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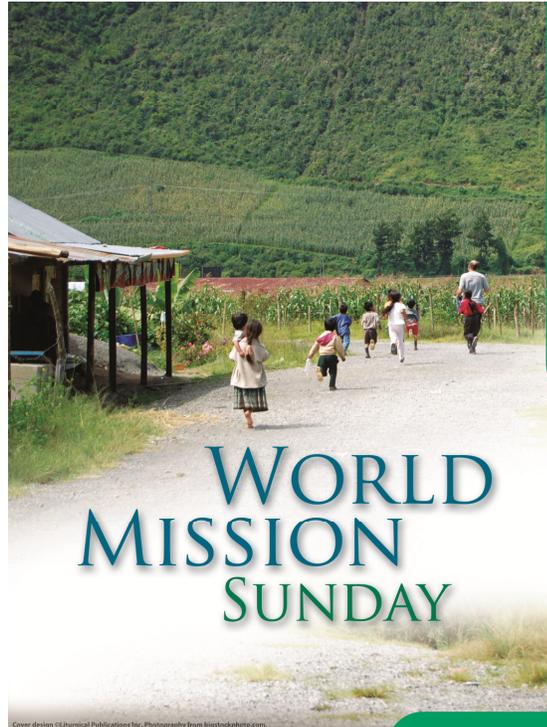
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MISSION STATEMENT

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, October 23 - St. John of Capistrano

8:00 Brenda Ohol *by Mom, Dad and Lisa*

Tuesday, October 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret

8:00 Joseph Bergman - Birthday Blessings *by mom and dad*

Wednesday, October 25

5:30 Larry Stock *by Ed and Joanne Schlecht*

Thursday, October 26

8:00 Departed Souls

Friday, October 27

8:00 Carol Gill *by Gordy Kaiser*

Saturday, October 28

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

4:30 Mac McCarriagher *by wife*

Sunday, October 29 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Adolph Bassanello *by Kathy Capan*

10:15 Michelle Jordon *by Mom and Dad Pasinski*



Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Romans 4:20-25; Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday - Romans 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Luke 12:35-38

Wednesday - Romans 6:12-18; Luke 12:39-48

Thursday - Romans 6:19-23; Luke 12:49-53

Friday - Romans 7:18-25a; Luke 12:54-59

Saturday - Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16

Sunday - Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10; Matthew 22:34-40

Thank you to all who have donated to the special Hurricane Collections. Our parish raised \$1927 for Hurricane Irma and \$1313 for Hurricane Harvey. This money will be sent to the Diocese of Buffalo, who will then forward it on to the USCCB for distribution.



PASTORAL SHARINGS

What a grand month October is! Physically, the beauty of fall settles in around us. Wondering what to do with all those raked leaves? Bag them and bring them to the rectory front lawn! We need them for our next Middle-School Youth Event.

Spiritually in October, Catholics worldwide are praying the Rosary. October is the month of the Holy Rosary for many reasons. On October 7th 1571 at the naval battle of Lepanto, God protected the people of Europe from an invading army, in response to the rosaries prayed by the faithful. This became the Feast of Our Lady of Victory.

October was further linked to the rosary in 1917, when the Miracle of the Sun took place at Fatima. All month long, we are observing the 100th anniversary of this great physical demonstration of God's power. The Fatima Shrine was the retreat destination last Sunday for our Confirmation candidates. It was a big day at the Shrine! The Knights of Columbus were on pilgrimage from all parts of NY state, the Eritrean Catholics were having a cultural day, and special events were happening for the 100th anniversary of Fatima - including the Quiet Waters Rosary Musical. It was a holy mob scene! One that I hope made an impression on our teens of the diversity and pageantry of the worldwide Church.

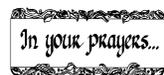
These fifteen young people will make their Confirmation on Sunday, November 5th at 3 p.m. We welcome Bishop Grosz to our humble country church to confer the Sacrament upon them.

We are a worldwide Church, and this weekend is **World Mission Sunday**. Each year the U.S. Bishops remind us of the Church's fundamental mission - to spread the Gospel. We were given this Great Commission by Jesus Himself in Mt 28:19 "Go... make disciples of all nations, baptizing them... teaching them." The annual World Mission Sunday collection will take place at all Masses to support this holy labor, which is carried out by priests, religious and lay people together. Let's also never forget the New Evangelization, offering the Gospel locally to those who have forgotten it. I'm reminded of dynamic lay people like Matt Kelly and Chris Stefanick, and new religious orders like the Marian Franciscans (whom I affectionately call the Food Truck Nuns).

