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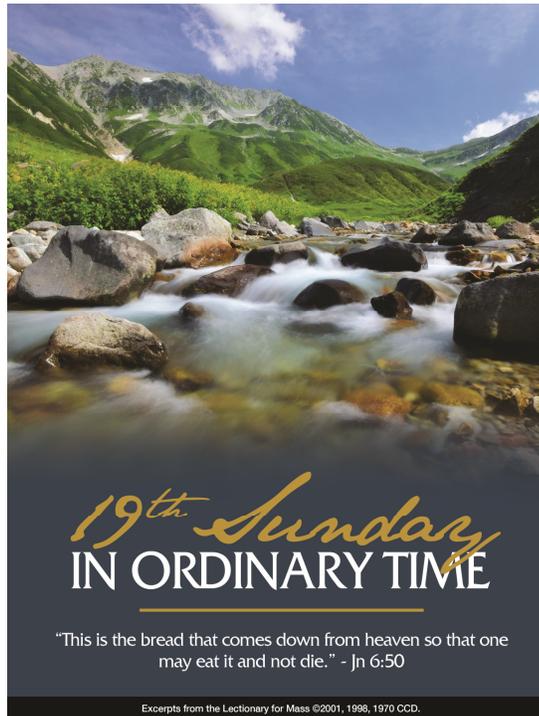
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## MISSION STATEMENT

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 13 - St. Pontian/St. Hippolytus

8:00 Intentions for Mothers

Tuesday, August 14 - St.

Maximilian Kolbe

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

5:30 pm Sarah Bunce by *The VanDenBroeke Family*

Wednesday, August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am Msgr. Francis Swiatkowski by *Mike and MaryBeth Whiting*

7:30 pm In Loving Memory of Maria Degaspero by *family*

Thursday, August 16 - St. Stephen of Hungary

8:00 Departed Souls

Friday, August 17

8:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

Saturday, August 18

9:00 John Capan by *daughter*

2:00 Nuptial Mass for Brandon Richardson and Brianna Buczek

4:30 John and Anna Buwaj by *daughters*

Sunday, August 19 - The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Daniel Springer by *St. Teresa's Women's Guild*

10:15 Sally Shimmel by *family*



### Scripture Readings For the Week

**Monday** - Ezekiel 1:2-5, 24-28c; Matthew 17:22-27

**Tuesday** - Ezekiel 2:8-3:4; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**Wednesday** - Revelation 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56

**Thursday** - Ezekiel 12:1-12; Matthew 18:21-19:1

**Friday** - Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63; Matthew 19:3-12

**Saturday** - Ezekiel 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Matthew 19:13-15

**Sunday** - Proverbs 9:1-6; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58



### PASTORAL SHARINGS

Welcome to the party! Our parish picnic begins after the 10:15 Mass this Sunday! You may be smelling the charcoal as you read this message. As I write this about a week in advance, we could use more chaperones for the bounce house. I've split it up into half-hour shifts on the sign-up sheet, so it won't take you away from the buffet for very long. The main task is to make sure that we don't have too many kids inside at once, and that no one wears eyeglasses while jumping. So, I'll have to go it blind when I get in there (I'm practically sightless without my glasses - I've worn them since the third grade).

Wait a minute, you may be thinking, I've never seen my pastor in the bouncehouse. I don't go in until youth group later on. It's only fair that I give some older & wiser competition to the middle-schoolers in the Bouncehouse Olympics. So, kids in grades 5-8, if you want to see your priest do a flip (and possibly faceplant) come to youth group this Sunday from 6-7:30.

We had quite a few nests of hornets and even some ground bees. These areas were treated well before the picnic, to make sure no pests swarm in on your dessert. I also want to give a second shout of thanks to Brian Bergman and all who assisted him in sprucing up the grounds. It really looks nice for this event.

Plenty of summer left for most of us! Even the university start dates seem much later this year. I will be conducting a special **Blessing of the Brains** for all college students on Sunday, August 19th, after the 10:15 Mass.

