



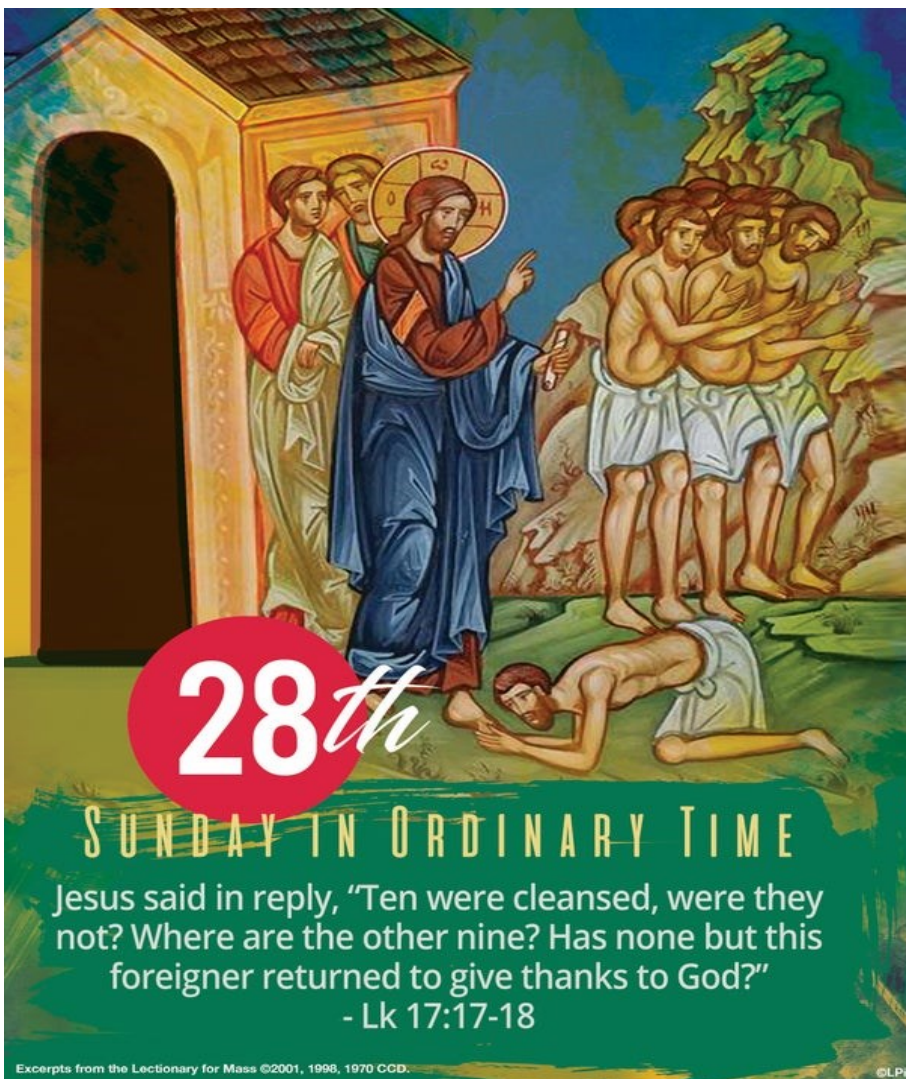
Saint Thomas the Apostle Church  
203 W. Washington Street  
Corry, PA 16407



Saint Teresa of Avila Church  
9 Third Avenue  
Union City, PA 16438

# THE PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND ST. TERESA OF AVILA

## October 9, 2022



# 28<sup>th</sup>

### SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"  
- Lk 17:17-18

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#### NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY & ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

St. Thomas the Apostle     St. Teresa of Avila

Please drop this information into Offertory Basket or mail to Parish Office.

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**Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish**  
[www.stthomastheapostle.church](http://www.stthomastheapostle.church)

**Saint Teresa of Avila Parish**  
[www.st-teresa-unioncity.org](http://www.st-teresa-unioncity.org)

**Partnered Parish Offices**  
203 W. Washington Street  
Corry, PA 16407  
814-663-3041

#### Partnered Parish Office Hours

Monday: 12:30pm—3:30pm  
Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30am—3:30pm  
Thursday: 8:30am—12:00pm noon  
Friday: Closed



I hope your October has been a pleasant one thus far—I love these brisk mornings!!! Now if we could only keep those, but not the other stuff that will surely follow in but a few short weeks!!! Get to prayin’!

