

St. Teresa of Avila Church

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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.



NOVEMBER 6, 2022 - 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Top Picture: 2022 Winner of Best Decorated Trunk at Trunk or Treats!



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., November 7

8:00 Dearly Departed Souls

Tues., November 8

8:00 Dearly Departed Souls

Wed., November 9 - Lateran Basilica

5:30 Dearly Departed Souls

Thurs., November 10 - St. Leo the Great

8:00 Dearly Departed Souls

Fri., November 11 - St. Martin of Tours

8:00 Late Ronald Konieczny, Veteran
& Late Wally Kaus, KIA Vietnam
by Nancy Konieczny

Sat., November 12 - St. Josaphat

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

4:30 Deacon Ron - Birthday
Blessings by St. Teresa Women's
Guild

Sun., November 13

8:00 Howard Tobin
by Brian Tobin

10:15 Bernie & Cathie Badding
by Family

12:00 Confirmation Mass, Our Lady of
Peace, Clarence NY



Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Titus 1:1-9
Luke 17:1-6

Tuesday - Titus 2:1-8, 11-14
Luke 17:7-10

Wednesday - Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12
1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17
John 2:13-22

Thursday - Philemon 7-20
Luke 17:20-25

Friday - 2 John 4-9
Luke 17:26-37

Saturday - 3 John 5-8
Luke 18:1-8

Sunday - Malachi 3:19-20a
2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Luke 21:5-19



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.



November 6, 2022
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Facing her 50th birthday and recently diagnosed with Type-2 Diabetes, Rebecca was at a crossroads. Realizing that she had neglected her health and fitness over the years and allowed herself to gain significant weight, she felt poorly about who she had become. While it was easier to give in to temptation and the gratification received from food, her family needed her, and she desired a long life. She had an image of the person she could become. She wanted to be more trim, focused, disciplined, and healthy. She liked what she saw in her mind and set out on a journey to create it. With great effort, she succeeded and accomplished her goals. When we have a goal ahead of us, we are more apt to do whatever is necessary to get it. Is heaven a goal you want to achieve? Our popular images and metaphors to describe heaven can leave some people wondering if this is something they want for all eternity. Living like an angel, wearing white robes, meeting St. Peter, and reconnecting with loved ones are all welcome notions to some extent. But do they really inspire and captivate us enough to want to dramatically change how we live our lives? Heaven's reality is more profound than any human image or idea can fathom. Even though we believe in a bodily resurrection, heaven is more about attaining union with God. To achieve heaven is to attain eternal happiness and fulfill all desire. How do we awaken within us an ardent and passionate desire for heaven? St. Isaac of Ninevah counsels, "Enter eagerly into the treasure house that lies within you, and so you will see the treasure house of heaven, for the two are one and the same, and there is but one single entry into them both. The ladder that leads to the kingdom is hidden with you, and is found in your own soul. Dive into yourself and in your soul you will discover the rungs by which to ascend." Our souls are made to be eternal. Once we discover our true selves and are captivated by the wonder of who we really are, we will unleash our unwavering desire for a lasting union with our Creator. Heaven is about who we are. "For seeing you, our God, as you are, we shall be like you for all the ages." ©LPi



REMEMBER
IN YOUR
PRAYERS

For so many trouble spots in our world. May we break the cycles of violence and establish governments that protect the victimized and accord dignity to all people. For peace in all parts of our world; we pray to the Lord...

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

Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Yono Bordonaro.

** YOUR PARISH OFFERING **

Funds needed per week in October for Expenses: \$5,780
(Includes \$5,400 for new sound system & \$2,250 for new copier.)

In Pew 10/23/2022

Sunday Collection

\$ 3,296.00

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

On the Front Cover: Trunk or Treats sponsored by the St. Teresa Youth Group was held on Saturday, October 22nd after the 4:30 Mass. It was a beautiful 75 degree day. Lots of kids, lots of decorated trunks, lots of candy and lots of fun!! Thank you to everyone who came out and enjoyed the event.



Religious Education: We are grateful to Fr. Peter Calabrese for spending his day with our Confirmation Candidates for their retreat experience on October 29th. The teens learned a new way to pray and he guided them on the Avenue of Saints to locate their patron Saints. Their day concluded with participation at Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Lewiston, NY. God blest us with a sun-filled pleasant day!

