



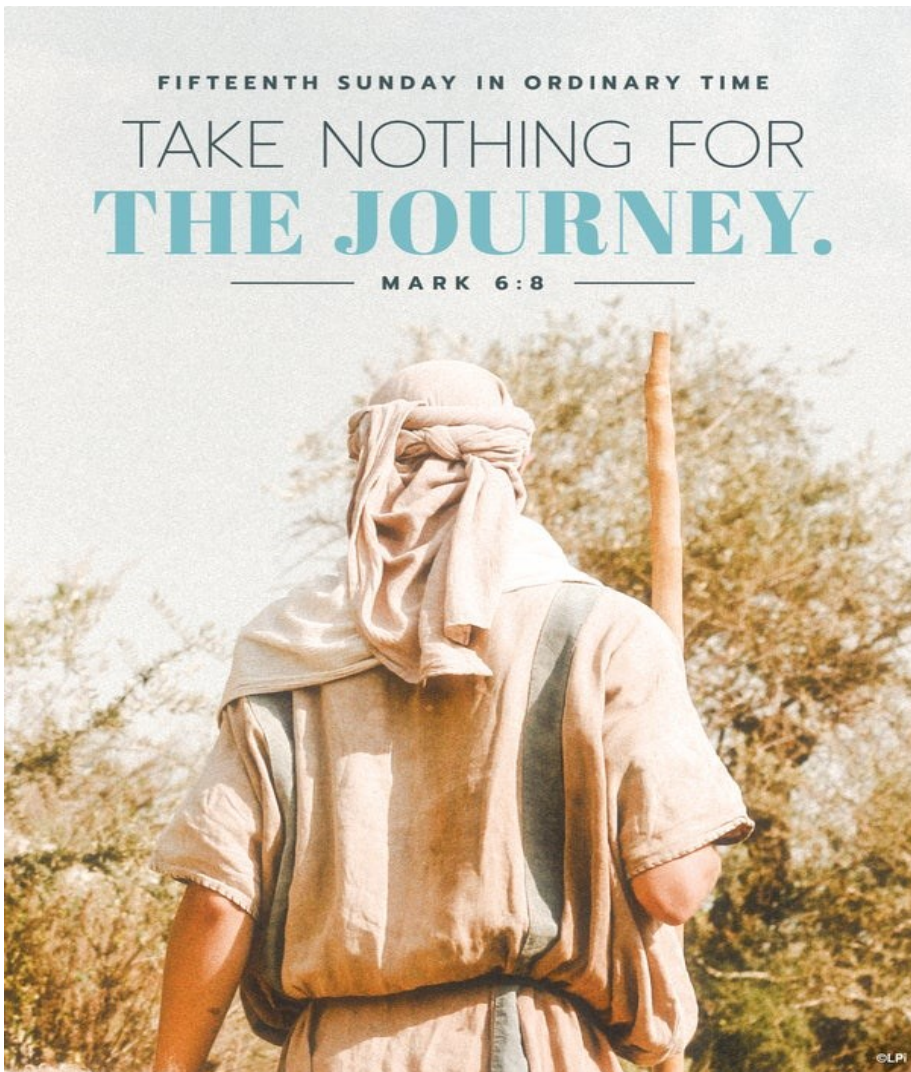
Saint Thomas the Apostle Church
203 W. Washington Street
Corry, PA 16407

THE PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND ST. TERESA OF AVILA



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

July 14, 2024



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.

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Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish
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Saint Teresa of Avila Parish
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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

Notes from the Pastor

LAWN FESTIVAL AT ST. TERESA: This Thursday, July 18, St. Teresa will be hosting their annual Lawn Festival. We are hoping the weather will cooperate much better than it did last year. There will be all kinds of games for kids and adults. Pony rides, Bingo, Chinese Auction, Special Prize auctions, and lots of great food. Come and enjoy a relaxing evening.

We can always use help setting up and tearing down from the event. We will be setting up on July 15, 16, and 17 from 5:00pm—7:00pm each night and tearing down on Friday most of the day. If you are able to help at any time it would be greatly appreciated.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Since I live at one parish and the parish office is at another, it can be sometimes tricky to get in contact with me. Most weeks, I am in the office at St. Thomas on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. The number there is 814-663-3041. Thursday is usually my day off. I am at St. Teresa on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. The number at St. Teresa is 814-438-6048. Always leave a message. There is an emergency contact number when you call St. Thomas and listen to all the options.

