

St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 - 26TH 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

Sunday Liturgies8:00 AM, 10:15 AM
Saturday Vigil.....4:30 PM
Daily Mass8:00 AM, except Wednesday 5:30 PM
Saturday9:00 AM
Vigil of Holy Days5:30 PM
Holy Days8:00 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., September 26

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

Tues., September 27 -St. Vincent de Paul

8:00 In Memory of Anne Wilkin
by *Sr. Ruth Warejko*

Wed., September 28

5:30 Alice Mejewski
by *The Flumerfeldt Family*

Thurs., September 29 - Sts. Michael,
Gabriel and Raphael

8:00 Dearly Departed Souls

Fri., September 30 - St. Jerome

8:00 For the People of St. Teresa's
Parish by *Fr. Art Mattulke*

Sat., October 1

9:00 Julia Molitor - Living Birthday
Blessings by *Mom & Dad*

4:30 Joe & Joan Jaroni
by *Family*

Sun., October 2

8:00 Alice Birkholz
by *The Flumerefeldt Family*

10:15 Tim Bergman - Birthday
Blessings by *Mom & Dad*



Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Job 1:6-22
Luke 9:46-50

Tuesday - Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23
Luke 9:51-56

Wednesday - Job 9:1-12, 14-16
Luke 9:57-62

Thursday - Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14
John 1:47-51

Friday - Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5
Luke 10:13-16

Saturday - Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17
Luke 10:17-24

Sunday - Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
2 Timothy 2:8-13
Luke 17:11-19



September 25, 2022
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.” Regardless of how the message of faith is received, a total conversion of mind and heart is needed for it to take root and have meaning. It is easy to become complacent and comfortable with all that life can afford us. Life can become “all about me,” preserving my livelihood and protecting my securities. Often, this drive can become so strong that we eagerly strive to protect our self-interests at the expense of others. Other people are necessary only to the extent that they are “useful” to us and profitable. Merriam-Webster defines entitlement as “the belief that one is deserving of or entitled to certain privileges.” In a world that pretends to offer us so many necessities, this is perhaps the greatest contemporary sin. When we feel “entitled” to something, even if it is perceived necessary, our relationships can get skewed. Unless we adopt a global vision of entitlement wherein everyone is entitled to the same things, we risk becoming extremely self-focused and selfish. All we care about is defending our rights and protecting our turf. This impulse can be so strong that we pursue it even at the expense of another. Is this what God intends for his children? Holding on to this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no real concern to us. Relying on our own merits and becoming resilient to life’s challenges, we replace the true and real God with the one we created ourselves. Jesus and the prophets before him have consistently reminded us of the dangers of wealth, ignoring the poor and the needy, and becoming too fiercely independent and arrogant. Yet, we conduct our lives as if that message has never been preached. We give our faith a nod and never consider for a moment that we may be wrong in terms of what we see as important. “The things that we love tell us what we are (attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas).” Ponder those words a bit and remember that when we leave this world and go to the next one, what we loved here is what we will look for there. What we sought here may not be there. ©LPi



That all human life will be respected and cherished, particularly as we face the challenge of keeping our common home habitable; we pray to the Lord...

Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members, especially Andrea Gleason, Iola Ciammetti, Ita Steele, Louise Ribbeck, Austin Penn, Jim & Joe Vasi, Mary Prentice, Sterling McCarriagher, Virginia Maloney, Bob Tiedt, Jean Ottney, Shirley Lantz, Matthew Yoder, Donna Stock, Rita Whalen, Laura Gray & Lorraine Sylvester.



Sean McDermott was in my store earlier and whilst I was serving him he said listen, I need a quarterback. Think you could do that for me son? I said wow, really?! You want me to play in the NFL? He said, no son, this drink costs 75 cents and I gave you a dollar.



There are a number of openings in the daily and weekend Mass schedule during the upcoming months. Please contact the rectory to schedule your preferred dates.

Religious Education - Students and catechists are off to a great start as we meet on Sunday mornings! Substitute catechists are needed occasionally. Would you be willing to volunteer? If you can substitute for a catechist please call Sister Ruth at the Religious Education office, 716-542-9103 Ext. 2.