I want to thank HANCOCK Construction who has been doing a lot of work at the Rectory and St. Teresa’s. The back porch of the Rectory was quite literally falling apart, as could be testified by the flock of birds living in its roof or the cats living underneath its floorboards, and Tanner and his crew did a wonderful job demolishing it and building a new one. They’ve also been working at beautifying the dilapidated access ramp to the Church, which hopefully will be completed shortly. If you should ever need there services, I wouldn’t hesitate to contact them at: tandkremodeling565@gmail.com or 814-882-0488.

And on the construction front, it’s been roof season around here!!!! Let me tell you, whoever invented flat roofs should probably face some sort of medieval torture...in a charitable way, of course! Over at St. Teresa’s Parish Center we have spent months now patching holes and trying to seal leaks—the roof over the Kitchen, however, is a lost cause, and you will be getting a letter in the mail from me about that—but it’s going to cost over \$20,000 to replace, and it needs to be replaced. Similarly, we are still trying to finalize bids for the replacement of the other half of the roof on St. Thomas Church. I don’t know that we will be successful in doing that this fall, but God willing! And then last week, the School at St. Thomas sprung some leaks! A few cleared drains later and we are in much better shape. Although, at one point there was about 24,000 gallons of water stuck on the roof. That’s over 200,000 pounds on that poor roof! That can’t be good for anyone!

We want to welcome our newest staff member, Brian Titch. Brian will be working at both Sts. Thomas and Teresa as our new Maintenance person. So, if you see him around, make sure you say ‘hi’!

A good reminder that the cold and flu season is upon us....So, make sure you take whatever precautions are recommended, including updating your vaccinations. Let us also remember, that we do this in Christian Charity, out of love and concern for our neighbor—which also means that if you are sick, stay home from Church. Jesus is with you there. This all goes for Covid as well—let’s not take things for granted or presume things will just ‘be ok.’ Jesus gives us medical resources for a reason, so let’s use them. I really don’t want to be burying any more of our people because of our prideful obstinance. Again, get vaccinated and stay home when you are sick.

We still need teachers/substitutes for our Religious Education program. See what is needed in the Religious Education box later in this bulletin.

With that, have a fantastic week! Good luck! God help us all! -Fr. Matt



**Monday, October 10**

8:00a.m. †Ann Nodrache by Ilene Zakovitch  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

**Tuesday, October 11**

5:15p.m. †Judy Bitters by Marianne, Andrea, and Emily  
(St. Thomas, Corry)

**Wednesday, October 12**

8:00a.m. †Deceased & Livings Alumni and Faculty of  
St. Edwards School by St. Edwards Alumni  
Association (St. Thomas, Corry)

**Thursday, October 13**

NO Mass or Service at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa today.

**Friday, October 14**

8:00a.m. †Anna Matvey Carbaugh by Dorothy Mongera  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

**Saturday, October 15**

4:00p.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

**Sunday, October 16**

8:00a.m. In Honor of the Catholic Daughters of the  
Americas by Court Conception #35  
(St. Thomas, Corry)  
10:00a.m. †Patricia Arlet by Family  
(St. Teresa, Union City)

**WELCOME**

If you are new to our Parishes, we extend a warm welcome and hope you will find here a place where your faith will be nourished.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

New Parishioners are welcome to register by completing the form on the front of the bulletin and returning it to the Offertory Collection or the Parish Office.

**BAPTISM**

Please contact the Parish office to schedule a Baptism.

**MARRIAGE**

Please contact the Parish office at least six months in advance to schedule a Wedding.

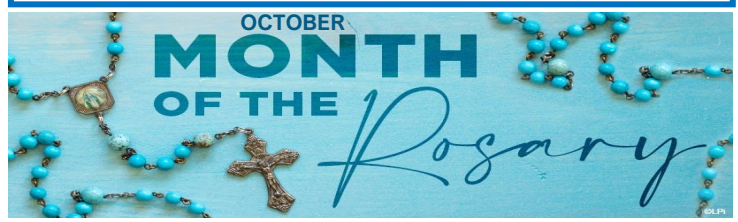
**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

Please let the Parish office know of anyone in need of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, or anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would desire weekly Holy Communion to be brought to them.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Confessions are offered at the following times/locations:  
3:00pm—3:30pm on Saturdays at St. Thomas Church, Corry  
Sunday mornings prior to the Masses at St. Teresa, Union City  
and Our Lady of Fatima, Canadohta Lake; and anytime by request made to the parish office.

