



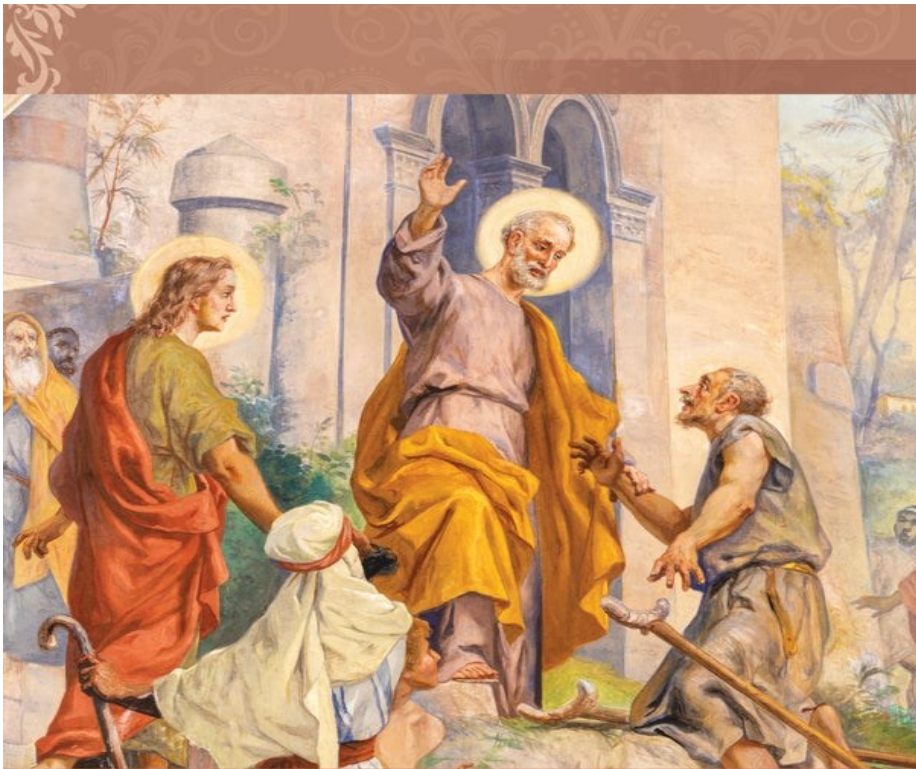
Saint Thomas the Apostle Church
203 W. Washington Street
Corry, PA 16407

THE PARISH OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE AND ITS MISSION ST. TERESA OF AVILA



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

June 14, 2026



11th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons." Matthew 10:7-8

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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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Parish Office
203 W. Washington Street
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814-663-3041

Parish Office Hours
Monday: 12:30pm—3:30pm
Tuesday & Wednesday: 8:30am—3:30pm
Thursday: 8:30am—12:00pm (noon)
Friday: Closed

Message from the Pastor

CHURCH GROUNDS: Thanks to all those who have been so helpful in sprucing up the grounds at both Churches. Lois Woodcock and the Knights of Columbus at St. Thomas and an anonymous group of women at St. Teresa. Your generosity and hard work have our grounds looking better than ever. Thank You!

ANointING OF THE SICK JUNE 13 & 14: We will celebrate the sacrament of the anointing of the sick after all the Masses on the weekend of June 13 & 14. See the article below for those who are eligible to receive the Sacrament. After Mass, we ask all those to be anointed to sit in the very front row to facilitate the anointing.

ANointING OF THE SICK: A brief review of the sacrament and those who are eligible to receive it may be needed. This sacrament is meant to help a person cope with their illness and confront the limitations that being human imposes on our souls: our hopes, our dreams, our desire to be meaningful. Sickness does not just affect our bodies but also our spirits and our attitudes. It is intended to heal the anguish of the soul.

“Anointing of the Sick,’ is not a sacrament for those only who are at the point of death. Hence, as soon as any one of the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age, the fitting time for that person to receive this sacrament has certainly already arrived.” (Constitution on the Liturgy, Vatican Council II)

What might constitute “in danger of death from sickness or old age (serious illness)? Or who is eligible to receive the sacrament?

