

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

*February 12, 2017*

*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



Established 1845

## 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  
**Office Hours**.....Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
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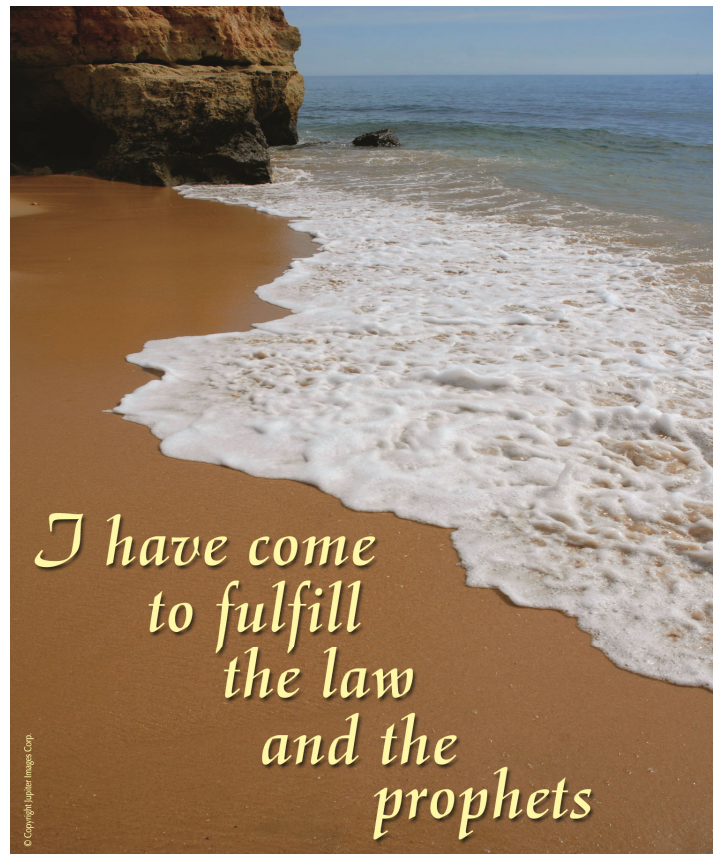
## MASSES

**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.



*I have come  
to fulfill  
the law  
and the  
prophets*

### THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 12, 2017

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love [God], this God has revealed to us through the Spirit. — 1 Corinthians 2:9-10

#### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$4,000.00
February 5, 2017	\$4,473.00
Kids'	\$4.00
Christmas	\$20.00

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

#### THE 2017 CATHOLIC CHARITIES IN-PEW APPEAL

...will be held the **weekend of Feb. 11-12, 2017**. This year's theme is 'You Did It For Me'. Thank you for your generosity in the past and we hope that you will continue to help those in need.

#### 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

*Consider the Lord as very deep within [your soul]; such a thought is much more alluring and fruitful than thinking of Him as outside oneself.*

St. Teresa of Avila

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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

#### 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.*

#### "THE EDGE" YOUTH MINISTRY

"The Edge" Youth Ministry will be having a "Youth Night" **Sunday evening February 12th at 7:00pm in the Holy Spirit "Youth Room"**. Any and all teens (grades 8-12) are welcome to join us, as we explore our Catholic Faith in a unique way, often with a fun or crazy activity.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

##### Saturday, February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes

4:30 p.m. +Gus Wehler by family

##### Sunday, February 12

8:30 a.m. living/deceased of the Altar & Rosary Society

11:00 a.m. People of St. Teresa Parish

##### Monday, February 13

**NO MASS**

##### Tuesday, February 14 Sts. Cyril and Methodius

**NO MASS**

##### Wednesday, February 15

8:30 a.m. All Souls

##### Thursday, February 16

**NO MASS**

##### Friday, February 17 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

8:30 a.m. +Deborah Grumbling by John & Ella Smith

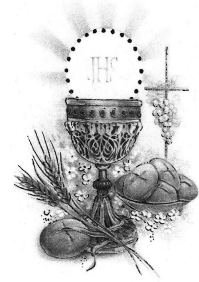
##### Saturday, February 18

4:30 p.m. People of St. Teresa Parish

##### Sunday, February 19

8:30 a.m. +Kay Brown by Ray & Cathy

11:00 a.m. +Emily Fabanich by Viola Klosz



#### 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.

**Save the Date - June 4, 2017** The A&R is sponsoring a bus trip to Presque Isle. Signups sheets and information available in the rear of the church.

