

# St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869

AUGUST 19, 2018 • 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**PASTOR**

Rev. David Baker

**RECTORY**

5771 Buell Street

P.O. Box 168

Akron, NY 14001

(716) 542-9103

Fax: (716) 542-2444

Office Hours: Monday–Friday

8:30 AM–12:30 PM

E-mail: stteresasofakron@verizon.net

Website: stteresasofakron.com

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR**

Sr. M. Ruth Warejko, CSSF

**PARISH TRUSTEES**

Richard L. Campbell

C. Douglas Whelan

**BUSINESS MANAGER**

Melissa Sanford

**CONVENT**

5773 Buell Street

(716) 542-9717

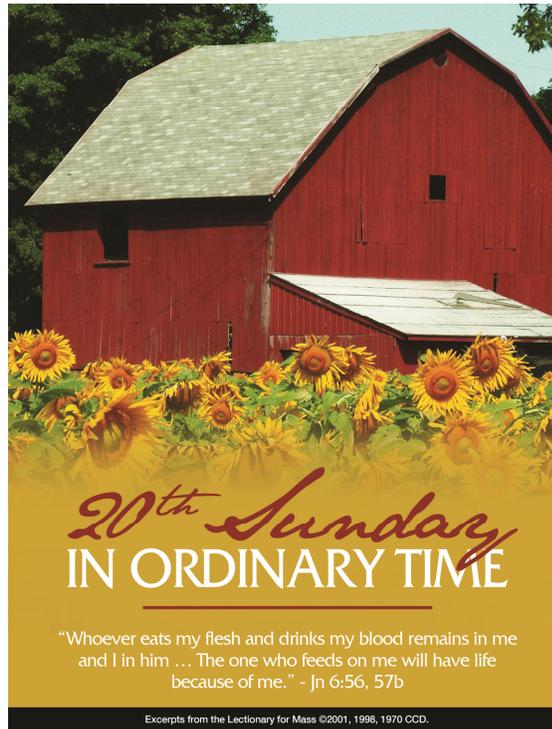
**PARISH HALL & OFFICE OF  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

5775 Buell Street

(716) 542-5777

**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 20 - St. Bernard  
8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Tuesday, August 21 - St. Pius X  
8:00 Departed Souls

Wednesday, August 22 - The  
Queenship of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary  
5:30 Ron, Albert, Helen and  
Joseph Konieczny *by family*

Thursday, August 23 - St. Rose of  
Lima  
8:00 Intentions for Mothers

Friday, August 24 - St.  
Bartholomew  
8:00 Departed Souls

Saturday, August 25 - St. Louis/St.  
Joseph Calasanz  
9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's  
4:30 Dr. David Fish *by family*

Sunday, August 26 - The 21st  
Sunday in Ordinary Time  
8:00 Cathy Scott *by family*  
10:15 Connie Caprio - 1st  
Anniversary *by family*



### Scripture Readings For the Week

*Monday* - Ezekiel 24:15-24;  
Matthew 19:16-22

*Tuesday* - Ezekiel 28:1-10;  
Matthew 19:23-30

*Wednesday* - Ezekiel 34:1-11;  
Matthew 20:1-16

*Thursday* - Ezekiel 36:23-28;  
Matthew 22:1-14

*Friday* - Revelation 21:9b-14;  
John 1:45-51

*Saturday* - Ezekiel 43:1-7ab;  
Matthew 23:1-12

*Sunday* - Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17,  
18b; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-  
69

Vacationing over the next couple of weeks? Don't miss Mass while you are away. Go to [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) for information on Mass times throughout the United States and Canada.



### PASTORAL SHARINGS

Blessed be God forever!

We couldn't have asked for a better day for the parish picnic. A fantastic time was had. The food was phenomenal as always, and we had a bounce house that accommodated several kids at once - it was a big hit. The water balloon trophy went to two Bergman brothers. I had a Captain America balloon which I thought would win the day for me, but it only lasted till the 3rd round. I didn't get wet though, which put me in better shape than many contestants.