PARKING SPACES: There are many times when people park in the NO PARKING zones. We ask that you refrain from doing this as it creates serious issues in emergency situations. Also, at St. Teresa we have just finished paving the parking lot and drawing lines for parking spaces. If there are no lines then, there is no parking in that area. The only exception to that is for handicap parking at the very front of the Church.

HOSPITAL VISITS: If you have a family member in the hospital and would like the priest or deacon to come and visit, please call the parish office to let us know what room and what hospital the patient is in. Both Hamot and St. Vincent have a local priest on call, you can simply ask the nurse and he or she can help you make that contact.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS: Just a reminder to all of those who were recently confirmed. In my interview with each of you, I gave you a form that listed a number of ministry opportunities. If you are interested in any of these ministries, please return that form to Mrs. Silka, Deacon Randy, the parish office, or Fr. Tom so we can begin the training to get you started in that ministry. If you lost the form, I will have extras at Mass each weekend.

RETURNING TO THE PARISH: We have noticed a number of people that have been returning to the parish in recent months. We are most grateful to have you back. Please take a moment to introduce yourselves to me. You might also want to be sure that you are registered at the parish so that you receive communication about events at the parish. You can complete the form on the front of the bulletin, or you can go on the parish website and click the tab, "I'm New" and the registration form will be there.

– Fr. Tom



Sunday, July 14

8:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa
(St. Thomas, Corry)

10:00a.m. †John E. Greishaw, III by Jamie & Shelley Tomcho and family (St. Teresa, Union City)

Monday, July 15

8:00a.m. †Ed Weaver by Irene Weaver and family
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Tuesday, July 16

8:00a.m. †Tommy Brigham by Nancy Brigham and family
(St. Thomas, Corry)

Wednesday, July 17

8:00a.m. †Charles 'Bucky' Buckshaw by Mini Sypniewski
(St. Thomas, Corry)

Thursday, July 18

No Mass or Service today at either St. Thomas or St. Teresa.

Friday, July 19

8:00a.m. †Priscilla Kozik by Joe & Dolores Matyk
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Saturday, July 20

4:30p.m. †Deceased & Living members of the
Vinca and Buccolini Families by Julie & Steve
Rushin (St. Thomas, Corry)

Sunday, July 21

8:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa
(St. Thomas, Corry)

10:00a.m. †Ann Ranyak by John & Jessie
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Become an Erie Gives Donor

Please consider supporting us (Sts. Thomas & Teresa) and our cemeteries (St. Thomas, St. Teresa, and St. Elizabeth) during this year's

**Erie Gives Day
Tuesday, August 13, 2024**



More information to come—please look for it and begin to pray about your gift. View links to Erie Gives on our websites or go to www.eriegives.org. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Have you made your pledge to the 2024 CSA?

*Diocese of Erie
2024 Catholic Services Appeal*

*"That they may all be one,
as you, Father, are in me
and I in you."
John 17:21*

**One Faith
One Family**

***Lord, you know I believe.
Help my unbelief!***

St. Thomas Parish News

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: July 6 & 7, 2024

Amount in Envelopes: (81)\$3,840.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 145 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 64)
Loose\$588.00
Online Giving (14)\$775.00
Faith Formation/Rel. Ed.\$0.00
Total Offertory Income\$5,203.00

Average Weekly Expenses\$5,335.00
 (Average Weekly Expenses are for normal operating expenses, this does not include extraordinary repairs.)

Weekly Average Shortfall\$(-132.00)

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'.



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.



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Thomas Church for the week of July 14th burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of deceased members of our parish.

"Question of the Week" - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Question for Children: To whom would you announce the Good News about Jesus? Who do you think most needs to hear this message?

Question for Youth: When Jesus sent the disciples out, he was preparing them for the future when he would be gone. How are you growing in your own faith and preparing for a life as a Christian disciple?

Question for Adults: Why do you think Jesus sent them out two by two, rather than alone?

The National Eucharistic Congress



July 17—21 in Indianapolis, IN

Please pray for those from our diocese who are attending the National Eucharistic Congress this week. To be a part of it, please visit www.ErieRCD.org/EucharisticRevival.html.



I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever.

LET US
SEE YOUR
KINDNESS.

psalm 85



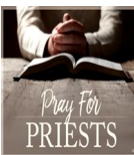
Family Perspective

Jesus sent out His apostles without a lot of "things" because THINGS distract. We collect, argue about and protect our "things." We even ignore each other because we have "things" to do. What "things" are separating you from your family?



