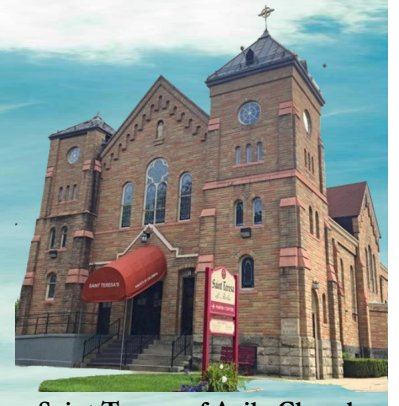




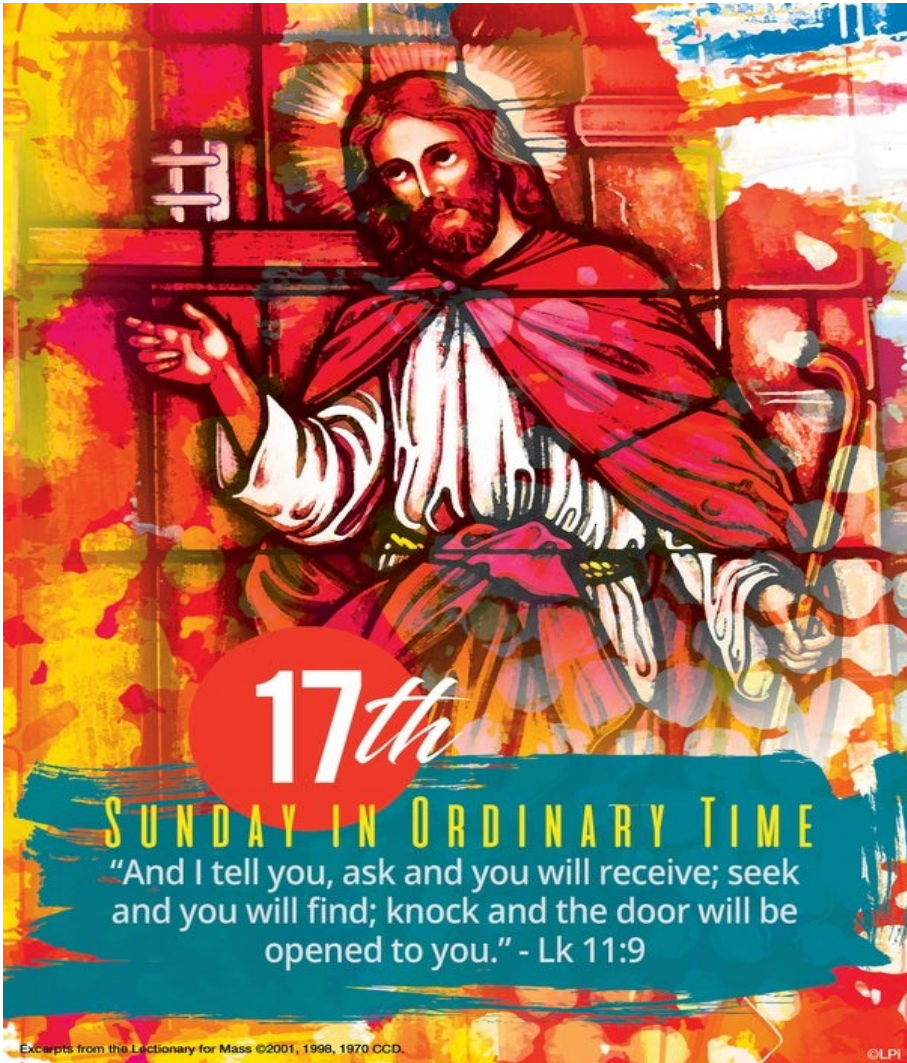
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9 Third Avenue
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THE PARISHES OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND ST. TERESA OF AVILA

July 24, 2022



17th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." - Lk 11:9

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

Partnered Parish Office Hours

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



I truly hope that everyone was able to come out for the Lawn Festival at Saint Teresa's this past week! It's always a fun family affair! A most special thanks to the Moon's for heading that up for us again this year—and thanks to everyone who helped make it possible! We will put our financials for the event in the bulletin once everything is finalized.

