

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

January 29, 2017

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are celebrated after the Noon mass on Sundays. A pre-baptism class is required for the first child. For class information call the rectory. Arrangements should be made shortly before or after the birth of the child.

COMMUNION CALLS: are made on Sundays by Eucharistic Ministers to the homebound. Please call the Rectory to schedule.

MATRIMONY: Couples need to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. No date may be reserved until discussed with a priest of the parish.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Call the Rectory to register.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION: Interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church? Call the Rectory for more information.

CONFESSIONS

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 3:30 - 4:00 PM or by appointment.

CONTACT US

Rectory Office.....(440) 934-4227
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Fax.....(440) 934-4500
E-mailst.teresa.church@neohio.twcbc.com
Website..... www.stteresaparish.com

MASSES

Sunday Vigil.....Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday:.....8:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Holy Day Vigil:.....Watch Bulletin
Holy Day:.....Watch Bulletin
Civic Holidays:.....Watch Bulletin
Wednesday & Friday:.....8:30 AM

STAFF

Reverend Edward J. Smith, Pastor
Fr. Thomas Sanders, OSB, Weekend Associate
Debbie Wehler, Sue DiVaccaro, Secretaries
Michael Joris, Parish Council Chairperson
Dean Robinson, Parish Catechetical Leader
Lou Varos, Finance Council Chairperson

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH is handicap accessible.

JANUARY 29, 2017 | FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.*
— Matthew 5:9

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THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 29, 2017

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."
— *Matthew 5:3*

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$4,000.00
January 22, 2017	\$4,118.00
El Salvador	\$129.00
Kids'	\$2.00

Please keep St. Teresa Parish in mind when making out your will.

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection, which assists programs that strengthen the faith in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your gifts help share the faith by providing lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, as well as other programs. To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

KEEP THESE PARISHIONERS IN YOUR PRAYERS

Joan Hensley, Luz Villanueva
Pat Chozinski, Marty Lima
Richard Forthofer, Gladys Mackert
Gladys Wisnieski, Kathleen Brezinski
Jim Schilens, Eleanor Rieth

MONTHLY SPIRITUAL MAXIM

Interior mortification makes everything else more meritorious and perfect, and afterward enables us to do the other things with greater ease and repose.

St. Teresa of Avila

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

For those advanced in age, sick, or undergoing surgery. Administered upon request. Contact the Rectory.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2016

Sent by request only. Call the office at 440-934-4227 or email request: st.teresa.office@neohio.twcbc.com. If we can email your statement it saves paper and postage! Thank You!

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

PSR Classes take place on Tuesdays from 6:00 - 7:15 p.m.

If the Sheffield Schools are closed on a Tuesday due to bad weather, PSR will be cancelled for that night.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 28 **St. Thomas Aquinas**
4:30 p.m. +Eleanor Pavlish by Don & Gloria Kriebel

Sunday, January 29
8:30 a.m. +Carmen Williams by family
11:00 a.m. People of St. Teresa Parish

Monday, January 30
NO MASS

Tuesday, January 31 **St. John Bosco**
NO MASS

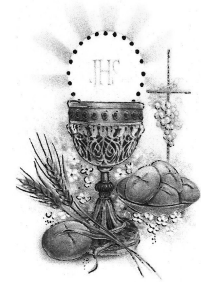
Wednesday, February 1
8:30 a.m. deceased of the Lamb & Zytkowski families

Thursday, February 2 **Presentation of the Lord**
NO MASS

Friday, February 3 **St. Blaise**
8:30 a.m. All Souls

Saturday, February 4
4:30 p.m. +Sister Mary St. Martha Conrad by Jim & Cindi Conrad

Sunday, February 5
8:30 a.m. People of St. Teresa Parish
11:00 a.m. Beatrice & Charles Mack by family



ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass will be **Sunday, February 12, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.** The Rosary will be said at 8:00 a.m. prior to Mass.

Our Next Meeting will be **Monday, February 6 at 6:30 p.m.** in the St. John Room of the Parish Life Center. All women of the parish are invited to this meeting.

