



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



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

# THE PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND ITS MISSION ST. TERESA OF AVILA

*June 8, 2025*



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**Parish Office Hours**  
Monday: 12:30pm—3:30pm  
Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30am—3:30pm  
Thursday: 8:30am—12:00pm (noon)  
Friday: Closed

## NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY & ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

☐ St. Thomas the Apostle ☐ St. Teresa of Avila

Please drop this information into Offertory Basket or mail to Parish Office.

Notes from the Pastor

**REMINDERS ABOUT PARISH PROCEDURES:** We have some procedures in place that help us to make sure things run smoothly. Just a few reminders about some of those:

- **FUNERALS:** The first point of contact when someone dies is the funeral home. The funeral home will then contact the pastor and the parish office. All the funeral homes have a copy of the funeral planning booklet that we use at St. Thomas and St. Teresa. This booklet is also on our parish website. It has the readings you can choose from and the songs that can be chosen.

- **FUNERAL DINNERS:** Again, the first point of contact is the funeral home. The funeral home will then contact the office or the pastor to check on availability of the hall, if the funeral dinner is being held at St. Thomas or St. Teresa. The office or the pastor will contact the person in charge of funeral dinners.

- **USE OF PARISH BUILDINGS:** All organizations need to contact the parish office to arrange for meetings to be held in parish buildings. Those desiring to use the parish buildings for an event need to schedule that with the parish office. We have a variety of groups and rentals using the buildings that need to be coordinated by one person.

- **MONEY SECURITY:** All fund-raising events need to follow diocesan policy in regard to securing money for your event and for counting and securing the money after the event. Money from fund raising events should never be kept at someone's home, nor should money be sent to someone's home. All money should be turned in to the parish office or placed in envelopes in the collection basket.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **ANOIDTING OF THE SICK:** After all the Masses on the weekend of June 28/29, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

**ANOIDTING OF THE SICK:** A brief review of the sacrament and those who are eligible to receive it may be needed. This sacrament is meant to help a person cope with their illness and confront the limitations that being human imposes on our souls: our hopes, our dreams, our desire to be meaningful. Sickness does not just affect our bodies but also our spirits and our attitudes. It is intended to heal the anguish of the soul.

" 'Anointing of the Sick,' is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as any one of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for that person to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived." (Constitution on the Liturgy, Vatican Council II)

**What might constitute "in danger of death from sickness or old age (serious illness)? Or who is eligible to receive the sacrament?**

- A person who becomes ill and the illness becomes more serious;
- A person may be anointed before surgery whenever a serious illness is the reason for the surgery;
- Elderly people may be anointed if they have become notably weakened even though no serious illness is present;
- Sick children are to be anointed if they have sufficient use of reason to be strengthened by this sacrament. In a case of doubt

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**Sunday, June 8—Pentecost Sunday**

8:00a.m. Special Intentions of the Corry Class of 1965  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

11:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

**Monday, June 9**

8:00a.m. †Sherry Davis by the Yaple Family  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

**Tuesday, June 10**

8:00a.m. †Deceased and Living Members of the Vinca and Buccolini Families by Julie & Steve Rushin  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

**Wednesday, June 11**

8:00a.m. †Philip Wascak by Mom & Dad  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

**Thursday, June 12**

No Mass or Services today at both Sts. Thomas and Teresa.

**Friday, June 13**

8:00a.m. †Rita Mong by Deacon Randy & Anne Kondrlik  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

**Saturday, June 14**

4:30p.m. †Gilbert Rowland by Nancy Giblin  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

**Sunday, June 15—The Most Holy Trinity / Father's Day**

8:00a.m. †All Deceased Fathers  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

11:00a.m. †All Deceased Fathers  
(St. Teresa, Union City)



*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful  
and kindle in them the fire of your love.*

whether a child has reached the use of reason, the sacrament is to be conferred;

