

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020



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A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them.

— Matthew 25:1



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.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 15, 2020

Blessed are you who fear the LORD. — Psalm 128:1a

Saturday, November 14

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

Sunday, November 15 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m. +Donald Buganski by David & MaryAnne Kastl

11:00 a.m. +Gladys Mackert by Denny & Marianne Rieth

Monday, November 16 St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin NO MASS

Tuesday, November 17 St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious NO MASS

Wednesday, Nov. 18 Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul 8:30 a.m. +Joseph Tomshe by Dorothy Tomshe

Thursday, November 19 NO MASS

Friday, November 20

8:30 a.m. +Robert Tavenner by sister

Saturday, Nov. 21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30 p.m. +Ruth Smith by Paul & Lou Ann Yonkof

Sunday, Nov. 22 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

8:30 a.m. +Louise Pliszka-Nichols by Sylvia & Sharon Lesner

11:00 a.m. +Dorothy Tomshe by Ron & Sandy Brezinski



Weekly Offering

Weekly Goal	\$4,000.00
October 25	\$2,758.00
Children	\$5.00
November 1	\$3,126.54
Children	\$6.00
November 8	\$2,994.00

Please keep St. Teresa Parish in mind when making out your will. We thank our parishioners for their continued, generous support of the Parish!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

This collection will take place next weekend, November 21 & 22 and supports 40 million people in the United States who live in poverty.

Learn more at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Masses

Sunday Vigil - Saturday 4:30 PM and 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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TEMPTATION: THE ORDINARY WAYS THE DEVIL ATTACKS US – PART I

Temptation is the devil's ordinary mode of action (see 1 John 3:8– 10). Satan is the tempter (1 Thess. 3:5), and just as he incited the Fall, he still directly influences us to reject grace and commit sin. Temptation is common to all. *Of course, not all temptations arise from diabolical influence.* From *original sin* arises the weakness of our faculties. We can develop sinful habits without the devil's influence. The flesh and the world provide an abundance of temptations. Exorcists teach that evil spirits cannot read our thoughts, but by observing our behavior, they can read our weaknesses.

The devil tempts us to sin by several means: deception, accusation, doubt, seduction, and provocation. These are ways of disquieting us and of arranging circumstances that will likely stir us to commit deadly sins of pride, greed, anger, envy, lust, gluttony, and sloth.

The goal of temptation is to entice us to commit sin. If we sin, *the responsibility is ours*, not the devil's, because grace is always sufficient to avoid sin. By resisting and rebuking the following tactics of temptation, we will avoid sin.

Accusation

The devil is the accuser of Christians (see Rev. 12:10). He bullies us, saying: "You're a loser, no good, and will amount to nothing. Look what you have done — you ruined your marriage (or your family or career). You're a failure." In marriages where one of the spouses had an extramarital affair, the devil may accuse the faithful spouse — "You drove your spouse to have the affair." Or, if a child turns to crime, the temptation may be "You failed as a parent." This is why St. Ignatius of Loyola instructs us to bring temptations to the light of prayer, Confession, or spiritual direction.

Provocation

In the book of Job, we have an example of how, through adversity, the devil tempted Job to give up — to despair completely. In this case, *Job's wife* is the mouthpiece of the evil one: "Curse God and die" (2:9). In the family, we can provoke one another subtly or blatantly. A child can undermine parental trust by trying to provoke his siblings to go against parental rules. One family member may entice another to use an illicit drug, or to view pornography, or to steal or lie. Television is often used to provoke rebellion against family and God.

Deception

'A murderer from the beginning, . . . a liar and the father of lies,' Satan is 'the deceiver of the whole world.' Through him sin and death entered the world and by his definitive defeat all creation will be 'freed from the corruption of sin and death (CCC 2852).' Demons deceive people with false promises: "You will be like God" (see Gen. 3:5). A diabolical tactic is the distortion of reality: good is made to look bad, and bad is made to look good. True and false are inverted. In Scripture, St. Peter differentiates not so much between good and evil, as between truth and falsehood. Peter emphasizes that Christ's disciples need to be "established" in truth (see 2 Pet. 1:12) to be protected from the devil, father of all lies.