- A person who becomes ill and the illness becomes more serious;
- A person may be anointed before surgery whenever a serious illness is the reason for the surgery;
- Elderly people may be anointed if they have become notably weakened even though no serious illness is present;
- Sick children are to be anointed if they have sufficient use of reason to be strengthened by this sacrament. In case of doubt whether a child has reached the use of reason, the sacrament is to be conferred;
- Some types of mental illness are now classified as serious. Those who are judged to have a serious mental illness and who would be strengthened by the sacrament may be anointed (depression, paranoia, etc...).
- **In case of doubt as to whether the illness is serious or not, the person should be anointed.**

PARISH COUNCIL: I am still looking for people to be part of Parish Council from both Churches.

The new format for Council is still in the early stages of development. The heart of this new Council will be that they will brainstorm ideas to keep our parish moving forward and building community. They will not only be responsible for the idea phase but will also be responsible for making those ideas become reality. It will be a Council of planning and implementing those plans. Over the next few months, I will be interviewing people who may be interested in being a part of this Council. Depending on the number of interested people, we may have a Council and then a group of people who are interested in helping us implement the ideas Council proposes. If you are interested in interviewing for some part of this Council, please contact me at the parish office (814-663-3041) or by email (TJWhitman@eriercd.org) to schedule an appointment.

**Sunday, June 14**

8:00a.m. †Mary & Francis Blair by Barbara & Gil Wascak
(St. Thomas, Corry)

11:00a.m. †Msgr. James Peterson by Judy Flynn
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Monday, June 15

9:00a.m. †Cheryl O’Neil by Judy Flynn
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Tuesday, June 16

8:00a.m. †Lutz and Amoroso Families by Family
(St. Thomas, Corry)

Wednesday, June 17

8:00a.m. †Margaret Zaphiris by Sanfilippo family and
Fran Canella (St. Thomas, Corry)

Thursday, June 18

No Masses or Services at both Sts. Thomas & Teresa today.

Friday, June 19

8:00a.m. †Donald Tujetsch by Carol Bryant
(St. Teresa, Union City)

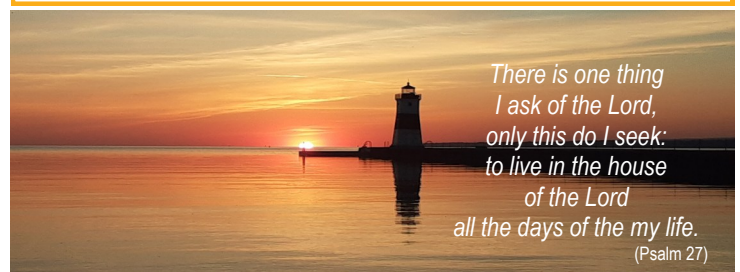
Saturday, June 20

4:30p.m. †All Deceased Fathers
(St. Teresa, Union City)

Sunday, June 21– Father’s Day

8:00a.m. People of the Parish
(St. Thomas, Corry)

11:00a.m. †All Deceased Fathers
(St. Teresa, Union City)



PARISH PROJECTS AND CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL: At our most recent Finance Council meeting, we approved various projects at both Churches. At St. Teresa, we approved replacing the roofs over the Parish Center at a cost of \$194,000. St. Teresa has about 20% of this in reserve, the remaining amount is being financed through the Catholic Services Appeal over the next three years. Even though this work will be completed this summer, we will continue to pay for the work over the next three years in the proceeds from our CSA appeals. People are also welcome to donate directly to the project.

At St. Thomas, we approved replacing the boilers in the church, school, and office at a cost of \$270,000. This work is being covered by another very generous bequest from Marian Barton. We are using the Catholic Services Appeal over the next three years to replenish these funds in order that we might have funds for future projects at the parish. People are also able to donate directly to this project. This work is also scheduled to be completed this summer.

- Fr. Tom

St. Thomas News



PRAYER LINE... call: Gerrie (814-665-6944),
Pam (814-664-7459), or Diane (814-882-6806).
*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 June 14th burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Chris Dyne Silver by family.



