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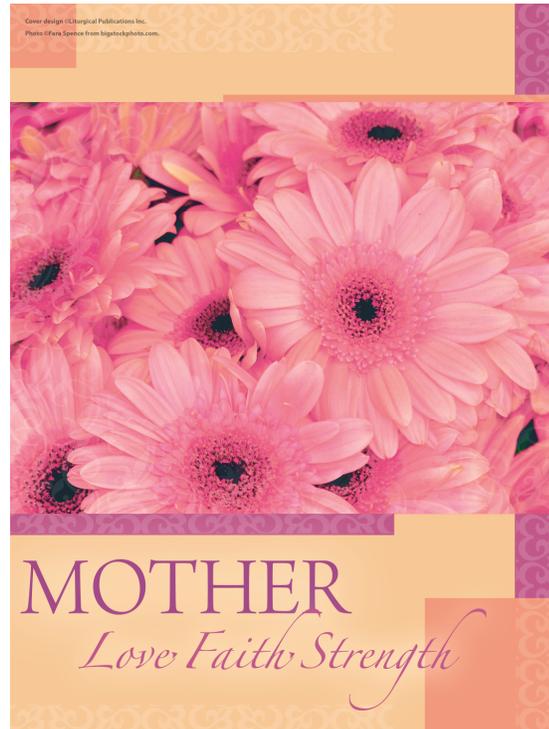
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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic faith community of St. Teresa of Avila parish, guided by the Holy Spirit, commit ourselves to proclaim and follow the Good News of Jesus Christ. Basing our lives on faith, hope and love, we seek to meet our needs and the spiritual and corporal needs of those around us. It is our humble prayer that our lives will be visible signs of His presence in the world as we celebrate Christ in His Word and Sacraments.



MASS SCHEDULE

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| <i>Sunday Liturgies</i> | 8:00 AM, 10:15 AM |
| <i>Saturday Vigil</i> | 4:30 PM |
| <i>Weekday Liturgies</i> | |
| <i>Daily</i> | 8:00 AM, except Wednesday 5:30 PM |
| <i>Saturday</i> | 9:00 AM |
| <i>Vigil of Holy Days</i> | 5:30 PM |
| <i>Holy Days</i> | 8:00 AM; 7:30 PM |

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:45 to 4:15 p.m.

First Saturday 8:15 to 8:45 a.m.

Vigil of Holy Days 3:45 to 4:15 p.m.
or anytime by request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

As preparation for Baptism, parents are asked to contact the parish office to make an appointment with the Pastor.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements to be made at the Rectory 6 months in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register at the Rectory as soon as you move within the parish.
Note: If you are moving out of the parish, please notify the Rectory.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

These letters needed for Baptismal and Confirmation sponsors are issued gladly to those who have been registered for 6 months, attend Mass regularly, have been confirmed, if married, have done so in conformity with the Church laws, and children attend Religious Education.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, May 14 - St. Matthias

8:00 Patricia Goodrich by
Theresa Kwiatkowski

Tuesday, May 15 - St. Isidore

8:00 Departed Souls

Wednesday, May 16

5:30 Michael Levandowski by
family

Thursday, May 17

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Friday, May 18 - St. John I

8:00 In loving memory of Robert
Degaspero by family

Saturday, May 19

10:00 First Communion

4:30 Art and Nettie Charles by
Mike and Mary Charles

Sunday, May 20 - Pentecost Sunday

8:00 Joseph Mattioli by family

10:15 For Past and Present
Knights of Columbus



Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Acts of the
Apostles 1:15-17, 20-26;
John 15:9-17

Tuesday - Acts of the Apostles
20:17-27; John 17:1-11a

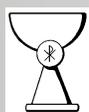
Wednesday - Acts of the Apostles
20:28-38; John 17:11b-19

Thursday - Acts of the Apostles
22:30, 23:6-11; John 17:20-26

Friday - Acts of the Apostles
25:13b-21; John 21:15-19

Saturday - Acts of the Apostles
28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25

Sunday - Acts of the Apostles 2:1-
11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13;
John 20:19-23



**Due to First
Communion being
celebrated at 10:00
am next Saturday,
there will be no 9:00 am
Saturday morning Mass -
Please join us at the First
Communion celebration!**



PASTORAL SHARINGS

Salve Regina (greetings to the queen) as we crown the Queen Mother of Jesus on this Mother's Day. In the early Jewish kingdom the king had many wives, so the queen was the king's mother and she would stand by his throne interceding for the people. This is precisely what Mary does for us as the mother of Christ the King.

Best wishes to all earthly mothers as well! I hope that your children have some nice treats for you today. Also hoping for a warm and sunny day, but I'm writing this on Monday morning, so the weekend weather is anyone's guess.

We pray for favorable weather for the farmers of our area. Rogation Days are an old tradition that fits nicely in our rural community. Rogation is from the Latin word for "beseech" and that's what Rogation Days are all about - four days of prayer as spring begins, asking God to grant us good results from our farming and gardening. "Give success to the work of our hands" says Psalm 90. This Tuesday is the feast of Saint Isidore, the patron of farmers, and Mass on that morning will incorporate all these agricultural themes.

