

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054



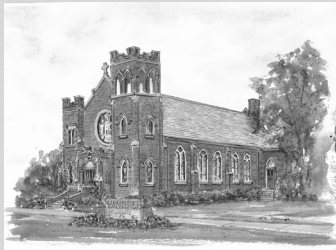
Jesus said to them,
“I tell you,
the tax collector
went home justified,
not the Pharisee;
for whoever
exalt themselves
will be humbled,
and those who
humble themselves
will be exalted.”

LUKE 18:14



THIRTIETH
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 27, 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.

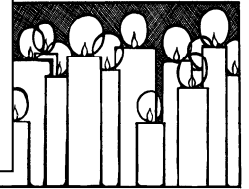
MATRIMONY: At least one member must be a parishioner and be active for at least six months prior to calling. Couples need to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. No date may be reserved until discussed with the priest of the parish.

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.

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 27, 2019**

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest until it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds.-- Sirach 35:17-18a



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 26

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

Sunday, October 27

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

11:00 a.m. +Liz Rochester & +Bob Wightman by Ron & Sue

Monday, October 28

Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

NO MASS

Tuesday, October 29

NO MASS

Wednesday, October 30

8:30 a.m. +Stephen Kordich by Rose

Thursday, October 31

5:00 p.m. +Herb Tomshe by the Hesmond family

Friday, November 1

ALL SAINTS

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

Saturday, November 2

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

4:30 p.m. All Souls

Sunday, November 3

8:30 a.m. +Pat Chozinski by the Altar & Rosary Society

11:00 a.m. +Teresita Valdez and +Maria Valdez by Valdez-Pham family



Weekly Offering

Weekly Goal

\$4,000.00

October 20

\$3,005.25

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

ALL SAINTS DAY – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass times for this celebration are:

Thursday, October 31 at 5:00 p.m. and Friday, November 1 at 8:30 a.m.

Let us Pray: Dear God, thank you for the example of the Saints. I desire to join in their company, worshiping You forever in Heaven. Please help me follow their footsteps, and Yours, Jesus Christ. Please help me to conform myself to Your image, seeking Your will in all things, as the Saints did. Please help me to devote myself, and all that I do, to Your glory, and to the service of my neighbors. Amen.

MASSES

Sunday Vigil - Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday - 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Wed & Fri - 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

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Website..... www.stteresaparish.com

“THE PRAYER OF THE LOWLY PIERCES THE CLOUDS”

When Jesus was teaching or preaching, he would regularly upset assumptions about how the world works, especially the world of religious observances. Moreover, just when we think we’ve figured this out, we get caught off guard yet again—disorientation layered over surprise.

The Pharisees of Jesus’s day emphasized the observance of Mosaic Law in everyday life, providing a path of righteousness for people unable to attend temple sacrifices. However, some of them also took pride in their own observances, looking down on others and becoming self-righteous. Jesus addressed this parable them, to “those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else,” like tax collectors. But didn’t they have a point? Tax collectors were among society’s outcasts; didn’t this one just admit his own sinfulness? How could a tax collector be “justified” (that is, made right) before God, while the Pharisee was not? Why would God even listen to the prayer of a tax collector? This surely was a surprise, upsetting common assumptions about righteousness.

There is another layer of assumptions that gets exposed here: tax collectors could hardly be considered “lowly.” Widows, orphans, those who suffer—these are truly lowly ones for whom the Law commands kindness, and obviously God hears their prayers. But tax collectors? They collected revenue for the pagan Romans; they were outcasts, objects of scorn. How could they be considered among the “lowly”? For that matter—what is a tax collector doing in the temple anyway?

Here the parable might be more than surprising; it might even be disorienting. What if the people we cannot imagine being justified before God, embraced by God’s mercy, are the ones whom God sees as lowly? What if the parable challenges us to question whether we ourselves unconsciously categorize people as either “worthy” or “unworthy,” either “like us” or “one of them”? What if we took seriously the idea that God’s love is for “them” just as much as it is for “us”?