Need a Summer Read?

Don't forget to browse the lending book rack in the main vestibule of St. Thomas Church. Books can be borrowed and returned anytime. This rack is intended for religious-themed books. Enjoy!



Very Rev. Chris Hamlett, Rev. James Gutting, Rev. Luke Daghir, Rev. Frank Dicristina, Rev. Raymond Gramata, Rev. Msgr. Bernard Urbaniak, Rev. David Wilson, and also please *Pray for All Priests and Deacons in our diocese.*

Natural Family Planning

Looking for planning that respects your faith, your marriage, your body and that is effective? Couples from around the diocese are learning about a way of life that helps them work with God to grow their families or space children. Find studies verifying Natural Family Planning's (NFP) effectiveness and class schedule at www.eriecd.org/chastity.htm or contact the Diocesan Natural Family Planning Coordinator at 814-512-0818.

The Diocese of Erie's NFP Awareness Mass & Reception will be held on Sunday, July 28th at St. Peter's Cathedral with Mass at 11:00am and light refreshments to follow. All are welcome.



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 Parish News

ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: July 7, 2024

Amount in Envelopes: (46) \$1,976.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 111)
Loose \$300.00
Continuing the Vision (3) \$80.00
Online Giving (1) \$30.00
Total Offertory Income \$2,386.00

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: July 7, 2024

Amount in Envelopes: (7) \$290.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 21)

St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income \$2,676.00

Average Weekly Expenses \$4,585.00

(Average Weekly Expenses are for normal operating expenses, this does not include extraordinary repairs.)

Weekly Average Shortfall \$(-1,909.00)

Thanks to everyone who regularly uses his/her envelopes.

Please write checks payable to St. Teresa Church.



Please know that you can now give all your donations online by visiting our parish website at www.st-teresa-unioncity-org OR by scanning the QR code here.



Thanks for your generosity to our parish!

Upcoming Events at St. Teresa Parish

July 18—St. Teresa's Lawn Festival
 September 7—St. Teresa's Cash Bingo
 October 9—Rosary Altar Society Card Party

Readings for the week of July 14, 2024

Sun.: Amos 7:12-15 ♦ Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8) ♦ Ephesians 1:3-14 or 1:3-10 ♦ Mark 6:7-13

Mon.: Isaiah 1:10-17 ♦ Psalm 50:8-9, 16b-17, 21 and 23 ♦ Matthew 10:34—11:1

Tues.: Isaiah 7:1-9 ♦ Psalm 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8 ♦ Matthew 11:20-24

Wed.: Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16 ♦ Psalm 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15 ♦ Matthew 11:25-27

Thur.: Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19 ♦ Psalm 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21 ♦ Matthew 11:28-30

Fri.: Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8 ♦ Isaiah 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16 ♦ Matthew 12:1-8

Sat.: Mi cah2:1-5 ♦ Psalm 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14 ♦ Matthew 12:14-21

Next Sun.: Jeremiah 23:1-6 ♦ Psalm 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 (1) ♦ Ephesians 2:13-18 ♦ Mark 6:30-34

St. Teresa Cash Bingo

There will be a short meeting for our Cash Bingo event on Sunday, July 21st after the 10:00am Mass. We are in need of at least 4 more volunteers to help with this event. Please reach out to Elaine Hasbrouck, chairperson, if you have any questions or wish to volunteer to help. The St. Teresa Cash Bingo will be held on Saturday, September 7th at the Union City Fire Hall.



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Teresa Church for the week of July 14th burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Bob Adams (anniversary) by Melody Adams and family.

JOIN US FOR OUR PARISH FESTIVAL

Getting Ready for Our Annual Lawn Festival

St. Teresa's Lawn Festival will be held on Thursday, July 18th this week. We are in need of the following items to make this endeavor successful: Plants, Chinese Auction Items, 2 Liter Bottles of Pop (LOTS!), Baked Goods, and YOUR TIME!! If you can help work one of the many booths for a couple of hours please reach out to Matt Moon at 814-490-1494. Raffle tickets and signs are in the back of the church for you to pick up. Please plan to return ALL Raffle Tickets this week either during the set-up for the Lawn Festival on Monday—Wednesday (July 15-17) or on the evening of the festival before 8:00pm. Thank you.



