

St. Teresa of Avila Church Est. 1869

JUNE 13, 2021 - THE 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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

Sunday Liturgies8:00 AM, 10:15 AM
Saturday Vigil.....4:30 PM
Daily Mass8:00 AM, except Wednesday 5:30 PM
Saturday9:00 AM
Vigil of Holy Days5:30 PM
Holy Days8:00 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, June 14**
8:00 Intentions for Mothers
- Tuesday, June 15**
8:00 Rev. Arthur Mattulke -
Birthday Blessings - *God
Bless Always Vittorio &
Margaret*
- Wednesday, June 16**
5:30 Rev. Arthur Mattulke -,
Birthday Blessings by
St. Teresa Women's Guild
- Thursday, June 17**
8:00 Intentions of Fathers
- Friday, June 18**
8:00 Daniel Bergman - Birthday
Blessings by *Mom & Dad*
- Saturday, June 19**
9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's
4:30 In Memory of Ron Kintzel
by *Loving Children*
- Sunday, June 13**
8:00 Father's of the Parish
10:15 Bernie & Cathie Badding
by *Family*



Scripture Readings For the Week

- Monday** - 2 Corinthians 6:1-10
Matthew 5:38-42
- Tuesday** - 2 Corinthians 8:1-9
Matthew 5:43-48
- Wednesday** - 2 Corinthians 9:6-11
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday** - 2 Corinthians 11:1-11
Matthew 6:7-15
- Friday** - 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30
Matthew 6:19-23
- Saturday** - 2 Corinthians 12:1-10
Matthew 6:24-34
- Sunday** - Job 38:1, 8-11
2 Corinthians 5:14-17
Mark 4:35-41

Catholic Charities Update
Parish Goal: \$41,602
Current Total: 78%

\$33,111

Thank you for your generosity!



June 13, 2021
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A favorite motto of St. Teresa of Calcutta was, "do small things with great love." This is how it works in the kingdom of God. God can do tremendous things with the smallest gesture, especially when it is done in love. We can clearly see that our world is suffering greatly. People are struggling to find peace, navigate through conflicts, earn a sustainable living, find security and enough food to eat, and work through political tensions and conflicts. In the light of the magnitude of the difficulties that exist around us and even within us, we can find ourselves floundering to discover practical, effective solutions. How can something so large be helped by someone as small and seemingly insignificant as me? While whole systems and structures may be out of the league of our personal influence, are we really that helpless in the midst of all of the turmoil, sadness, and suffering? If we believe that God is with us and that God is still working to bring about the glory of God's kingdom, then the answer is no. We are never helpless or without hope. Armed with a strong life of prayer, we can always flee to God and ask for inspiration, wisdom, and especially love. We are all blessed with unique gifts and talents and it often seems that considering all that the world lacks, love and charity remain at the top of the list. Life can easily become a battleground of hostility. Because life is challenging and difficult, anger is not far away. We see it on people's faces and hear it in their voices. There is a measure of frustration that permeates all avenues of life. It is even felt in the air. As people of faith, we know that what we see here is not the end but only a part of something far greater to come. We know that God's kingdom is where we are ultimately meant to be, and the Gospel is the way to get there. If love and charity can prevail in us, then God will be able to do what God does best. God will use us to scatter the seeds of his kingdom. Through our small gestures, those seeds can receive the nurturing attention that is necessary for them to bear great fruit. We cannot fall victim to the strife that is around us. We have to keep ourselves refreshed and focused so that even in small ways, we can become part of the solution, not the problem. Love and charity, which come from God, can help to heal the ills of the world. May we bring these simple gifts to the everyday simple tasks of our lives! Watch how big the plant grows!

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In your prayers...

For an increase in vocations to the priesthood, religious life, the diaconate and lay ministries, may the Lord guide the work of the hands of vocation directors, especially our own Fr. Dave Baker; we pray to the Lord...

Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members, especially Brian Hillestad, 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, Nicholas Backes and Darlene Duke.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Nicholas Backes.

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.

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JUNE 13, 2021



The Parish Picnic is Scheduled for August 14th! However, a Chairperson(s) and volunteers to help on the committee are still needed! If you are interested in helping with the planning of the picnic, please contact the office during regular office hours. The committee should plan to start meeting in late June to plan for a fun filled event. The tent is rented and cooks to man the grills have volunteered. Set up and clean up volunteers are needed. All the food will be provided by the church with no dish to pass this year.

Religious Education - People sometimes are reluctant to pick up the Bible to begin reading it. We hear readings from some books of the Bible at Mass, but many think this is too difficult, too ancient to overcome. Over the next four weeks, we will consider some points from Stephen J. Binz that may help us. First, the Bible is not just one large book; it is a library of 73 small books. We will feel less intimidated by choosing just one book at a time for reading. Stay tuned to next week's bulletin.

Father's Day Book Signing for Gabby's Gift - St. Teresa's Women's Guild is hosting a book signing on Father's Day weekend after each mass. Parishioner and author Steven Flumerfeldt penned a book telling the story of a father's love for his daughter, Gabby, with Down Syndrome. The story tells of Gabby's love for life and our Lord and Savior. She is a very special girl who has touched and blessed the lives of all who have come to know her and is involved in many parish projects, including serving on the altar with Father Art! The Women's Guild will have coffee and donuts at the book signing after masses on Sunday. Come celebrate with Steve and Gabby and purchase a signed copy of this book for \$10.



to **Ed Burke** who has coordinated the Books for Tots program for the past few years! We are looking for a new coordinator to run the program which delivers books to 1-5 year old children of the parish on their birthdays. Duties include ordering books, emailing volunteers who deliver the books monthly, and placing the books in the parish library on the 1st weekend of the month. Please call the office if you are interested in volunteering. Monetary donations to support this important program are always welcome.

Community Prayer Service - June 17 at 7 pm at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, 8656 Church St., E. Pembroke; we will gather on the church lawn (bring a chair or blanket) with Fr. Daniel Serbicki to pray for our neighbors, our country, for healing for the sick, for the born and unborn, and for your special intentions. All are welcome.



ATTENTION 2021 GRADUATES - A Special Mass will be held on Sunday, June 27th at 10:15 am in your honor. Please plan to attend!

A VOCATION VIEW - "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ," writes St. Paul. So many people are unprepared for their eternal judgment! If only there were more ministers of God to remind and admonish the world. Perhaps God is calling you to this mission? Fr. Dave can help direct you at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK In re The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y. Case No. 20-10322

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On February 28, 2020, The Diocese of Buffalo N.Y., ("Diocese") filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Bankruptcy Court has established August 14, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the "Bar Date"). If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the Diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date. Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/diocesefofbuffalo> or call (855) 292-7696 for more information on how to file your proof of claim. IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DIOCESE'S CHAPTER 11 CASE.



- **Wednesday Evening, June 16** - Gardening to either side of the front entrance of the church.
- **REMINDER** - The Collection Barrels for the Akron/Newstead Food Pantry are in the back of church - applesauce is needed
- **Saturday, June 19** - Pro-Life Prayer Group, 9:30 am, in the parking lot near the St. Teresa Statue
- **Weekend of June 19/20** - "Gabby's Gift" Book Signing sponsored by the Women's Guild

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THANK YOU

WITH MUCH MORE TO COME
AS PLEDGES ARE PAID

\$72,606.67

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for our narthex renovation.



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

"One of the stark differences between the pro-choice and pro-life positions is that the issue of abortion is almost always described as a 'difficult' and 'complex' issue, while those words are almost never used by the pro-life side. Mother Teresa was exactly right when she said, 'if abortion isn't wrong, then nothing is wrong.'"

Peter Kreeft

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