Jesus directly asked us to do a few things: to go to all nations AND at the Last Supper He asked us "Do this in memory of me." We do so every time we celebrate Mass. Thank you all for being with me at the altar as we carry out one of the last requests of our Savior. See you there!

-Father Dave

Our Prayer Request for the Week: That God will grant the intentions of the Immaculate Heart of Mary; we pray to the Lord...



In your prayers... 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, Tracy Lotz, Liam Williams, Faith Bassanello, Gertrude Bartels, Iole Ciammetti and Arlene Scheeda. Please also continue to pray for our troops in the military throughout the world.

Religious Education: In today's Gospel Jesus shows that He is very much aware of what His questioners are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin. They provide the coin and he asks them to examine it. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on it, Jesus tells them it must belong to Caesar. With simple logic, He tells them that their obligation is . . .to pay to God what belongs to God. As Christians we ought to adopt this ethic and keep things in proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

Youth Ministry News:

- **High School: Tonight** - Sunday, October 22- from 6-8 pm in the Parish Hall - Repeat of last year's popular "Live Action Clue".
- **Middle School:** Sunday, November 12 - 6:00 - 7:30 pm

World Mission Sunday - Our worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the Missions and Missionaries of the world, will be this weekend, October 21-22. Pope Francis reminds us to see World Mission Sunday as a "good opportunity for enabling the missionary heart of Christian communities to join in prayer, testimony of life and communion of goods, in responding to the vast and pressing needs of evangelization." A second collection will take place at all Masses.

Camp Turner's Winter Camp 2017 - Boys and girls ages 8-16 are invited to sign up for the 3-day camp, which runs from Thursday, December 28 - Saturday, December 30. The cabins are toasty, the food is delicious and the experienced staff is excited to make this a great experience for everyone. Visit www.CampTurner.com for activity descriptions and online registration.

March for Life Pilgrimage - Washington, DC - January 18-19, 2018. Bishop Richard Malone invites Catholics of all ages to join him at the Mass at the Verizon Center in Washington DC on January 19. Breakfast and Mass at the Washington Plaza Hotel, Speaker: "Sidewalk Advocates for Life". Buses will depart on the morning of Thursday, January 18 from various locations. Check the website for more information at buffalodiocese.org/prolife-events.

St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Center - As the seasons change and colder weather approaches, the St. Gianna Pregnancy Outreach Center in Buffalo is in great need of size Newborn and 0-3 month sleepers. Onesies and clothing especially for girls. Sleepers/pajamas in larger sizes, 12 month - 4t, are also needed. For donation and other information, call our outreach center at 716-842-2229.

Journey into Love - Has your marriage taught you many things? Would you be willing to pass this knowledge on? The Office of Family Life Ministries is looking for married couples to help run the diocesan marriage prep program, Journey into Love. Couples help by giving a 20 minute talk on topics and issues that engaged and newly married couples face. If you are interested in helping with this program, call the Family Life Office at 716-847-2210.

☺ On a beautiful sunny fall morning there were two cows in a field. The first cow said "moo" and the second cow said "baaaaaa." The first cow was surprised and asked the second cow, "Why did you say "baaaaa?" The second cow replied, "I am learning a foreign language."



- **Sunday, October 22** - No Religious Education Classes - Felician Provincial Assembly
- **Sunday, October 22** - High School Youth Ministry - 6-8 pm in the Parish Hall
- **Monday, October 23** - Bible Study Class - 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall
- **Thursday, October 26** - Bible Study Class - 8:45 am in the Parish Hall
- **Sunday, October 29** - Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am and 11:15 am - 12:30 pm



Prayer For Priests and Religious

Good and gracious God, we come before you this day asking that your call to priesthood and consecrated life fall upon open minds and generous hearts. You never cease calling workers to your vineyard. We pray for the grace to be your voice in encouraging others to risk the response that is called forth. May we never falter in our desire to respond generously to your call, in supporting those who are called to serve as priests and religious, in encouraging others to be open to your call in their lives. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

If God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Father Andrew Lauricella at 716-847-5535.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"If your god lets you do whatever you want, then your god is you."

-Chris Stefanick