

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

**Take care to guard against all greed,  
for though one may be rich,  
one's life does not consist of possessions.**

**LUKE 12:15**

**Eighteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
AUGUST 4, 2019**



**Established 1845**

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH is handicap accessible.

**STAFF**

**Reverend Edward J. Smith, Pastor**  
Office Hours: Wed & Fri 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Fr. Thomas Sanders, OSB,**  
Weekend Associate

**Debbie Wehler, Sue DiVaccaro,**  
Secretaries

**Lou Varos, Finance Council Chairperson**

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

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

**PARISH INFORMATION**

**BAPTISMS:** Baptisms are celebrated after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Arrangements should be made shortly before or after the birth of the child.

**COMMUNION CALLS:** Please call the Rectory to schedule.

**MATRIMONY:** At least one member must be a parishioner and be active for at least six months prior to calling. Couples need to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. No date may be reserved until discussed with the 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.



**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
AUGUST 4, 2019**

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. -- Psalm 90:12

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, August 3**

4:30 p.m. +Joan M. Imbrogno by David & Lynne Carek

**Sunday, August 4**

8:30 a.m. +Kathy Geiger & +Diane McGlynn by Chris, Fran & Jean  
11:00 a.m. living/deceased Fathers of St. Teresa Parish

**Monday, August 5**

**Dedication of Basilica of St. Mary Major**

**NO MASS**

**Tuesday, August 6**

**The Transfiguration of the Lord**

**NO MASS**

**Wednesday, August 7**

**St. Sixtus II**

8:30 a.m. Al Schneider family by loving relatives

**Thursday, August 8**

**St. Dominic**

**NO MASS**

**Friday, August 9**

**St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**

8:30 a.m. living/deceased of St. Anthony & St. Teresa Parishes

**Saturday, August 10**

**St. Lawrence**

4:30 p.m. +David DeChant by Bill DeChant

**Sunday, August 11**

8:30 a.m. the living/deceased of the Altar & Rosary Society  
11:00 a.m. +Rick Stefka by Brigitte



**Weekly Goal**  
**July 28**

**\$4,000.00**  
**2,427.00**

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

**BUILDING FUND - JULY 2019**

Donations	\$ 1,935.00
Monthly Payment	\$ 3,272.20
Balance Owed	\$ 349,059.23

**Thank you to all who  
donated to the Building fund!**

**MASSES**

**Sunday Vigil - .Saturday 4:30 PM**

**Sunday - 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM**

**Wednesday & Friday - 8:30 AM**

**Holy Day Vigil, Holy Day and Civic Holidays - Watch Bulletin**

**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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**Website**..... [www.stteresaparish.com](http://www.stteresaparish.com)

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR**

Officially the American Civil War was fought to preserve the Union the Americans achieved through the Revolution. But the initial and strongest issue at stake was the preservation or the abolition of black slavery. The North had no economic reason for keeping slavery. Slavery meant much to the economy of the South, particularly in the raising of cotton. Behind the ambivalent struggle loomed the debated question: Should any human person be held in bondage, especially in the “Land of Liberty”?

During the War in 1863, President Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation declared free all black slaves in the seceded Confederate states. The war came to an end on April 9, 1865 – four years after the firing of the first gun. Robert E. Lee, beloved head of the Confederate Armies, surrendered to General U.S. Grant at Appomattox Court House, Virginia. Many of his loyal followers wanted to fight on; but Lee saw it would only waste life uselessly. Having handed over his sword, the Southern leader returned home, now a private citizen.

How would the General accommodate the Emancipation? Basically, he was no lover of slavery, having fought the war in defense of state’s rights. A few weeks after Appomattox, he showed his attitude towards emancipation at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Richmond. At communion time, a newly freed Black man rose and went to the railing. Now, in pre-war southern churches (Catholic as well as Protestant), there had been a social segregation. Here is how Lee’s biographer Charles Bracelen Flood describes what happened.

