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Prince of Peace Parish strives to be a welcoming Catholic family that joyfully gathers to celebrate the sacraments and to live the Word of God as disciples of Christ. United with the Holy Spirit, we go forth to bear witness to our faith and to share our unique gifts in loving service of all God's people.

October 11, 2021

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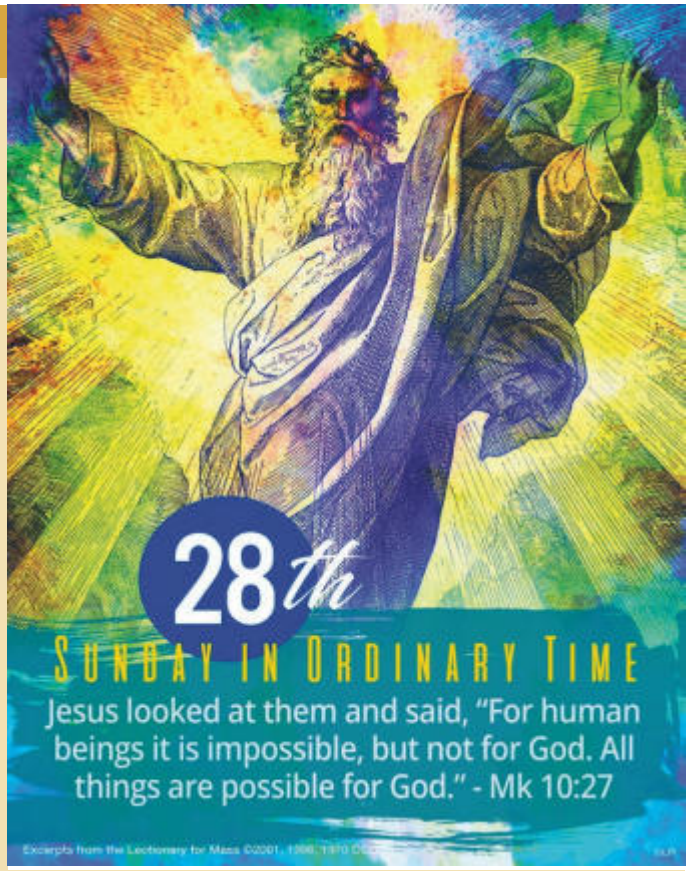

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday & Thursday
8:30 AM - St. Teresa
Tuesday & Friday
8:30 AM - Nativity
CONFESSION
Saturday
3:00 PM-St. Teresa
SATURDAY VIGIL
4:00 PM - St. Teresa
SUNDAY
8:00 AM - Nativity
10:00 AM - St. Teresa
12:00 PM - St. Teresa

Please Remember Prince of Peace Parish in Your Will.

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ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH
146 Main Street South
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Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY OCTOBER 9TH TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
11:00 AM Memorial Mass for Reverend George Laliberte
At St. Teresa
4:00 PM Virginia Venditti
At St. Teresa Church

SUNDAY OCTOBER 10TH TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 AM Christopher Ciriello
by His Loving Family
At Church of the Nativity
10:00 AM Horacio & Anna Coelho,
Anniversary Remembrances
by Maria Coelho
At St. Teresa Church
12:00 PM Patricia Deysenroth
by Barbara & Henry
At St. Teresa Church

MONDAY OCTOBER 11TH WEEKDAY
8:30 AM Living & Deceased Members
of The Dunham Family
At St. Teresa Church

TUESDAY OCTOBER 12TH WEEKDAY
8:30 AM ***At Church of the Nativity***

THURSDAY OCTOBER 14TH WEEKDAY
NO MASS

FRIDAY OCTOBER 15TH SAINT TERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH
8:30 AM Charles Russell
by Walter & Ann Okoski
At Church of the Nativity

SATURDAY OCTOBER 16TH TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
1:00 PM Sacrament of Marriage
At St. Teresa
4:00 PM Prince of Peace Parish
At St. Teresa Church

SUNDAY OCTOBER 17TH TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 AM Mark Mothershed
by Barbara Ensign
At Church of the Nativity
10:00 AM William Wright
by G. Gallo & Family
At St. Teresa Church
12:00 PM Carmen Mancuso
by Mark & Carol Moriarty
At St. Teresa Church