St. Teresa's Lawn Festival

Union City, Pennsylvania

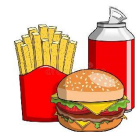
Thursday, July 18, 2024

5:00pm to 9:00pm



CASH PRIZES
GIFT CARDS
GAS CARDS
CHINESE AUCTION

PRIZES DRAWN AT 9:30



POPCORN
COTTON CANDY
WAFFLE CAKES
BAKE SALE

BOOTHS - FUN - FOOD - GAMES

CRAFTS AND PLANTS



SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE



PONY RIDES
KIDDIE LAND
BALLOONS



SGOC # 20247045



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

June 28, 2024

When we think of mission territory, we are likely to think of Africa or Asia, not of parts of our own country. Yet, there are many poor, sparsely populated dioceses in our country who need our help to minister to the People of God and to spread the Good News.

The Collection for National Needs, to be taken this year on July 20 and 21, gives each of us the opportunity to stand in solidarity with poorer dioceses in the United States. This collection is a combination of two other collections:

- **The Catholic Home Missions Appeal** impacts the lives of nearly 9 million Catholics. Through annual grants, the Catholic Home Missions Appeal funds catechesis for children and adults, seminarian education, lay ministry training, Hispanic ministry and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses. The dioceses funded by the appeal comprise nearly 45 percent of all US dioceses.
- **The Black and Indian Mission Collection** helps to evangelize and support our African American, Native American and Alaskan Native communities with mission schools, religious education programs, the purchase of catechetical materials and ministry training.

The struggle to receive basic pastoral care and catechesis is faced by thousands of faithful living in dioceses within our own country. I ask your generous response to the Collection for National Needs on July 20 and 21. Your support will truly make a difference in strengthening the Church at home. Be assured of my prayers for you and your families in these summer months.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Lawrence T. Persico

The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL
Bishop of Erie

THANK YOU to all of our bulletin sponsors!

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



Volunteers Needed for Zabawa 2024

The annual Zabawa festival will be held August 23—25 at Holy Trinity Parish, Erie. Parishioners of Holy Trinity Parish are looking for volunteers for various shifts over the course of the festival to serve food on the indoor food line. Available shifts include Friday from 4:30—9:00pm, Saturday from 11:30am—6:00pm or 5:30—9:00pm, and Sunday from 10:30am—2:30pm. For more information or to sign up to volunteer, please contact Elizabeth Beres at 814-722-0015.

Wedding Anniversary Celebrations with Bishop Persico

Diocesan Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years of marriage in 2024 will be held at two locations in the Diocese of Erie this summer:

- **Sunday, August 4 at St. George, Erie at 2:00pm.**
- **Sunday, August 18 at Beloved Disciple, Grove City at 2:00pm.**

Couples may contact the parish office, complete a registration form online at <http://www.eriercd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html>, or contact the Marriage and Family Life Office at 814-824-1210. Registrations are being accepted until July 21 for the Erie celebration and until August 4 for the Grove City celebration.



Faith Formation & Religious Ed. News

New Look to Our Religious Education Program

Our Religious Education Program will combine this coming year. The number of students does not merit having two separate programs. Combining our resources will help to make our program stronger. This Fall for the 2024-2025 Religious Education Year, we will have classes at St. Teresa for the first half of the year (September—December) and at St. Thomas for the second half of the year (January—May).



This will also constitute a change in Mass times. We will continue to alternate the Saturday Mass at 4:30pm each month. On Sunday morning Mass will be at St. Thomas at 8:00am and at St. Teresa at 11:00am. Religious Education will be held in between those two Sunday morning Masses. On those Sundays where Religious Education is at St. Teresa class will be from 9:30am—10:45am. This will enable people who go to 8:00am Mass at St. Thomas to get to class at St. Teresa and enable those who go to class to be finished in time for Mass at St. Teresa. And when class is at St. Thomas, class will be 9:00am—10:30am in order for people to get back to St. Teresa for Mass.



Families with school-aged children should be on the lookout for registration information over the summer.

Bingo at All Saints Parish in Waterford



All are welcome to Bingo at All Saints Parish, 11264 Rt 97 N, Waterford, on Saturday, July 20th. Doors open to the air-conditioned social hall at 5:30pm; first game is at 6:15pm. Food is available for purchase. Hope to see you there!

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 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 be sure to notify the parish office of any changes to your address, phone numbers, or email address. Thank you.