**Parish Office Closed on Monday, October 10, 2022**  
Due to the federal holiday on Monday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, our offices will be closed. We will reopen to the public on Tuesday morning at 8:30am. Thank you.



# St. Thomas Parish News

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: October 2, 2022**

<b>Amount in Envelopes:</b> (56) .....	\$2,663.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 187 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 131)	
<b>Loose</b> .....	\$72.00
<b>Online Giving</b> (12) .....	\$460.00
<b>Faith Formation Envelopes</b> (6) .....	\$80.00
<b>Total Offertory Income</b> .....	\$3,275.00
<b>Average Weekly Expenses</b> .....	\$7,656.00
<b>Weekly Average Shortfall</b> .....	\$(4,381.00)

**Catholic Education Collection**.....\$122.00  
 Diocesan Special Collection taken up on September 17/18, 2022

*Thanks to everyone who regularly uses his/her envelopes.*

*Please write checks to St. Thomas Church.*

*If checks are to go to our parish cemeteries—please make them to St. Thomas Cemetery or St. Elizabeth Cemetery. Thank you.*



*Please know that you can now give all your donations online by visiting our parish website at*

[www.StThomastheApostle.Church](http://www.StThomastheApostle.Church) and click 'Donate Online'.



**PRAYER LINE... call:** Gerrie (814-665-6944), Shirley (814-392-5411), Pam (814-664-7459), or Diane (814-663-3753).

*Since prayer is an important ministry of trust,*

**A Family Perspective**

Everyone has been where the lepers are in today's gospel: they meant to thank Jesus for a blessing, but, excited about being cured they just didn't get 'around-to-it.' We too get caught up in our own interests and fail to appreciate what we have or what has been done for us. This week, take nothing for granted and get around to thanking those who deserve your thanks.

**2022 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 10/03):**

**Our Parish Goal is \$78,564.00**

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$46,654.00

Total Paid to date = \$43,694.00

# of Families who made a pledge = 131

# of Families who did not pledge = 214

We appreciate your generosity to the CSA. Prayerfully consider what God is leading you to give. **Please make a pledge today. Thank you.**

**Be sure to make your check payable to**

**'ST. THOMAS CHURCH' when making a CSA payment.**



**The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Thomas Church for the week of October 9<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Paul Griebel.**



**Knights of Columbus Meeting Monday Night**

The Corry Knights of Columbus will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, October 10 at 7:00pm meeting in the St. Elizabeth Parish Center. All Brother Knights are encouraged to attend. *Hope to see you there.*



**St. Thomas Altar Rosary Meeting on October 19**

Members of the Altar Rosary will meet on Wednesday evening, October 19 at 6:00pm in the multipurpose room at St. Thomas. Members are reminded that their yearly dues will be collected at the October meeting. Please mark your calendars. Thank you.



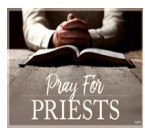
**Knights of Columbus Food Drive Collection**

The Corry Knights of Columbus will be holding a food drive to benefit the Corry Food Pantry from now until the Thanksgiving holiday. We are asking parishioners to please donate non-perishable food items. You may place your donations in the marked bins at the entrances of St. Thomas Church. Thank you for your continued support!



**Bookkeeper Position Available**

As part of the newly combining Parish Office for Sts. Thomas and Teresa Parishes, we are looking for a part-time bookkeeper. This position will be approximately 10-15 hours per week. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact our Business Manager, Missy Silka at the St. Thomas Office 814-663-3041 or [business@stparish.org](mailto:business@stparish.org)



This week we offer prayer for: Rev. John Jacquel, Rev. William Barron, Pray for Vocations, Rev. Msgr. Edward Lohse, V.G., Very Rev. Scott Jabo, Rev. Glenn Whitman, and Rev. David Perry

**"Question of the Week" - 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Question for Children:** Make up a prayer which tells God you are thankful for everything you have, even if it's not all you want.