OUR CHURCHES WILL BE OPEN FROM 10 AM – 3 PM MONDAY – FRIDAY

Wedding Banns

III

Sherry Langrock & Douglas Zigmunds

BAPTISM

Cameron Smith Rentz

Rest in Peace

Edward Lavan
Otto & Frances Wolf

"Coming Together in Christ and Moving Forward in Hope" Initiative

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a final letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. We invite all faithful parishioners to complete a card as our parish goal is 100% participation! You may return your card by:

- mailing it to the church using the pre-addressed envelope included with the letter.
- or bringing it to Mass next Sunday.
- or you may visit our parish website at www.princeofpeaceparish-aohct.org and complete an electronic Commitment Card.

All cards need to be returned to the parish by Sunday, October 31.

As a friendly reminder, electronic giving is an easy, safe and secure way to support Prince of Peace Parish. To set-up a recurring weekly or monthly gift or to make a one-time donation directly from your bank account or credit card, please visit our website and follow the instructions. **We are grateful for your support!**

Join Us Outside for
APPLE CIDER AND DONUTS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17th following the 12:00 noon Mass at St. Teresa's.

Stay for just a little while to share conversation ..... getting to know one another ..... growing as a parish family in fellowship together.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

10/11 -10/17	**Classes for Grades K-9**
10/23 & 10/ 24	**FAMILY EVENT**
10/22	**Grade 10 Sin Roast**
10/25 – 10/31	**Classes Grades K-8**
10/30	**Confirmation Ceremony Grade 10**
11/7	**Class Grade 9**
11/8 – 11//14	**Classes Grades K-8**
11/15 – 11/21	**Classes Grades 3-9**
11/20	**Retreat for Grades K, 1 & 2**
11/29 – 12/5	**Classes Grades K- 9**

GOOD SHEPHERDS

The Good Shepherds meet January - November on every other Thursday from 9:30A.M. -11:30A.M., at the Church of the Nativity, in classroom #6. All are welcome to come. Any questions may be directed to Cathie Murdock - truklady99@aol.com.

We will be meeting in person on October 14 & 28, November 4 & 11

Prince of Peace Clothing Bank
Located in the lower level of the Church of the Nativity building in the rear and will be opened**. Will be open each month for people in need.** Masks should be worn if not vaccinated or if you feel more comfortable. Gloves are available for those who would like to wear them.
The Prince of Peace Clothing Bank has received an abundance of donations from caring parishioners and area residents. We are now well positioned to provide free clothing and footwear to area people in need.

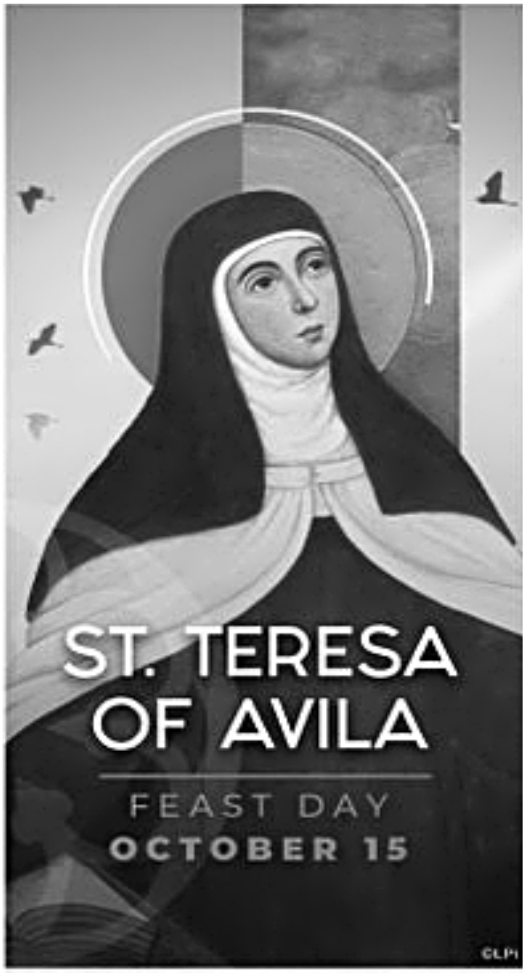
WHAT WE ARE ACCEPTING AT THIS TIME

Gently used men's jeans are always in demand and not donated regularly. Especially with schools opening, we also have an urgent need for socks: Boy's size 6 – 14, Girl's size 6-14, Men's size S, M, L, Women's S, M, L
Underwear is always in need, all sizes boys, girls and adults.

