

# St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869



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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.



OCTOBER 2, 2022 - 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## 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., October 3

8:00 Dearly Departed Souls

Tues., October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi

8:00 Brother Ed Coughlin, OFM  
by Sr. Ruth Warejko

Wed., October 5

5:30 August Jasinski - 1st Birthday  
Blessings by Mom & Dad

Thurs., October 6

8:00 Intentions for Mothers

Fri., October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Sat., October 8

9:00 Mark J. Molitor - Living  
Birthday Blessings  
by Mom & Dad

4:30 For the People of St. Teresa's  
Parish by Fr. Art Mattulke

Sun., October 9

8:00 Joseph Leo  
by The Flumerefeldt Family

10:15 Gerald & Catherine Fiegl  
by Family



## Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Galatians 1:6-12  
Luke 10:25-37

Tuesday - Galatians 1:13-24  
Luke 10:38-42

Wednesday - Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14  
Luke 11:1-4

Thursday - Galatians 3:1-5  
Luke 11:5-13

Friday - Galatians 3:7-14  
Luke 11:15-26

Saturday - Galatians 3:22-29  
Luke 11:27-28

Sunday - 2 Kings 5:14-17  
2 Timothy 2:8-13  
Luke 17:11-19



MASS  
INTENTIONS

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.



October 2, 2022  
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As adults, unless we are dealing with children, "obedience" is not a word we typically like to hear. It often brings connotations of military protocols, deference to superiors at work, or conforming to laws and practices. In a culture that has learned to challenge authority, being obedient is understood more as something I "have" to do, not "want" to do. Do you ever see merit in wanting to be obedient? Encouraged to develop independent, self-sufficient egos and personas, we learn to focus on our own wills and merits as we strive for success and achieve a sense of well-being. Giving ourselves over to the will of another, especially when done blindly, can sometimes carry more risk than we are willing to take. Also, blindly following orders without any deference to ethics or morality can lead to atrocious crimes and violence against humanity. St. Ignatius of Loyola states, "There are three sorts of obedience; the first, obedience when a strict obligation is imposed upon us, and this is good; the second when the simple word of the superior, without any strict command, suffices for us, and this is better; the third, when a thing is done without waiting for an express command, from a knowledge that it will be pleasing to the superior, and this is the best of all." St. Ignatius sees obedience as an act of love. When the person we are obeying genuinely has our best interest in mind, acting themselves with love and integrity, then what St. Ignatius says makes excellent sense. When mutual trust and a bond of love and respect are present, obedience can lead to freedom and truth. We ask God to increase our faith. In other words, increase our trust that God knows best how to live and act in this world. We desire the same confidence, determination, and patience Jesus had that the fulfillment of God's vision would one day come. Nurturing a deep love of God and trusting in his providence, we obediently do what we know is pleasing to God: love, repent of sin, show mercy, be compassionate and fight injustice. As we willingly give witness to our faith, we do only what we are obliged to do, expecting nothing in return. Spared from the task of having to figure it all out for ourselves, we discover freedom. ©LPi



REMEMBER  
IN YOUR  
PRAYERS

That all human life will be respected and cherished, from conception until natural death; 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.

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

Funds needed per week in September for Expenses: \$11,919.32  
(Includes \$18,630.78 insurance payment due each year to the Diocese in September)

In Pew 9/18/2022

Sunday Collection

\$ 3,538.00

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

**Religious Education** - The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at Our Lady of Peace church on Sunday, November 13, 2022, at the 12 Noon Mass. St. Teresa's has five candidates this year. Please keep them in your prayers.

**The Annual Life Chain** will be held on Sunday, October 2nd, from 2 - 3 PM. This year St. Teresa's Parish will stand in front of Our Lady of Peace church on Main St., joining with one of our "family" parishes. Please join in the Prayers for Life at this location.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:jdiggs@diggspro.com). Thank you for your support.

**Blessing of Animals** - The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi is October 4th. St. Francis has always been associated with his love of nature and of animals. A special Blessing of Animals will be offered near the St. Mary's statue on Saturday, October 8th at 1 PM in the church parking lot. We look forward to seeing you and your special pet animals, including any stuffed animal friends or anyone who wishes to bring a picture of their pet for this Blessing.

**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. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board in the narthex for those wishing to help with our project. 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.

**Trunk or Treats** - Saturday, October 22nd after 4:30 Mass. Kids are welcome to wear costumes to Mass. Last year was great - we would like this year to be even better. We invite parishioners to decorate their vehicles and pass out candy to the kids. We have an award for the best decorated trunk/vehicle. We will start after Mass and pass out candy for a half hour then go inside the gym for snacks and games. There will be an area coned off just for Halloween vehicles that day. Please consider participating. If you cannot come, consider donating a bag of candy to be used for games and contests. There will be a laundry basket in the back of the church to accept donations.

**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](http://www.olpparish.com). All ages 16+ are welcome and 16 -17 year olds need to be accompanied by a parent.

**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 three of the football pool is Mike Bilz. Congratulations Mike!

**Are You or Have You Ever Thought of Being an Altar Server?** We are inviting all those interested in becoming a server to altar server training on October 23, following the 10:15 Mass. Please join us for an hour that is sure to change your life forever!

**Ministers for October** - Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: 4:30 pm - Randy Bergman, Karen Klimchuk, Sr. Ruth; 8 am - Susan Brown, Finley Gray; 10:15 am - Karen Stachowiak, Bridget McLaughlin, Sr. Gerard. Lectors: 4:30 pm - Tom Bergman; 8 am - Ed Burke; 10:15 am - Sr. Gerard. Altar Servers: 4:30 pm - Anna Bergman, Christopher Ginestre; 8 am - Andrew Borden, Alex Brandl; 10:15 am - James Fink, Emma Fink.

**Upcoming Dates to Remember**

- **Sunday, October 2** - Religious Education Classes 9:00 am - 10:00 am and 11:15 am - 12:30 pm
- **Sunday, October 2** - Meeting with parents of Confirmation candidates (Grade 11) 12 PM in the Parish Hall
- **Sunday, October 2** - Life Chain, 2 PM - 3 PM, Our Lady of Peace Church, Main St.
- **Tuesday, October 4** - Women's Guild Meeting at Ross Funeral meeting room, 7 PM
- **Wednesday, October 5** - Intercessory Prayer Group meets in the Parish Hall following the 5:30 Mass
- **Friday, October 7** - Women's Group meets in the Rectory meeting room following 8 AM Mass
- **Saturday, October 8** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the Blessed Mother Mary statue
- **Saturday, October 8** - Blessing of Animals in the parking lot by the St. Mary statue, 1 PM
- **Sunday, October 9** - No Religious Education Classes Due to the Holiday

**VOCATION VIEW** - St. Paul writes to Timothy "stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands." He's talking about the Ordination Rite of a Priest. Paul ordained Timothy just like Bishop Mike ordained two priests for us this year. Will you be next? Contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847- 5535 or visit [buffalovocations.org](http://buffalovocations.org).



**TEACHER:** Why are you late?  
**STUDENT:** Well, because class started before I got here.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

*"The Scapular bears, therefore, a double witness to Mary's protection against the ravages of the flesh occasioned by the Fall, and to Mary's influence as Mediatrix of graces, who covers our souls with the richness of her Son's Redemption."*

Venerable Fulton J. Sheen