“The congregation froze: those who had been ready to go forward and kneel at the altar rail remained in their pews ... General Robert E. Lee was present and, ignoring the action of the Negro, arose in his usual dignified and self-possessed manner, and reverently knelt down to partake of the communion, not far from the Negro. The other communicants went forward to the altar and the service continued.”

General Lee knew what St. Paul had written: “There is no Greek or Jew here, slave or freeman.” We who believe that also should be leaders in social justice.

**The Reverend Edward J. Smith, Pastor**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21  
 Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36  
 Mt 15:21-28  
 Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23  
 Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28  
 Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26  
 Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48



**THANK YOU TO...**

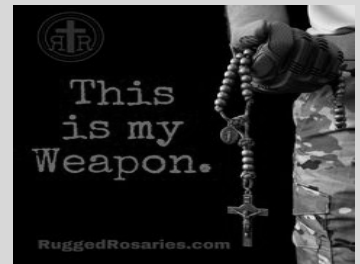
...Westlake Liquidation for their donation of clothing for Blessing House!

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Eucharistic Adoration      Wed, Aug 7      9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.      Church

**PARISHIONERS:**

Luz Villanueva, Eleanor Rieth  
 Pat Chozinski, Loretta Forthofer  
 Gladys Mackert, Eva-Maria Peters  
 Charlotte Joherle, Amy White  
 Kathleen Brezinski, Anna Joseph  
 Patricia Welsh, Maebelle Fill  
 Marty Lima, Marianne Rieth  
 Ruth Bistak, Jean Ackerman

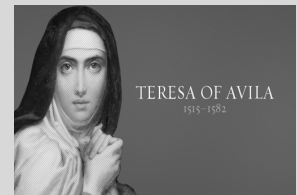


**FAMILY AND FRIENDS  
 SERVING OUR COUNTRY**

Charles Godles, Christopher Barnhart, Jason Bender, Thomas Daley, Capt. Richard Robinson, Tom Fisher, Anthony Burns, Michael Naughton, Allen Fish, 2nd Lt. Louis Rios, Justin Callison, Quinn Rambo  
 Capt. Shelby Stratton, Grant Bartlett, Sgt. Tyler Corwin, John McGlynn, Cpl. Andrew Edwards, Justin Brown, Michael Garba  
 SSgt. Leo Ostrolencki  
 1st Sgt. Derek Lisowski  
 To add names call 934-4227.

**HOSPITAL CALLS**

Please request the services of the Catholic Chaplain at the hospital for a patient. Notify the parish office so that the sick will be remembered in our prayers and Masses.



**ST. TERESA OF AVILA  
 PRAY FOR US!**

*“Thus, since there are one or two who fearlessly do what is best, the Lord at once begins to win back gradually the ground that was lost.”*  
 St. Teresa of Avila



**CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING**



**Your opinion matters! Take the AM 1260 The Rock Listener Survey.**

We want to hear from you! Beginning August 1<sup>st</sup>, the AM 1260 The Rock 2019 Listener Survey is available for you to give your feedback. Visit [am1260therock.com](http://am1260therock.com) between August 1<sup>st</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> and click on the link on the home page to share your thoughts on how AM 1260 The Rock is impacting your faith life, and how we can serve you better. If you do not have access to a computer but would like to participate, please call 216-227-1260 M-F 9 AM-4 PM.

**“Bravery Under Fire” (EWTN)** Watch **August 16, 4 p.m.** (90 mins) The dramatic story of the heroic ministry of Father Willie Doyle, an Irish Jesuit priest who was killed in action during World War I.

For more information visit [www.livingbreadradio.com](http://www.livingbreadradio.com).

**PRO-LIFE MEDITATIONS OF THE ROSARY**

The Second Sorrowful Mystery – The Scourging: As Christ’s flesh was torn by the instruments of those who scourged Him, so the bodies of babies in the womb are torn by the instruments of the abortionists. *Let us pray that abortionists may repent of these acts of child-killing.*

For pro-life novenas visit Priests for Life at [PrayerCampaign.org](http://PrayerCampaign.org)



**THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS**

Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass will be **Sunday, August 11, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.** The Rosary will be said at 8:00 a.m. prior to Mass.

