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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 2017 Graduates:

Kayleah Aldrich

Leah Czechowski

Jacob Kaufman

Madison Krzykowski

Anna Molitor

Melissa Simpson

Charleigh Triaga

Amanda Ciurzynski

Julie Diebel

Samantha Koch

Lauryn Litfin

Maison Ross

Samantha Tatarski

Simon Wulf

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 26

8:00 Helen Capan *by daughter*

Tuesday, June 27 - St. Cyril of Alexandria

8:00 John Csizmar *by Father Dave*

Wednesday, June 28 - St. Irenaeus

5:30 Francis Dahill *by The Kleparek Family*

Thursday, June 29 - Ss. Peter and Paul

8:00 Sankur and Thomann Families *by The Reigle Family*

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

8:00 Frances Springer *by Bob and Kathy Penn*

Saturday, July 1 - Blessed Junipero Serra

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

4:30 Larry Stock *by Roger and Carin Johnson*

Sunday, July 2 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Meredith LaTour Martone *by Joe Bordonaro*

10:15 Donald Buckley *by The Murty Family*

Scripture Readings During the Week

Monday - Genesis 12:1-9;

Matthew 7:1-5; **Tuesday** -

Genesis 13:2, 5-18; Matthew 7:6, 12-14; **Wednesday** - Genesis

15:1-12, 17-18; Matthew 7:15-20;

Thursday - Acts 12:1-11; 2

Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew

16:13-19; **Friday** - Genesis 17:1,

9-10, 15-22; Matthew 8:1-4



Parish Goal:
605,000.00

**Amount Raised
to Date:**
\$328,316.55

% of Goal:
54%



Congratulations to our high school graduates of 2017! We honor you this weekend at our 10:15 Mass, and I have a message for you here:

Graduates, this is probably the biggest change in your life since you began going to school 12 years ago. I recall what a challenge my first year in college was learning to live away from home. But it was also a time of maturing and growth. Most good things come to us through difficulty and pain. What better image for this process could there be than the cross of Jesus? Suffering becomes grace through Christ. That's why the best way to success in the world is to stay rooted in faith and to receive the Eucharist regularly. Graduates, I plead with you to do both of these things as you move on to the next stage of your life.

Outdoors, we're trying to roll with the changes that nature has been sending us. A project to install **drain tile** around the convent was recently completed, and this has greatly reduced water seepage. As you felt last week, we've tuned up the A/C system for the summer. My thanks to Dick Komroy who did a lot of trimming work over several very hot days, in order to free up access to the air intakes and compressors. As always, I'm grateful for Ann Sayers, Jean Bacon, and Brian Tobin who've been keeping the grounds looking nice - and this involves an awful lot of weeding! I am also happy to announce that parishioner Sam Torrelli, owner of Tonawanda General Concrete, Inc., has poured a new entrance pad to the Parish Hall.

Tomorrow night begins our Summer Reboot activities, including the kickoff of our **Middle-School Youth Ministry!** I look forward to being with our younger teens, having fun and praying a little bit too. This event is open to all children from grades 6-8, even if their parents are not attending the Reboot meetings.

Through our middle- and high-school programs, we hope to deepen bonds between Jesus and our young people, and equip the next generation with a crucial key for living life to the full.

This weekend we begin the official wrap-up of Bishop Malone's **Upon This Rock** appeal. Very soon the appeal will be in the history books, but it's impact will continue through endowments for the rest of our lifetimes. Many thanks to all who have generously sacrificed to contribute to this appeal!

Summer has officially come and the days are long. I hope you're able to make the most of this brief, but beautiful season. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

-Fr. Dave

Our Prayer Request for the Week: That all high school and college graduates may remain rooted in God and find fulfillment in life; we pray to the Lord...



Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members particularly; David Hahn, Shirley Lantz, Lorraine Sylvester, Norma Hackbush, Pat Hahn, Jim Creed, Ron Konieczny, Sister Bea Leising, Father Mike Uebler, Phil Wittman, Connie Philips and Walter Lemanski. Please also continue to pray for our troops who are fighting for our freedom in Iraq, Afghanistan and throughout the world.

Religious Education: Sisterhood, brotherhood, parenthood? Any of these apply to you? Any category call upon you to reach out to someone else and ask if his or her son or daughter is in the Religious Education program in our parish? A little nudge or reminder could help someone out. Get your children registered for classes early. How about our Vacation Bible School week? We have so much to offer here and you can help!

Youth Group Upcoming Summer Dates:

Middle School: Come for a kickoff on Monday, June 26 from 7-8:30 pm and enjoy Pokemon, Superheroes, Christian Guitar Hero and Pizza

High School from 6-8 pm in the Parish Hall on these Sunday nights:

June 25th - "Pudding" Christ First

July 16th - Made for a Purpose



June is flying by! Soon it will be July and time for **Vacation Bible School!** The theme this year is **Maker Fun Factory**. 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 www.stteresasofakron.com. For more information, please contact Karen at 442-6084.

The Charismatic Renewal Group of the Diocese of Buffalo invites you to a healing Mass here at St. Teresa's on Thursday, June 29th at 7:00 pm. Father Richard DiGiulio will be the main celebrant. For more information call 716-683-6522, ext 114.

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 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!

Do you need a sacramental gift for a Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Wedding or Graduation? Your welcome to visit the Our Lady of Victory Gift Shop, located in the Basilica at 767 Ridge Road in Lackawanna. The Gift Shop is open from 10 am until 4 pm daily. They carry a diverse selection of medals, rosaries, statues, greeting cards, books and other religious goods to satisfy your gift giving needs.

Are you traveling this summer? Don't miss Mass. Go to www.masstimes.org and you can find a Catholic Church anywhere in the United States.



A husband and wife were driving through Louisiana. As they approached Natchitoches, they started arguing about the pronunciation of the city's name. They bickered back and forth until they stopped for lunch. At the counter, the husband asked the cashier, "Can you settle an argument for us? Would you pronounce where we are very slowly?" She leaned forward and said, "Burr-gerr Kiiing".



- **Sunday, June 25 - High School Youth Group - 6-8 pm in the Parish Hall**
- **Monday, June 26 - Middle School Youth Group - 7-8:30 pm in the Parish Hall**
- **Saturday, July 1 - First Saturday - Rosary before the 9:00 am Mass and Confessions from 8:15 - 8:45 am and 3:45 - 4:15 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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted.

So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies Me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father."

~Matthew 10:29-33