Doubt

Temptations to unbelief can include subtle-to-intense doubts about oneself, God, the Church, and so forth. Faith, as we learn in Scripture, moves God's Heart and provides a hedge of protection. Unbelief is a dangerous spiritual state that should be taken to prayer for healing. Sometimes, the root of unbelief is a demonic lie. "Take care, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God" (Heb. 3:12).

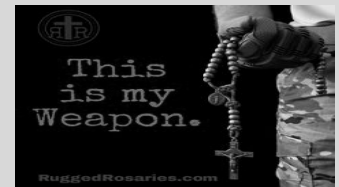
Division

"Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand" (Matt. 12:25). Demons persistently try to divide spouses, children, extended families, colleagues, and the Church. Seeds of discord are sown across our lives. Discern the *source* of the division. In the family, reward unity, not division. Beware of preferring relationships with people who move you *away* from your family or away from God and the Church. I remain close to family members who are opposite thinkers on politics, business, and religion. They understand that I love Christ and the Church. We are connected through desire for one another's good, by family ties, and in times of joys and sorrows that knit us together. Love unifies. Demons initiate or exacerbate divisions in families. Clear the air. Demons are spirits of the air: they hear what we speak. Custody of the tongue pays big dividends in families. Purity of heart protects us from rash, harsh judgments.

Rev. Edward J. Smith, Pastor

TOGETHER 
LET US PRAY ...

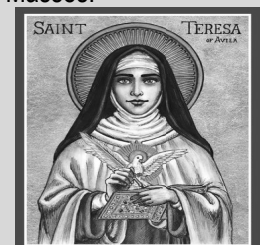
Luz Villanueva, Eleanor Rieth
Loretta Forthofer, Elvira Quester
Eva-Maria Peters, Marianne Rieth
Amy White, Jarmila Kos
Kathleen Brezinski, Anna Joseph
Patricia Welsh, Maebelle Fill
Marty Lima, William Wisnieski
Phillip Bruder, Vickie Aring

**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, Michael Garba, Darrin Kirchner
SSgt. Leo Ostrolencki, Ken D. 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!**

"Behold it is a beautiful exchange to give our love for His. Consider that He can do all things, and we can't do anything here below but what He enables us to do."
St. Teresa of Avila



**Remember
CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING**



PRO-LIFE MEDITATIONS OF THE ROSARY

The Second Glorious Mystery – The Ascension By ascending to the Father's throne, Christ takes our human nature, given to us in the womb, to the heights of heaven. He shows us that human beings are made to be raised to heaven, not thrown in the garbage. Let us pray that the world may learn this truth and reject abortion..

For pro-life novenas visit Priests for Life at PrayerCampaign.org



Jesus wants to know, "Are you afraid of anything? Have you any tormenting, unreasonable fears? Trust yourself to me. I am here. I will not leave you."

St. Alphonsus Liguori

**Adoration takes place on
Wednesdays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

VISIT OUR WEBSITE!

Keep up to date with current happenings in your parish!

Visit www.stteresaparissh.com.
Scroll to the bottom of the homepage for current events and other information.

Responsorial Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

R. (cf. 1a) **Blessed are those who fear the Lord.**

Blessed are you who fear the LORD,
who walk in his ways!

For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;
blessed shall you be, and favored. **R.**

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine
in the recesses of your home;
Your children like olive plants
around your table. **R.**

Behold, thus is the man blessed
who fears the LORD.

The LORD bless you from Zion:
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life. **R.**



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28,
- Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44
- Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40
- Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINE

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, there is an early deadline for the bulletin for November 29. Therefore, any items you wish to have in the bulletin must be to the office by this Tuesday, November 17.
Thank You!

