

# St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869



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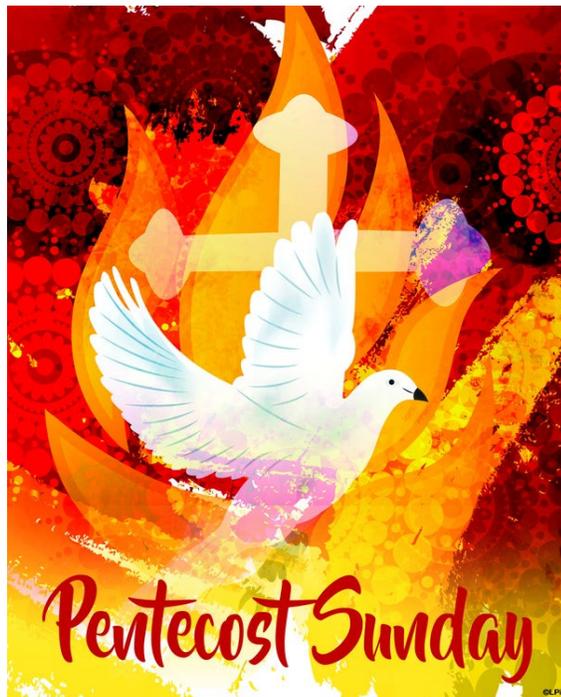
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## MISSION STATEMENT

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.



## JUNE 5, 2022 - PENTECOST SUNDAY



## 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 6 - BVM Mother of Church

8:00 Guy Paul Hawes  
from *Gran*

Tues., June 7

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

Wed., June 8

5:30 Mary Warejko  
by *Sr. Ruth*

Thurs., June 9

8:00 90th Birthday Blessings for  
Martha Kroemer by *St. Teresa*  
*Women's Guild*

Fri., June 10

8:00 Darlene Blakeslee  
by *Sharon Schumacher*

Sat., June 11 - St. Barnabas

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's  
by *Rev. Arthur Mattulke*

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

Sun., June 12- Most Holy Trinity

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

10:15 In Memory of Mary Mecca  
by *Dranger Family*



## Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Genesis 3:9-15, 20  
John 19:25-34

Tuesday - 1 Kings 17:7-16  
Matthew 5:13-16

Wednesday - 1 Kings 18:20-39  
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday - 1 Kings 18:41-46  
Matthew 5:20-26

Friday - 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-16  
Matthew 5:27-32

Saturday - Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3  
Matthew 5:33-37

Sunday - Proverbs 8:22-31  
Romans 5:1-5  
John 16:12-15

Catholic Charities Update  
Parish Goal: \$44,448  
Current Total: 77%

\$ 34,467

Thank you for your generosity!



June 5, 2022  
Pentecost Sunday

Even though Pentecost is rightly celebrated in late spring, the robust experience of a New England fall can provide a profound metaphor for reflection. A full expression of fall colors is beautiful to behold. But, with all of its majesty and beauty, the observer knows the experience of death is soon to come. Creation will be dark and barren for a while. Pentecost cannot be separated from the cross. Before God's transformative, life-giving power can bear fruit, we must first die. Pentecost is all about leaving the lifeless dead wood behind and allowing God, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to create something new. These Pentecost creations happen repeatedly over and over again. The birthing process of the Church is ongoing. God is always bringing life out of death and creating something where there was once nothing. That is why the fall is such an apropos metaphorical season for Pentecost. In order to really receive the gift of the Holy Spirit we have to die to what we once knew and what no longer works. When fire and wind find their fullest expression, they are in no way gentle nor kind. They have the potential to level anything in their paths. We are experiencing great turmoil in our world, nation, and our Church. Whether the result of circumstance or the work of the Holy Spirit, much of what we knew to be normal and constant is changing. Common systems and institutional structures that may have worked for a time no longer do. When the old and familiar need to be left behind, God creates something new. Change and disorder do not need to be our enemies. They always bring opportunities for something exciting and new. What we need is untiring faith, firm hope, and perfect love. What we need is for the Holy Spirit to enlighten us to see what is important and what we must do. "O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams." (St. Augustine) If we experience joy, even in the midst of turbulence, then we will know we are exactly where God needs us to be. If not, then perhaps there is a lesson in the decaying leaves that graciously descend to the ground on a crisp fall day.

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REMEMBER  
IN YOUR  
PRAYERS

That families will cherish their bonds of love, allowing peace to reside in all relationships; we pray to the Lord...

Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members, especially Matha Kroemer, Austin Penn, Gloria Kintzel, Jim & Joe Vasi, Linda Larouere, Sterling McCarriagher, Virginia Maloney, Elena Coppola, Bob Tiedt, Jean Ottney, Shirley Lantz, Matthew Yoder, Donna Stock, Martha Cunningham, Rita Whalen, John Diggs, Laura Gray, Mary Charles & Lorraine Sylvester.