Women's Retreat Day at St. Teresa Church All women are invited to join us for this Women's Retreat sponsored by the Altar & Rosary Society, on **Saturday, February 11, 2017** in our Parish Life Center from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Our retreat speaker will be Dr. Mary Hilaire (Sally) Tavenner of St. Anthony Parish, Lorain. Dr. Tavenner will teach and share about **"Fatima - Our Lady's Message and Other Saints"**. Breakfast and light lunch included. No Cost. Free will offering will be taken. 2017 is the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady appearing to the three children at Fatima, Portugal on May 13, 1917. Come and hear and learn and pray. *Reservation necessary by calling St. Teresa's office at 934-4227 by February 8, 2017.*

SAVE THE DATE - ST. TERESA'S MARDI GRAS DINNER - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2017

Watch the bulletin for more details.

"FROM LAST RITES TO THE LAST LAUGH" - SPONSORED BY THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Please join us **Saturday, February 18th at 10:30 AM in the Parish Life Center**. Deacon Pat Humphrey presents, **"From Last Rites to the Last Laugh"**, sponsored by the Social Concerns Committee. Deacon Pat Humphrey is the Chairman of the Theology Department and a Senior Theology teacher at Elyria Catholic High School and is a deacon at St. Jude's Parish in Elyria. Come hear him share his story of how he changed his diet and lived to tell about it. Learn all about: the benefits of a Plant Based Diet and why it is healthy for you, most commonly asked questions about this diet and opportunity to ask additional questions, resources to help you learn more, informational hand outs, **AND FREE LUNCH!!** **Contact Parish Office at 440-934-4227 by February 10th to reserve your seat.** We need head count for lunch.

ST. TERESA'S BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

Our next meeting will be **Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** in the St. John Room in the Parish Life Center. **Studying the Bible is not boring!**

WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY REGISTERED PARISHIONER

Mrs. Erna Eifel - Welcome to the parish community of St. Teresa of Avila Church - God bless you!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Friday:	Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday:	Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." Now that's quite a statement, especially for this moment in our history. Yet, as chaotic as things seem to be in our world right now, we know that things have been much worse in the past. Yet, even though there have been many battles and many victims, only once in the history of our world has civilization itself been in danger. Those were the days of the Roman Empire, when Rome itself was civilization and it had come under attack by countless numbers of barbarians from the outside, while corruption choked it from within. In the midst of all the chaos, one man stood alone reflecting on what had taken place and what would come in the future. That man was Saint Augustine, and as he reflected on the state of human civilization, he began writing one of the most important books ever written. He decided to call it *The City of God*, and it stood as the world's first Christian history book. At its heart was the notion of peace, because Augustine believed we cannot create peace until we understand it.

Peace, says St. Augustine, is not merely the absence of war. Rather peace is positive and active, and until we come to attain it, we'll search restlessly. Thus, Augustine is proven correct when he said, "O God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you." You see, for humanity, *peace is another word for God*. And it's at the very center of who we are and why we were created. Thomas Merton reflected this when he wrote, "**We are not at peace with others because we are not at peace with ourselves, and we are not at peace with ourselves because we are not at peace with God.**" And that, my friends, is the best diagnosis of the problem that I've ever read.

The Reverend Edward J. Smith

PRO-LIFE

"Consequently, all that we do as the "people of life and for life" should be interpreted correctly and welcomed with favor. When the Church declares that unconditional respect for the right to life of every innocent person—from conception to natural death—is one of the pillars on which every civil society stands, she "wants simply to promote a human State. A State which recognizes the defense of the fundamental rights of the human person, especially of the weakest, as its primary duty". Pope John Paul II - *EVANGELIUM VITAE, March 1995*, To the Bishops, Priests and Deacons, Men and Women religious, Lay Faithful, and all People of Good Will on the Value and Inviolability of Human Life. **VISIT www.clevelandrighttolife.org**

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Forty days after His birth, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple for the rites of purification and dedication as prescribed by the Torah. For more on this celebration, which takes place **February 2**, visit our website at stteresaparish.com. The Presentation is a proclamation of Christ — Messiah and Priest, Lord and Savior. He is the light who came into this world to dispel sin and darkness.