Today’s Readings: Sir 35:12–14, 16–18; Ps 34:2–3, 17–18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6–8, 16–18; Lk 18:9–14

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Tuesday:	Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday:	Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-6; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday:	Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35
Friday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Saturday:	Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40
Sunday:	Wis 11:22 -- 12:2; Ps 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2 Thes 1:11 -- 2:2; Lk 19:1-10

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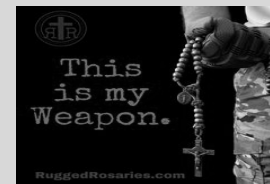
....all the dedicated Priests in the Church, especially our Pastor Fr. Edward Smith, and to Fr. Thomas Sanders and Fr. Ken Katricak for all they do for our Parish. May God pour out on them His Holy Spirit of courage, fortitude and true charity for the Holy Church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PSR	Tues, Oct 29	6 – 7:15 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Oct 30	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Church
“Orthodoxy” Class	Wed, Oct 30	7:00 p.m.	Matthew/Mark Rms
Vigil Mass – All Saints	Thurs, Oct 31	5:00 p.m.	Church
All Saints Day Mass	Fri, Nov 1	8:30 a.m.	Church

PARISHIONERS:

Luz Villanueva, Eleanor Rieth
Loretta Forthofer, Dorothy Tomshe
Gladys Mackert, Eva-Maria Peters
Charlotte Joherle, Amy White
Kathleen Brezinski, Anna Joseph
Patricia Welsh, Maebelle Fill
Marty Lima, Marianne Rieth
Ruth Bistak, Arlene Flynn
Neva Young, Patricia Farrell
Nancy Koppenhafer



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
Dustin Moorman
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!

“In the beginning it is difficult; but I know that such freedom, self-denial, and detachment from ourselves can, with God’s help, be attained.”
St. Teresa of Avila



CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING



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 OUR WEBSITE!
 Keep up to date with current happenings in your parish! Visit www.stteresaparish.com.
 Scroll to the bottom of the homepage for current events and other information.

PUMPKIN ROLLS FOR SALE
 St. Vincent de Paul Church
 Order by Nov 17 by calling 440-365-3788. \$10 each.
 Pick up will be Sat, Nov 23 after the 4 p.m. Mass and Sun, Nov 24 after Sunday Masses: 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and Noon.

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 churches that a parishioner has been admitted.

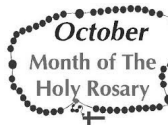
PARISH CLUSTER CORNER
St. Thomas the Apostle
www.saintthomaschurch.net
St. Anthony
www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/

All Saints Day Mass from ETWN November 1 at 8:00 a.m. Celebrate with the Franciscan Missionaries of the Eternal Word from Our Lady of the Angels Chapel in Irondale, Alabama. **AND at Noon** from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

AM 1260 The Rock – Listen on your way to work! Tune in Monday thru Friday; between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. programs include “Christ is the Answer” with Fr. John Riccardo, “Reason for Our Hope” with Fr. Larry Richards and “Good Things Radio” with Brooke Taylor.



From September 25 – November 3, 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. Visit www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland.



Let Us Pray For our Priests on this Priesthood Sunday.
 Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED
Jean Ackerman, who passed away last week.
Eternal rest grant unto Her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.
O Lord, your sorrowing Mother stood by your cross; help us in our sorrows to share your sufferings.

DISCOVERY DAYS – DAYS OF DISCERNMENT
 Introduce your 7th & 8th graders to vocational discernment with a visit to Borromeo and St. Mary Seminaries at the Center for Pastoral Leadership! During Discovery Days your students will tour the Center for Pastoral Leadership, attend Mass with the seminary community and meet and hear the testimonies of seminarians and religious women and men from the diocese. Lunch is provided for a minimal cost. **November 15, 2019.**
 Contact Fr. Michael McCandless at mmccandless@dioceseofcleveland.org.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION - OCTOBER
 “That the breath of the Holy Spirit engenders a new missionary “spring” in the Church.”



Time, Talent & Treasure

HOW TO HELP OUR PARISH FAMILY

PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK for EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION - TRAINING

Only those who have completed the usual formation for extraordinary ministry are invited to attend this session. Attendees will receive further formation on the unique context of extraordinary ministry with those in **hospitals, nursing homes, and the homebound**. Please note, prior commissioning as an extraordinary minister is **REQUIRED**.

If you would like to attend, please call the church office to register by **November 6**.

Takes place: Monday, November 18, 2019 at Holy Spirit Parish, 410 Lear Rd, Avon Lake, OH from 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.

There is no charge to you for this training!

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NEWS

If you are still making a mat....

....please leave it in the breezeway when completed and it will be delivered to Valor Home. If you want to make a mat, there are still plenty of plarn balls in the breezeway. When finished you can leave in the breezeway.

WE ARE NO LONGER COLLECTING PLASTIC BAGS FOR THIS PROJECT.

We thank everyone for their generosity in bringing bags over the last few months.



HELP FOR LORAIN COUNTY VETERANS

The **Valor Home** of Lorain County is a transitional housing program for homeless male veterans. We help our residents through structured and engaging therapies such as art, music and life skills therapy on-site four days a week. Our support workers offer advocacy and encouragement to our residents.

