

# St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869

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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

<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 4:45 to 5:15 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, June 10

8:00 Intentions for Mothers

Tuesday, June 11 - St. Barnabas

8:00 Departed Souls

Wednesday, June 12

5:30 In Memory of Gertrude and Andrew Korszykowski by *The Estate of Gertrude Bartels*

Thursday, June 13 - St. Anthony of Padua

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Friday, June 14

8:00 John and Helen Fliss by *niece*

Saturday, June 15

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's  
4:30 Lester and Ruth Schock by *family*

Sunday, June 16 - The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 Fathers of the Parish

10:15 Bernie and Cathie Badding by *family*



## Scripture Readings For the Week

**Monday** - Genesis 3:9-15,  
20; John 19:25-34

**Tuesday** - Acts of the Apostles  
11:21b-26, 13:1-3; Matthew 5:13-16

**Wednesday** - 2 Corinthians 3:4-11;  
Matthew 5:17-19

**Thursday** - 2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1,  
3-6; Matthew 5:20-26

**Friday** - 2 Corinthians 4:7-15;  
Matthew 5:27-32

**Saturday** - 2 Corinthians 5:14-21;  
Matthew 5:33-37

**Sunday** - Proverbs 8:22-31;  
Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

**Attention 2019 Graduates**  
A special Mass will be held  
on Sunday, June 30th at  
10:15 am in your honor.  
Please plan to attend!



## PASTORAL SHARINGS

Veni Sancte Spiritus! That's Latin for "Come Holy Spirit!" and I spent a lot of time chanting these three words last weekend. Why?

At Saturday's Ordination Mass for the eight (Eight!!!) new priests of our diocese, they all knelt down and the bishop placed his hands on their heads. This is the Biblical way new clergy were ordained, from Acts 6:6 and 2 Timothy 1:6. The bishop is invoking the Holy Spirit to transfer power to the new priests for consecrating the Eucharist and absolving sins in Confession.

This power was given from Jesus to the Apostles in John 20:21-23, then the Apostles gave it to their successors, and that same Sacramental power has passed down by direct physical contact from Jesus to each generation of bishops to every priest in the world.

We call this Apostolic Succession and only the Catholic Church and Eastern Orthodox Churches have it. This is what we mean in the Creed when we say one holy *Apostolic* Church.

An old priest's prayer goes: "Lord, help me remember that my hands were touched, by hands that were touched, by hands that were touched... by hands that were touched by the hands of Jesus." This is where our Sacramental powers come from. It is a real Divine connection and a pretty big deal.

At the Ordination, as soon as the Bishop transfers these powers, all the priests in attendance come forward and one-by-one place hands on the newly ordained, to show this common root of our priestly powers. It takes a long time, but nobody minds because it's such a stirring moment. And the whole time, for ten minutes, everyone in the Cathedral is chanting "Veni Sancte Spiritus...." You can feel the Spirit hovering around us.

Are you aware of the Spirit's Presence hovering around you? He's been doing so ever since your Confirmation. Tap into that presence. Close your eyes and envision the light, grace, and power that surrounds you. Then draw that Power into your soul. Try this before you go to work or school, or when you have a difficult task. This is the real way that the Holy Spirit is with us, and it's what we celebrate on this Pentecost Sunday.

-Father Dave

**Our Prayer Request for the Week:** May God grant a long and grace-filled ministry to the eight newly ordained priests of our diocese; we pray to the Lord...



Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members particularly; Shirley Lantz, Lorraine Sylvester, Lucas Lowe, Jim Creed, Liam Williams, Doug Schifferle, Crystal Howard, Leah Howard, Whitey Spoth, Marygrace Marinello, Gini Klonowski and for the happy repose of the soul of Bernie Thoma. Please also continue to pray for our troops who are serving our country throughout the world.

### Youth Ministry:

**High School: TONIGHT! Sunday, June 9th 6-8 pm** - "Pentecost Parking Lot Party". Our annual celebration of the end of the Easter season with games including 4 Square, Badminton, CanJam, Cornhole and more. We will also be having hamburger sliders.

**Religious Education:** We look forward to hearing from all families in the parish, those who are new to the parish and those whose children have been part of our Sunday morning classes. We begin with Kindergarten and emphasize the need to participate in classes early on in order to be prepared to receive the sacraments of Penance in Grade Two and Holy Communion in Grade Three. Registration for all grades from Kindergarten thru Eleven is in progress now. Call Sister Ruth at 542-5777 for information or visit the parish website.



- **Sunday, June 9 - High School Youth Ministry - 6:00-8:00 pm in the Church Parking Lot**
- **Saturday, June 15 - Monthly Visitation to the Brothers of Mercy Nursing Home - Volunteers meet at the entrance of the home at 10:00 am. Cookies are appreciated!**
- **Weekend of June 15-16 - Akron/Newstead Food Pantry Collection Barrels will be out in the back of Church; Breakfast Cereals are needed!**



**Volunteers Needed:** We are looking for artistic people to help make safari decorations for our VBS this summer. **Please join us on Tuesday, June 18th at 7 pm in the parish hall if you can help us out.** Snacks will be provided.

We are also in need of large appliance boxes and/or mattress boxes for decorations too. St. Teresa's Vacation Bible School will be held from July 8th-12th in the Parish Hall. All Children who are entering grades K-5 in the fall are invited to attend—and bring a friend too! For more information on decorations or VBS, please contact Karen at 442-6084.

**Parish Photo Directory** - We are excited to invite you to be a part of our updated parish photo directory, which is a great tool to help us connect names and faces. Each family photographed will receive a copy of the Directory and a complimentary 8x10 of the directory portrait. Photography will be taken right here in the parish hall. Flyers with more information are available on the table in the back of church. If you haven't already done so, please sign up for your appointment by visiting our parish website or by calling the phone number on the insert. Our directory wont be complete without you!

**Milk and Porridge for the Babies of Timau** - Last year our parish donated enough to feed 22 babies and toddlers in Timau, Kenya for a year. For just \$260 a year, \$22 a month, each child received 2 cups of milk, 2 servings of porridge and a serving of vegetables or fruit daily. Sister Joanne reports that the results have been "so rewarding as the babies have grown stronger, sturdier and more healthy in every way." The Women's Guild will be collecting again this year to provide nourishing food to these little ones. This is the last weekend to make your donation.

☺ A man walked into a doctor's office and the receptionist asked him what he had. He replied, "I got shingles." She said, "Fill out this form and supply your name, address, medical insurance number. When you're done, please take a seat." Fifteen minutes later a nurse's aide came out and asked him what he had. He said, "I got shingles." So she took down his height, weight, and complete medical history, then said, "Change into this gown and wait in the examining room." A half hour later a nurse came in and asked him what he had. He said, "I got shingles." So she gave him a blood test, a blood pressure test, an electrocardiogram, and told him to wait for the doctor. An hour later the doctor came in and asked him what he had. He said, "Shingles." The doctor gave him a full-physical examination, and then said, "I just checked you out thoroughly, and I can't find shingles anywhere. " The man replied, "They're outside in the truck. Where do you want them?"



**Prayer for Vocations**

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as sisters, brothers, and religious priests. Renew their knowledge and love of you, and send your Holy Spirit to help them respond generously and courageously to your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

"O Christ, you promised that the Spirit would teach us all things and remind us of what You Yourself had said: send your Spirit to enlighten our faith."

~Intercessions from Magnificat