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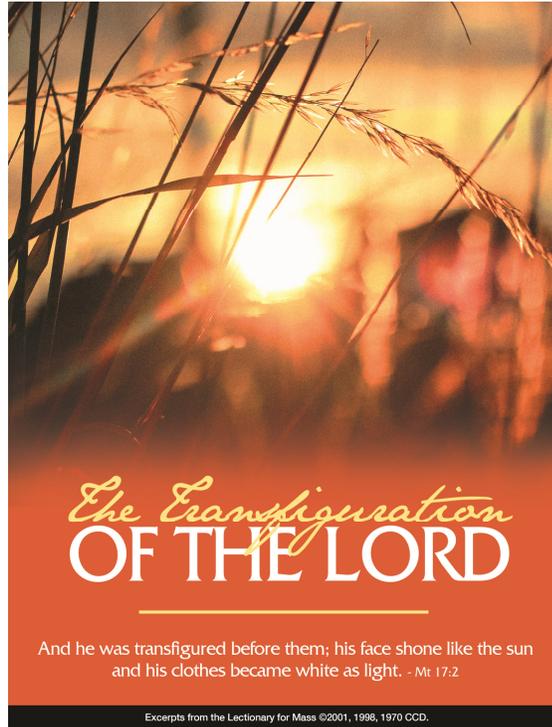
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MISSION STATEMENT

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 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, August 7 - St. Sixtus II/St. Cajetan

8:00 Helen Konieczny - Birthday Remembrance by Ron Konieczny

Tuesday, August 8 - St. Dominic

8:00 Alfred Strollo by family

Wednesday, August 9 - St. Teresa of Benedicta of the Cross

5:30 John Ciammetti by Walter and Dorothy Lemanski

Thursday, August 10—St. Lawrence

8:00 Bryan "Bud" Minear by Kathy Capan

Friday, August 11 - St. Clare

8:00 Jean Golpl by Jim and Mary Lou Freiheit

Saturday, August 12 - St. Jane Frances de Chantal

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's
4:30 Dr. David Fish by family

Sunday, August 13 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Robert White by Lori Sutton
10:15 Gloria Davis by Salvatore Guadagna



Scripture Readings

Monday - Numbers

11:4b-15; Matthew 14:13-21;

Tuesday - Numbers 12:1-13;

Matthew 14:22-36; **Wednesday** -

Numbers 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a,

34-35; Matthew 15:21-28;

Thursday - 2 Corinthians 9:6-10;

John 12:24-26; **Friday** -

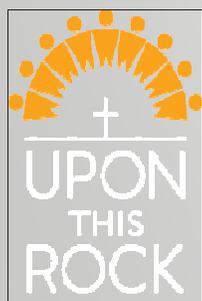
Deuteronomy 4:32-40; Matthew

16:24-28; **Saturday** - Deuteronomy

6:4-13; Matthew 17:14-20; **Sunday**

- 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a; Romans

9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33



Parish Goal:
605,000.00

**Amount Raised
to Date:**
\$ 414,931.55

% of Goal:
68%



PASTORAL SHARINGS

It's good to go away, and it's good to come back. I had an excellent week's vacation, but I look forward to finishing out the summer back home with all of you. August will bring our **Parish Picnic** on Sunday the 13th. Food will be served at high Noon. This is the last weekend to RSVP for the picnic, so please be sure to sign the sheet on your way out of church today. This year will feature pony rides for the young children, and for the grown-ups the return of the picnic raffle. Tickets are available this weekend if you'd like to take a chance on winning the lovely quilt that's been hanging from our choir loft.

Speaking of the loft, our choir traditionally takes some time off during the summer, and so you'll be hearing Marilyn Boyd sing solo for the month of August. Our choir continues to evolve their sound, with the addition of flutist Jamie Syroczyński and a new voice or two. To my ear, they're beginning to sound more like a contemporary ensemble than a traditional choir. With that model of music in mind, they've begun to call themselves "The Loft" - an appropriate name, considering where they rehearse. I would love to add some more voices and instruments to The Loft and fill out the sound. No special talent or experience is needed. It all blends together when you sing in a large group. If curious, step up to the choir loft and meet Marilyn Boyd any Sunday after the 10:15 Mass.