- Some types of mental illness are now classified as serious. Those who are judged to have a serious mental illness and who would be strengthened by the sacrament may be anointed (depression, paranoia, etc...);

- **In case of doubt as to whether the illness is serious or not, the person should be anointed.**

*- Fr. Tom*



## St. Thomas News



**PRAYER LINE... call:** Gerrie (814-665-6944),  
Pam (814-664-7459), or Diane (814-882-6806).  
*Since prayer is an important ministry of trust,  
know that all requests are kept confidential.*

### PERSEVERE IN PRAYER

#### "Question of the Week" - Pentecost Sunday

**Question for Children:** Jesus tells us that we need to forgive to have peace. Name one way that you can forgive a friend or classmate.

**Question for Youth:** St. Paul tells us that we all have unique gifts for the good of others. What is special about you? How can you use those gifts to help others – friends, family, strangers?

**Question for Adults:** Even as working disciples of Christ, we are given the gift of peace. How do you experience this gift, and how do you share it with others?

#### Time to Return the LifeCare Baby Bottles

Next weekend (June 15<sup>th</sup>) is Fathers' Day and it is time to return the baby bottles filled with coins/bills for LifeCare's fundraiser. If you didn't take a bottle home to fill, you can still donate; there are large bottles at each entrance for one-time donations which are still being accepted. Thank you for supporting LifeCare and their good works!



*Lord, you have conquered the world.  
Help me to be a champion of HOPE today!*

#### PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, fan into flame the gifts  
I received in my Baptism and Confirmation.  
I want to receive the fire of Your love  
as Your disciples did at Pentecost.

Come with wonder and awe,  
with wisdom, understanding, and counsel,  
with courage and faith in You.

Holy Spirit, may my actions witness  
to Your presence in my life.

Help me to see the ways my strengths  
can serve others in their weakness.

In all my interactions, I want to radiate  
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,  
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.  
Breathe new life into the world through me.

Amen.



#### ATTENTION Union City & Corry Knights of Columbus

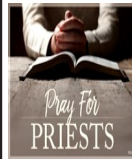
Our annual summer picnic meetings are scheduled for the first Tuesdays of the month during the summer months of June, July, and August. **All Brother Knights are encouraged to attend on June 10<sup>th</sup>, July 8<sup>th</sup>, and August 12<sup>th</sup> in Corry Mead Park at the Knights of Columbus Green Top Pavilion.** Meeting starts at 6:00pm. Grilled hotdogs/buns and beverages are provided. Please bring a food item/dish to share—thank you. We hope to see you there!



The **SANCTUARY CANDLE** at St. Thomas Church for the week of June 8<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Tom Dyne by Pat Keys.

#### Men's Retreat: To the Heights

Adult men (18+ and out of high school) are invited to a powerful 3-day, 2-night backpacking retreat in the Quehanna Wild area (near Parker Dam State Park) from Thursday, June 19 to Saturday, June 21. Retreat leaders - Father Ben Daghir, Father Luke Daghir and Ryan Sayers - wish to share their inspiration from Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati who loved hiking and the outdoors. The cost is \$50, which includes meals, a retreat t-shirt and a Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati medal. Register by June 9 by visiting the Facebook page "[To The Heights - Diocese of Erie](#)" or online: [To the Heights](#). Please email any questions to: [totheheightserie@gmail.com](mailto:totheheightserie@gmail.com).



Rev. Michael Scanga, Very Rev. Scott Jabo, VF,  
Very Rev. Nicholas Rouch, VG, Rev. Jeffrey Lucas,  
Rev. James Campbell, Rev. Msgr. Bruce Allison,  
and also *Pray for All Priests and Deacons in our diocese.*

#### Thank You for Helping with Flowers at St. Thomas

We wish to thank those who have been working to improve the garden beds around St. Thomas Church this spring. We appreciate all who helped weed, spread mulch, select and plant the flowers in the urns and in the gardens. We will continue to work on planting flowers (when the weather cooperates). Also, thank you to those who donated to make this project possible. We appreciate everyone's generosity. Thank You!



