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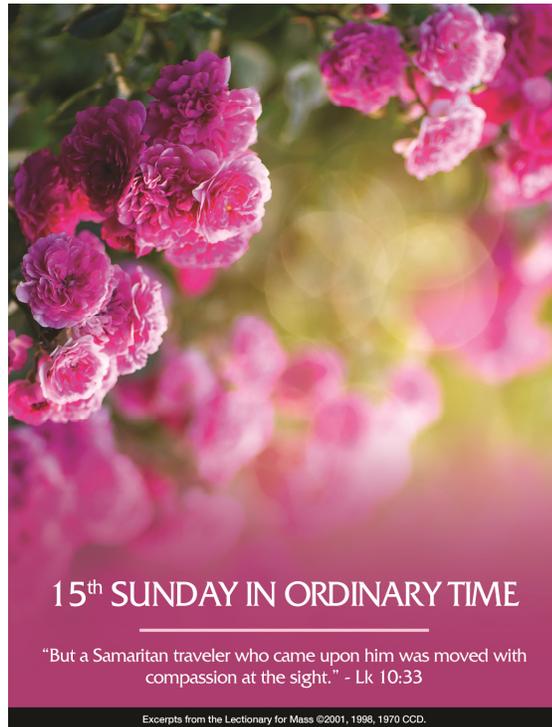
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MISSION STATEMENT

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

<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, July 15 - St. Bonaventure
8:00 Intentions for Mothers

Tuesday, July 16 - Our Lady of
Mount Carmel

8:00 Our Lady of Mount Carmel
by *The Strollo Family*

Wednesday, July 17

5:30 Francis Dahill by *The
Kleparek Family*

Thursday, July 18 - St. Camilus de
Lellis

8:00 In Loving Memory of Maria
Degaspero by *family*

Friday, July 19

8:00 Benker Family by *The
Estate of Geraldine Benker*

Saturday, July 20 - St. Apollinarious

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's
4:30 Joan Masterson by *Gloria
Rembas*

Sunday, July 21 - The 16th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

8:00 Bernie Thoma by *Mike and
Mary Charles*

10:15 Connie Caprio by *Mike and
Dawn James*

Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Exodus 1:8-14, 22;
Matthew 10:34-11:1

Tuesday - Exodus 2:1-15a;
Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday - Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12;
Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday - Exodus 3:13-20;
Matthew 11:28-30

Friday - Exodus 11:10-12:14;
Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday - Exodus 12:37-42;
Matthew 12:14-21

Sunday - Genesis 18:1-10a;
Colossians 1:24-28; Luke 10:38-42

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.



PASTORAL SHARINGS

The young kids of our parish are all tuckered out from running around with a lion last week in our "Roar" Vacation Bible School. The lion, of course, is Jesus. Several people have pointed out similarities with the Chronicles of Narnia. Both are solidly rooted in the Bible. Next Sunday, July 21st, we'll use the same theme with our high school youth group, applying it to the more mature challenges they face in their lives.

One of my summer goals is always to run a 5k. It gives me a compelling reason to get back into race shape. I took a look at BuffaloRunners.com and was sad to see that I can't run Tanya's Trot this year. It's held on the same day as my parents' 50th wedding anniversary celebration. My backup plan when I can't make Tanya's Trot is usually the Brothers of Mercy 5k. That one happens three weeks earlier, so I'd better accelerate my training plan!

Speaking of big anniversaries, our photo directory project is still underway, with final photo shoot dates on July 30th and 31st. We hope to have all our active parishioners in the book as a chronicle of our history. If you haven't made an appointment yet, take a look at the link on our parish website or call Lifetouch at 1-866-756-0281. Remember that there's no cost to participate in the parish directory. It's been very exciting preparing the final layout of the book!

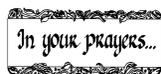
Thanks to our Knights of Columbus who have been a big help with grounds care during the summer, especially parking-lot patrol during the Town fireworks show. They've also done cleanup of the parking lot, the drainage channel, and around the air-conditioning intakes (and boy have we needed the A/C lately!). Many thanks, Brother Knights!

We have a contract service mowing our lawns, but there are a few areas of the property that need consistent weeding in the summer. To accomplish this, I'm starting a new plan called "Adopt An Island." I've divided these areas into manageable sizes, and now I'm asking parishioners to volunteer to keep after the weeds in one of these small areas. One example is the "island" at each of the parking lot entrances. If you don't mind a little gardening, could you keep one of those islands clear for us? If so, call the rectory or let me know at Mass, and we'll find a plot of land that suits you.

Summer - it takes a lot of work, but we love it. Enjoy the sunshine!

-Father Dave

Our Prayer Request for the Week: For safe travels and leisure for all vacationers and family picnics; we pray to the Lord...



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

Religious Education: We use the expression “quiet time” to help us prepare for Mass. We come to this special place, the church, to reflect on God’s presence and to help the children reflect on the readings and the prayers. We can also use our mute button whenever we want to spend time in God’s presence and focus on the good that surrounds us.

July Youth Group Opportunities:

High School: Sunday, July 21 from 6-8 pm in the Parish Hall. “Eye of the Tiger” Learn about the secret power you have from God to face your unknown future and conquer all the trials in your life. This is a more mature version of our VBS theme, focused especially on the challenges teens are facing.



The Parish Picnic is approaching fast! The date is Sunday, August 11th, immediately following the 10:15 am Mass. If you are interested in helping with the planning of the picnic this year, please contact Sue Brown, Wendy Bergman or Father Dave.

Parish Photo Directory - Have you signed up for our upcoming photography event to be part of our new Parish Directory? It’s not too late to sign up for this very special event! Photography sessions times are still available. Head to our website and follow the Sign up Link or call 1-866-756-0281. Did you know that every participating family receives a free 8x10 portrait and a printed copy of our directory. **Photography dates that are still available include Tuesday, July 30th and Wednesday, July 31st from 2-9 pm.** Any family placing an order will receive \$30 in free products from Shutterfly.com and if you bring a canned/dry good food item on photography day you will receive \$5 off your order.

You are invited to the 2019 Summer Mission at St. Gregory the Great, 200 St. Gregory Ct., Williamsville. Evenings from Sunday, July 14 to Saturday, July 20. Find the love of Jesus and the hearts of friends at Mission. For information or to register, call Jo Pierino at 716-688-5678.

Mark Your Calendars: The Diocese of Buffalo Annual Golden Anniversary Special Mass will take place on Sunday, September 22nd at 10:30 am at St. Joseph’s Cathedral. Bishop Richard Malone invites all married couples who are celebrating their 50th, 60th or 70th anniversaries to this very special Mass. For more information, please contact the Rectory.

☺ Answering the phone, the priest was surprised to hear the caller introduce herself as an IRS auditor. “But we do not pay taxes,” the priest said. “It isn’t you, Father, it’s one of your parishioners, Sean McCullough. He indicates on his tax return that he gave a donation of 15,000 to the church last year. Is this, in fact, the truth?” The priest smiled broadly. “The check hasn’t arrived yet, but I’m sure I’ll have it when I remind dear Sean.”



- **Saturday, July 20 - 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 July 20-21 - Akron/Newstead Food Pantry Collection Barrels** will be out in the back of the Church; Graham Crackers and Saltines are needed!
- **Sunday, July 21 - High School Youth Group - 6-8 pm** in the Parish Hall



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.

Since we are all created in Christ, it is only fitting that we live as Christ. How does Christ call YOU to live as He lives? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

“The harder you work, the harder it is to surrender.”

~Vince Lombardi