MILK & PORRIDGE/FOLLOW THE CHILDREN:

Milk & Porridge: This weekend & next weekend November 12 & 13 the Women's Guild is collecting donations to feed the babies & toddlers in Timau, Kenya. For \$360 a year or \$30 a month a little one will receive nourishing food each day including 2 cups of milk, 2 servings of nutritional porridge & either a fruit or vegetable.

Follow the Children: For \$400 a year or about \$33 a month a school age child will receive school books & supplies, their school uniform & 2 meals a day.

In the past the kind generosity of the parishioners has helped babies grow strong & healthy and also provided an elementary education for those that could not otherwise attend school.

Checks should be made out to the Sisters of St. Francis. Please keep in mind that every penny you give goes to help the children.



Thanksgiving Baskets - St. Teresa Women's Guild will provide a full Thanksgiving meal to local families with a goal of helping 20 families. If you know of anyone we should reach out to, please call the rectory office. We will be collecting monetary donations to use for the purchase of the food this weekend and on the 12th & 13th before and after Masses. Any donation amount is appreciated. Checks to be made out to St. Teresa Women's Guild. We will be assembling the baskets on November 19th at 9am in the church hall. If you would like to help with the assembly and/or delivery please join us.



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, October 14th, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed beginning at 7:30 p.m. Closing Benediction takes place by 8:30 p.m.



SAVE THE DATE - St. Nick's Breakfast on the morning of Sunday, December 4th in the Parish Hall and our Annual Christmas Tree Lighting will be on December 17th after the 4:30 pm Mass.

Akron/Newstead Food Pantry is accepting donations of items to be used in their Thanksgiving Food Distribution. Canned goods including vegetables, yams, sweet potatoes, pumpkin, condensed milk and potatoes more are greatly appreciated. Please place the items in the collection bin in the Narthex.

Football Pool - The winner for week seven of the football pool is Tony Schumacher. Congratulations Tony!

VOCATION VIEW - At the Resurrection, we "neither marry nor are given in marriage." In other words: in Heaven, everyone is celibate! Some even live that way on earth. If you are called to the priestly or religious life, do not be afraid! It's a literal heavenly calling. Learn more by contacting Fr. Dave Baker at 716- 847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

Do you need help with gifts for your children and teens this Christmas? Catholic Charities is once again a participating nonprofit with the WNY Holiday Partnership, which provides Christmas gifts for families in need. Catholic Charities, in collaboration with the Ladies of Charity, is able to provide toys, books, games or puzzles, and a new pair of gloves and winter hat. The program will begin after Thanksgiving. If you or someone you know could benefit from this program, or if you would like more information, call 716-218-1450, ext. 2003.



The math teacher saw that little Johnny wasn't paying attention in class.

She called on him and said, "Johnny, what are 2 and 4 and 28 and 44?" Little Johnny quickly replied, "NBC, FOX, ESPN and the Cartoon Network!"

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- **Weekend of November 5 & 6** - Collection for the Mission in Timau and Thanksgiving Baskets
- **Weekend of November 5 & 6** - Reminder - the Collection bins for the Akron/Newstead Food Pantry are accepting Thanksgiving items
- **Sunday, November 6** - Religious Education Classes 9:00 am - 10:00 am and 11:15 am - 12:30 pm
- **Thursday, November 10** - Men's Ministry in the Rectory basement meeting room, 6:45 PM
- **Friday, November 11** - Fully Alive Hour/Eucharistic Adoration from 7:30 - 8:30
- **Saturday, November 12** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the Blessed Mother Mary statue
- **Sunday, November 13** - Religious Education Classes are canceled for all grades
- **Sunday, November 13** - Confirmation Mass at Our Lady of Peace, 12 PM

WE'RE HIRING!

JOIN OUR TEAM!

Nativity is looking for a motivated individual to join our Facilities Department.

We are hiring for the following position:

Assistant to the Facilities Manager

- ▶ Full Time
- ▶ Afternoon/Evening shift (Days when school is not in session)
- ▶ Health Insurance Benefits Available
- ▶ Opportunity for Advancement

TO APPLY

Email resume to **Robin Hammer, Facilities Manager**
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as nothing."

St. Therese of Lisieux