#### ST. TERESA'S MARDI GRAS DINNER - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2017

Join us for authentic Mardi Gras food including Gumbo, Shrimp Creole, Roast Chicken, Pork Chops, Red Beans & Rice, beverages, dessert and more. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. Tickets \$25 each, presale only in the church office **by Monday, February 20, 2017**. Great music and raffles throughout the night. **Donations of nice gift items/gift baskets can be dropped off at the church office.**

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

Please join us **Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM** in the **Parish Life Center** with our speaker Deacon Pat Humphrey, Chairman of the Theology Department and Senior Theology teacher at Elyria Catholic High School and deacon at St. Jude's Parish in Elyria. Deacon shares how he changed his diet and lived to tell about it. Learn all about the benefits of a Plant Based Diet - **FREE LUNCH!!** **Contact Parish Office at 440-934-4227 by February 10<sup>th</sup> to reserve your seat.**

#### FISH FRY ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

All volunteers are asked to attend this meeting on **Friday, February 17, 2017 at 7 p.m.** in Avila Hall. This is the largest event we hold at St. Teresa and many hands are needed to make it a success. If you've wanted to help but haven't know what you can do - come and find out how you can contribute. We appreciate everyone!

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

Our next meeting will be **Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** in the St. John Room in the Parish Life Center. **Studying the Bible is not boring!**



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday:	Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13
Sunday:	Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

John Trippe of Rochester, New York, developed a kidney malfunction at the age of five. By the time he was 27, this condition had so worsened that he was bedridden and constantly on a dialysis machine. There was only one possible permanent remedy, physicians assured the family – a kidney transplant.

Transplant donors are usually sought among members of the patient's family. Unfortunately, none of the older members of the Trippe family was found to qualify; neither the parents nor John's four sisters. That left kid-brother Jerry who was only 16. It was a big decision for a teen-ager, so the family was careful to bring no pressure upon him. John himself, however much he desired to regain his health, neither encouraged Jerry to take the tests nor discouraged him. The choice had to be his own. Jerry decided to take the tests because he wanted to. He volunteered to submit to the almost excessive number of examinations required. He almost had to fight his way to be considered. The doctors and technicians warned him again and again to think twice about doing something he might live to regret.

Final results of the tests showed that John and Jerry's system matched closely. Hence there was 80-90% chance of successful transplant which could give John at least 24 more years to live. Jerry gave his consent. The operation took place November 17, 1981. The transfer of the one kidney from brother to brother was a success, and both recovered nicely. When an interviewer asked Jerry why he had fought so hard to give up a kidney, he said, "I love John, and I wanted to do it. It's as simple as that!"

One of the greatest gifts God gave us is our free will. As today's first reading says, "There are set before you fire and water: to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand." We can choose fire and be burned, or water and be refreshed. But we can choose, of our own free will. What better motive is there for choosing to sacrifice a part of our life than because we love our brother or sister? Do we use our free will in a manner that builds up other people and institutions, or do we use it to tear down and destroy? That choice is solely in our hands.

### The Reverend Edward J. Smith

#### PRO-LIFE

"To all the members of the Church, the people of life and for life, I make this most urgent appeal, that together we may offer this world of ours new signs of hope, and work to ensure that justice and solidarity will increase and that a new culture of human life will be affirmed, for the building of an authentic civilization of truth and love." 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](http://www.clevelandrighttolife.org)

#### MOTHER CABRINI FOOD PANTRY - VOLUNTEERS

Adults and teens interested in helping can meet at St. Frances Cabrini Church, Lorain in the brick building at the rear of the parking lot. The food pantry is open **the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturdays of each month from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.** *Many thanks to all those who support this ministry financially and with their time!*

#### "HELPING HANDS" - AID TO PARISHIONERS IN NEED

Any parishioner or family registered at St. Teresa of Avila Church who is in need of help with groceries, utilities, baby needs or other essentials are invited to call the church office for assistance from our Social Concerns Committee. All requests are confidential. Call 440-934-4227.

#### REQUIREMENTS FOR SPONSOR CERTIFICATES FOR BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

We regularly receive requests from individuals to provide a Sponsor Certificate for Baptism or Confirmation. Please be aware we can provide this only to **Active, Participating and Registered** members of St. Teresa of Avila Parish. **Any adult who is not formally registered will not receive a certificate.** Our certificate requires that you attest to the following: *A Catholic in good standing, registered, participating member of St. Teresa of Avila, attends Mass weekly and receives the Sacraments regularly; received the three Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation); at least 16 years old; living a Christian vocation as a single person or validly married person by priest/deacon; and actively strives to be a good example of Catholic living by supporting the Church through my time, talent and treasure.*

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

PSR	Tues, Feb 14	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Feb 15	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Church
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
NO PSR	Tues, Feb 21		
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Feb 22	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Church
Mardi Gras Dinner	Sat, Feb 25	6:30 p.m.	Avila Hall

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

*Thank You* to Bill Eifel for donating parts and his time to repair the freezer in the Parish Life Center kitchen.

## 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](http://www.saintthomaschurch.net)

**St. Anthony**

[www.stanthonylorain.parishesonline.com](http://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

## EUCCHARISTIC 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 22, 2017 from 6 - 8 p.m.** at Mercy Health & Recreation, 47160 Hollstein Dr., Amherst. For information call Kathy at 440-823-6177.

