

# St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869

JUNE 11, 2023 - THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

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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.



The weather was perfect for the Memorial Day Mass!

**MASS SCHEDULE**

<i>Sunday Liturgies</i> .....	8:00 AM, 10:15 AM
<i>Saturday Vigil</i> .....	4:30 PM
<i>Daily Mass</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 3:00 to 4:00 PM  
First Saturday 8:15 to 8:45 AM  
Vigil of Holy Days 3:30 to 4:15 PM  
*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 whose children attend Religious Education.



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., June 12

8:00 In Memory of Roy Laciura Sr.  
by *Mary Olsen*

Tues., June 13 - St. Anthony

8:00 Irene McAloon  
by *Don & Rita*

Wed., June 14 - Flag Day

5:30 For the People of St. Teresa's  
Parish by *Fr. Art Mattulke*

Thurs., June 15

8:00 Rev. Arthur Mattulke - Happy  
Birthday Blessings - *God Bless  
Always, Margaret & Vittorio*

Fri., June 16 - Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:00 Sarah Berlinger  
by *The Larouere Family*

Sat., June 17 - Immaculate Heart of  
Mary

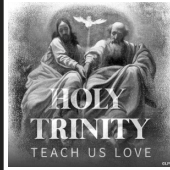
9:00 Patsy Winter  
by *Tom & Amy Bergman*

4:30 Walter & Mary Dylag & Dylag  
Family by *Rich Raykowski*

Sun., June 18

8:00 Daniel Bergman - Birthday  
Blessings by *Mom & Dad*

10:15 Cathy & Bernie Badding  
by *Family*



June 11, 2023

### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Years ago, a woman at daily Mass approached me in the communion procession. She had her arms crossed, indicating she wanted a blessing instead of the Sacred Host. She had tears in her eyes. I gave her a little blessing. She returned the next day. And the next. The same thing repeated. After a few weeks, I asked her why she didn't receive Holy Communion. She said she wasn't Catholic yet and was preparing to become so. I asked her why she wanted to be Catholic. She said, "Because I long to be in a real communion with Christ and with everyone I love." That, I submit, is a darn good reason. A few months later, she became Catholic and received the Body and Blood of Christ with unspeakably great joy and still does to this day.

Saint Paul says of the Eucharistic bread, "Is it not a participation in the body of Christ?" For Paul, the answer is obvious. Yes, it is exactly that. Which is why he can say, "we, though many, are one body." Jesus is truly, really, and substantially present in the Holy Eucharist. This is no magic trick, but a mystery of our salvation. He feeds us with the Sacrament of his body so that our communion with him – and with the other members of his body – is built up and becomes mature. That's why the Eucharist quenches our deep thirst for love and communion. The Body and Blood of Christ is the best reason to be Catholic. It's our participation of love in the one we love.

– Father John Muir

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For first responders, that they may perform their duties with honor and know your protection when doing so; we pray to the Lord...



### Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - 2 Corinthians 1:1-7  
Matthew 5:1-12

Tuesday - 2 Corinthians 1:18-22  
Matthew 5:13-16

Wednesday - 2 Corinthians 3:4-11  
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday - 2 Corinthians 3:15-4:1, 3-6  
Matthew 5:20-26

Friday - Deuteronomy 7:6-11  
1 John 4:7-16  
Matthew 11:25-30

Saturday - 2 Corinthians 5:14-21  
Luke 2:41-51

Sunday - Exodus 19:2-6a  
Romans 5:6-11  
Matthew 9:36-10:8

Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members, especially: Sarah Berlinger, Viola Izydorczak, Louis Pulvino, Austin Penn, Jim & Joe Vasi, Sterling McCarriagher, Jean Ottney, Shirley Lantz, Donna Stock, Rita Whalen, and Laura Gray

#### \*\* YOUR PARISH OFFERING \*\*

Funds needed per week in May for Expenses: \$ 5,325

In Pew 5/28/2023

#### Sunday Collection

\$ 3,770

The gift of your donation allows us to continue the mission of Christ here at St. Teresa's. Thank you for your generosity.