*All Ladies of the Parish are welcome to all events and meetings!  
You do not have to be a member.*

**PLEASE BRING YOUR NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS**

..to the vestibule of the church this weekend, August 3 & 4 as donation to the Mother Cabrini Food Pantry in Lorain. *Thank you!*

**ST. TERESA'S BIBLE STUDY**

Or next meeting will be **Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m.**

*No Bible Study on Thursday, August 15.*

**CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOUR LOVED ONE IS SICK**

If a family member is sick or hospitalized we welcome a phone call at the parish office so their name can be put in the bulletin for prayers. Not all hospitals in the area notify the churches any more (UH Elyria) so we can't assume they will call us.

**POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION - AUGUST**

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly “schools of true human growth.”

**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/)

St. Anthony's perpetual Adoration Chapel is behind the church.

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Saturday, August 24, 2019**  
**Our next Saturday Night Supper will a Spaghetti Dinner! Only \$10!**  
**Watch for details.**



**Jesus I Trust In You!**

*Seek Jesus by spending time with Him in the Eucharist.*

**Every Wednesday at St. Teresa Church 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**VISIT ST. TERESA OF AVILA'S WEBSITE!**

Keep up to date with current happenings in your parish! Visit [www.stteresaparish.com](http://www.stteresaparish.com). Scroll to the bottom of the homepage for current events and other information.



**WEDDING BANNS III**

**Michael Kolecky and Rachel Ladan**

## HOW TO HELP OUR PARISH FAMILY

### ST TERESA NEEDS TWO PSR TEACHERS FOR 2019/2020 SCHOOL YEAR!!

Is God calling you? Are you a practicing Catholic who loves children? Can you make a weekly commitment? If you answered YES to any of these questions, you would make a great PSR teacher! PSR catechists are special people, called by the Holy Spirit to share their faith. They teach and learn from their students.

Teachers are needed for **combined grades 4-6th and combined grades 7-8th.**

If interested: Contact the rectory office 440-934-4227 or William Bistak 440-934-0154

### ADULT SERVERS ARE NEEDED

Please consider serving at Mass. We are in need of ALL servers, but, we ask adults to volunteer and fill in the many gaps we have in our schedule. Call the church office if interested or if you have questions.

### SATURDAY NIGHT SUPPER HELP

Lots of different opportunities from cooking, setting up the hall, washing dishes, and clean up.

### FLOWER GARDENS

We have many beautiful gardens on the church grounds and we all know the weeds like them as much as we do! Consider "adopting" a garden and pulling weeds and watering.

**MANY OTHER OPPORTUNITIES....Altar & Rosary Society, Eucharistic Adoration, Homebound/Nursing Home Ministry**

**If interested in helping, or for more information, call the church office  
Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at 440-934-4227.**

## St. Teresa of Avila Day with the

### BASEBALL AND FIREWORKS!

**Friday, August 23, 2019**

**7:05 p.m.**

**\$10 per Box Seat Ticket**

**Order tickets by**

**Noon, Monday, August 19, 2019**



Contact the Parish Office (440-934-4227) and give us a Contact Name, the Number of Tickets You Need, and Your Payment. *Your tickets will be available beginning on August 21<sup>st</sup> at Will Call for pickup.*

**Join us for a baseball game!**

### FIRST ANNUAL CLEVELAND CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE!

Attention all women! You are invited to the First Annual Cleveland Catholic Women's Conference, **Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. at St. Basil the Great Catholic Church, 8700 Brecksville Rd., Brecksville, Ohio.** Hear from Fr. Patrick Schultz, Mary Bielski, Brooke Taylor and Laura Mary Phelps as they talk about our call to be "Fearlessly Faithful." The day will also include Mass with Bishop Perez, and opportunities for prayer, confession, Eucharistic Adoration, and forming friendships with other women of faith. Registration for the conference, which includes breakfast and lunch, is open and will be \$35.