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Presentation of the Lord

DONATIONS FOR ST. FRANCES CABRINI FOOD PANTRY

Please bring your donations the weekend of **February 4 & 5, 2017**. All nonperishable food items can be placed in the tub in the vestibule of the church. **Thank you for your continued support.**

ENGRAVED PAVER STONES FOR THE OUTDOOR SHRINE

Engraved paver stones are still available for purchase for our outdoor shrine to St. Teresa of Avila. Call the church office to order your stone or for more information.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PSR	Tues, Jan 31	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Feb 1	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Church
Bible Study	Thurs, Feb 2	7:00 p.m.	St. John Room
Altar & Rosary Meeting	Mon, Feb 6	6:30 p.m.	St. John Room
PSR	Tues, Feb 7	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Feb 8	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Church
Women's Retreat Day	Sat, Feb 11	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
Bible Study	Thurs, Feb 16	7:00 p.m.	St. John Room
"From Last Rites to the Last Laugh" - Health/Wellness	Sat, Feb 18	10:30 a.m.	Avila Hall
Mardi Gras Dinner	Sat, Feb 25	SAVE THE DATE	Avila Hall

LET US GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD OUR GOD FOR THOSE AMONG US:

Thank You to the Altar & Rosary Society for taking down the Christmas decorations and cleaning the church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Charles Godles, Christopher Barnhart, Jason Bender, Thomas Daley, Capt. Richard Robinson, Tom Fisher, Anthony Burns, Michael Naughton, Allen Fish, 2nd Lt. Louis Rios, Michael Krivas, Justin Callison, Capt. Shelby Stratton, Grant Bartlett, Sgt. Tyler Corwin, John McGlynn, Cpl. Andrew Edwards
To add names call 934-4227.

PARISH CLUSTER CORNER

St. Thomas the Apostle

www.saintthomaschurch.net

St. Anthony

www.stanthonylorain.parishesonline.com

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND AND THE ILL

If a parishioner is homebound, ill, or recovering from surgery and would like to have The Holy Eucharist brought to them, please call the church office.

HOSPITAL CALLS

Every hospital has an appointed Catholic Chaplain. Please request his services for a patient. Notify the parish office so that the sick will be remembered in our prayers and Masses.

TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS

Sunday Mass is aired on Channel 8 on Sundays at 6:00 a.m.

CLUSTER PARISH MASS TIMES

St. Anthony of Padua

8:30 a.m. Monday & Tuesday
4 p.m. Saturday & 10 a.m. Sunday
St. Thomas the Apostle
9 a.m. Monday - Saturday
4 p.m. Sat. & 9 & 11 a.m. Sunday

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Teresa's: Wednesday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
St. Anthony's perpetual Adoration Chapel is behind the church.
St. Thomas the Apostle Church:
9 a.m. Friday - 9 a.m. Saturday.

Around the Town

SOLACE OF LORAIN COUNTY - ADVOCACY FOR FAMILIES COPING WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The next meeting will be **February 8, 2017 from 6 - 8 p.m.** at LCCC CARE Center (BU 113D), 1005 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria. For information call Kathy at 440-823-6177.

LIVING BREAD RADIO NETWORK

Join the New Evangelization with AM 1260 The Rock, Cleveland's Catholic radio station! AM 1260 is looking for passionate individuals about EWTN and the Catholic Church to join The Rock Team. Volunteers can dedicate as much or as little time in the areas they are gifted. Call with questions at 216-227-1260. Or fill out the Volunteer Application at www.am1260therock.com, click on donate, scroll down until you see "Become a Volunteer", and submit the application. We're looking forward to welcoming you to the team!

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM OF LORAIN COUNTY

"The Joys and Challenges of the Priesthood Today" will be the topic on **Friday, February 3, 2017 at 11:30 a.m.** at the LCCC Spitzer Conference Center. Speakers will be Rev. William Thaden, Sacred Heart Chapel, Lorain; Rev. Robert Sanson, Retired; Rev. Robert Cole, Sacred Heart Parish, Oberlin; Rev. Andrew Hoover, Associate, St. Peter Parish, North Ridgeville. Reservation *deadline is Monday, January 30, 2017* by calling 440-244-0643.