Valor Home Lorain is a drug-free, alcohol-free, and smoke-free facility. Valor Home provides support services to residents both on-site and in the community. Each resident is assigned a support worker. Daily routine includes self-improvement activities, exercises in self-sufficiency and personal time.

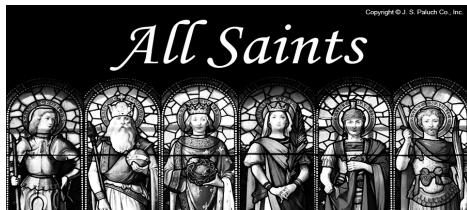
St. Teresa parishioners are invited to make donations of items to help our veterans.

Bring your items to the church from October 20 – November 10, 2019.

Water, Bath Towels, Razors, Socks, Underwear/Sneakers/Jeans (men's any size), Body Wash, First Aid Kits, Dishes & Silverware, Gift Cards, Pillows, Wash Cloths, Pill Minders, Toilet Paper, Envelopes/Stamps, Paper Plates

See our website for a complete list of items needed.

Friday, November 1

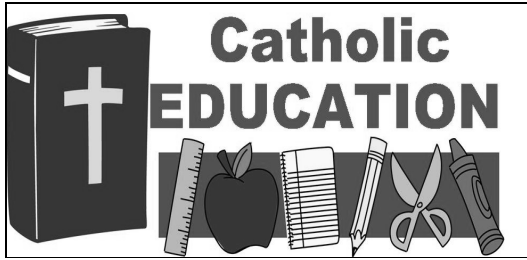


Saturday, November 2



ST. TERESA'S HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

We visit Parishioners who are in nursing homes or who are homebound because of age, illness or recovering from surgery. If you know a Parishioner who would like a visit please call the church office at 440-934-4227.



Classes are on Tuesdays from 6 – 7:15 p.m.
 For students in grades 1st – 8th.
 Call with questions to the Parish Office
 at 440-934-4227

ST. TERESA'S BIBLE STUDY
 Our meetings for November will be
 Thursdays, the 7th & 21st at 7 p.m.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

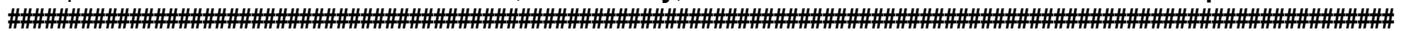
Classes will be held on Sundays at St. Teresa of Avila Church/Parish Life Center from 8:30 a.m. (with Mass) to 11:45 a.m. The first class is December 8th. **PARENTS:** there is a mandatory Parent/Guardian meeting at St. Anthony's after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 1, 2019.

Adult Education – Last Class

Orthodoxy & Heresy: Why It Matters What We Believe – Part 1

In this class Father Edward Smith will delve into some of the most important teachings of the Church, while addressing those who have challenged those teachings throughout history. We will discuss why it is important to understand what we believe as Catholics, and how easy it can be to embrace false beliefs or heresies, if we don't know the truths of our faith.

Takes place at **St. Teresa Parish Life Center, Wednesday, October 30 from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM: Adoptionism**



THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS



Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass will be **Sunday, November 10, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.**
 The Rosary will be said at 8:00 a.m. prior to Mass.

Turkey Raffle Meeting All volunteers are asked to come to the meeting on **Monday, November 4, 2019**
 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Life Center.

All Ladies are welcome to all events & meetings! You do not have to be a member.

TURKEY RAFFLE! Sponsored by the Altar & Rosary

Friday, November 8, 2019

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. First Drawing at 7:00 p.m.

No Admission Fee 50/50 Raffles

Meats being raffled include: Turkeys, Whole Hams, Bacon, Prime Rib and Pork Loin

Beverages Provided Bring your own snacks!

Seasonal Door Prizes are Needed (\$5): Bagged Apples, Fall Decorations, Candles, Wine, etc. Door prizes can be dropped off in the breezeway by the church office in the marked tub.



TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS

ch8 at 6:00 a.m. WUAB ch43 at 8 a.m. WMFD ch68 at 9:30 a.m.

Online video Mass from *Heart of the Nation, Catholic Mass*, with Fr. Mark Payne at www.HeartoftheNation.org

November 1 All Saints Day Mass - Online for the Homebound

Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to experience the spiritual comfort of this joy-filled Catholic Mass. Online video will be available at www.HeartoftheNation.org all day. (For those who can attend at church, the online liturgy will not fulfill the Holy Day Mass obligation.)

