

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

March 26, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Lent



## 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.  
**Fax**.....(440) 934-4500  
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**Website**..... [www.stteresaparish.com](http://www.stteresaparish.com)

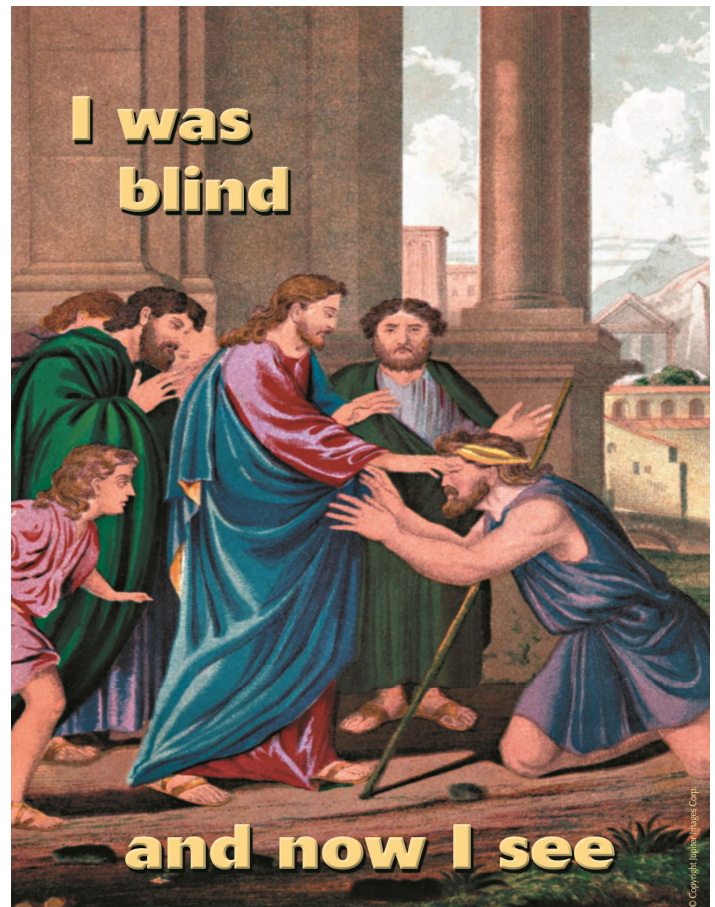
## MASSES

**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*  
Lou Varos, *Finance Council Chairperson*

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH is handicap accessible.



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
MARCH 26, 2017**

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
— Psalm 23:1

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Weekly Goal	\$4,000.00
<b>March 12</b>	<b>\$3,429.00</b>
Ash Wednesday	\$338.00
Kids'	\$2.00
<b>March 19</b>	<b>\$3,354.00</b>

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

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**

Collection takes place this weekend, March 25 & 26, 2017.

**KEEP THESE PARISHIONERS  
IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Joan Hensley, Luz Villanueva  
Pat Chozinski, Marty Lima  
Gladys Mackert, Maebelle Fill  
Gladys Wisnieski, Kathleen Brezinski  
Rose Pham

**MONTHLY SPIRITUAL MAXIM**

*"I know that the Lord Himself who walks with you will console you, assure you, and give the confessor light that he may give it to you."*

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.

**DINNERS SERVED AT FISH FRY****MARCH 10:**

584 Dine in; 229 Drive thru; 72 Carryout;

**MARCH 17:**

409 Dine in, 166 Drive thru & Carryout

**Total to Date: 2,191 Dinners**

Our thanks to the many volunteers, bakers & donors. It is only through your kindness & dedication that this fundraiser is successful!

**DONATIONS FOR ST. FRANCES  
CABRINI FOOD PANTRY**

Please bring your donations the weekend of **April 1 & 2, 2017**. All nonperishable food items can be placed in the tub in the vestibule of the church. **Thank you!**

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWLY  
REGISTERED PARISHIONERS**

George & Martha Fayer - welcome to the Parish Family of St. Teresa of Avila!