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION - NOVEMBER

Artificial Intelligence

"We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind."

LET US PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Luz Villanueva, Eleanor Rieth, Loretta Forthofer, Elvira Quester, Eva-Maria Peters, Marianne Rieth Amy White, Jarmila Kos, Kathleen Brezinski, Anna Joseph, Patricia Welsh, Maebelle Fill, Marty Lima, William Wisnieski, Phillip Bruder

LET US PRAY FOR THOSE 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, Michael Garba, Darrin Kirchner, SSgt. Leo Ostrolencki, Ken, Dustin Moorman
To add names call 934-4227.

Parish News

Please continue to read the *Bulletin* on our website at www.stteresaparish.com and "Announcements" at the top of the home page.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. *The office will remain closed to the public.*



BIBLE STUDY has resumed! Please join us!
Thursdays in November: 5th & 19th at 7 p.m. in Avila Hall.
 We will use the main hall in order to maintain social distancing.
All are welcome!

PSR (Parish School of Religion)

Classes continue on Tuesdays from 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.
 Registration information and forms can be found on our website at www.stteresaparish.com. If you have questions, please call the church office at 440-934-4227. PSR is for students in 1st – 8th grades.



Reconciliation for the PSR students will be on Tuesday, December 1.
 This will be the First Reconciliation for our 2nd Graders!
Let us pray for our students as they prepare for this Sacrament.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PSR	Tues, Nov 17	6:00 – 7:15 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Mass	Wed, Nov 18	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Nov 18	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Church
Bible Study	Thurs, Nov 19	7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
Mass	Fri, Nov 20	8:30 a.m.	Church

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NEWS

Mother Cabrini Food Pantry

The next food pantry collection will be December 5 & 6, 2020.

Suggested food donations: boxed stuffing, spaghetti, taco kits, boxed mashed potatoes, pancake syrup, peanut butter/jelly, Ramen noodle soup, canned soup, canned vegetables, canned fruit, tuna fish, coffee, hominy beans, Hispanic foods, bottled water, and cooking oil.



GIFTS FOR BABY JESUS

The Social Concerns Committee will be collecting Gifts for Baby Jesus during Advent, from **November 28th through December 19th.**

Birthright of Lorain County has the greatest need for:

Diapers (size newborn through 6), Gerber formulas, baby bath items (no powder), Receiving blankets, Crib sheets, Cotton and fleece sleepers size 0-6 months, T-shirts/Onsies 0-9 months, Outfits all size, Underwear and socks for toddlers and older children, New or gently-used clothing, cash and gift cards

We thank everyone for their generosity and prayers!



THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass will be **Sunday, December 13, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.** The Rosary will be said at 8:00 a.m. prior to Mass.

The Altar and Rosary Society has a limited number of **prayer shawls** available. If you wish to have one or if you would like one for someone you know, please call the rectory at 1 440 934 4227.



Helping Hands for Parishioners

For those parishioners who may need monetary help during this difficult time, the Social Concerns Committee "**Helping Hands Fund**" may be able to provide assistance for groceries, medicine, and utility bills. **Please contact the parish office at 934-4227 Monday through Friday between 9a.m. – 3p.m.** All information is kept confidential.

Mass on TV, Online and Radio

Watch the Mass at: Diocese of Cleveland TV Mass - 4 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. Sunday at www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/communications/mass

OR at: <http://www.catholicstv.org> OR <https://www.ewtn.com/tv>, *ch8 at 5:00 a.m., WUAB ch43 at 8 a.m., WMFD ch68 at 9:30 a.m. and www.HeartoftheNation.org.

Listen to Mass on AM 1260 The Rock at 4 p.m. Saturday and 8:00 a.m. Sunday.

*Channel 8 is now airing the Mass at 5 a.m. instead of 6 a.m. as of October 25, 2020.