How's your baseball team doing? Like most New Yorkers, I've always admired the Yankees and grew up watching Rickey Henderson steal 2nd base, but in high school I became a Mets fan. Since then I've taken a liking to the Kansas City Royals, but they're having an absolutely painful year. Of course we have a lovely stadium downtown, and sitting in the stands on a warm summer evening is one of the staples of life in Buffalo. No matter what happens on the field, it's a great night out. The Holy Name Society hosts a family day at the Bisons game each year, and often the Bishop throws the first pitch. Unfortunately that game is at 1:05 this Sunday. Ah well, you can't do it all.

A quick reminder that Wednesday is a Holy Day of Obligation, the Feast of the Assumption. Please check the Mass schedule on the next page.

See you in church!

- Fr. Dave

**Our Prayer Request for the Week:** For college students preparing to start classes in the next couple of weeks; 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, Liam Williams, Doug Schifferle, Mary Lou Bummer, Crystal Howard, Leah Howard, Karen Martin, John Gehl, Jess Reger, Elizabeth Russo, Christopher Ginestre, Whitey Spoth, Arlene Scheeda, Connie Philips and Jack Powell. Please also continue to pray for our troops who are serving our country throughout the world.

**YOUTH MINISTRY:**

- **High School: Sunday, August 19th - 3-5 pm** in the Parish Hall "Selfie Scavenger Hunt" - bring your digital camera or phone and be prepared to find those unique pictures as you hunt throughout the parish grounds to complete the scavenger hunt.
- **Blessing of the Brains** - For all students leaving for college after the 10:15 am Mass on Sunday, August 19th.

**Religious Education:** During His time here on earth Jesus welcomed the children to gather and be with Him. We welcome the children to Religious Education classes on Sunday mornings. We seek to teach as Jesus did, with acceptance and compassion. If you have children beginning Kindergarten this fall, remember to register them for Sunday morning Religious Education. Our excellent program welcomes children from Kindergarten thru high school. The children are prepared for the sacraments prayerfully and thoroughly with the parent included and prepared along with the child: **First Confession in second grade, First Communion in third grade, and Confirmation in eleventh grade.** Read more on the parish website or give Sister Ruth a call at 542-5777 or 542-9717.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is this Wednesday, August 15th and is a Holy day of Obligation. Masses will be on Tuesday, August 14th at 5:30 pm and Wednesday, 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.

The National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at Our Lady of Pompeii Church, 158 Laverack Avenue, Lancaster, for Veneration on Tuesday, August 14 from 8:30 am until 6:30 pm. At 6:30 pm an Assumption Vigil Mass will be celebrated, followed by the rosary and a presentation by Bill Stockey, custodian of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue. Stockey's presentation will include the five reasons for reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the six points Our Blessed Mother asks for participating in the First Saturday Devotion to Her.

**Journey Into Love** - The Office of Family Life Ministries needs married couples willing to give of their time for a 20-minute talk to share their experiences with engaged couples at our Journey into Love monthly diocesan program. The commitment can be as much or as little time as you are available; even just once a year would be helpful. Contact the Family Life Ministries at 716-847-2210 or email [familylife@buffalodiocese.org](mailto:familylife@buffalodiocese.org).

☺ A Sunday school teacher asked the children in her class, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would I get into Heaven?" "No!" the children all answered. "If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into Heaven?" Again the answer was "No!" "Well", she continued, "then how can I get into Heaven?" A five-year-old boy shouted out, "You gotta be dead!"



- **Sunday, August 12 - Middle School Youth Group - 6:00 - 7:30 pm** in the Church Parking Lot
- **Saturday, August 18 - 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 August 18-19 - Akron/Newstead Food Pantry Collection Barrels** will be out in the back of Church; Apple Sauce is needed!
- **Sunday, August 19 - High School Youth Group - 3-5 pm** in the Parish Hall



Jesus assures us that all who believe in Him will have eternal life. I'm sure that we have heard this lesson many times, but it can still be easy to forget. How is Jesus asking you to remind His people of His promise of eternal life? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

**Wedding Banns III**  
**Brandon Richardson**  
**of Oakfield**  
**and Brianna Buczek**  
**of St. Teresa's Church**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
 THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honor of the Virgin Mary, at whose Assumption the angels rejoice and praise the Son of God."