#### Saturday Morning Rosary

All are invited to join us on Saturday mornings at Saint Thomas Church at 9:00am as we pray The Rosary together in community.

## St. Teresa News

### Readings for the week of June 8, 2025

Sun.: Vigil: Genesis 11:1-9 or Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ezekiel 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5 ♦ Psalm 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30) ♦ Romans 8:22-27 ♦ John 7:37-39  
 Day: Acts 2:1-11 ♦ Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30) ♦ 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Romans 8:8-17 ♦ John 20:19-23 or John 14:15-16, 23b-26  
 Mon.: Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14 ♦ Psalm 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7 ♦ John 19:25-34  
 Tues.: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22 ♦ Psalm 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135 ♦ Matthew 5:13-16  
 Wed.: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580) ♦ Psalm 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 ♦ Matthew 5:17-19  
 Thur.: 2 Corinthians 3:15—4:1, 3-6 ♦ Psalm 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 ♦ Matthew 5:20-26  
 Fri.: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15 ♦ Psalm 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 ♦ Matthew 5:27-32  
 Sat.: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21 ♦ Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 ♦ Matthew 5:33-37  
 Next Sun.: Proverbs 8:22-31 ♦ Psalm 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (2a) ♦ Romans 5:1-5 ♦ John 16:12-15

### 2025 Wedding Anniversary Celebration with Bishop Persico

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2025 will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

- Sunday, August 3 at Our Lady of Peace, Erie at 2:00pm
- Sunday, August 24 at St. Tobias, Brockway at 3:00pm

Couples may complete registration online at <https://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, call their parish office or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 814-824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 24 for the Erie celebration and until August 14 for the Brockway celebration. You may also register until Sept. 11 to have a scrolled mailed to you.



### Quo Vadis Days—Discernment Camp for High School Men

Quo Vadis Days is a four-day retreat for Catholic high school men who are seeking to follow God's call in their lives; for those who are discerning priesthood, considering seminary formation or simply exploring the possibility of a religious vocation. The retreat will be held Sunday, June 29, through Wednesday, July 2, at St. Mark Seminary, 429 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie. Cost is \$50. Contact Father Scott Jabo at 814-824-1198 or email: [swjabo@eriercd.org](mailto:swjabo@eriercd.org).

### Seeking Help Spreading Mulch at St. Teresa

We are asking for volunteers to come help spread mulch at St. Teresa Church on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. Please bring your garden gloves, shovel, rake, or other tools to help with this project. We appreciate everyone's efforts in beautifying the grounds around St. Teresa Church. Thank You!



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Teresa Church for the week of June 8<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Jean Calfo.

### Family Perspective

Today's gospel tells us that God wants to be with us always and in all ways. Every family is called to be a tabernacle where God dwells. Is Jesus a permanent member of your family or a temporary guest? Today, the promise is given. The choice is yours.

### Lawn Festival Meeting TODAY After Mass

We are beginning to plan for the St. Teresa Lawn Festival. We will have a planning meeting in the parish center TODAY— Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> following the 11:00am Mass. Please join us.



Our prayers & sympathy to the family and friends of Candius 'Candy' Luba who passed away from St. Teresa Church. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Our prayers & sympathy to the family and friends of Lois Jean Calfo who passed away from St. Teresa Church. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

### Seeking Raffle Items for Our Cash Bingo

We are asking for donations of items to include in our raffle at the Cash Bingo. Questions, please contact Elaine Hasbrouck.



## Saturday, June 14, 2025

Doors open at 4:30 - Bingo starts at 6:00

Union City Fire Hall  
50 2nd Avenue • Union City, PA

### Admission \$30.00

- BYOB
- Food Truck On Site
- Basket Raffle
- Chinese Auction
- Lottery Tree
- 50-50 and more...