### **LIVING BREAD RADIO NETWORK**

Bishop George Murry, SJ, **live on Living Bread Radio** on The Bishop's Corner, Wednesday, February 15 at 11 a.m.; the topic is Persecution of Christians and Protection for Refugees. On air at AM 1060 and 94.5 FM (Canton vicinity). Call with questions 888-966-2903. Free phone app lets you listen anytime, anyplace! Download at [livingbreadradio.com](http://livingbreadradio.com).

### **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.

### **SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME - A RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS**

Are you experiencing a lot of change in your life? Perhaps this retreat can help you in that journey by offering an opportunity to meet other young adults and reflect on your transitions as they connect with Jesus' journey to resurrection. The "**What Next**" retreat will be held at Bethany Retreat Center in Chardon, OH. It starts on **Saturday, March 25th at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at noon on Sunday, March 26th**. Mass is included in the retreat. The cost is \$45 and includes meals and supplies. Scholarships are available. For more information or to register, visit [www.CharisMinistries.org](http://www.CharisMinistries.org) or contact Sr. Kelley Rush, SND for more information at [krush@ndec.org](mailto:krush@ndec.org) or 440-241-3124.

### **PRE-CANA DAY - HOLY SPIRIT PARISH, AVON LAKE**

All engaged couples are invited to attend on **Saturday, April 8, 2017 in the Holy Spirit Family Life Center from 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.** (includes Mass). Cost is \$65 per couple and includes breakfast & lunch. Reservation only by calling Christine or David Sinclair at 440-695-1010 or email [holyspiritprecana@gmail.com](mailto:holyspiritprecana@gmail.com).

### **LIFESHARE COMMUNITY BLOOD SERVICES - DONATIONS AT AVON LAKE FACILITY**

Blood donations are taken every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Old Firehouse Community Center in Avon Lake. Or call LifeShare at 1-866-644-5433 or visit [www.lifeshare.cc](http://www.lifeshare.cc).

### **BOXES FROM HOME**

The Altar & Rosary Society of St. Vincent de Paul Church sends boxes to soldiers. Call Dorothy at 984-2192 to have one sent.

### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT SUNDAY**

Please join us for an hour of sharing, listening, learning, and healing along your grief journey. Next meeting **February 19, 2017, 1:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Cemetery (Avon)**. No registration required. Just come and join us. For more information, visit our website [www.clecem.org/bereavementministry.aspx](http://www.clecem.org/bereavementministry.aspx) or call Rhonda at 216.930.4866 [rabrums@clecem.org](mailto:rabrums@clecem.org).

### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

From **March 1 through April 9**, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. And/or stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7 am to 7 pm during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside **Preterm** - 12000 Shaker Boulevard, Cleveland, 44120 or **Planned Parenthood** - 25350 Rockside Road, Bedford Heights, 44146. For more information or to volunteer, contact: John Noall @ 216-245-9744 or email at: [clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com). [www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland](http://www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland)

### **ST. JUDE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY ANNUAL SALAD BUFFET**

**Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.** in the Family Center. Includes talk by Sr. Margaret Marszal, HM. Call 366-7163 for reservation.

## Liturgical Ministers Schedule

### Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, February 11  
4:30 p.m.  
Tom Pienoski  
Joan Gigliotti  
Debbie Korce  
Ann Glime

Sun, February 12  
8:30 a.m.  
Barb Eifel \*\*  
Aaron Davis  
Christi Smail  
Rick Basista

Sun, February 12  
11:00 a.m.  
Theresa Gillotti  
Dan Gillotti  
Marci Matsamas  
Debbie Brady

Sat, February 18  
4:30 p.m.  
Ann Glime  
Jean Ackerman  
John Katricak  
**EM Needed**

Sun, February 19  
8:30 a.m.  
Jacqueline Summers  
Christi Smail  
Barb Eifel \*\*  
Aaron Davis

Sun, February 19  
11:00 a.m.  
Trish MacDonald  
Carol Kirchner  
Susan Novak  
Fred Courtright

### Lectors

Sat, February 11  
4:30 p.m.  
Phil Gigliotti

Sun, February 12  
8:30 a.m.  
Larry Durica

Sun, February 12  
11:00 a.m.  
Fred Courtright

Sat, February 18  
4:30 p.m.  
Andrew Augustine

Sun, February 19  
8:30 a.m.  
Karen Davis

Sun, February 19  
11:00 a.m.  
Gene Welsh

Sunday, February 12, 2017



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### Altar Servers

Sat, February 11  
4:30 p.m.  
Bill Brock \*\*

Sun, February 12  
8:30 a.m.  
Joseph Smail

Sun, February 12  
11:00 a.m.  
Beth Parkey

Sat, February 18  
4:30 p.m.  
Dan Huczko

Sun, February 19  
8:30 a.m.  
Cara Smail

Sun, February 19  
11:00 a.m.  
Mikey Griffith  
Dave Griffith