Knowing that I would be tied up for a bit after Mass, I said the blessing over the meal before we concluded Mass. This may have caused some to think that the food was already available, which was not the case. While the picnic begins immediately after Mass, the food is generally not ready until between 11:30 and Noon. I'm sorry if that wasn't clear. I was saddened, though, to hear that some harsh words were said to our kitchen volunteers. These wonderful people worked many hours to set a fabulous table for us and clean up afterward, and I'm grateful for their help.

This event could not happen without many volunteers. Thanks to the setup-up and clean-up crews, the corn roasting and meat grilling crews, our faithful Women's Guild, and all who helped with the games and children's activities.

More fun is on the way: our high school youth group will repeat a popular event from last year - the Selfie Scavenger Hunt! Bring a digital photo-taking device this Sunday from 3-5 P.M. for a whole new list of items to snap. Note that this is an afternoon event, while the lighting is good for photos.

Also this Sunday: following the 10:15 Mass I'll be conducting a Blessing of the Brains for our returning college students.

Keep watching this space for upcoming information on our fall Bible Study. But for now, enjoy these last weeks of summer fun as we continue to rejoice in our oneness with Jesus, the Bread of Life!

- Fr. Dave

**Our Prayer Request for the Week:** Through the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we plead for the intentions of the Immaculate Heart of Mary to be granted worldwide; 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, Jack Powell, Jim Bradley and Gloria Rembas. Please also continue to pray for our troops who are serving our country throughout the world.

**YOUTH MINISTRY:**

- **High School: TODAY-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:** 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.

**Milk and Porridge Project for Mission in Timau, Kenya** - The monies collected earlier this summer as well as the contributions from the children at St. Teresa's Vacation Bible School are being used to feed over 20 babies and toddlers for a year in Timau. Mothers come every 2 weeks to receive the porridge mixture as well as fruit and vegetables. At that time the babies are weighed and measured so that growth charts can be kept. Milk is supplied to the mothers from a farm closest to their home so that each child receives a pint a day. Sister Joanne says she can see that the program is helping already after just a few weeks. She has sent pictures which will be on display in the back of Church next weekend. As always, Sister Joanne thanks all of you for your generosity.

The **Diocese of Buffalo and the Office of Family Life Ministries** invite you to their **Annual Marriage Celebration, honoring those with 50,60, and 70 or more years of marriage.** The date for the special event celebrated by Bishop Richard Malone will be Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 10:30 am at St. Joseph's Cathedral, downtown Buffalo. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary this year and would like to take part in this celebration, please call Melissa and let her know you are interested. Responses must be turned in to the Diocese by September 4.

**Annual Men's Retreat**, sponsored by the Holy Name Societies of the Buffalo and St. Catharine's Dioceses, will be held at Christ the King Seminary, East Aurora, September 14-16. The theme is: "The Ministry of Jesus: It's Heaven and Earth, Life and Death." We are limited to 60 men. For reservations or more information, call the Holy Name Office at 716-847-2201 or Fr. Paul Sabo at 716-604-4948.

😊 A kindergarten teacher handed out a coloring page to her class. On it was a picture of a duck holding an umbrella. The teacher told her class to color the duck in yellow and the umbrella green, however, Bobby, the class rebel, colored the duck in a bright fire truck red. After seeing this, the teacher asked him: "Bobby, how many times have you seen a red duck?" Young Bobby replied with "The same number of times I've seen a duck holding an umbrella."



- **Sunday, August 19 - High School Youth Group - 3-5 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.

When Jesus proclaimed that His body is true bread and that His blood is true drink for the life of the world there were many who found these words troubling. What does your sharing in the Eucharist afford you, and how can you help others appreciate the greatness of this gift? Are you being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Humbly ask the Lord. 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 Christian family is the first place of education in prayer. Based on the sacrament of marriage, the family is the 'domestic church' where God's children learn to pray 'as the Church' and to persevere in prayer. Daily family prayer, is the first witness of the Church's living memory as awakened patiently by the Holy Spirit."

-Catechism of the Catholic Church