This Tuesday we are blessed to celebrate the Feast of Sts. Anne and Joachim, the Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the Grandparents of our Lord. Let us use this as an opportunity to pray for all Grandparents, including those who have already gone home to the Lord.

Well, you will be relieved to know that you have the next two weekends off from hearing me talk! I'm sure that'll make the collection go up. This weekend we are blessed to have our Deacons preach, and next weekend we will welcome a Missionary Priest (Fr. John Kyere from the Diocese of Konongo-Mampong in Africa) with us for the annual Mission appeal. So, at least that's a change of pace in the middle of summer.

That's all I got, it's hot. I hope you have a great week! Stay cool! God help us all! - Fr. Matt

*Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.* Psalm 138

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OUR 126TH YEAR

FRENCHTOWN HAM OR CHICKEN DINNER

Sunday, July 31, 2022 ⇒ Saint Hippolyte Church

12:30 - 4:30 PM • 26012 North Frenchtown Road, Guys Mills

Youth: (ages 6-12) \$8 • Children 5 and younger: Free • Adult: \$14 • Senior: \$13

Shuttle to parking lots • Gift auction • Kids area • BINGO • Games • 50/50 • Quilt • Money raffles

INFO OR TICKETS ⇒ 814-789-2022



Monday, July 25

8:00a.m. ✠ Hubert Pinchak by Family (St. Teresa, Union City)

Tuesday, July 26

5:15p.m. ✠ Dorothy Wotus by John & Debbie Wotus
(St. Thomas, Corry)

Wednesday, July 27

8:00a.m. ✠ Blair Skiff by Shirley Skiff
(St. Thomas, Corry)

Thursday, July 28

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

Friday, July 29

8:00a.m. ✠ Deceased Members of the Matts Family by
Family (St. Teresa, Union City)

Saturday, July 30

4:00p.m. For the People of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes
(St. Thomas, Corry)

Sunday, July 31

- 8:00a.m. ✠ Deceased Members of the Rushin & Hennings
Families by Steve & Julie Ruhin
(St. Thomas, Corry)
- 9:30a.m. ✠ Bob Rhodes by Dorothy Rhodes
(St. Teresa, Union City)
- 11:00a.m. ✠ Earl Love by Janet Love and Family
(Our Lady of Fatima, Canadohta Lake)

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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.

St. Thomas Parish News

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: July 16/17, 2022

Amount in Envelopes: (61)	\$2,164.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 187 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 126)	
Loose	\$253.25
Online Giving (9)	\$290.00
Total Offertory Income	\$2,707.25
Weekly Budget (Offertory)	\$4,038.00
Difference	\$(-1,330.75)
Actual Average Weekly Offertory	\$3,767.00
Budgeted Weekly Expenses	\$6,019.00
Actual Average Weekly Expenses	\$5,982.00

*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 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, know that all requests are kept confidential.

Catholic Daughters Meeting This Week

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas will be meeting on Tuesday, July 26 at 10:00am in the St. Elizabeth Parish Center. We hope that all members will attend this meeting. God bless.

Seeking Volunteers to Help Sell Tickets at the Sparty Fair

The Corry Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the Sparty Fair Fundraiser Selling Gate Tickets at this year's fair all week in early September (Sept. 5th—10th). This is annual fundraiser that benefits both the Corry Knights of Columbus and St. Thomas Parish. Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older to sell tickets at the gates. For more information and available time slots, please contact Len Clark (814-664-8740) or Deacon Bill Saborsky (814-664-8077).

Need A Summer Read?

Don't forget to check out our lending book rack in the main vestibule of St. Thomas Church. Books can be borrowed and returned anytime.

A Family Perspective

Today's gospel guarantees if we "ask" we will "receive," perhaps not what we wanted but what our Heavenly Father knows is best for us. All the love we have for our children, God has for us and more. As our children trust us, we must trust "Our Father."

"Question of the Week" - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Question for Children: Prayer is talking with God and listening to God in our hearts. Where do you talk to God and how do you listen to what God says to you?

Question for Youth: Jesus teaches us how important it is to pray. How do you ask God for what you need? How do you listen for his response?

Question for Adults: Jesus teaches us how to pray. When this past week did you take the time to pray, to talk to and listen to God?

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

2022 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 7/18):

Our Parish Goal is \$78,564.00

Total Amount Pledged to date = \$45,394.00

Total Paid to date = \$39,829.00

of Families who made a pledge = 127

of Families who did not pledge = 218

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.