WESTSHORE SEPARATED, DIVORCED AND WIDOWED SOCIAL SUPPORT GROUP

The next meeting is **Sunday, January 29 at 7 p.m.** at St. Brendan's Kenny Center, 4242 Brendan Ln., N. Olmsted. Call Jane for information, 216-509-4570.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

AARP Tax-Aide Volunteers provide Free Tax Assistance from Feb. 1 - April 18, 2017. There are many sites open in Lorain County **by appointment only**. To find a location near you call 1-888-227-7669.

'THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY' - MEN'S GROUP

An inter-parish men's group will meet at St. Clarence Church, 30106 Lorain Road, N. Olmsted, on **February 3, 2017**. This is a First Friday luncheon beginning at 11:30 a.m. followed by a talk by Rev. Fr. Kevin Elbert, and concluding with Mass. Cost is \$10. Please call George Perz at 440-937-6606 to make reservations by Tuesday, January 31.



ST. MARY AVON WINTERFEST REVERSE RAFFLE

Please join us on **Saturday, February 4th**, for St. Mary Avon's Annual Winterfest Fundraiser! This year, we will hold a REVERSE RAFFLE, featuring a \$1,000 cash prize! Tickets are \$80/couple, \$50/single, and include dinner, open bar, dancing and entertainment, and one \$20 raffle ticket. Doors open at 6:00PM at Tom's Country Place, 3442 Stoney Ridge Rd. Avon. Tickets available online at stmaryavon.org. Please contact Joann Doszta at (440)258-3574 or joannhricovec@hotmail.com for ticket information.

MARIAN GUILD FUNDRAISER

Come celebrate a **Cleveland Sports Nite - Tail Gate Party on Saturday, February 4 in the St. Anthony Social Hall**. Cost is \$30 per person & includes dinner catered by Smith's of Avon while enjoying Craft Beer or Wine Tasting presented by Eddie Schmitz. Win a beautiful necklace from Nielsen's or one of the many Chinese Raffle Baskets. There will be fun, surprises, photos, music & more. Wear your favorite team shirt. For tickets call Linda at 440-288-2784 or Bob & Laura Parker at 440-522-2376.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, January 28
4:30 p.m.
 Tom Pienoski
 Joan Gigliotti
 Jean Ackerman
 Ann Glime

Sun, January 29
8:30 a.m.
 Christi Smail
 Bill Bistak **
 Jacqueline Summers
 Rick Basista

Sun, January 29
11:00 a.m.
 Debbie Brady
 Marci Matsamas
 Elmer Klingshirn
 Theresa Gillotti

Sat, February 4
4:30 p.m.
 Debbie Korce
 John Katricak **
 Frances Geiger
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Sun, February 5
8:30 a.m.
 Marty Yonkof
 Carol Yonkof
 Greg Smail
 Bill Bistak **

Sun, February 5
11:00 a.m.
 Carol Kirchner
 Don Kirchner
 Norman Novak
 Trish MacDonald

Lectors

Sat, January 28
4:30 p.m.
 Phil Gigliotti

Sun, January 29
8:30 a.m.
 Bruce DiVaccaro

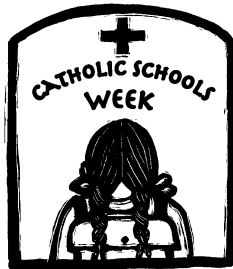
Sun, January 29
11:00 a.m.
 Fred Courtright

Sat, February 4
4:30 p.m.
 Jim Schilens

Sun, February 5
8:30 a.m.
 Greg Petro

Sun, February 5
11:00 a.m.
 Dan Gillotti

JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 4, 2017



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Altar Servers

Sat, January 28
4:30 p.m.
 Dan Huczko

Sun, January 29
8:30 a.m.
 Aaron Davis

Sun, January 29
11:00 a.m.
Server Needed

Sat, February 4
4:30 p.m.
 Ray Fitzwater

Sun, February 5
8:30 a.m.
 Aaron Davis

Sun, February 5
11:00 a.m.
 Victoria Korce