



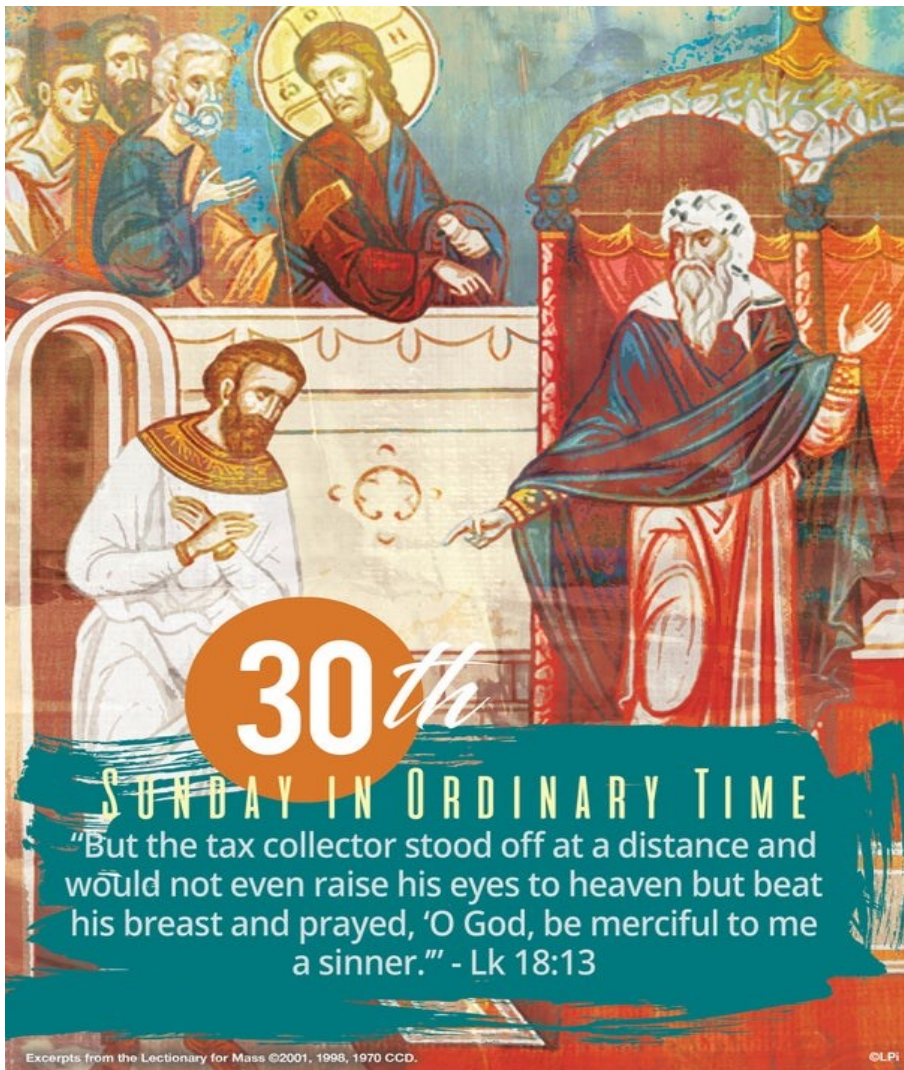
Saint Thomas the Apostle Church
203 W. Washington Street
Corry, PA 16407



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 23, 2022



30th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'" - Lk 18:13

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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

Saint Teresa of Avila Parish
www.st-teresa-unioncity.org

Partnered Parish Offices
203 W. Washington Street
Corry, PA 16407
814-964-3013

Partnered Parish Office Hours

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

IMPORTANT

Partnered Parish Office Temporarily Moved to School Building

We wish to let everyone know that our Partnered Parish Office is now (or once again) located in the former St. Thomas School Building on the basement level. Unfortunately, our newly renovated Partnered Parish Office is experiencing water and mold damage which must be repaired before we can have the public (and employees) back in that space. If you need to visit the Parish Office in person, please ring the bell at the door located on the front of the school building on the east corner where the awning is located. You may also call or email us if you need to reach us. We will be under repairs for a few weeks, so please keep us in your prayers. To direct dial into the school building, please call 814-964-3013. Thank you.

Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit in Linesville, PA

St. Philip Church in Linesville will be displaying the International Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit. This exhibit, which was designed and created by Blessed Carlo Acutis, is composed of 160 panels that include beautiful images and detailed descriptions of Eucharistic miracles that have occurred throughout the centuries. This exhibit will be in the St. Philip Social Hall, 401 S. Mercer St., Linesville, on Saturday, Oct. 29 from 2:00pm-6:00pm and on Sunday, Oct. 30 from 11:15am—3:00pm. All are welcome.



'The Lord hears the cry of the poor.'

Psalm 34



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. 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.

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.



Monday, October 24

8:00a.m. †Geraldine Kopnitsky by Hilda Szabo
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Tuesday, October 25

5:15p.m. †Deacon Bill Sproveri by Mike & Linda Roden
(St. Thomas, Corry)

Wednesday, October 26

8:00a.m. †Joseph Jawdy, Sr. by Joe & Janet Jawdy
(St. Thomas, Corry)

Thursday, October 27

8:00a.m. Communion Service at St. Thomas Church (Corry)

Friday, October 28

8:00a.m. Communion Service at St. Teresa Church
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Saturday, October 29

4:00p.m. †John & Arlene Maginnis by Katherine Young
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Sunday, October 30

8:00a.m. †Deacon Bill Sproveri by the Family
(St. Thomas, Corry)
10:00a.m. For the Peoples of Sts. Thomas & Teresa Parishes
(St. Teresa, Union City)

A Family Perspective

Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "...who humbles himself will be exalted." It is not the occasional big events, but the daily humble routine of family life and "ordinary time" which creates bonds and relationships which last a lifetime. Try it and you'll see.

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: October 16, 2022

Amount in Envelopes: (64)	\$2,854.00
(Total Envelopes sent: 187 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 123)	
Loose	\$79.00
Online Giving (10)	\$300.00
Total Offertory Income	\$3,233.00
Average Weekly Expenses	\$7,656.00
Weekly Average Shortfall	\$(-4,423.00)

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.



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Thomas Church for the week of October 23rd burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of our loved ones.



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!

Special Meeting of the Catholic Daughters THIS WEEK

Come join us this week for our Catholic Daughters' meeting beginning with a dinner at Speedy's Restaurant on Route 6 at 5:30pm on Thursday evening, October 27. Please contact Pat Phillips to let us know if you will be attending. The dinner is Dutch treat for most members. Hope to see you there.

Homebound Ministry at St. Thomas Church

If you have a family member who is not able to make it to Mass due to health reason and would like to be visited and receive the Eucharist, please call Pat at 814-964-3262 or the parish office.

In Need of Some Spiritual Reading

Please check out our book rack in the main vestibule of Saint Thomas Church. Books may be borrowed and returned when finished reading them. There is something for everyone.



The Most Rev. Lawrence Persico, Rev. Mark Nowak, Rev. Lawrence Richards, Rev. James Campbell, Rev. Walter Packard, Pray for Consecrated Life, Rev. Vincent Cieslewicz.

PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."
Luke 18:14

Mass Readings for the Week of October 23, 2022

Sun.:	Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18	◆	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	◆	Luke 18:9-14
Mon.:	Ephesians 4:32—5:8	◆	Luke 13:10-17		
Tues.:	Ephesians 5:21-33	◆	Luke 13:18-21		
Wed.:	Ephesians 6:1-9	◆	Luke 13:22-30		
Thur.:	Ephesians 6:10-20	◆	Luke 13:31-35		
Fri.:	Ephesians 2:19-22	◆	Luke 6:12-16		
Sat.:	Philippians 1:18b-26	◆	Luke 14:1, 7-11		
Next Sun.:	Wisdom 11:22—12:2	◆	2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2	◆	Luke 19:1-10

2022 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 10/17):
 Our Parish Goal is \$78,564.00
 Total Amount Pledged to date = \$46,804.00
 Total Paid to date = \$44,199.00
 # of Families who made a pledge = 132
 # of Families who did not pledge = 213
 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.



"Question of the Week" - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Question for Children: Jesus teaches us to be humble – but what does that mean? How do you show you are humble?

Question for Youth: God knows when we are doing things just for show, and when they come from the goodness of our heart. When have you caught yourself doing something just to be more popular or liked? How does it feel to do something that you know is good and just?

Question for Adults: This Gospel reading suggests that we approach God and each other with humility. What does this mean, in practical terms? How do we "humble" ourselves? What does that mean?