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK****Saturday, March 25 THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

4:30 p.m. +Robert Dolacki by Sandy & Elmer Klingshirn

**Sunday, March 26 Fourth Sunday of Lent**

8:30 a.m. living/deceased Fathers of St. Teresa Parish

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

**Monday, March 27**

**NO MASS**

**Tuesday, March 28**

**NO MASS**

**Wednesday, March 29**

8:30 a.m. +Robert Ferencz by Kathy

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

**Thursday, March 30**

**NO MASS**

**Friday, March 31**

8:30 a.m. +Dorothea Dorn by Eva Maria Peters

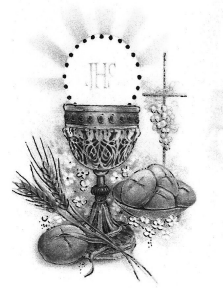
**Saturday, April 1**

4:30 p.m. +Eleanor Pavlish by St. Teresa's Altar & Rosary Society

**Sunday, April 2 Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8:30 a.m. People of St. Teresa Parish

11:00 a.m. +Shelleen Gillotti Adkins by Dan & Theresa

**LENTEN SCHEDULE**

**Stations of the Cross** - Wednesdays of Lent from March 8 - April 5, 7:00 p.m.

**Reconciliation** - Every Saturday from 3:30 - 4 p.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration** - Wednesdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**CLUSTER COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE**

Our Cluster Parish Communities of St. Anthony, St. Teresa and St. Thomas will have a Communal Penance Service on **Sunday, March 26 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Harris Road, Sheffield Lake**. Several priests will be on hand to hear confessions.

**ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS**

**Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass** will be **Sunday, April 9, 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 casino bus trip to Presque Isle. Signups sheets and information available in the rear of the church.

**"COOKING FOR THE HOMELESS" MEETING**

A meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 5 at 7 p.m.** in the Parish Life Center. All current volunteers and any new volunteers are invited to attend to discuss cooking year-round for the overnight shelter in Lorain, vs. just October - April as in the past. More information to follow in next week's bulletin. Please call the church rectory at 440-934-4227 if you have questions.

**FISH FRY - BAKED GOODS AND POP DONATIONS NEEDED**

Baked goods and pop (Pepsi or Coke and Sprite or 7-Up, regular and diet) can be dropped off at the Parish Life Center on Thursdays and Fridays between 9 a.m. & 3 p.m.

**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

Richard Forthofer, husband of Loretta Myers-Forthofer, who died last week. May he know the peace of Christ forever.

**PRAY FOR OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Gabrielle Ann Palmer, daughter of Michael and Kristin - welcome and God bless the Palmer family!

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Next week, as you enter the Church, something will immediately catch your eye. One of the old and venerable traditions of the Church will once again take place at Saint Teresa of Avila – The Veiling of the Statues.

The custom of veiling the statues and all holy images during the last two weeks of Lent hails from the former liturgical calendar in which the Passion was read on the Fifth Sunday of Lent (hence called "Passion Sunday") as well as on Palm Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week, and Good Friday. For this reason the period following the Fifth Sunday of Lent was called Passiontide.

As author Monsignor Peter Elliott remarks, "The custom of veiling crosses and images ... has much to commend it in terms of religious psychology, because it helps us to concentrate on the great essentials of Christ's work of Redemption."

Often in my priesthood I have been asked why this practice exists. It can be disconcerting for some people when the beautiful statues are no longer visible. The reason we do this is simple: to remove distraction, so that we can focus on what is truly important. Throughout Lent, Catholics are continuously encouraged to simplify their lives and focus on their relationship with God. Liturgically, this is symbolically accomplished through the veiling of the sacred images. The beautiful and colorful images in the Church are covered, so that our eyes are not distracted from focusing on the holy altar. It is on the altar that we enter into the mysteries of our salvation. 2000 years ago, Christ sacrificed his body on the cross for our salvation. Since then, his Body and Blood are made truly present at Mass on the holy altar.