Catholic Charities Update  
Parish Goal: \$40,000  
Current Total: \$ 45,189

We have reached 114% of our goal with 130 donors!  
Thank you for your generosity!

**Family of Parishes Corpus Christi Celebration!**

Join us At: 5771 Buell St, Akron, NY 14001  
On: June 11th 2023  
At: 1:30pm Rain or Shine

For a procession to each Parish's altar and a public display of our adoration of The Blessed Eucharist. We will, weather permitting, explore the beautiful grounds here at St Teresa's.

A Hot Dog Cookout will follow. See you There!

**Upcoming Dates to Remember**

- **Thursday, June 15** - Parish Council Meeting in the Parish Hall, 7 pm
- **Friday, June 16** - Women's Bible Study Group meets at 8:45 am in the Rectory Meeting Room.
- **Saturday, June 17** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the Blessed Mother Mary statue
- **Sunday, June 18** - Fathers Day Raffle

**Father's Day Lottery Raffle** - Tickets will be sold after Masses on the week-ends of June 11 and 18 and also at Pixley's on Saturday, June 17. The drawing will beheld on June 18th for \$100 in cash and \$150 in Lottery tickets. Proceeds to be used for the projects of the Women's Guild.

**Religious Education:** Register your children for Religious Education classes! Our program begins with kindergarten and continues as the children mature and grow into Eleventh graders. Pick up a form from the yellow folder in the back of the church or go to [www.streledakron.wordpress.com](http://www.streledakron.wordpress.com) for registration or for more information.

**Bishop Michael Fisher is pleased to announce** the finalizing of an action plan for the diocese called, **A Light unto my path...guiding us through 2026**. Since his arrival more than two years ago, Bishop Fisher has been actively listening to all people in the diocese to understand the needs and help fashion a plan to move our faithful forward in these challenging times. The plan is structured to enshrine the work of the Road to Renewal by instilling a sense of hope and renewing faith, restoring trust, developing leadership, aligning around a common strategy, and deepening our commitment to share our talents and to serving those in need. Please read more about A Light unto my path on the Diocese of Buffalo's news site at [wncatholic.org](http://wncatholic.org)

**Vocation View**

The Eucharist is our everything, the source and summit of the Christian life. The source of our peace and our strength, and the summit we reach toward every weekend. Without priests, we don't have it. Keep this fountain of God's mercy flowing! Consider the priesthood. Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847- 5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org)

**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.



Anointing Mass

Wednesday, May 31st

**Our Lady of Fatima Outdoor Procession Services** every month through October 13. Join us at the Sacred Heart Parish Shrine & Diocesan Shrine, 5337 Genesee St., Bowmansville for Holy Mass, Rosary and Procession with the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima. Upcoming monthly dates are: June 13 at 6:30 pm; July 13 at 6:30 pm; August 13 at 11 am; September 13 at 6:30 pm; and October 13 at 6:30 pm. Bring a lawn chair if you are unable to process but would like to join us in prayer. Rain or shine services. For more information, call 716-683-2375.

**Anointing of the Sick Healing Mass** in honor of St. Peregrine will be held on Tuesday, June 13 at 7 pm at Immaculate Conception Church, 520 Oakwood Ave., East Aurora. Father David Bellitti and the Friends of St. Peregrine cordially invite those afflicted with cancer or need special healing, who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to attend this healing Mass. For further information, call 716-283-0011.



A pair of cows were talking in the field. One says, "Have you heard about the mad cow disease that's going around?"

"Yeah," the other cow says. "Makes me glad I'm a penguin."



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"God does not tell you with certainty when you are in mortal sin, but He does tell you with certainty when you are forgiven. It is in a certain little box, apparently confining, but really releasing us from our confinement (for sin is like a prison). In that little box a miracle happens: Adam goes in and Jesus comes out."

Peter Kreft from his book Wisdom from the Psalms