**Question for Youth:** Only one of the lepers returned to give thanks. This past week, when have you stopped to thank someone for something good they have done for you? When have you thanked God this week?

**Question for Adults:** What are some ways you can think of to show gratitude to God? Make them concrete and real.

Please patronize the sponsors of our bulletin. It is through the paid advertising of these sponsors that we can publish the bulletin. Please see their ads on the back page and thank them for their support! If you wish to advertise in our bulletin, please contact the parish office or Tim Weir at LPi at 800-477-4574 x6568 or email: [tweir@4LPi.com](mailto:tweir@4LPi.com).

## St. Teresa Parish News

### ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: Oct. 1/2, 2022

**Amount in Envelopes:** (55) ..... \$2,123.00  
 (Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 102)  
**Loose** ..... \$107.00  
**Continuing the Vision Envelope** (6)..... \$170.00  
**Total Offertory Income** ..... \$2,400.00

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: Oct. 1/2, 2022

**Amount in Envelopes:** (6) ..... \$120.00  
 (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 24)  
**Continuing the Vision Envelope** (1)..... \$5.00  
**Total Offertory Income** ..... \$125.00

**St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income**.....\$2,525.00  
**Average Weekly Expenses**.....\$4,777.00  
**Weekly Average Shortfall**.....\$(-2,252.00)

**Catholic Education Collection**.....\$307.00  
 Diocesan Special Collection taken up on September 17/18, 2022

*Thanks to everyone who regularly uses his/her envelopes.  
 Please write checks to St. Teresa Church or  
 Our Lady of Fatima Church.*



### Pancake Breakfast at St. Teresa—All Are Welcome!

St. Teresa Knights of Columbus is holding a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 16 serving after the 10:00AM Mass in the parish center in Union City. Join us for a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, eggs, orange juice, coffee, tea and milk. Breakfast is \$25 per family, \$8 for adults, and \$5 for children 12 & under. *See you there!*

### Thanksgiving Food Baskets

We will soon begin filling food baskets for Thanksgiving for those in need. If know of anyone in need of a basket, please call the parish office with the name and phone number of the person in need. We are seeking non-perishable food goods, cash donations, and we also have freezer space for a few turkeys. Our collective efforts will ensure that many people will have a good Thanksgiving Day. You can leave your donations at the back of Saint Teresa church. Thank you in advance for your donations.

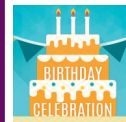


### St. Teresa Church Organizations / Groups

- Rosary—Altar Society**  
Meets the first Monday of each month at 4:30 PM
- Knights of Columbus**  
Meet every third Wednesday at 7:00 PM
- Religious Education Guild**  
Meets during the school term
- Parish Center Rental**  
Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494

### America Needs Fatima

Please join the Public Square Rosary Crusade. Our nation is in great need of public prayer, repentance, and conversion. We ask God to save America through The Rosary and His Most Holy Mother. Please join us in praying for our nation on October 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm (noon) at St. Teresa of Avila Church, 9 Third Avenue, Union City, for a Public Rosary Rally. For more information, contact Ken Calfo at 814-746-8219 or krcsr178@neo.rr.com.



### Birthday Celebration for Fr. Tom Suppa

Parishioners from both Sts. Teresa and Thomas are invited to a birthday celebration in honor of Fr. Tom's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The event will be held in the St. Teresa Parish Center on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> following the 4:00pm Mass at St. Teresa Church. RSVP's are necessary for planning purposes. Please call or email (secretary@stparish.org) the parish office, Irene Weaver at (814-350-5309) or Nancy Ferro at (814-881-1024). RSVP's are due by October 24. We are asking parishioners to bring to share based on the first letter of your last name: **A-E: salads (potato, coleslaw, etc.); F-J: cheese, appetizers, etc.; K-O: side dishes; P-T: vegetables (corn, green beans, etc.); and U-Z: cupcakes.** *We hope you will join us!*



### The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Teresa Church for the week of September 18<sup>th</sup> burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of our loved ones.

