

# St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869

**JUNE 18, 2023 - 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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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.



Beautiful weather greeted everyone who participated in the Corpus Christi Procession around the grounds of St. Teresa's

**MASS SCHEDULE**

*Sunday Liturgies* .....8:00 AM, 10:15 AM  
*Saturday Vigil*.....4:30 PM  
*Daily Mass* .....8:00 AM, except Wednesday 5:30 PM  
*Saturday* .....9:00 AM  
*Vigil of Holy Days* .....5:30 PM  
*Holy Days* .....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 19

8:00 Linda Laciura - Birthday  
Blessings by *Mary Olsen*

Tues., June 20

8:00 In Memory of Gertrude Bartels  
& Andrew Korszykowski  
by *Estate of Gertrude Bartels*

Wed., June 21 - St Alloysius

5:30 Bob Tiedt  
by *Flumerfeldt Family*

Thurs., June 22 - St. Paulinus, St. John  
Fisher, Thomas More

8:00 Helen Capan - Birthday  
Remembrance  
by *Daughter*

Fri., June 23

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Sat., June 24 - Nativity of St. John

9:00 For the People of St. Teresa's  
Parish by *Fr. Art Mattulke*  
4:30 Sarah Berlinger  
by *The Larouere Family*

Sun., June 25

8:00 Mary Ann Schnauer  
by *Lori & Larry Reisdorf*

10:15 2023 Graduates of St. Teresa's  
by *St. Teresa Women's Guild*



## Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - 2 Corinthians 6:1-10  
Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday - 2 Corinthians 8:1-9  
Matthew 5:43-48

Wednesday - 2 Corinthians 9:6-11  
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday - 2 Corinthians 11:1-11  
Matthew 6:7-15

Friday - 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30  
Matthew 6:19-23

Saturday - Isaiah 49:1-6  
Acts 13:22-26  
Luke 1:57-66, 80

Sunday - Jeremiah 20:10-13  
Romans 5:12-15  
Matthew 10:26-33

Dear Parish Family,



I am writing this note before I officially become the pastor of our family of parishes because several important decisions need to be made before July 1. I believe it is important that you be informed of these decisions before they are implemented.

The first decision that needs to be made is where the priests in our family will reside. The second decision is determining which parish will act as the financial hub during our activation period. The third decision is which parish will be the central hub of the family.

An important factor in determining where a priest lives and where the central hub is located is determined by what the Road to Renewal team defines as priestly presence. Each parish in the family should have a priestly presence. Priestly presence is defined as either a priest living in residence on a parish campus or the parish being the central office hub for the family. Another wrinkle in this decision-making process is that the Road to Renewal team has decided that a priest ordained less than 6 years must reside with the pastor.

Based on these factors, I have decided, in consultation with the other priests in our family, that Fr. Walt and Fr. Art will reside in their current rectories and be the priestly presence for Our Lady Peace and St. Teresa of Avila parishes. Fr. Joe Franz and I will reside at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Thus St. Mary's of the Assumption in Swormville will be our parish central office hub. Also, for the 6-month activation period St. Mary's will be the financial hub. The only current family expense will be the cost of the priests assigned to our family. Each parish will pay an equal share of the total cost of the priests because each priest works for all four parishes in our family.

More information about the central office hub and financial hub will be forth coming as the family activation period progresses. I would like to add that none of these decisions change the day-to-day operation of our parish offices nor are any employees currently working in our 4 parishes moving to a new location.

I have consulted with the Road to Renewal team, and they have approved this plan.

As with many decisions being made with the Road to Renewal, all these things are subject to adjustment if circumstances change. As of right now, beginning July 1 this will be the plan going forward.

I look forward to joining our family of parishes in Akron and Clarence. I know that this is a time of adjustment and change, but I am confident that if we remain focused on the Sacraments of the Church, we will persevere and overcome all obstacles. As St. Paul said in his letter to the Philippians, "I can do all things in him who strengthens me."

AMDG,

Fr. Tom Mahoney



For new fathers, full of hope. For long-time fathers, full of wisdom. For the fathers yet to be, and fathers soon to be; we pray to the Lord....

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 June for Expenses: \$ 5,325

In Pew 6/4/2023

Sunday Collection

\$ 4,963

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



*Praise be Jesus Christ! What an amazing blessing to witness such an incredible Eucharistic procession for Corpus Christi.*

*On behalf of our Pastor Fr. Tom Mahoney, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of you who made our Family of Parishes Corpus Christi celebration so beautiful. It was such a grace to see so many from all our parishes following our Lord together as one.*

*Thank you to Mrs. Donna Allen from St. Mary's for all her help in preparing for the big day and guiding us along, Mrs. Jean Bacon St. Teresa's secretary for the tireless hours of preparation and planning, our Events Committee for providing a wonderful reception, the Knights of Columbus Honor Guard, the Gehl family for providing such beautiful music, Bridget McLaughlin for creating the program, those who created such special altars representing each parish, all the members of the Corpus Christi and grounds committees for all they did. Thank you to all who attended and joined in the praise of our Lord in His Sacred Body and Blood, especially all the children who led our procession.*

*May we all continue to follow Jesus together as we create our new future together!*

*Peace always,*

*Fr. Art*

**Religious Education:** "On Eagle's Wings", #558 in the hymnal is based on Psalm 91 but may also be recognized in the First Reading at Mass today. The Book of Exodus reminds us of God's generous love and care for us, His "special possession": "... how I bore you up on eagle wings and brought you here to myself."

**Father's Day Lottery Raffle** - Last chance to get your tickets is after Masses this weekend! The drawing will be held for \$100 in cash and \$150 in Lottery tickets Sunday afternoon. Proceeds to be used for the projects of the Women's Guild.

**Looking For Volunteers** - Brothers of Mercy would like to welcome back our St. Teresa's Cookie Social with no mask or testing requirements. Volunteers would bring a small plate of cookies and meet at Brothers on the third Saturday of each month from 10 to 11 am starting in July. Please call Sheila Ernst at 716-542-1144 if interested.



*thank you*

A big thank you to Jim Schneider and his wife Mary Ann for creating our new candle stand. Jim is a talented artisan who donated his time to create this beautiful stand.

**Field Trip to Disciples of Divine Mercy** in the Holy Face of Jesus in Orchard Park Wednesday, July 12, from 9-3 - All ladies of the parish are invited to attend the retreat. Topic is "What did Jesus Say About Getting to Heaven." Cost is \$35 for breakfast and lunch. Reservations by July 5. Interested call Lori at 585-409-3133.

**Chicken BBQ** - Brothers of Mercy will be holding a Chiavettas Chicken BBQ on Thursday, June 22, from 2 to 6pm, includes ½ chicken, homemade mac/pot salad, dinner roll/butter. \$15



Q: What do you call a line of dads waiting to get haircuts?

A: The barberqueue!

Q: What did the doctor say to the panicked man who was afraid he was shrinking?

A: Settle down – you'll have to learn to be a little patient!

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

- **Sunday, June 18** - Fathers Day Raffle Drawing
- **Saturday, June 24** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the Blessed Mother Mary statue

## Vocation View

God spoke to Moses and promised "You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation." We're a little short on the priest part right now. The harvest is huge, but laborers are few. Join the mission! 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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"God our Father, Bless these men, that they may find strength as fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect."

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