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

Funds needed per week in May for Expenses: \$4,650

In Pew 5/15/2022

Sunday Collection

\$ 3,282.53

In Pew 5/22/2022

Sunday Collection

\$ 3,045.00

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

# PENTECOST SUNDAY - JUNE 5, 2022

Memorial Day Mass at St. Teresa's Cemetery honoring, remembering, and praying for those who gave their life defending our country.



**Bless & Tie** - St. Teresa's Quilters will have a table of prayer quilts in the narthex on Saturday & Sunday, June 11 & 12. Father Art will bless the quilts & then we ask that parishioners please stop at the table before or after mass & tie a knot in one of the quilts & say a prayer for the person who will receive the quilt. Now that things are opening up more as far as the Covid situation, there will be quilts laid out on the second weekend of each month to be blessed & tied just as we did in the past prior to Covid. Prayer quilts are made for shut-ins, the sick, & those who have experienced a loss or are going through a difficult situation. If you know of someone who would appreciate a quilt & prayers please contact Mary (542-2081), Mary Ellen (542-1124) or the church office. The support of all the parishioners in the past has been much appreciated & we hope that you will take just a few moments to help us by tying & praying.

**Catholic Communication** - Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the US and developing countries using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half of the money collected remains in the Diocese of Buffalo to support local efforts. To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).

**Fully Alive Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration & Celebration of Families** - Come and spend an hour with the Lord, with praise, prayer, reflections, and quiet time. Included this month will be prayer for the 10th World Meeting of families with a theme of "Family Love: a Vocation and a Path to Holiness." During this peaceful hour of Adoration, Friday, June 10th, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed beginning at 7:30 p.m. We encourage all families to come and spend some time with us in recognition of the importance of families. Closing Benediction takes place by 8:30 p.m.



There will be a VBS meeting for volunteers on Wednesday, June 8th, at 7 pm in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend. VBS will be held on July 25-29 from 6-8 pm. Any questions, please call Karen at 716-901-2739.

**Please note**, the water will not be turned on at the Cemetery until June 22nd. We are sorry for the inconvenience, but due to staffing shortages at the water authority we were unable to get an earlier appointment.



**Renewal Family Event!** Corpus Christi Procession at St. Mary's in Swormville, Sunday, June 19th, after the 11:30 Mass. The procession will visit four outdoor Altars designed by each of our Family Churches. You are invited to attend Mass & the Procession or just the Procession. If you plan to attend the Mass, you may place your envelope into the collection and it will be returned to St. Teresa. This is a wonderful way to begin our new family founded firmly on the Eucharist!



**Wednesday, June 22nd** - Come celebrate the importance of families in conjunction with the Tenth World Meeting of Families in Rome at a special Family Mass held at 5:30 PM at St. Teresa's with our Renewal Family. We invite everyone to attend. A reception will follow the Mass.

The Vatican's Tenth World Meeting of Families will take place in Rome, Italy from June 22 to June 26, 2022. This is an international event that recognizes and celebrates the importance of the Family. The theme announced by Pope Francis is "Family Love: a Vocation and a Path to Holiness" Each family, whether large or small, should take some time to explore this website <https://www.romefamily2022.com/en/> and choose one or more activities that will bless your family in a special way. Go to <https://app.romefamily2022.com/en/login-register/> and start your journey along with those who will be in Rome.

## Upcoming Dates to Remember

- **Tuesday, June 7** - Women's Guild Meeting, 7 pm
- **Wednesday, June 8** - VBS meeting, parish hall, 7 pm
- **Thursday, June 9** - Men's Ministry in the Rectory basement meeting room, 6:45 PM
- **Friday, June 10** - The Chosen Study Group meets at 8:45 am following 8:00 Mass
- **Friday, June 10** - Fully Alive Holy Hour/Eucharistic Adoration, 7:30-8:30 pm
- **Saturday, June 11** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the St. Teresa Statue
- **Weekend of June 11/12** - Bless & Tie prayer quilts before and after Masses

## VOCATION VIEW

Alleluia! This weekend our diocese will receive two new priests as Joe Franz and Joe Tokasz are ordained by Bishop Mike. That leaves some open seats in the seminary! If you'd like to fill one, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).



"Doctor, I think I'm a moth."  
"It's not a doctor you need, it's a psychiatrist."  
"I was on my way there when I saw your light on."



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

*"The more you go to confession, the more realistic you are about the state of your soul. When you receive the sacrament more often, you see more flaws in yourself because you examine your conscience more frequently."*

*Aurora Griffin from her book How I Stayed Catholic at Harvard*