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APRIL 18, 2021 - 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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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

- Monday, April 19
8:00 Dearly Departed Souls
- Tuesday, April 20
8:00 Tim Olsen - Birthday
Blessings by *Mary Olsen*
- Wednesday, April 21 - St. Anselm
5:30 In Memory of Gertrude &
Andrew Korszykowski
by *Gertrude Bartels Estate*
- Thursday, April 22
8:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's
- Friday, April 23 - Sts. George & Adalbert
8:00 Msgr. Williamson - Birthday
Blessings by *St. Teresa's
Women's Guild*
- Saturday, April 24 - St. Fidelis
9:00 Emma Lemdke - Living
Birthday Blessings
by *Karen & Mark Molitor*
- 4:30 Bob & Betty Bergman's
Anniversary by *Family*
- Sunday, April 25 - 4th Sunday of
Easter
8:00 George & Bernice Covrig
by *Arlene & Jeffrey Szczepanski*
- 10:15 In Memory of Ron Kintzel
by *Your Love*



Scripture Readings For the Week

- Monday - Acts 6:8-15
John 6:22-29
- Tuesday - Acts 7:51 - 8:1a
John 6:30-35
- Wednesday - Acts 8:1b-8
John 6:35-40
- Thursday - Acts 8:26-40
John 6:44-51
- Friday - Acts 9:1-20
John 6:52-59
- Saturday - Acts 9:31-42
John 6:60-69
- Sunday - Acts 4:8-12
1 John 3:1-2
John 10:11-18

Catholic Charities Update
Parish Goal: \$41,602
Current Total: 50%

\$20,592

Thank you for your generosity!

Welcome Father Art Mattulke

It is with great pleasure and excitement as we welcome Father Art Mattulke (Ma-Tull-Key) as our new priest. Father Art arrived on April 14 to assume his parish duties at St. Teresa's after a nine-year tenure at St. Peter and Paul in Hamburg. Prior to St. Peter and Paul, Father Art led St. Padre Pio in Oakfield for six years. St. Padre Pio was a parish that resulted from three parishes merging in that area.

Father Art is a native Western New Yorker growing up in Williamsville, graduating from Williamsville South and Canisius College. Following Canisius, Father attended Christ the King Seminary being ordained first as a Transitional Deacon and then to the Priesthood in 1997. Father Art's family consists of two brothers and mother Gail who resides in Williamsville; his father passed in 1992. Father's home parish is Saints Peter and Paul in Williamsville.

Father Art is also involved in the Knights of Columbus being a Fourth Degree Knight, a member of the Knights of St. John and a member of the Order of the Equestrian Knights of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem.

Speaking with people familiar with Father, adjectives such as loyal, compassionate, approachable and empathetic continually surface as does the phrase "putting others and the parish before himself".

Please welcome Father Art to St. Teresa's and the Akron Newstead community.

Thank You Father Dave



Our sincere gratitude goes to our interim priest Father Dave Borowiak for the wonderful job he did from November through this week. Father Dave went about his duties at our parish with dedication and compassion. You'd never know Father was at St. Teresa's on a short term assignment from the way he approached our parish's work. God was watching over us when He sent Father Dave. We wish Father Dave all the best as he continues to enjoy retirement.

Parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila Parish

Thank you for allowing me to be part of your Faith Community for the past 5 1/2 months. I would like to thank all of you for your acceptance and prayers. I hope that I was able to bring God closer to you and bring you closer to God. May you continue your faith journey with Father Art, your Pastor, who is truly anxious to be with you and for you!

May God Truly Bless you, and with your Patron - St. Teresa of Avila - continue in your love for God and each other.

Fr. Dave Borowiak

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER - APRIL 18, 2021

Religious Education - As a parish we look forward to celebrating the sacrament of Holy Eucharist on Saturday, May 15th, at a special Mass at 10 am. The Children, their parents and family members, and our catechists have all been part of the preparation process as we approach First Holy Communion Day. We will meet with the parents and the children on Saturday, May 1st, at 1 pm in the church to rehearse, review and pray together in preparation for First Communion. This is also a good time to remind all parents that the most important part of preparation for this sacrament is attendance at Sunday Mass.




Thank You!

To all who made our Holy Week & Easter Celebration special by contributing their time, talent and donations to be used for flowers. Please join us at Mass as we continue to celebrate the Easter Season!

In your prayers...


Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members, especially John Ernst, 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, Alice P. Rambach and Sonny Grainy.

Next week we will take up the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

 **St. Teresa's Women's Guild Spring Raffle** - Tickets available after masses for a chance to win a beautiful queen sized log cabin pattern quilt. Tickets are \$5 or 3 for \$10. Drawing on May 30. Proceeds for the Women's Guild parish projects.

BW's Chicken BBQ - Nativity of Mary School 8th grade class is hosting a drive thru Chicken BBQ on Friday, April 23, 4 - 7pm. Tickets are \$11 pre-sale, \$12 at the door. Dinner includes: 1/2 chicken, potato salad, Cole slaw, roll/butter & cookie. Tickets are available at the school office, 8550 Main Street, Williamsville or call Judy @ 361-6631 for more information.

Reminder - Adoration is held every Wednesday at Our Lady of Peace from 9am to 6pm - everyone welcome!

 An old country preacher was fishing one afternoon when he noticed a frog sitting next to him. The frog said, "Mister, I've had a spell cast on me. If you'll kiss me, I'll turn into a beautiful princess and I'll make you happy for the rest of your life." The old preacher smiled, picked up the frog, and put it in his pocket. After a while, he looked into his pocket to see how the frog was doing. The frog said again, "Mister, I've had a spell cast on me. If you'll kiss me, I'll turn into a beautiful princess and I'll make you happy for the rest of your life." The preacher just smiled and kept on fishing. When he checked on the frog again, it said, "What's wrong with you, fella? I said I've been bewitched. Just kiss me and I'll turn back into a beautiful princess and make you the happiest man on earth for the rest of your life!" The old preacher just smiled and said, "Frog, I'm sorry to tell you this...but at my age, I'd rather have a talking frog than a beautiful princess!"



- **Sunday, April 18** - Religious Education Classes 9:00 am - 10:00 am
- **Weekend of April 17/18** - St. Teresa's Women's Guild Spring Raffle tickets available before and after Mass.
- **Saturday, April 24** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the St. Teresa Statue
- **Sunday, April 25** - Religious Education Classes 9:00 am - 10:00 am

A VOCATION VIEW

Today's first reading from Acts of the Apostles begins Peter's first sermon in the streets of Jerusalem. Our Church is in need of good preachers today! Do you have a clever way with words? Maybe God is calling you to the pulpit! Find out by contacting the Vocations Office at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"Brothers and sisters: Do you not know that a little yeast leavens all the dough? Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough, inasmuch as you are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us celebrate the feast, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth."

First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians From Easter Mass

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