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, Oct 26 4:30 p.m. Frances Geiger Debbie Korce Joan Gigliotti John Katricak **	Sun, Oct 27 8:30 a.m. Bill Bistak ** Carol Yonkof Marty Yonkof Greg Smail	Sun, Oct 27 11:00 a.m. Susan Novak Norman Novak Don Kirchner Trish MacDonald
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Thurs, Oct 31 5:00 p.m. Sue DiVaccaro ** Marty Yonkof Carol Yonkof Theresa Gillotti	Fri, Nov 1 8:30 a.m. Bill Bistak ** Barb Eifel Carol Kirchner
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Sat, Nov 2 4:30 p.m. Ann Glime Tom Pienoski ** Daniel Bryda EM Needed	Sun, Nov 3 8:30 a.m. Aaron Davis Christi Smail Barb Eifel ** Kathy Cunningham	Sun, Nov 3 11:00 a.m. Theresa Gillotti Dan Gillotti Marci Matsamas Fred Courtright
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Lectors

Sat, Oct 26 4:30 p.m. Phil Gigliotti	Sun, Oct 27 8:30 a.m. Aaron Davis	Sun, Oct 27 11:00 a.m. Fred Courtright
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Thurs, Oct 31 5:00 p.m. Fred Courtright	Fri, Nov 1 8:30 a.m. Lou Varos
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Sat, Nov 2 4:30 p.m. Ruth Bistak	Sun, Nov 3 8:30 a.m. Adam Smail	Sun, Nov 3 11:00 a.m. Lou Varos
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Altar Servers

Sat, Oct 26 4:30 p.m. Dan Huczko	Sun, Oct 27 8:30 a.m. Cara Smail	Sun, Oct 27 11:00 a.m. Mikey Griffith Dave Griffith
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Thurs, Oct 31
5:00 p.m.
Bill Brock

Sat, Nov 2 4:30 p.m. Dan Huczko	Sun, Nov 3 8:30 a.m. Server Needed	Sun, Nov 3 11:00 a.m. Mikey Griffith Dave Griffith
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Around the Town

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

The next meeting will be **November 8, 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.

RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS IN THEIR 20's & 30's

Are you interested in taking time away with God? This Silent Retreat, designed to help young adults personalize/deepen their relationship with God, may be for you! Held at Bethany Retreat Center, Chardon, OH. Goes from Fri, Nov 15 at 7 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sun, Nov 17th. Mass included. Cost is \$50 and includes private accommodations, meals and supplies. Scholarships are available. For information or to register, contact Sr. Kelley Rush, SND at krush@ndec.org or 440-241-3124.

COME TO THE MOVIE -

In 1931 Jesus appeared in Poland to Faustina Kowalska. Jesus asked Faustina to paint His image along with the phrase, "Jesus, I trust in You" and to spread the message of mercy around the world. The new docudrama "**Faustina: Love and Mercy**" will have one exclusive showing on Monday, October 28th and December 2nd at 7:00pm at: Cinemark Strongsville at Southpark Mall and Cinemark at Valley View. Also, view at Regal Crocker Park Cinema on Monday, December 2nd at 7 p.m. Purchase tickets online at Regal or Atom to ensure seating.

AN INTER-PARISH MEN'S GROUP

Join us **November 1st for a First Friday luncheon at St. Clarence Church**, 30106 Lorain Road, North Olmsted. Registration begins at 11:15 AM, followed by the luncheon, then an inspirational talk, and concludes with Mass. Cost is \$10. Please call George Perz at (440) 937-6606 by *Tuesday, October 29th to make a reservation.*

GENTLE WOMAN FELLOWSHIP – FIRST FRIDAY

Join us on Friday, November 1 at St. Clarence Parish Center, 30106 Lorain Rd., N. Olmsted, 44070. Begins at 9:30 a.m. with the Holy Rosary and includes Mass followed by Coffee/Tea and a snack followed by a talk by Fr. Richard Gonser on his travels "From Paris to Normandy, a Pilgrim's Journey". Come and bring a friend. No reservations or cost.

THE ROSARY OF THE UNBORN

ALL faiths and all nations are invited to pray the Rosary of the Unborn with us at St. Anthony of Padua Church, in the Eucharistic Chapel on **Saturday, November 2**. Rosaries are prayed every half hour, from 10:00 am - 3:30 pm. (The rosary at 3:30, prayed in St. Anthony Church just before 4:00 pm mass.) For more information, please contact Dr. Hilaire Tavenner, (440) 288-0416. Thank you!

"DID YOU HEAR WHAT GOD JUST SAID?"

Morning Reflection on **Saturday, November 2, 2019 at 9 a.m. at St. Mary of the Woods Chapel**, 35755 Detroit Rd., Avon. Guest speaker is Radio's Trapper Jack who talks of his conversion. Sponsored by Holy Trinity Parish. Event is FREE but space holds only 75 people. To reserve your seat go to <https://trapper-jack-speaks-tickets.eventbrite.com>.