To register, visit [www.clecatholicwomen.org](http://www.clecatholicwomen.org).

**THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF MARRIAGE MASS**

**The Diocese of Cleveland – Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 10 a.m. in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist**

The Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez will be presider and homilist. All couples within the Diocese of Cleveland married 50 years (married in 1969) are invited. **Register by Monday, September 16, 2019.**

To register to attend this Mass go to <https://ccdogle.wufoo.com/forms/50th-wedding-anniversary-mass-2019/> .

For more information regarding this Mass go to [www.ccdogle.org/mfm](http://www.ccdogle.org/mfm) .

**Northeast Ohio Catholic Magazine...**

...the bi-monthly publication by the Diocese of Cleveland.

Please complete the form (right) and drop in the collection basket **if you desire to continue receiving this, delivered to your home.**



**Family Name (Must be a registered parishioner)**

**Address**

**OUR APPRECIATION TO FR. JIM BECHERER**

After 65 years of priestly ministry, and almost 11 years assisting here at St. Teresa, Father Jim Becherer has decided to fully retire. This means he has asked to no longer be scheduled for Masses.

**We thank Father Becherer for all the love and dedication he has shown to us through the years.**

Father Becherer is a very private man, and does not prefer to be the center of attention. Because of this, we will not be having a reception for him. Instead, **Father Smith is asking all parishioners to take a moment and write a letter or a card to Father Becherer expressing their appreciation for his ministry here at St. Teresa and his dedication to priestly ministry these many years.** These expressions of love and appreciation can be **dropped at the Parish Office or in the collection basket.**

*Father Becherer has been a wonderful friend to us here at St. Teresa. Father Smith has made it clear that he is always welcome at the Parish, as he will always be a member of our spiritual family.*

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING AWARENESS**

Let's celebrate and educate individuals and couples about the gift NFP is to marriages and families.

Natural Family Planning, *Cooperating with God's design for married love.*

**Resources are available in the Vestibule of the Church:** "The Beauty of God's Design – Understanding and Appreciating Humanae Vitae" pamphlet on St. Pope Paul VI encyclical, AND Natural Family Planning Directory of Programs and Services pamphlet. Also, visit [www.ccdogle.org/mfm](http://www.ccdogle.org/mfm).

**ROSARY COAST TO COAST – PRAYING TO END ABORTION**

Be part of this 4<sup>th</sup> Annual National Rosary Rally on **Saturday, October 13, 2019.**

Holy Trinity is an Official Site for this outdoor event because of their location at the corners of Detroit and Nagel Roads in Avon. It will be a highly visible public witness to our faith!

The Rally will include recitation of the Rosary, songs, and prayers for the needs of our Nation and will be done simultaneously with those in Washington, D.C. and across the country.

Pray for the rally with the **54 Day Online Novena which begins August 15.** For details on the rally and Novena go to <https://rosarycoasttocoast.com/>. For a map of currently registered sites that will be holding the prayer rally visit <https://rosarycoasttocoast.com/rosary-coast-to-coast-map/>.

**TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS**

ch8 at 6:00 a.m.

WUAB ch43 at 8 a.m.

WMFD ch68 at 9:30 a.m.

**Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Sat, Aug 3**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Debbie Korce  
 Frances Geiger  
 Tom Pienoski  
**EM Needed**

**Sun, Aug 4**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Bill Bistak \*\*  
 Marty Yonkof  
 Carol Yonkof  
 Christi Smail

**Sun, Aug 4**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Debbie Brady  
 Fred Courtright  
 Norman Novak  
 Trish MacDonald

**Sat, Aug 10**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Joan Gigliotti  
 John Katricak  
 Ann Glime  
**EM Needed**

**Sun, Aug 11**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Barb Eifel \*\*  
 Kathy Cunningham  
 Aaron Davis  
 Greg Smail

**Sun, Aug 11**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Marci Matsamas  
 Theresa Gillotti  
 Dan Gillotti  
 Debbie Brady