Rev. Casimir Wozniak, Rev. Patrick McCormick,
Rev. Michael Polinek, Rev. Johnathan Schmolz,
Rev. Robert Manning, Rev. Ignatius Camello, O.S.B.,
and also please *Pray for All Priests and Deacons in our diocese.*

Please Return LifeCare Baby Bottles

It is time to return your LifeCare Baby Bottles, which is their largest fundraiser to support their pro-life Christian ministries. Please bring your baby bottle to church next weekend (June 20/21). Thank you!



Quo Vadis Days 2026

Join us for our Summer Priesthood Discernment Camp at St. Mark Seminary from June 28—July 1, 2026. This is for Catholic young men (those finishing 8th grade to 2026 high school graduates) seeking to do God's will. Registration deadline is June 22 and Cost is \$50. Go to www.erievocations.org for information & to register.

Parish Wedding Anniversary Recognition

Our parish wishes to recognize those couples from St. Thomas and St. Teresa who are celebrating milestone (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th) anniversaries this year. **The recognition will be at weekend Masses on August 8 & 9.**



Couples are asked to call the parish office and let us know the number of year's married and which Mass time they will attend. Couples celebrating this year will also be eligible to participate in the Diocesan celebration in 2027. You may also register online for the wedding anniversary celebration at St. Thomas Parish by going to <https://www.eriecd.org/familylifeoffice/anniv.html> and scroll down the page to locate the celebration for St. Thomas Parish. *Congratulations to all the couples who are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary! May God continue to bless your marriage.*



Diocese of Erie: Visit the diocese's website at www.eriecd.org for information, news and resources about our Catholic faith and much more.



Saturday Morning Rosary

All are invited to join us on Saturday mornings at Saint Thomas Church at 9:00am as we pray The Rosary together in community.

Cemetery Gravestone Cleaning Project

Gravestone cleaning is offered on a limited scale for ST. THOMAS & ST. ELIZABETH CEMETERIES ONLY. Rates range from \$50—\$150, but because each stone is unique, pricing may vary. We are taking orders for those who are interested. Please contact the parish office.

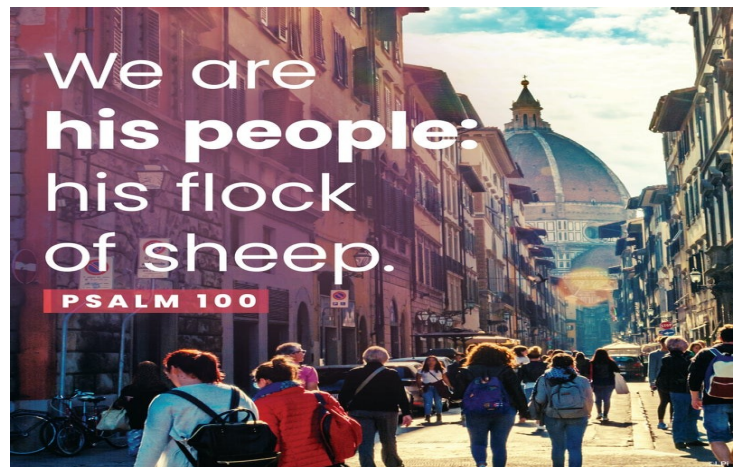


"Question of the Week" - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Question for Children: Take a moment to think of some people in your life. How will you share Jesus' love with them this week?

Question for Youth: Today's Gospel names for us the twelve apostles. The word apostle means "one who is sent." What were the apostles of Jesus sent to do?

Question for Adults: In today's world, how would you go about following Jesus' instructions to his apostles? How can we "cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, [and] drive out demons"?



Altar Rosary Picnic Meeting This Week

Ladies of the Altar Rosary from both St. Thomas and St. Teresa are invited to attend a picnic meeting at 6:00pm on Wednesday, June 17 at the St. Elizabeth Parish Center in Corry. Reservations should have been made last week. If you have questions, please contact Claudia Montani at 814-881-7405. Thank you.

PRAYER for a NEW BISHOP

O Almighty God,
Pour forth the Holy Spirit upon the Holy Father
and those who assist him
in the discernment of our new bishop.
May the one chosen have the strength
to be a compassionate leader,
who models humility and joy.
Grant him the wisdom of Solomon,
the courage of the apostles,
and the tenderness of your Son, the Good Shepherd.