My prayer is that when you get over the initial surprise of the veiled statues, you begin to focus intently on the altar and all it represents. The sacrifice that takes place upon it is God's supreme act of love for humanity. Your salvation has not come through the beautiful and colorful statues in the Church. Your salvation has been made possible through the Body and Blood of the one made visible on the altar, under the appearance of bread and wine.

## The Reverend Edward J. Smith

### PRO-LIFE

"The "people of life" rejoices in being able to share its commitment with so many others. Thus may the "people for life" constantly grow in number and may a new culture of love and solidarity develop for the true good of the whole of human society." 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)

### PHOTO COLLAGE OF ST. TERESA'S 500TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

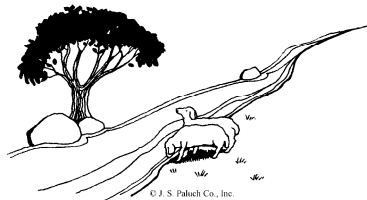
A beautiful photo collage, created by Lisa Augustine, is hanging in the rear of the church. These photos represent the celebration of St. Teresa of Avila's 500th Birthday from 2015. Take some time to look at the photos of our parish family. *Thank You Lisa!*

### OPERATION RICE BOWL

Rice Bowls, the colorful cardboard boxes on the table in the rear of the church, are available for every person to take home. The spiritual pillars of Lent are Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. By collecting our loose change in our Rice Bowls, we give alms and encounter our brothers and sisters around the world so that they might have life to the fullest. Please take a Rice Bowl home and pray over the gifts you put inside. These can be turned into the church during Holy Week. *Thank you for your kind generosity!*

### OUR PARISH MONTHLY ENVELOPES

If your address has changed or you are 18 years of age, contact the Parish Office so that updates to our records can be made.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Penance Service	Sun, March 26	2:00 p.m.	St. Thomas Church
PSR	Tues, March 28	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, March 29	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Church
Stations of the Cross	Wed, March 29	7:00 p.m.	Church
Fish Fry	Fri, March 31	4:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall

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

*Thank You* to Marty & Jim for cleaning the fryers each Saturday after fish fry.

## 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.org/our-parish/](http://www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/)

## 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

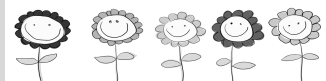
9 a.m. Monday - Saturday

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.



## Around the Town

### 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. 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).

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

The next meeting will be **April 12, 2017 from 6 - 8 p.m.** at LCCC CARE Center (BU 113D), 1005 N. Abbe Road, Elyria. For information call Kathy at 440-823-6177.

### LENTEN PIEROGI SALE

St. Anthony of Padua Church, Lorain, will sell their homemade potato with cheese pierogi & sauerkraut pierogi. Sales: **Ash Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> & Fridays: March 3 - April 7, from Noon to 6 pm.** Pre-order: Patty at 440-934-4482 during the week, or 440-288-1752 ext. 236 during the Friday sale.

### "THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS" CHILD LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Meets every 4th Monday of the month at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church Hall in Grafton at 7:00 p.m. Visit [www.compassionatefriends.com](http://www.compassionatefriends.com) or their facebook page [www.facebook.com/tcfloraincounty](http://www.facebook.com/tcfloraincounty). Or call 216-469-5311.

### CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WITH EWTN

Learn more about your Faith during the holiest time of the year with EWTN's movies, documentaries, concerts, children's programs, and much more! Join in the celebration of Mass at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome or at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Get program details at [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com) or visit [www.ewtn.com/channelfinder](http://www.ewtn.com/channelfinder) to find a station near you!

