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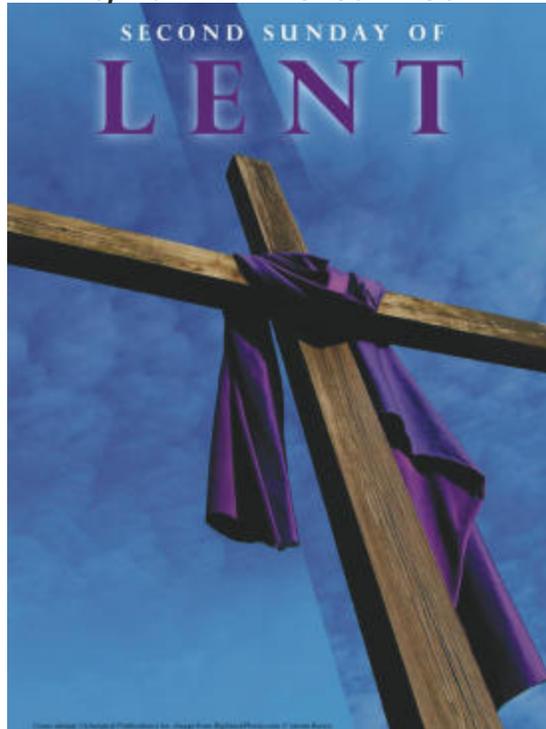
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MISSION STATEMENT

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.



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 3:30 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., March 1

8:00 Intentions for Fathers

Tues., March 2

8:00 Departed Souls

Wed., March 3 - St. Katharine Drexel

5:30 Intentions of Mary Lou
Flumerfeldt
by Steven Flumerfeldt

Thurs., March 4 - St. Casimir

8:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

Fri., March 5

8:00 Intentions for Mothers

Sat., March 6

9:00 Tony & Arlene Scheeda
by Margaret Lucas

4:30 Frederick Wysocki
by Jean Ottney

Sun., March 7

8:00 Gloria Rembas
by Estate

10:15 Phil Wittman

by Friends of the Food Pantry



Scripture Readings For the Week

Monday - Daniel 9:4b-10
Luke 6:36-38

Tuesday - Isaiah 1:10, 16-20
Matthew 23:1-12

Wednesday - Jeremiah 18:18-20
Matthew 20:17-28

Thursday - Jeremiah 17:5-10
Luke 16:19-31

Friday - Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a,
17b-28a
Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday - Micah 7:14-15, 18-20
Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday - Exodus 17:3-7
Romans 5:1-2, 5-8
John 4:5-42

Catholic Charities Update

Parish Goal: 41,602
Current Total: 20%



Thank you for your generosity!

Notice From the Diocese of Buffalo Regarding

Upon This Rock Fund

Beginning in 2015, The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc. ("Foundation") began soliciting donations to its "Upon this Rock" ("UTR") capital and endowment campaign. The UTR campaign raised funds for many purposes, including soliciting funds for making essential upgrades to classroom facilities and technology of Christ the King Seminary ("CKS"), expanding CKS's role as a center of retreat and religious celebration, and establishing an endowment fund for CKS. Unfortunately, in early 2020, CKS's Board of Trustees determined that CKS would close at the end of the 2020-2021 academic year. CKS's closure will make it impossible for the Foundation to use the UTR funds raised for CKS for their original intended purposes. However, under New York law, when the original purposes for which funds are donated become impossible to achieve, those purposes can be modified in a manner consistent with original intent by the New York State courts. For many years, CKS provided education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministers in the Diocese of Buffalo and beyond. Accordingly, the Foundation has asked the New York State Supreme Court for the County of Erie to approve a modification of the purposes of UTR funds raised for CKS so that those funds can be used to support the education and formation for ordained and lay ecclesial ministry in the Diocese of Buffalo, as determined in the discretion of the Foundation's Board.

If you have donated to UTR and would like to be heard regarding this requested modification, you may send a letter to: The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo, N.Y., Inc., attention Executive Director, 795 Main Street, Buffalo, N.Y. 14203 or an email to donor.info@frcdb.org. Copies of letters or email received by the Foundation will be provided to the Court. You may also make a formal filing in the legal proceeding entitled Matter of the Modification of Endowment Funds of The Foundation of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., Inc., Erie County Index No. 814747/2020. In order for your submission to be available for the Court's consideration, please be sure to send any letter or email, or make any filing, no later than Friday, April 9, 2021.

