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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.



## Graduation

### Congratulations to our 2018 Graduates:

Allison Baumler

Alexander Bennett

Anthony Brandl

Jacob Halleck

Derek Holtz

Jacob Lojek

Joshua Miszuk

Clare Scroger

Abigail Stone

Christian Baumler

Brian Bergman

Ryan Guenther

Sara Hoefler

Courtney Johnt

Reid Miano

Brennan Murty

Morgan Smith

Mackenzie O'Brien

Chelsea Wagner

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### MASS SCHEDULE

*Sunday Liturgies*..... 8:00 AM, 10:15 AM

*Saturday Vigil*..... 4:30 PM

*Weekday Liturgies*

*Daily*..... 8:00 AM, except Wednesday 5:30 PM

*Saturday*..... 9:00 AM

*Vigil of Holy Days*..... 5:30 PM

*Holy Days*..... 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, June 25

8:00 Michael Shimmel *by family*

Tuesday, June 26

8:00 Helen Capan *by daughter*

Wednesday, June 27 - St. Cyril of Alexandria

5:30 Clara Varo *by Mike and Susan Houlihan*

Thursday, June 28 - St. Irenaeus

8:00 Guy Paul Hawes *by Grandma*

Friday, June 29 - Ss. Peter and Paul

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Saturday, June 30 - The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

4:30 Mac McCarriagher *by wife*

Sunday, July 1 - The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Sally Kmicinski *by Cindy Glaus*

10:15 Connie Caprio *by Mike and Mary Beth Whiting*



### Scripture Readings For the Week

**Monday** - 2 Kings 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Matthew 7:1-5

**Tuesday** - 2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Matthew 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday** - 2 Kings 22:8-13, 23:1-3; Matthew 7:15-20

**Thursday** - 2 Kings 24:8-17; Matthew 7:21-29

**Friday** - Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19

**Saturday** - Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Matthew 8:5-17

**Sunday** - Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24; 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mark 5:21-43



#### PASTORAL SHARINGS

I look forward to being with you for Mass today after a weekend away. I can't say that the trip was restful, but it certainly was exciting. Did I mention that crowds stress me out? Origins was bigger than I anticipated. The board gaming hobby is growing all the time.

Still, I managed to accomplish everything I hoped to, including a really nice chat with my favorite author, Timothy Zahn. He said that Christian faith is such a part of him that it naturally comes out in his writing. What a great thing to hear a famous person say in public!

I did get a signed copy of *Soulminder* and will put it in my recommended section of the parish library. It's what they call "near-future" fiction, with the setting in today's world but with one major technological breakthrough -- namely, what if we could "capture" the soul as it leaves the body and "save" it until the body can be healed and then put the soul back? One caution: the book deals with the dying process and lots of hospital scenes, so if you've lost a loved one recently or tragically you may find some pages difficult. Still, it's a hopeful and action-packed thriller for summer reading.

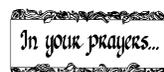
June is over - how did that happen? At this weekend's 10:15 Mass we honor our high school graduates. We wish you well in your future and hope you'll keep the faith wherever you go from here. My own transition from high school to independent life was a real challenge, and God was the key to getting through it. Faith was an anchor to hold onto while stepping out into an overwhelming world. I'm always happy to talk with a young person who has questions about faith or life in general. Just let me know if you need to chat.

And, please enjoy a few last youth group events this summer! All high school teens, including grads, are welcome. This very Sunday we're hiking Royalton Ravine. It's not far away, but many people have never seen it. There's a couple of real surprises down there - one natural and one man-made. Come to the church parking lot at 3, and we'll carpool.

Looking ahead, the town fireworks are on Tuesday, July 3rd. We invite you to come and watch from our parking lot. We are a popular spot that night, and once again our Knights of Columbus will be monitoring the lot, making sure everything stays calm and safe. Thank you, brother Knights!

Summer is officially here! Remember how much we longed for this during the frigid winter we just had. Praise God for changing the seasons, always giving us something new to look forward to. Blessed be God forever!  
~Father Dave

**Our Prayer Request for the Week:** That the Holy Spirit will guide all graduates in wisdom and grace; 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, 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, Elizabeth Russo, Christopher Ginestre, and Arlene Scheeda.

**YOUTH MINISTRY:**

**High School: Sunday, June 24th TODAY 3-5 pm\*\* NOTE THE TIME CHANGE "Reveal the Ravine"** Explore the ruins in nearby Royalton Ravine. Meet at Church to carpool.

**Middle School: Sunday, July 8th 6-7:30 pm "The Sequel"** - Part 2 of the Relic Hunt with Will Wilder.

**Religious Education:** Browsing through a "What's In a Name" assignment given to Confirmation candidates, we find that the Baptismal name was chosen for a reason. At Confirmation time, candidates are given an opportunity to choose another name, after a saint whose life and virtue they admire. They may choose to use their Baptismal name also for the same reason. This is a good time to offer up a prayer for our young people. This is also a good time for them to get their sponsor's letter of recommendation.



**June is flying by!** Soon it will be July and time for **Vacation Bible School!** The theme this year is **Shipwrecked**. This fun-filled week of Bible stories, games, crafts and snacks will run from July 17-21 from 6-8 pm in the evening. Those who are entering grades K-5 in the fall are invited to attend—and bring a friend too! Register online thru our website at [stteresasofakron.com](http://stteresasofakron.com). For more information, please contact Karen at 442-6084.

**Fr. Dave invites you to stay after the 4:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 30th, to pray a Rosary For Life.** This event is sponsored by the Pro-Life Office of the diocese and takes place in a different parish each month. The Rosary For Life will be led by our parishioner Sarah Molitor, who works for the Pro-Life Office at the Mother Teresa Home for expectant mothers.

It is not too late to sign up for a week of summer camp. Camp Turner accepts registrations up until 10 days before arrival of each session. Visit [www.campturner.com](http://www.campturner.com) to sign up. Their screened and trained staff awaits. Activities include horseback riding and grooming, archery, arts and crafts, woodshop, sports, low-ropes, beach trips, camp fires, hiking, outdoor living skills, creek walking, dances and much more! For more information on the camp, pick up a pamphlet in the back of Church on your way out today!



**We are now in the final week of our 2018 Appeal.**

Your support of our annual campaign ensures that Catholic Charities can continue to serve those who are most in need and most vulnerable in Western New York. It means things like accessible and affordable counseling and mental health treatment and basic needs assistance such as food, shelter and clothing. To bring good close to home and to show love for your neighbor, please make your 2018 donation as soon as possible.

☺ One day a man is walking down the street when he sees an old man with a nice looking dog. He goes over to the man and asks: "Does your dog bite?" The old man replies "No never". When the man bends down to stroke the dog, it immediately takes a snap at his hand. The man says "I thought you said your dog doesn't bite?" "I did" replies the old man, "but this isn't my dog!"



- **Sunday, June 24 - High School Youth Ministry - 3-5 pm**



### 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.

Our Lord calls us to take His yoke upon our shoulders. How do you hear this call for your specifically? If God is calling you to a Church vocation call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.



The Parish Picnic is approaching fast! The date is Sunday, August 12th, immediately following the 10:15 am Mass. If you are interested in helping with the planning of the picnic this year, please contact Father Dave.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"A voice cried out:  
In the desert prepare  
the way of the Lord!  
Make straight in the wasteland  
a highway for our God!"  
~Isaiah 40:3