### EASTER BREAD SALE

St. Frances Cabrini Parish Altar & Rosary Society is baking Easter bread. To order, please call Pat at 277-5687 or Donna at 277-8374 by **Wednesday, March 29, 2017**. Plain bread is \$6, with raisins \$6.50. You will pick up your fresh baked bread in St. John kitchen (corner of Grove Ave., & Homewood Dr., Lorain) the day it is baked.

### FIRST SATURDAY PRAYERS - THE SANCTITY OF LIFE & WORLD PEACE

At St. Vincent de Paul Church, 41295 N. Ridge Road, Elyria, OH on **Saturday, April 1, 2017**, beginning at 7:30 a.m. with the Our Lady of Fatima Rosary. Mass is at 8:00 a.m. followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet and concluding prayers. All are welcome!

### MARATHON OF ROSARIES TO SAVE THE UNBORN

The First Saturday of every month from 10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 1339 E. Erie Ave., Lorain, in the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. Rosary will be said every half hour on the hour. Questions - call Dr. Hilaire Tavenner at 440-288-0416.

### TAIZE' EVENING PRAYER

**Tuesday, April 4 from 7-8 p.m.** at St. Mary of the Falls Church, 25615 Bagley Rd., Olmsted Falls. This is an hour long meditative candle-lit service that centers around music, prayer, and silence to quiet the mind, open the heart and feed the soul. Questions - call 440-235-2222.

### FIRST FRIDAY OPPORTUNITIES - APRIL 7, 2017

**First Friday Forum of Lorain County** - Speaker will be Michelle Osborne-Banner, director of Inside & Outside Resource Center. \$18/reservation to 440-244-0643 by April 3, 2017. Lunch included at the LCCC Spitzer Conference Center, Elyria.

**Thank God it's First Friday** - Inter-parish men's group: meet at St. Clarence Church, 30106 Lorain Rd., N. Olmsted for lunch at 11:30 a.m. followed by Rev. Fr. Thomas Pajk our speaker. Cost is \$10. Call George for reservation at 440-937-6606 by April 4, 2017.

## Liturgical Ministers Schedule

### Eucharistic Ministers

**Sat, March 25**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Joan Gigliotti  
 Ann Glime  
 Jean Ackerman  
 Tom Pienoski

**Sun, March 26**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Barb Eifel \*\*  
 Sue DiVaccaro  
 Marty Yonkof  
 Carol Yonkof

**Sun, March 26**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Dan Gillotti  
 Theresa Gillotti  
 Elmer Klingshirn  
 Debbie Brady

**Sat, April 1**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Debbie Korce  
 Mike Palmer  
 John Katricak \*\*  
 Frances Geiger

**Sun, April 2**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Bill Bistak \*\*  
 Jacqueline Summers  
 Christi Smail  
 Rick Basista

**Sun, April 2**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Don Kirchner  
 Norman Novak  
 Susan Novak  
 Carol Kirchner

### Lectors

**Sat, March 25**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Larry Durica

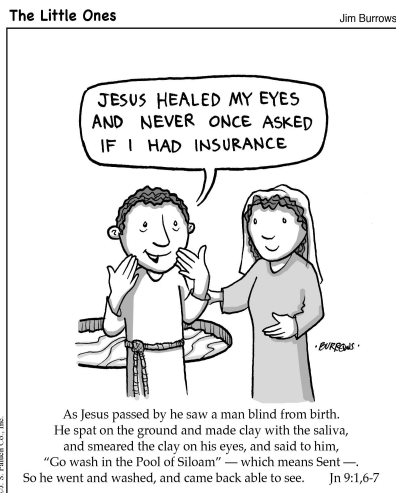
**Sun, March 26**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Bruce DiVaccaro

**Sun, March 26**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Fred Courtright

**Sat, April 1**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Andrew Augustine

**Sun, April 2**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Larry Durica

**Sun, April 2**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Gene Welsh



### Altar Servers

**Sat, March 25**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Dan Huczko

**Sun, March 26**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Joseph Smail

**Sun, March 26**  
**11:00 a.m.**