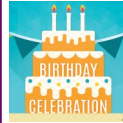
St. Teresa Parish News

ST. TERESA FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: Oct. 15/16, 2022
Amount in Envelopes: (54) \$2,160.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 157 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 103)
Loose \$153.00
Continuing the Vision \$20.00
Total Offertory Income \$2,333.00

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STEWARDSHIP: Oct. 15/16, 2022
Amount in Envelopes: (4) \$75.00
 (Total Envelopes sent: 30 / Number of Unused Envelopes: 26)
Total Offertory Income \$75.00

St. Teresa Parish Offertory Income \$2,408.00
Average Weekly Expenses \$4,777.00
Weekly Average Shortfall \$(-2,369.00)

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



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 80th Birthday. The event will be held in the St. Teresa Parish Center on Saturday, October 29th 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!*

Help Needed for Party Setup

We will be setting up and decorating for Fr. Tom's Birthday Party on Friday, October 28 at 4:00pm in the St. Teresa Parish Center. All are welcome to come and help. Also, we will need help to clean up after the party on Saturday, October 29. *"Many hands make light work."* Don't forget to call in your reservation (see above) for the party for planning purposes—thank you.



Our prayers & sympathy to the family and friends of Henry J. Kleszczowski who was buried this week from Saint Teresa Parish. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

In honor of
National Eucharistic Revival
 Presentation with exhibition on
EUCHARISTIC 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 - Saturday, 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



Thank you to all the parishioners who came out to the **Pray the Rosary for America** event held at St. Teresa Parish. It was a beautiful moment to lift up our voices in corporate prayer, and pray the rosary together. We became one voice in our Holy Mother's ear. *God bless you all.*

The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Teresa Church for the week of October 23rd burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Henry Kleszczowski.

2022 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) Totals (as of 10/17):

Our Parish Goal is \$52,346.00
 Total Amount Pledged to date = \$36,405.00
 Total Paid to date = \$32,945.00
 # 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.



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

Diocese of Erie Publishes Election Microsite

The Diocese of Erie launched its 2022 digital voter's guide, designed to educate people about the church's position on a variety of topics, on Thursday, Oct. 20. The site includes a document with public positions of candidates in the gubernatorial and senate races prepared by the Pennsylvania Catholic Conference. The site is available on the diocese's website at www.eriecd.org/election2022.html.

Thanksgiving Food Baskets

St. Teresa Parish 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.



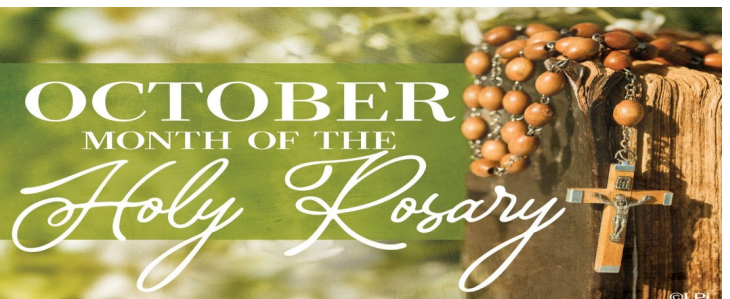
Faith Formation & Religious Ed. News

Religious Education Classes Start TODAY

Our Religious Education Classes begin TODAY - Sunday, October 23, 2022 for both Sts. Thomas & Teresa. Students in Corry will attend class from 8:45am until 10:00am in the multipurpose room and classrooms at the former school building. Union City students will attend class from 10:45am until 12:00pm (noon) at St. Teresa Parish Center. We are looking forward to an amazing year in Religious Education. Thank you for the opportunity to teach the Catholic faith to your children. If you have not yet registered your children for Religious Education at either of our parishes, please plan to do so today at the first class. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Missy Silka, Director of Faith Formation, at the parish office. Thank you.



Religious Education:
Helps to build a strong foundation



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



Prayers for Fr. Matt and Welcome to Fr. Tom

Please keep Fr. Matt in your prayers as he will away a few days next weekend. And we wish to welcome Father Tom Suppa who will be celebrating next weekend's liturgies with us at both Sts. Thomas and Teresa Parishes.

October is Respect Life Month



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More information to come.



Advanced Giving Days Nov. 14—28

#Giving Tuesday - November 29, 2022