Next Saturday, May 19th, is our parish's First Holy Communion, and we welcome the six children who will receive the Body and Blood of Jesus for the very first time. Please note that the usual 9 a.m. morning Mass will be postponed to 10 a.m. for this purpose. All parishioners are invited to come and see the children in their suits and dresses. It's sure to bring back memories of your own First Eucharist. I recall mine very well and keep a picture of it close at hand, because the Eucharist is so central to my life as a priest. It all began that sunny morning in the third grade with Msgr. Leo Hammerl. May our children be likewise drawn into the deep graces of this Holy Sacrament. Perhaps some of them will discover a church vocation later in life.

Next Sunday will be Pentecost, and you may want to consider wearing red to church to match the altar decorations. The Easter season concludes as we welcome the Holy Spirit of Jesus.

Praise the Holy Trinity!

~Father Dave

Our Prayer Request for the Week: For all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and expectant mothers on their special day; we pray to the Lord...



Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members particularly; Shirley Lantz, Lorraine Sylvester, Norma Hackbush, Lucas Lowe, Pat Hahn, Jim Creed, Ron Konieczny, Faith Bassanello, Liam Williams, Doug Schifferle, Dan Springer, Mary Lou Bummer, Baby Nicholas Brady, Crystal Howard, Leah Howard, Karen Martin, John Gehl, John O'Donnell, Jess Reger and Christopher Ginestre. Please also continue to pray for our troops serving our country throughout the world.

Religious Education: A church hymn of a couple of decades ago began with the words, “An army of youth, flying the standard of truth” was sung on Pentecost and at Confirmation. We all like to recall the energy of youthful times. So let’s do that today. Let’s recall the oil of chrism, the special name at Confirmation, the sponsor who stood by our side. The “army” that has received this sacrament at this parish is out there. May Christ’s words and actions resound in their lives!

High School Youth Ministry - Sunday, May 20 - “Pentecost Parking Lot Party”, 6-8 pm



Our Knights of Columbus Council No. 13661 invite you to a **Mother’s Day Pancake Breakfast** featuring pancakes from Break N Eggs Creperie **TODAY** - Sunday, May 13th from 8:30 am until noon at Our Lady of Peace Church, 10950 Main Street, Clarence. A Free will offering will be taken.



Catholic Charities can be a light at the end of the tunnel. If you have a child ages 12-17 who is displaying chronic behaviors such as noncompliance, verbal and/or physical aggression, truancy, school failure, not following curfew, running away, illegal substance abuse and/or criminal activity consider our Multisystemic Therapy Program in Erie and Niagara counties. MST is an intensive, family-focused intervention provided in the natural environment of the youth. Interventions are research-based and the program offers 24/7 availability. For more information, call 716-204-0555, ext. 330 or visit www.ccnny.org. **Appeal 2018 is still ongoing.** Please make your pledge or donation at your earliest convenience.



St. Teresa’s Women’s Guild wishes to thank all those who joined them for their Annual A to Z Sale. Whether you baked, brought or boxed, sorted, set up or shopped, they hope you enjoy your treasures. Sincerest appreciation for your help to support our parish and its outreach efforts.

The little children of Timau have weak bones and are on the low end of the weight and height charts with other health problems because they do not get the milk and other proper nutrition they need. Sister Joanne at the mission in Timau is trying to start a program, Milk and Porridge for the Babies, which would provide them with the nutritional diet that they need. For \$110 a year (less than \$10 a month), a baby would receive 2 cups of milk a day and for just \$104 a year a child would receive 2 servings of a nutritious porridge daily. Sister could supply the children with a serving of fruit and of vegetables each day for only \$46 a year. So for less than \$22 a month or \$260 a year a child would receive all the nutrition they need to grow and develop. **The Women’s Guild is planning a collection starting next weekend** to help feed the children of Timau, Kenya. Donations of any denomination are appreciated!



A young girl was attending her first wedding, watching the proceedings with interest for a while before growing restless. The groom stood at the altar as six bridesmaids walked slowly up the aisle, one by one. Soon, the girl leaned over to her mom and whispered, “Why doesn’t he just hurry up and pick one?”



- **Sunday, May 13 - Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am**
- **Saturday, May 19 - Monthly Visitation to the Brothers of Mercy Nursing Home - meet at the entrance of the home at 10:00 am; cookies are appreciated!**
- **Weekend of May 19-20 - Akron/Newstead Food Pantry Collection barrels will be out in the back of Church; Apple Sauce is needed!**
- **Sunday, May 20 - Last Day of Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am**
- **Sunday, May 20 - High School Youth Ministry - 6-8 pm in the Parking Lot**



Christ calls us all to be one, with each having a unique role. What is your unique role? If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535. You can also check out the “Priest of the Month” stories at www.buffalovocations.org!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

“Loving God, we thank you for the love of mothers you have given us, whose love is so precious it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end. May we see Your loving hand behind them and guiding them. We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love, or time, or patience. We ask You to bless them with Your own special love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Brother. Amen