Support our Parish & Cemeteries through ERIE GIVES (www.eriegives.org)

This year's Erie Gives 2022 will take place on **Tuesday, August 9**, between the hours of 8:00am and 8:00pm. During the 12 hour period of online giving, The Erie & Corry Community Foundations and other generous donors will match a percentage of your donation. All you have to do is go online at www.ErieGives.org and search for **St Thomas the Apostle Church, St Thomas Cemetery** and/or **St Elizabeth Cemetery** as a charity to receive your donation. Donations may be made online by Visa, Master Card or Discover; the minimum gift amount is \$25 per nonprofit. **You will also find a link to Erie Gives on our parish website (www.stthomastheapostle.church).** If you prefer to give using a check, you must include an "Erie Gives Check Contribution Form" which is available in the church office and on our parish website. Checks must be delivered to The Erie Community Foundation (459 West 6th St. Erie, PA 16507) no later than Monday, August 8. Please pass on this invitation to your family or friends who have been members of our parish and ask them to please consider participating. The donations made to our parish and its cemeteries through Erie Gives will help with the many expenses incurred with running and maintaining our properties. Thank you in advance for considering a donation to the parish on this unique giving day. We appreciate your support. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the parish office.



St. Teresa Parish News

ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: July 17, 2022

Amount in Envelopes: (48)	\$1,280.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 109)	
Loose	\$112.00
Total Offertory Income	\$1,392.00
Weekly Budget (Offertory)	\$1,415.00
Difference	\$(-23.00)
Actual Average Weekly Offertory	\$2,193.00
Budgeted Weekly Expenses	\$2,274.00
Actual Average Weekly Expenses	\$4,074.00

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Please write checks to St. Teresa Church or
Our Lady of Fatima Church.*

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: July 17, 2022

Amount in Envelopes: (6)	\$105.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 24)	
Loose	\$193.00
Total Offertory Income	\$298.00



Request to Honor a Parishioner with Cards on a Special Birthday
St. Teresa's oldest parishioner, Ann Ranyak, turns 97 years young today, July 24. Please consider sending a 'happy birthday' card and well wishes to Ann at 15 South Street, Apt. 3, Union City, PA 16438. May God continue to bless her. *Happy Birthday Ann!*

Money Counters Needed

Seeking volunteer counters to help process the offertory collection. All counting will be done in the new combined parish offices located at 203 W. Washington Street in Corry. Interested volunteers should contact the parish office. This position requires attention to detail and strict confidentiality.

YARD Sale Thank You!



We want to extend a huge thanks to all who contributed in anyway to the success of our recent yard sale. We received many wonderful items to sell. (Some new things will be used for prizes at our Lawn Festival.) Thank you to all who came over after Mass to pull stuff out into the isles, it saved many days of work. Thanks also to the volunteers who helped set up and price items, as well as work the sale. There were too many to list all their names! We especially want to thank Cheryl Nothum and Eileen Anthony who chaired this project. Lastly, we want to thank all who showed up to pack and transport remaining items. It was done so efficiently, and many hands made light work. A special thanks to Kurt Anthony who did the heavy lifting jobs. We couldn't have done it without each and everyone of YOU!! A reporting of the profits from the Yard Sale will be published in a later bulletin, after all income & expenses are finalized.



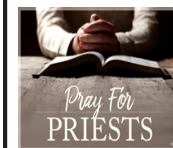
STS. JOACHIM & ANNE
PARENTS OF MARY—JULY 26

Parenting Pointers

The 4th Sunday of July (July 24) is Parent's Day. Don't let it be just a Hallmark holiday. Take a moment this weekend to remember why you so wanted a child. Cherish each of your children in thought and words today.

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
- Scripture Discussion Group**
1:00pm Wednesdays (Sept.—May)
- Parish Center Rental**
Contact Matt Moon: 814-490-1494



Rev. Nicholas Fratus, Rev. Msgr. David Rubino, Rev. Alexander Amico, Rev. John Jacquel, The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico, Rev. Patrick McCormick.

