

St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869

JULY 9, 2023 - 14TH 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.



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., July 10

8:00 Dan Marinelli - Birthday
Blessings by *Mary Olsen*

Tues., July 11 - St. Benedict

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Wed., July 12

5:30 Bob Tiedt

Thurs., July 13 - St. Henry

8:00 Mary Patricia Paxon
by *Bill Paxon & Susan Molinari*

Fri., July 14 - St. Kateri Tekakwitha

8:00 Intentions for Mothers

Sat., July 15 - St. Bonaventure

9:00 For the People of St. Teresa's
Parish by *Fr. Art Mattulke*

4:30 Sarah Berlinger
by *The Larouere Family*

Sun., July 16 - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

8:00 In Honor of Our Lady of
Mt. Carmel
by *Strollo Family*

10:15 In Honor of Margaret Bueme -
60th Birthday
by *Mattulke Family*



Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Genesis 28:10-22a
Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday - Genesis 32:23-33
Matthew 9:32-38

Wednesday - Genesis 41:55-57; 42:5-
7a, 17-24a
Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday - Genesis 44:18-21, 23b-29,
45:1-5
Matthew 10:7-15

Friday - Genesis 46:1-7, 28-30
Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday - Genesis 49:29-32; 50:15-26a
Matthew 10:24-33

Sunday - Isaiah 55:10-11
Romans 8:18-23
Matthew 13:1-23



Remember a loved
one, living or
deceased in a
special way with a Mass.
Contact the parish
office to reserve a date.



July 9, 2023

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

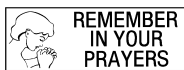
Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks and challenges, but also the more basic demand of simply existing – sooner or later, this can all feel crushing and tire us out.

Which is why Jesus' words are such stunningly good news: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though he is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is his claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next he immediately proclaims that he is "meek and humble of heart." We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because he is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is "yoked" to the Father in his divinity. But he is humbly "yoked" to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don't have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear him say to us, "Come! I will give you rest." We come to him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor. There he will give us rest.

— Father John Muir

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REMEMBER
IN YOUR
PRAYERS

For the strength to teach our children how to resolve differences non-violently and respectfully, and the courage to model it in our own behavior; 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, Rita Whalen, and Laura Gray.

Please also pray for the sacredness of all human life from conception until natural death.

** YOUR PARISH OFFERING **

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

In Pew 6/25/2023

Sunday Collection

\$ 2,909

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

Please Welcome Fr. Roy Chetty who will be speaking at all the Masses this weekend on behalf of the Mission Cooperative Appeal.

Religious Education: Have you registered your children for classes? Registration information is available from the folder in the vestibule of the church, on our website www.streledakron.wordpress.com, or by calling Sister Ruth at 716-542-9103 x2. Thank you!



St. Teresa's Anniversary Mass for couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2023 will be held on Sunday, August 20th at 10:15 am.

St. Teresa's Family Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 13th.

Intercessory Prayer Group meeting has been rescheduled due to the 4th of July Holiday to Wednesday, July 12th.

Fully Alive Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration - Come and spend an hour with the Lord, with praise, prayer, reflections, and quiet time. During this peaceful hour of Adoration, Friday, July 14th, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed beginning at 7:30 p.m. Closing Benediction takes place by 8:30 p.m.

The Six Pillar Representatives for St. Teresa in our Family of Parishes are:

- Liturgy:** Johnathan & Colleen Jansinski, Tom Bergman
- Spiritual Life:** Lori Reisdorf, Deb Smith
- Forming Disciples:** Karen Stachowiak, Bridget McLaughlin, Josh Gehl
- Stewardship:** Mario & Tracy Candino
- Administration:** Jerry Siuta, Christopher Ginestre, Norm Orlowski
- Out Reach/In Reach:** Rose Elliott, Sue Sweitzer

Thank you to all of these parishioners for serving for us on these committees. Please keep them in your prayers as they enter into this important ministry.

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- **Sunday, July 9** - Blessing of drivers and vehicles, 10:15 Mass
- **Wednesday, July 12** - Women's Study Group Retreat to Divine Mercy in the Holy Face of Jesus in Orchard Park from 9-3
- **Wednesday, July 12** - Intercessory Prayer Group meets in the Rectory meeting room following 5:30 Mass
- **Friday, July 14** - Fully Alive Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration from 7:30 - 8:30 pm
- **Saturday, July 15** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the Blessed Mother Mary statue

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Welcomes you to..

SUMMER VBS 2023!!



Location: St. John The Baptist, 2028 Sandridge Rd., Alden NY 14004

For More Info: Call Michelle Zaleski 716-870-1035 or Maria LaVarnway 716-510-3187

Please visit www.stjohnalden.com, www.stjohnalden.com or the Facebook pages for either the school or the church to find the link for **ONLINE REGISTRATION!**

Cost: \$15/child, \$30 Family Maximum, Music CDs \$10 Presale only before 7/17/23

Checks can be made out to "St. John's" and mailed to 2028 Sandridge Rd., Alden, NY 14004 or dropped at the school office during office hours



Thank you to all who contributed to our 2023 Catholic Charities Appeal! Our final total is \$46,064!

Vocation View - "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Many wonder how they could ever make the sacrifices that priesthood requires. But Jesus promises that his burden is light - because He's carrying the heaviest part of the load. Visit buffalovocations.org



St. Teresa's is happy to announce the upcoming wedding nuptials of Kaitlyn Stachowiak & Mark Willadsen on Friday, July 14 and Karen Vlahos & Nicholas Downs on July 15th. Congratulations to both Kaitlyn & Mark and Karen & Nick! May God Bless their marriages.



A magician worked on a cruise ship in the Caribbean. The audience would be different each week, so the magician did the same tricks each week. However, there was a problem, the captain's parrot saw the shows each week and began to understand how the magician did every trick. Once he understood, he started shouting out the secrets in the middle of the show, "Look, it's not the same hat." "Look, he is hiding the flowers under the table." "Hey, why are all the cards the Ace of Spades?" The magician was furious but couldn't do anything, it was, after all, the captain's parrot. One day, the ship had an accident and sank. The magician found himself with the parrot, adrift on a piece of wood, in the middle of the ocean. They stared at each other, but did not utter a word. This went on for a day, then another, and another. Finally, after a week, the parrot said, "Okay, I give up. Where the heck is the boat?"



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:**

"Thank you, Lord, for the privilege of living in this great country where we have freedom to openly worship You. May we never take that privilege for granted, but always guard it and treasure it. May we not live in apathy to You, but live in awe of your love and forgiveness freely poured out for us. Allow our light to shine brightly as our hearts turn to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen."

By Dena Johnson.