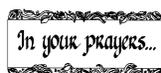
It's been a great summer so far! Vacation Bible School set an attendance record, and I thank the Stachowiak family and their volunteers of all ages who put together such a fun and faith-filled program. Reboot and Middle-School Mondays will soon be winding down. The last two are August 7th and 14th at 7 p.m. If your middle-schooler hasn't checked it out yet, I hope they'll have a chance before then.

Safety First! We have been quietly making safety improvements in the church & school buildings, and this will continue. They are subtle changes but you may notice a few new lighting fixtures and some signage. Much of this is required by law as building codes change, and we certainly want our property to be a safe place.

Spiritually, God's grace is a safe place for us all as the psalms tell us: "Be a rock of refuge for me, a mighty stronghold to save me" (Psalm 31). I invite you to read this Psalm in your Bible, and may our gracious God surround you with his confidence, protection, and peace.

~ Fr. Dave

Our Prayer Request for the Week: For fair weather for our parish picnic and other summer plans; 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, Arlene Scheeda, Gina Bergman, and Tracy Lotz. Please also continue to pray for our troops who are fighting for our freedom in Iraq, Afghanistan and throughout the world.

Youth Ministry News: Middle School Mondays will continue until August 14th. Look forward to monthly events in the fall

- **Middle School:** Mondays from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- **High School** from 6-8 pm in the Parish Hall: August 20th - "Finding God Everywhere" Scavenger Hunt

Religious Education: Classes resume this year on Sunday, September 10th. Class times remain the same: 9 am - 10 am for grades Kindergarten thru Six; 11:15 am - 12:30 pm for grades Seven thru Eleven. Check out the parish website at stteresasofakron.com for more information.



PARISH PICNIC - NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 13TH - 11:30 AM
MEAT, CORN AND BEVERAGES WILL BE PROVIDED
BRING A DISH TO PASS!
SIGN UP SHEETS IN THE BACK OF CHURCH

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is August 15th and is a Holy day of Obligation. Masses will be on Monday, August 14th at 5:30 pm and Tuesday, August 15th at 8:00 am and 7:30 pm. Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers and Ushers are needed for the special Masses. Please sign up on the sheets in the vestibule if you are able to help.

QUILT FOR TIMAU - The bright, beautiful queen sized quilt hanging from the choir railing, which was quilted by Sandy Kreher, will be raffled off at our church picnic. The women's guild will donate the proceeds to the mission in Timau, Kenya, to be used for their food program. They are experiencing a famine there because of a severe drought for the second year in a row. Tickets for the raffle will be sold this weekend, next weekend & at the picnic. You have a chance to win the quilt & help the people there when you buy a ticket.

Don't miss the special TV program, "Campus Chat with Bishop Richard Malone", airing on Saturday, August 12th at 6:30 am and noon on WKBW-TV, Channel 7. Bishop Malone met with students at Canisius College to answer their questions and offer guidance. Some of the topics were: how difficult forgiveness can be, sometimes prayer can feel stale, losing your relationship with God. Don't miss "Campus Chat" and share with the student in your life!

Journey into Love - The Office of Family Life Ministries is looking for married couples to assist with the monthly diocesan marriage preparation program, Journey into Love. Married couples help by giving a 20 minute talk once or twice a year on essential topics and issues that engaged and newly married couples face. If you are interested, please call the Family Life Office at 716-847-2210.

😊 Little Johnny wanted to go to the zoo and pestered his parents for days. Finally his mother talked his reluctant father into taking him. "So how was it?" His mother asked when they returned home. "Great," Little Johnny replied. "Did you and daddy have a good time?" Asked his mother. "Yeah, daddy really liked it too," exclaimed Little Johnny, "especially when one of the animals came home at 30 to 1!"



- **Friday, August 11 - Fully Alive Adoration - 7:30 pm in the Church**
- **Sunday, August 13 - Parish Picnic - 11:30 am on the Parish Grounds**



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.

On the Feast of the Transfiguration we remember how on Mount Tabor Jesus revealed a glimpse of His glory, not to show off, but to express His desire to share His glory with us. Thanks to Christ, it is this glory that we are destined for. The same Christ calls some to priesthood and religious life to show His followers how to live for this glory. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 847-5535.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

O God of light and darkness, you revealed your glory in Sinai in the bush that burned but was not consumed; may your Presence burn brightly in the heart of the Church, that all may see and glorify you.

~Magnificat, August 2017