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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, September 4

8:00 Intentions for Mothers

Tuesday, September 5

8:00 Jean Golpl *by Barbara Zolnowski*

Wednesday, September 6

5:30 Francis Dahill *by The Kleparek Family*

Thursday, September 7

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Friday, September 8

8:00 Henry Raykowski *by son*

Saturday, September 9

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

4:30 In Loving Memory of Joseph Degaspero *by family*

Sunday, September 10 - 23rd
Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Marie Pielechowski *by Sandy Giordano*

10:15 Michael and Sarah Shimmel
- Anniversary
Remembrance *by family*



Scripture Readings

Monday - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Luke 4:16-30;

Tuesday - 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Luke 4:31-37;

Wednesday - Colossians 1:1-8; Luke 4:38-44;

Thursday - Colossians 1:9-14; Luke 5:1-11;

Friday - Micah 5:1-4a; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23;

Saturday - Colossians 1:21-23; Luke 6:1-5;

Sunday - Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20



PASTORAL SHARINGS

One last picnic before the season ends! Enjoy this Labor Day weekend, as we honor the average American citizen, the men and women who work to support themselves and their families. Whatever type of labor you do, physical or mental, in an office or factory, raising children in the home, in all the many ways that Americans work, we honor your contributions to society.

It makes sense that we celebrate the idea of work this Monday, and then we go out and do it on Tuesday morning. We're transitioning out of summer mode and hitting a new gear, particularly those who work in school environments. Teachers and students both, you are especially in my prayers this week.

I pray most especially for our Akron High School students who are trying to cope with the loss of one of their classmates. As a parish, our deepest condolences and prayers go out to the Fiebelkorn family and to all who grieve this tragic loss. I offer a listening ear to any of our high school students or faculty who might need to talk through their feelings. Please feel welcome to call the rectory and set up a time for consultation.

Jesus invites us to come to Him with these burdens (Matthew 11:28). I invite everyone to our Fully Alive candlelight Adoration service on Friday, September 8th. Stop by anytime between 7:30 and 9 p.m. Stay for as long or as short a time as you wish, and feel free to shed a few tears in the darkness of our candle lit church. We offer this refuge on the 2nd Friday of each month.

Our Sunday School is ready to resume its mission of sharing the love, mercy, and power of Jesus with the next generation. We had our annual catechist meeting last week, and I thank these men and women who do such faithful work in our classrooms. We are always looking for more help as hall monitors, substitute teachers, or classroom aides. If the Spirit moves you in this way, please let me or Sr. Ruth know.

I will be helping to teach the Confirmation class as I did last year. It is an important moment to engage our young people and let them know that the stakes are high. They are about to decide whether to live their life with Jesus or without Him. We all know the choice that is best. Please note that our Confirmation Mass this year will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 5th, and Bishop Edward Grosz will confer the Sacrament upon our teens.

We look forward with anticipation to this and all the new academic year brings. May God be with us!

~ Fr. Dave

Our Prayer Request for the Week: For all those afflicted by Hurricane Harvey; 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, Phil Wittman, Arlene Scheeda, Tracy Lotz, Terry Lotz, Liam Williams, Faith Bassanello and for the happy repose of the soul of Connie Caprio and Johnathan Fiebelkorn. Please also continue to pray for our troops who are fighting for our freedom in Iraq, Afghanistan and throughout the world.



Parish Goal:
605,000.00

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

% of Goal:
68%

Youth Ministry News:

- **High School:** Sunday, September 17 - from 6-8 pm in the Parish Hall - "Bible Broom Ball"
- **Middle School:** Sunday, October 1 - 6-7:30 pm in the Parish Hall - "Become a Relic Hunter with Will Wilder" - Click on the preview link in the video gallery of our parish website to learn more!

Religious Education: Next Sunday is a special day for us! Welcome to all of our children as we begin classes at all levels, Kindergarten thru Grade Eleven! The first session begins at 9:00 am (K-6). The second session begins at 11:15 (7-11). May God bless all our children, their families, our catechists and assistants as we all come to know and love Jesus together. We are also happy to announce that Bishop Edward Grosz will confer the Sacrament of Confirmation to our 11th graders on Sunday, November 5th at 3:00 pm, here at St. Teresa's.

Women's Retreat - The Felician Franciscan Sisters in Buffalo, New York invite you to come into the restful silence of God during the upcoming retreats. These days are set apart for you to enter your heart and go inward where God longs to speak. Four retreats are scheduled for this year, the first of which is October 8, 2017. Registration is limited so we ask that you return the registration form (see brochures in foyer) prior to the deadline.

World Youth Day 2019 - Join millions in Panama City in January 2019 for the celebration of World Youth Day. This event, which was begun by St. John Paul II, serves as a life changing experience for youth and young adults as they experience the spirit of the church truly alive in the world today. It is always a powerful experience to join in prayer and celebration with so many from around the world along with the Holy Father. This pilgrimage will take place January 21-29, 2019. If you are interested in more information, please contact Father Michael LaMarca at FrMikeL@jp2parish.org.

A Weekend Away for a Lifetime of Change. The **Beginning Experience** is a weekend program for people whom have worked through the initial anger and despair which occurs in the first stages of grief after the death or separation or divorce of one's spouse. One can turn the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth. Beginning Experience is a Christian based non-denominational program under the auspices of the Diocese of Rochester. The program takes place at cam Stella Maris on Conesus Lake. The next weekend is coming up in October. For more information or reservations, call the Beginning Experience hotline at 585-987-1750.

☺ A customer walks into a restaurant and notices a large sign on the wall, "\$500 IF WE FAIL TO FILL YOUR ORDER!" When his waitress arrives, he orders elephant tail on rye. She calmly writes down his order and walks into the kitchen where chaos breaks loose! The restaurant owner comes storming out of the kitchen. He runs up to the customer's table, slaps five \$100 bills down on it and says, "You got me that time buddy, but I want you to know that's the first time in ten years we've been out of rye bread!"



- **Tuesday, September 5** - **Women's Guild Monthly Meeting** - 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall; All women of the parish are invited to join!
- **Friday, September 8** - **Fully Alive Adoration** - 7:30 pm in the Church
- **Sunday, September 10** - **Religious Education Classes Begin:** Grades K-6 from 9:00 - 10:00 am and Grades 7-11 from 11:15 am - 12:30 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.

Every vocation involves some degree of suffering and sacrifice. However, in Christ, all suffering leads to glory. Let us not allow the thought of suffering or sacrifice to deter us from our vocations. If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"Thunder is good, thunder is impressive; but it is lightning that does the work."
~Mark Twain