AND

Gently used recently washed towels and/or sheet sets, preferably twin or full size, are needed.
The towels and sheets will be given to the St Vincent DePaul shelter in Waterbury. Thank You for your generosity.

We will be open:
Fri, Oct 22, 3 to 5
Sat, Oct 23, 10 to 12



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 16th century. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems. The originator of the Carmelite Reform, she founded numerous convents throughout Spain and restored a contemplative life to the order. She became well known for the mystical experiences, many of which she described in her autobiography.

The first of only four women to be named a Doctor of the Church, St. Teresa's ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life, and her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered works of art. Her writings, especially the "Way of Perfection" and "The Interior Castle," have helped generations of believers.

St. Teresa of Avila died on Oct. 15, 1582. She was canonized on March 22, 1622, along with three of her greatest contemporaries: St. Ignatius Loyola, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Philip Neri.

October 10, 2021

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11 | Heb 4:12-13 | Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

In the Old Testament, wealth was considered a sign of God's favor. So imagine the rich young man's surprise when he approached Jesus, only to find out that he would need to sell what he had and then give to the poor in order to follow Jesus. His face fell and he walked away. His demeanor highlights the fundamental error of equating what we have, and what we do, with salvation – of relying on earthly things, rather than God, for our deepest comfort and security. In contrast, the Book of Wisdom speaks of the richness and worth of divine wisdom over that of any precious gem or gold. We understand that divine wisdom to be manifested in the person of Jesus Christ. Therefore, true wisdom means having faith in Jesus rather than in our own efforts and whatever we might have earned in our lifetime. Otherwise, we are like a camel trying to squeeze through the eye of a needle. Jesus truly offers us the only way. I like to think that the young man came around eventually. After all, as Jesus says, "all things are possible for God." As we reflect, we can ask Jesus what we need to "let go of" to turn our sights, our minds, and our lives over to God, knowing that following his will is the surest path to the Kingdom.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Just a few days ago, we celebrated the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The behavior of the rich young man in today's Gospel – daring, enthusiastic, confident – brings the young Francis to mind. Born into wealth, he relished his carefree lifestyle and sought to become a knight. His dreams of glory, however, quickly became a nightmare as his comrades fell and he was imprisoned in a dank cell for a year. After his release, he fell seriously ill, and God spoke to him. Francis cast aside the trappings of wealth, choosing instead to seek God's will in all things. His example invites us to pray about our priorities: What things or attitudes get in the way of our relationship with God and one another? What is the Lord asking of us and how can we respond? How can we give witness to our belief that all things are possible with God?

ACTION Perhaps try a "consumption fast" for the next couple of weeks, purchasing only what you need – food and other necessities. Use time and energy you may have spent shopping to deepen your relationship with God and others by participating in Eucharistic adoration, going to confession, visiting an elderly relative, or contacting an old friend.

The Prince of Peace Prayer Line Ministry is available for all those in need of prayer and support. We also welcome anyone interested in becoming part of the Prayer Ministry. We know that life is hectic. You want to volunteer, but are not sure how. This ministry is something that you can do from your house, your office, or in the car. All we ask is that you pray with us to lift up the specific intentions submitted. Prayer requests and requests to join the ministry can be emailed to Mary at princeofpeace@aohct.org or saintteresas@aol.com or call the Parish Prayer Line and leave a message at 203-263-2008 ext. 25 or hit the Prayer Line icon on our website under quick links.

A **GIANT TAG SALE** will be held at the Lourdes in Litchfield Shrine, 50 Montfort Rd., Rte. 118, Litchfield, from Thursday, October 21st to Saturday, October 23rd from 9:00am to 4:00pm and on Sunday, October 24th from 11:30am (after Mass) to 2:00pm.
Donations may be dropped off on Tuesday, October 19th and Wednesday, October 20th from 9:00am to 5:00pm.
PLEASE NOTE: NO upholstered furniture, box springs & mattresses, computers, monitors or paint will be accepted. All donated items must be in good condition and all electronic items must be in working order.
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