In your prayers... For the success of this year's Catholic Charities drive; we pray to the Lord.

Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members, especially Jim Bradley, Shirley Lantz, Baby Vivian, Liam Williams, Crystal and Leah Howard, Nancy Tordy, Sister Bea Leising, Paul Schifferle, Matthew Hanlon, George Cunningham, Lorraine Sylvester, Darlene Duke, Nicole DeGolier and Sonny Grainy.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Frances Bordonaro.

Please also pray for the sacredness of all human life from conception until natural death.

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Religious Education - Parents of children in Grade 2 and Grade 3 work along with the catechist in preparation for the reception of the sacraments. Additional and helpful videos are posted on our websites for religious ed and our parish. Check them out! Each weekend the 4:30 Sunday Vigil Mass is video taped and posted also. Families who choose to not attend Mass in person due to Covid are encouraged to participate in Mass online. Let us welcome the presence of Christ into our hearts and homes to fill us with peace and joy.

Join Us for the Intercessory Prayer Group Meeting - March 3rd, immediately following the 5:30 Mass in the Parish Hall. Do you have a prayer request? Simply write your intention in an envelope marked "Prayer Group" and place it in the collection basket, and it will be offered at the next meeting. All are welcome to join us to share intercessions, prayers, scripture & hymns.

Catholic Charities - Thank you to all who have donated towards St. Teresa's goal of \$41,600. If you did not receive a donation card and would like one, they are available at the back of church or in the parish office.

HOPE for all seasons. If you are feeling overwhelmed trying to keep up with your child's medical care and physical, dental and/or mental health appointments, Catholic Charities can help. When you are in need, we are hope. Through our Health Home Care Management program, children and their families in Erie County are given access to a network of providers, community-based organizations and health plans that work to ensure the child's needs are met. These needs may include physical, dental, mental health or simple support. To learn more about the program and eligibility requirements, call our Helpline at 716-218-1419 or visit <http://www.carecoordination@ccwny.org>

2021 Cincinnati Men's Conference - Saturday, March 13th, 2021. Fr. Mike Schmitz will be the headliner, accompanied by the renowned Dr. Ray Guarendi and entrepreneur Tony Maas. Live-streaming of the conference with in-person audience up to a certain number allowed. Everyone is encouraged to tune in. The Conference is FREE. Donations gratefully accepted. For more information and how to register: CincinnatiMensConference.com. #CincyMen

"Coffee with Sr. Jacinta." - Join Sr. Jacinta for a ½ hour Zoom class on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 am. Sessions are a Spiritual Journey through the Catechism of the Catholic Church. To get a Zoom ID and passcode, contact Sr. Jacinta at: olcparishspirituallife@gmail.com.

These classes are recorded and available on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiKxEbpUfRk9NBm98VXv> Fug.

High School Entrance Practice Exam. Seventh grade students can prepare for the high school entrance exam by taking a practice version of the exam for free. The practice exam will be offered at Canisius High School on March 6 and April 24. Sign up for either date at www.canisiushigh.org/practiceexam.

 A heavy snowstorm closed the schools in one town. When the children returned to school a few days later, one grade school teacher asked her students whether they had used the time away from school constructively. "I sure did, teacher," one little girl replied. "I just prayed for more snow."



- **Sunday, February 28** - Religious Education Classes
9:00 am - 10:00 am and
11:15 am - 12:30 pm
- **Wednesday, March 3** - Intercessory Prayer Group, in the Parish Hall following 5:30 pm Mass
- **Friday, March 5** - Stations of the Cross - 7:00 pm
- **Saturday, March 6** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the St. Teresa Statue
- **Sunday, March 7** - Religious Education Classes
9:00 am - 10:00 am and
11:15 am - 12:30 pm

A VOCATION VIEW

Peter, James, and John hiked up a mountaintop for an experience with Jesus, and so do those who are called to follow the Apostles' footsteps in the priesthood. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org

Prayer for Priests and Religious
God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's kingdom as priests, deacons and women religious. Send your Holy spirit to help us respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit, on God, for ever and ever. Amen.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"You will be the salvation of all peoples, O Lord. Through this season of Lent, touch the hearts of the needy, the hardened, the proud, and the penitent with your transforming love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen"

From February Magnificat prayer

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