*You may sponsor the candle at St. Teresa in memory/honor of a loved one for \$10, please call the parish office if you wish to do so. Thank you.*

### Mass Readings for the Week of October 9, 2022

Sun.: 2 Kings 5:14-17 ♦ 2 Timothy 2:8-13 ♦ Luke 17:11-19  
 Mon.: Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1 ♦ Luke 11:29-32  
 Tues.: Galatians 5:1-6 ♦ Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 ♦ Luke 11:37-41  
 Wed.: Galatians 5:18-25 ♦ Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 ♦ Luke 11:42-46  
 Thurs.: Ephesians 1:1-10 ♦ Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 ♦ Luke 11:47-54  
 Fri.: Ephesians 1:11-14 ♦ Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 ♦ Luke 12:1-7  
 Sat.: Ephesians 1:15-23 ♦ Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7 ♦ Luke 12:8-12  
 Next Sun.: Exodus 17:8-13 ♦ 2 Timothy 3:14—4:2 ♦ Luke 18:1-8

### 2022 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 10/03):

**Our Parish Goal is \$52,346.00**

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$36,355.00

Total Paid to date = \$32,695.00

# of Families who made a pledge = 93

# of Families who did not pledge = 201

We appreciate your generosity to the CSA. Prayerfully consider what God is leading you to give. **Please make a pledge today. Thank you.**

**Be sure to make your check payable to  
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**WINTER MASS SCHEDULE**

September 10, 2022 thru May 21, 2023

**Saturday 4:00PM**

**St. Thomas Church (Corry)**

September, November, January, March, May

**St. Teresa Church (Union City)**

October, December, February, April

**Sunday**

**8:00AM at St. Thomas Church (Corry)**

**10:00AM at St. Teresa Church (Union City)**

**Confessions**

**Saturday from 3:00pm—3:30pm**

at the church where Saturday Mass is celebrated  
OR by appointment—please call the parish office

**Faith Formation & Religious Ed. News**

**Looking for Volunteers to Help**

**Teach our Children**



We are looking for teachers, as well as substitutes, to help with the Religious Education programs at both Sts. Thomas and Teresa Parishes. Also, we are looking for individuals to help with Children's Liturgy. If you have a desire to share and teach the Catholic faith to young people, please contact Missy Silka at 814-663-3041 or email: [business@stparish.org](mailto:business@stparish.org).

**New Religious Education Year for 2022-2023**

Classes begin on Sunday, October 23, 2022 for both Sts. Thomas & Teresa. Students in Corry will meet for class from 8:45am until 10:00am. Union City students will attend class from 10:45am until 12:00pm (noon). We are looking forward to an amazing year in Religious Education. Thank you for the opportunity to teach the our Catholic faith to your children.

**St. Teresa's Annual Harvest Moon Card Party**

Sponsored By  
**ST. TERESA'S Rosary-Altar Society**

Admission \$ 6.00  
Includes Light Dinner with Coffee or tea

Chinese Auction

Door Prizes

Wednesday, October 12 2022  
Doors open at 6:00 p.m.  
7:00 P. M.

AT ST. TERESA'S CENTER UNION CITY

Bake Sale

Reservations Call SHERRI 814-392-7950  
STEPHANIE 814-790-8896

In honor of  
**National Eucharistic Revival**  
Presentation with exhibition on  
**EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES**  
*"My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink"*  
Come in 'believing.'  
Walk out 'BELIEVING!'

INTRO BY Fr Joe Petrone

SPEAKER Jaci Phillips PhD

*"Cease your doubting and believe!" ...Jesus*

St Teresa's - Sunday, November 6th - 11:15am  
9 Third Street, Union City

This is a free event. Join us and please bring people who would like to hear the evidence of miracles and increase their belief in the True Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

*"This is the first time in my life that I actually believe it's really Jesus" - Participant*

**Submission Deadline for Bulletin Items**

Items for publication in our bulletin must be sent to Sue Johnston in the parish office by Monday afternoon the week prior to when you wish your item to appear. Please email written content to [secretary@stparish.org](mailto:secretary@stparish.org). All bulletin items are subject to approval and editing for content and space. If you have any questions, please call the parish office. Thank you.

**WEEKEND MASS ATTENDANCE FOR SEPTEMBER 2022**

	St. Thomas (Seats 350)	St. Teresa (Seats 225)	Our Lady of Fatima (Seats 180)
Total Attendance September 2022:	796	431	106 (Sept. 4 only)
Average Attendance per Mass:	100	108	106
Average Empty Seats per Mass:	250	117	74