St. Teresa of Avila Meat Raffle will be held on October 15th. Tickets will be sold after all the Masses for the next couple of weekends. Tables of 8 may be purchased for the price of 7 tickets. You can reserve a table by emailing jdiggs@diggspro.com. We are asking for donations of items to build baskets for the event or for complete baskets with a value of \$25 or more. If you would like to make a donation, please bring in any completed basket or items for a basket and give them to the ticket sellers at the back of church. We are also looking for volunteers to work at the Meat Raffle. If you are interested, please email John Diggs at jdiggs@diggspro.com. Thank you for your support.

St. Teresa's 35th Annual Craft Show - Saturday, October 1st, 10 AM - 3:30 PM - Handmade crafts, Bake Sale, Lunch, Raffles! Please consider baking a pie and bringing it to the Craft Show on Saturday morning. Pie tins are provided in the narthex.

Day of Service - On October 22nd St. Teresa's Parish will be participating in the Diocesan "Day of Service" by holding a Drive Thru Food Drive for the Akron/Newstead Food Pantry, as well as helping the Food Pantry expand into a new room as it continues to try to meet the needs of our neighbors here in Newstead. Would you be interested in volunteering to help with the Food Drive? Would you be willing to work with the Food Pantry personnel to move the food and shelving into an additional room at Trinity Evangelical Church on S. Newstead Road? The food drive and the work for the pantry at Trinity Lutheran Church will start at 10 AM and will conclude by 1 PM. Lunch will be provided. Watch for more details next week!

THE MATTER OF LIFE Movie - Showing on Wednesday, October 5th at 6:00 PM in Our Lady of Pompeii Auditorium, 129 Laverack Ave, Lancaster, NY 14086. 716-683-6522, www.olpparish.com. All ages 16+ are welcome and 16-17 year olds need to be accompanied by a parent.

Road to Renewal Updates - As we continue the Road to Renewal, the remaining Families will be designated to be formed within two Phases. Each Phase will consist of the following stages:

Activation Stage - Parishes begin developing a Family Council and Family Action Plan. This phase lasts six months.

Phase 1 Family of Parishes will commence this stage November 1, 2022.

Phase 2 Family of Parishes will commence this stage May 1, 2023.

Inauguration Stage - The date on which a Family of Parishes begins functioning as a Family.

Phase 1 Family of Parishes are estimated to be inaugurated May 1, 2023.

Phase 2 Family of Parishes are estimated to be inaugurated November 1, 2023. (St. Teresa's family is Phase 2.)

As we continue down the Road to Renewal, please don't forget to visit our website at www.RoadToRenewal.org and pray the Prayer for Renewal regularly. See you on the Road to Renewal!

Help For Your Marriage - Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times. For more information visit <https://www.HelpOurMarriage.org> or call (716) 474-9371. The next weekend is October 21-23, 2022.

Football Pool - The winner for week two of the football pool is Lisa Torrelli. Congratulations Lisa!

Synod Voices Continue to Be Heard - Remember that earlier this year our Diocese participated in the worldwide Synod called for by Pope Francis. Well, now the results from ALL of the Dioceses in the US have been consolidated and are available at the USCCB website at the link below. We encourage you to read this extraordinary document - and notice how so many of the same comments throughout the country match the results of our own Diocesan Listening Session. US Synod Synthesis: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/us-national-synthesis-2021-2023-synod>

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- **Sunday, September 25** - Religious Education Classes
9:00 am - 10:00 am and
11:15 am - 12:30 pm
- **Friday, September 30** - Women's Group meets in the Rectory meeting room following 8 AM Mass
- **Saturday, October 1** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the Blessed Mother Mary statue
- **Saturday, October 1** - St. Teresa's 35th Annual Fall Craft Show, 10 am - 3:30 pm in the Parish Hall
- **Sunday, October 2** - Religious Education Classes
9:00 am - 10:00 am and
11:15 am - 12:30 pm

VOCATION VIEW - All the rich man's wealth could not save his soul. Faith is the only investment that lasts for eternity. Your faith is worth more than gold, real estate, or bitcoin. How will you manage this precious commodity of grace? If God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

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THANK YOU

WITH MUCH MORE TO COME
AS PLEDGES ARE PAID

\$84,280.78

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For our narthex renovation. 12/2022




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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"Do not neglect your own soul. If your own soul is neglected, you cannot give to others what you ought to give them. That is why you must also have time for yourself, for your soul."

*St. Charles Borromeo
quoted in Docat*