For reservations contact Dick or Elaine Hasbrouck  
814-450-2766

No one under 21 admitted • St. Teresa Church



**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:** May 31 & June 1, 2025

Total Offertory Income ..... \$6,563.00  
Average Budgeted Offertory Income ..... \$7,700.00  
**Offertory Shortage.....\$(-1,137.00)**

*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 either St. Thomas Cemetery, St. Elizabeth Cemetery, or St. Teresa Cemetery. Thank you.***



***Please know that you can now give all your donations online by visiting our parish website at [www.StThomasTheApostle.Church](http://www.StThomasTheApostle.Church) and click 'Donate Online'.***

*If you are not receiving offertory envelopes from our parish and wish to, please contact the parish office. Thank you!*

**Missionary Co-Op Collection.....\$1,955.80**

Thank you for your donation to this special second collection taken up on May 17/18 at our parish. Proceeds benefit AIM USA (the Alliance for International Monasticism). Thank you for your generosity.

*"God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 9:7*

**THANK YOU** to all of our bulletin sponsors!

We appreciate their support of our parishes and ask our parishioners to please patronize these business.

**Parish Care and Concern Ministry Presentations**

Parish Care and Concern: Are you looking to start or breathe new life into your parish social ministries and connect with fellow parishioners in renewed service? Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Erie invites you to attend an information session to learn more about how Parish Care and Concern can help you use your gifts and talents as a parish family to serve your neighbors in need. On Thursday June 26<sup>th</sup> at 12pm and again at 5pm, there will be a presentation at St. Mark Catholic Center, 429 E. Grandview Blvd., Erie. Register at <https://bit.ly/PCandC> or contact Diane Gallagher at [dgallagher@ccincerie.org](mailto:dgallagher@ccincerie.org) or 814-824-1251 for more information. All are welcome.

**2025 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals:**

**Diocesan Goal for our parish is \$61,792**

St. Thomas portion is \$37,000 / St. Teresa portion is \$25,000

Amount Pledged at **St. Thomas** to date = \$65,995

Paid to date = \$50,825

Amount Pledged at **St. Teresa** to date = \$35,488

Paid to date = \$28,633

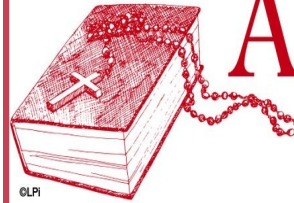
Total Number of Families who made a pledge = 218

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.**

*No gift is too small, but give as generously as you can.*



# Anointing of the Sick

Weekend of June 28 & 29  
following all Masses at St. Thomas & St. Teresa

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments**

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments- Listen:** This summer, when children are out of school, meeting new people and going to new places, make sure that you talk to them often about their experiences and the people they've met. Listen carefully to your children. If possible, observe and get to know the other children and adults who are part of your children's summertime fun. Above all, communicate your safety concerns to your children. Make sure your children know they can come to you with any concerns they may have about the people they interact with. And if you hear of or observe behaviors that may be inappropriate, make sure to communicate your feelings to people who are in a position to intervene. Communication is key in creating and maintaining a safe environment all year round. For additional resources visit: [www.eriecd.org/childprotection/](http://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/)

**Congratulations to Our 2025 Graduates**

We wish to congratulate members of our parish who recently graduated from local area high schools. We applaud them for their accomplishments and commend them on their achievements. We wish them much success in all their future endeavors. *May God continue to pour out His blessings on them.*



**WELCOME**

If you are new to our parish, 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. We require all first-time parents to attend a Baptism Class prior to having their child baptized. The best time to take this class is before the child is born and before godparents are chosen.

**MARRIAGE**

Please contact the Parish Office at least ten (10) 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:  
3:30pm—4:00pm on Saturdays at the church where the anticipatory Mass is celebrated that evening—at St. Thomas Church, Corry or at St. Teresa Church, Union City (depending on the month); and other times by request made to the Parish Office.

*Please notify the Parish of changes to your address, phone numbers, or email.*