Mass Readings for the Week of July 24

- Sunday: Genesis 18:20-32 ♦Colossians 2:12-14 ♦Luke 11:1-13
- Monday: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15♦Matthew 20:20-28
- Tuesday: Jeramiah 14:17-22♦Matthew 13:36-43
- Wed: Jeramiah 15:10, 16-21♦Matthew 13:44-46
- Thurs: Jeramiah 18:1-♦Matthew 13:47-53
- Friday: Jeramiah 26:1-9♦John 11:19-27 or Luke 10:38-42
- Saturday: Jeramiah 26:11-16, 24♦Matthew 14:1-12
- Next Sun: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23♦Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 ♦Luke 12:13-2

2022 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 7/18):

Our Parish Goal is \$52,346.00
Total Amount Pledged to date = \$36,005.00
Total Paid to date = \$30,605.00
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 'ST. TERESA CHURCH' when making a CSA payment.



Our NEW MASS SCHEDULE

May 28 through September 4, 2022:

Saturday

4:00PM at St. Thomas Church, Corry

Sunday

8:00AM at St. Thomas Church, Corry

9:30AM at St. Teresa Church, Union City

**11:00AM at Our Lady of Fatima Church,
Canadohta Lake**

Confession Schedule:

Saturday

3:00pm—3:30pm at St. Thomas Church

**Sunday morning before Mass at
St. Teresa Church and Our Lady of Fatima**

New Partnered Parish Office Hours

203 W. Washington St., Corry, PA
814-663-3041

Monday: 12:30pm—3:30pm

Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30am—3:30pm

Thursday: 8:30am—12:00pm

Friday: Closed

Our Lady of Fatima News



Our Lady of Fatima Church
36198 Lake Road
Union City, PA 16438



Liturgy at Our Lady of Fatima

Our Lady of Fatima at Canadohta Lake is open for the celebration of Mass at 11:00am every Sunday throughout the summer. Please inform your friends and neighbors, and visitors to the area, of the availability of liturgy and the change of the time of Mass. It is wonderful to come together and praise God.

Distribution of the Eucharist

If you, or someone in your family attending Mass has mobility difficulty coming to the altar to receive the Body of Christ, please inform John or Rita Mineo. Holy Communion will gladly be distributed to that person in their pew.

Points to Ponder

As Christian Catholics we are challenged to cultivate a healthy relationship with the Lord through prayer. Fortunately, Christ Himself catechized the apostles and all of us on the proper way to pray. The Our Father, or, The Lord's Prayer was the perfect prayer; and after two thousand years it still is. The Our Father contains all of the important elements of prayer: Praise, Petition, Contrition, and Thanksgiving. The gospel from Luke not only provides us with this prayer, but also shares Jesus' attitude about prayer; be persistent! Jesus says: "...ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Abraham was tenacious when he petitioned God to be just in His treatment of the innocent in Sodom and Gomorrah. God in His mercy was considerate of Abraham's request. Be assured that God will hear our prayers and answer them with great love and understanding.

Air Conditioner Funds



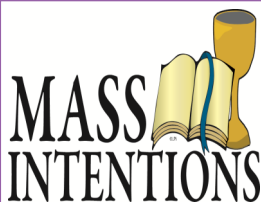
Please contribute to the Air Conditioner Fund to help us 'keep cool' this summer. If you wish to make a donation, please mark the outside of your envelope with "Air Conditioner Fund" and the name of the church to receive your donation. Thanks.

St. Thomas Church Goal	\$25,000.00
Amount Raised (to date).....	\$3,745.00
St. Teresa Church Goal	\$15,000.00
Amount Raised (to date).....	\$15,100.00
Our Lady of Fatima Goal	\$12,000.00
Amount Raised (to date).....	\$100.00



Diocesan Anniversary Celebration

The 2022 Diocesan Anniversary Celebration Liturgies for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, or more years of marriage will be held at two locations in the diocese: Sunday, July 31, 2022 at 2:00pm at St. Mary in St. Marys and Sunday, August 7, 2022 at 2:00pm at Holy Cross in Fairview. To register, please go online to <https://www.eriecld.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html> or contact the parish office or the Family Life Office at 814-824-1210.



Mass Intentions for Our Parishes

When wishing to schedule Mass Intentions for your loved ones, whether the Mass is to be said at St. Thomas Church, St. Teresa Church, or Our Lady of Fatima Church, please contact the St. Thomas Parish Office at 814-663-3041 to schedule your intentions. We will now be scheduling all intentions in one book. We will do our best to accommodate your date requests. Thank you.