**Lectors**

**Sat, Aug 3**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Jean Ackerman

**Sun, Aug 4**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Adam Smail

**Sun, Aug 4**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Gene Welsh

**Sat, Aug 10**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Phil Gigliotti

**Sun, Aug 11**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Larry Durica

**Sun, Aug 11**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Tom Parkey

**The Transfiguration of our Lord**



**Tuesday, August 6**

**Altar Servers**

**Sat, Aug 3**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Bill Brock \*\*

**Sun, Aug 4**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Cara Smail

**Sun, Aug 4**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
 Mikey Griffith  
 Dave Griffith

**Sat, Aug 10**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
 Dan Huczko

**Sun, Aug 11**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
 Cara Smail

**Sun, Aug 11**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
**Server Needed**

**Around the Town**

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

The next meeting will be **August 9, 2019 from 6 - 8 p.m.** LCCC – CARE Center (BU 113D), 1005 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria. For information call Kathy at 440-823-6177. Visit: [www.lorainadas.org](http://www.lorainadas.org).

**ST ANTHONY PADUAN TRAVELERS UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Cascade Park Metropolitan Tour August 14, 9:45 AM**, the Metro Parks Bus will pick up Passengers from St. Anthony's south parking lot at 10:00 A.M. We will return to St. Anthony's parking lot about 2 PM. Interested? Call or text Barbara Evans 440-320-1242.

**MGM Hard Rock Casino...September 18, 10 AM** from St. Anthony's south parking lot. We will leave the casino at 4:30 and arrive home about 5:30. Cost is \$23.00. Interested? Call Virginia Glass at 440-724-9595.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – SUMMER SIZZER!**

The K of C, Father Ragan Council, is having the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Summer Sizzler (1783 Moore Road, Avon) on **Saturday August 17, 6 to 10 PM**. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be for Tuition Assistance Funds at Holy Trinity, St. Joseph's and St. Mary's Parish Schools. Cost is \$50 per person or \$350 for a table of eight and includes prime rib dinner with dessert and beverage; open bar with beer, wine and soft drinks; one big board ticket with a chance to win \$2,000; and cash prizes will be awarded every 25th pull. For reservations call John at 440-725-7369.

**THE BENEDICTINE COMMUNITY INVITES YOU...**

..to our upcoming Mass and breakfast on **Sunday, August 11th at 10:00AM** as we welcome our new principal, Mr. Ryan Ryzner '95, and kick off our 93rd year of educating and developing young men. To RSVP, please contact Debbie First at [first@cbhs.edu](mailto:first@cbhs.edu) or 216-421-2080 ext. 156.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Saturday, September 7, 2019** for the St. Anthony of Padua Parish School Four Person Golf Scramble! Benefits the Students of St. Anthony School. Takes place at Fox Creek Golf & Racquet Club. \$75 per golfer (with early registration). Includes breakfast, snack, lunch, 18 holes, cart, games & fun. Watch for more information at [stanthonylorain.com/pac](http://stanthonylorain.com/pac).

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER AT CORNERSTONE**

Hey Friends of Cornerstone! Join us **August 7 at 8:30 a.m.** at our Center for Intercessory Prayer at 364 Griswold Rd., Elyria. "The LORD is near to all who call on Him, to all who call on Him in truth." Psalm 145:18

**LORAIN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE – SAVE THE DATES!**

Help us at our booth or come visit us!  
 North Ridgeville Corn Festival: Fri, Aug 9 – Sun, Aug 11.  
 Lorain County Fair, Wellington: Mon, Aug 19 – Sun, Aug 25.  
 Elyria Apple Festival, Elyria: Fri, Sept 20 – Sun, Sept 22.  
 To help call 440-322-0076.

**PRO-LIFE DOCTORS LIST**

A list of local Pro-life doctors, who do not practice abortion nor support its use, is available. Call 440-322-0076 or visit [www.loraincountyrighttolife.org](http://www.loraincountyrighttolife.org) under Resources and Issues tab.