We also pray for the Diocese of Erie
that he is called to serve.
may we welcome him with open hearts
and work with him in a spirit of synodality,
called to listen, collaborate, and build unity.

Through the intercession of the
Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church,
St. Joseph, the protector of the Church,
and St. Patrick, the patron of our diocese,
may we journey the path of life
with an unwavering focus
on the hope we have in Christ.

For he lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.



St. Teresa News

Readings for the week of June 14, 2026

Sun.: Exodus 19:2-6a ♦ Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5/Romans 5:6-11 ♦ Matthew 9:36-10:8
 Mon.: 1 Kings 21:1-16 ♦ Psalm 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 ♦ Matthew 5:38-42
 Tues.: 1 Kings 21:17-29 ♦ Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 ♦ Matthew 5:43-48
 Wed.: 2 Kings 2:1, 6-14 ♦ Psalm 31:20, 21, 24 ♦ Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thur.: Sirach 48:1-14 ♦ Psalm 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 ♦ Matthew 6:7-15
 Fri.: 2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20 ♦ Psalm 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18 ♦ Matthew 6:19-23
 Sat.: 2 Chronicles 24:17-25 ♦ Psalm 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34 ♦ Matthew 6:24-34
 Next Sun.: Jeremiah 20:10-13 ♦ Psalm 69:8-10, 14 and 17, 33-35 ♦ Romans 5:12-15 ♦ Matthew 10:26-33

Family Perspective

The "troubled and abandoned" children in our world are like "sheep without a shepherd." Today, Jesus asks that our hearts be moved with pity for these children. He reminds us, "Without cost you received; without cost you must give. Go to the lost sheep."

**I give you a new commandment:
 Love one another as I have loved you.** (John 13:34)

Lawn Festival Chairperson Needed

We are seeking a volunteer to serve as chairperson for the St. Teresa Lawn Festival. This important event brings our parish community together for fellowship, fun, and fundraising, and we are looking for someone willing to help lead and coordinate the festival efforts. Responsibilities include organizing committees, coordinating volunteers, and helping oversee festival planning with guidance from the past coordinator. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Fr Tom. *Your time and talents would be greatly appreciated!*



Emmaus Clergy Convocation June 22-25, 2026

The faithful of the Diocese of Erie are encouraged to show their support and prayers for our priests and deacons during the annual Emmaus Clergy Convocation.

Inspired by Christ's journey with the disciples on the road to Emmaus, this gathering provides time for prayer, fraternity, spiritual renewal and ongoing formation for the clergy who faithfully serve throughout northwest Pennsylvania.

This year's presentations include:

- Archbishop Bernard Hebda: **"The Priest in the Age of Pope Leo as a Man of Communion"**
- Mr. Terry Poplava: **"Welcoming Parish in a Lonely World"**

Please continue praying that the Lord strengthens our clergy in their ministry, fraternity and service to the Church.



The SANCTUARY CANDLE at St. Teresa Church for the week of June 14th burns in honor of our Lord and in memory of Ronald Tomcho by the Shinko and Fifer families.

St. Teresa Rosary Altar Society Meeting

Ladies of the Rosary Altar Society will hold a meeting at St Teresa Parish Center this Monday, June 15 at 4:00pm. *See you there!*

FIRST ENCYCLICAL OF POPE LEO XIV

ENCYCLICAL LETTER OF THE HOLY FATHER LEO XIV

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS
On safeguarding the human person in the time of Artificial Intelligence

1 of 5
 Introduction and Chapter 1

Today's new issues (res novae):

- Artificial Intelligence
- Digitalisation
- New technological capabilities

Risks:

- ⚠ Concentrated power (often in private hands)
- ⚠ Automated decision-making
- ⚠ Loss of human control

“What direction should we choose as people and as a human community?” MH 4

TWO ROADS AHEAD OF US:

Babel Humanity without God Uniformity Dehumanisation	Jerusalem God at the centre Diversity as a source of richness Brotherhood / Collaboration
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“Never has humanity had such power over itself.” MH 4

The Tower of Babel Syndrome

- Profit before people
- Reducing people to mere data
- Growing inequalities
- Loss of dignity

Choose "Nehemia's way"

- build together
- Dialogue
- Listening
- Inclusion
- Shared responsibility

“No one can single-handedly bear the weight of the challenges the world is facing.” MH 13

4 PILLARS FOR BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE

- 1 Relationship with God
- 2 Accepting human limitations
- 3 Shared responsibility
- 4 Language that unites

“When human dignity is threatened by new forms of dehumanization, ours is the pressing duty to remain profoundly human. We must lovingly safeguard the grandeur of humanity bestowed upon us, the splendor of which no machine can ever replace.” MH 15

Let us not build another Tower of Babel; let us become builders of communion!

