open the gates of heaven to us!

Jesus will not be impressed if we have many possessions, and he will not be disappointed if we have just a few. What matters is whether we have let him soften our hearts so that we feed the hungry, forgive those who have sinned against us, and reach out to the lonely. Because his kingdom is not a kingdom of wealth and power; it is a kingdom of humility, love, and service.

"Jesus, my King and my Judge, teach me to love as you love."