DISCERNERY FOR PROMOTING INTEGRAL HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
www.humandevelopment.va

As artificial intelligence continues to shape communication, education, work and everyday life, Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* ("Magnificent Humanity"), offers the Church and the world a timely reflection on the dignity of the human person in an increasingly digital age. The Holy See / Vatican website can be accessed to see more information on Pope Leo's first encyclical by going to: <https://www.humandevelopment.va/en/magnifica-humanitas.html>

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP: June 6 & 7, 2026

Total Offertory Income \$7,876.00
 Average Budgeted Offertory Income.....\$7,700.00
Offertory Overage\$176.00

Please write checks to St. Thomas Church.

If checks are to go to our parish cemeteries—please make them to either St. Thomas Cemetery, St. Elizabeth Cemetery, or St. Teresa 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'.

If you are not receiving offertory envelopes from our parish and wish to, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

International Needs Collection (May 23/24).....\$1,108.00
 Thank you for your generosity to the International Needs Collection which combined the collection for Catholic Relief Services, Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and the Church in Africa.

THANK YOU to all of our bulletin sponsors!



Follow Us on Facebook!

Be sure to check out and follow our Facebook page: **St. Thomas the Apostle & its Mission St. Teresa** It's a great way to stay connected with the parish!

FLAG DAY



JUNE 14
Celebrates the birthday of the Red, White, and Blue

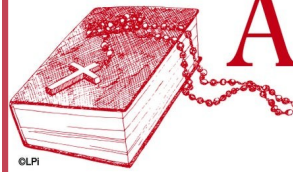
Turn Your Everyday Shopping into Support for Our Parish!

We're excited to introduce online gift cards through **RaiseRight!** Simply purchase gift cards for stores you already shop at, and a percentage of each purchase goes directly back to support our church.

It's an easy way to give back while you shop for groceries, gas, dining, and more!

Interested? Just scan the QR code for more information, visit the website www.raiseright.com (enrollment code: **JWFHT6MPCX7L**), or download the app and see how easy it is to give back!

We'll be sharing more information (and a quick demo!) soon — so stay tuned! In the meantime, questions? No problem! Give Missy a call at the parish office. We hope you will help support us!



Anointing of the Sick

Weekend of June 13 & 14

following ALL Masses at St. Thomas & St. Teresa
 Those wishing to receive the sacrament should move to the front pews of the church at the end of Mass. Thank you.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments

Teach Children to Protect Themselves at Home: Keeping kids safe starts at home. Talk to your children about simple ways they can protect themselves: Know who's at the door – Never open it for strangers. Keep personal info private – Don't share your name, address, or phone number with anyone you don't know. Emergency contacts – Make sure your child knows how to reach you and call 911 if needed. Safe boundaries – teach them to say "no" to anything that makes them uncomfortable. Online safety – Remind them not to share personal details or passwords online. Open conversations build confidence and help kids make smart choices when you're not around. For more tips and resources, visit, www.eriecd.org/childprotection/.

SHEPHERD

At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.

MATTHEW 9:36

WELCOME

If you are new to our parish, 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. We require all first-time parents to attend a Baptism Class prior to having their child baptized. The best time to take this class is before the child is born and before godparents are chosen.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least ten (10) 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: 3:30pm—4:00pm on Saturdays at the church where the anticipatory Mass is celebrate that evening—at St. Thomas Church, Corry or at St. Teresa Church, Union City (depending on the month); and other times by request made to the Parish Office.

Please be sure to notify the Parish Office of any changes to your address, phone numbers, or email address. Thank you.