Travel with Fr. Edward Smith

Italy wide & Switzerland

April 15-27, 2021

Tour for 13 days through Sorrento, Capri, Amalfi Coast, Pompeii, Rome, Assisi, Tuscany, Florence, Venice, Milan, Lake Como & Switzerland. **Cost: \$4,699.00** and includes airfare, 4 or 5 star hotels, transportation on luxury buses, tips, tour guide fees, and more.

Complete details can be found on our website at www.stteresaparish.com and our facebook page.

Proximo Travel – Pilgrimages for Catholics and people of all faiths.

USE YOUR TALENT

Having only modest talent is no excuse for not using it. Think what the morning would be like if only talented birds sang! —Anonymous

ST. TERESA'S CHURCH - SATURDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Saturday, November 21st

5pm to 7pm



ONLY \$10.00

Cabbage Rolls
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Salad
Roll and Dessert

Drive Thru Only!

(Entrance on Colorado Avenue)

Cash or Check Only

Also Available: 12 Frozen Cabbage Rolls \$12 **PRE-ORDER ONLY BY NOV 16th**

Call 440-934-4227

Pick Up will be Saturday Nov. 21st.
between 5pm and 7pm.

Guidelines for Attending Public Mass

1. **Until further notice, all Catholics in the Diocese of Cleveland remain dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass.** The restart of public Masses means you have the option to attend Mass, but it is not a requirement.

2. **Before coming to Mass please take your temperature.** If your temperature is 100.4 degrees or higher please stay home. If you feel sick, please stay home.

3. **All parishioners should be mindful of social distancing when sitting in pews and in the communion line.** Families may sit together, but must maintain social distancing between their family and others throughout the celebration of Mass.

4. **The precious blood cannot be offered to the faithful until directed by the Diocese.**

5. There will be no offertory procession. **Please drop your offertory envelopes in the baskets placed by the doors of the Church.**

6. **There will be no handshake of peace until further notice.**

If you wear a disposable mask during Mass, please do not leave it in the pew. Take it with you or throw it out in the garbage can in the vestibule. Thank You!



Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, Nov 14 4:30 p.m. Debbie Korce (Wehler**)	Sun, Nov 15 8:30 a.m. Greg Smail	Sun, Nov 15 11:00 a.m. Norman Novak
Sat, Nov 21 4:30 p.m. John Katricak **	Sun, Nov 22 8:30 a.m. Christi Smail	Sun, Nov 22 11:00 a.m. Susan Novak

Lectors

Sat, Nov 14 4:30 p.m. Andrew Augustine	Sun, Nov 15 8:30 a.m. Adam Smail	Sun, Nov 15 11:00 a.m. Tom Parkey
Sat, Nov 21 4:30 p.m. Phil Gigliotti	Sun, Nov 22 8:30 a.m. Bruce DiVaccaro	Sun, Nov 22 11:00 a.m. Fred Courtright

WORLD DAY OF CLOISTERED LIFE

Pro Orantibus Day

Each year there is a special day for Cloistered Communities of women and men who are a tremendous gift to the Catholic Church. First instituted by Pope Pius the XII in 1953 and later expanded by Pope St. John Paul II in 1997. It is celebrated each year on the Memorial of Mary's Presentation in the Temple. Join us this year as we pray this weekend and on Pro Orantibus Day, Saturday, November 21, 2020.

Cleveland's cloistered communities include: Carmel of the Holy Family, OCD; Poor Clare Colettines, PCC; and Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration, PCPA.

Eternal Father,

We praise and thank you for those sisters and brothers who have embraced the gift of the cloistered and monastic life. Their prayerful presence is indispensable to the Church's life and mission, and is the foundation of the New Evangelization.

As we celebrate World Day of Cloistered Life, let us honor the holiness and the glory of the Blessed Virgin. May she, who was presented in the Temple, intercede so that many young people might dedicate themselves entirely to Your divine service by hidden lives of contemplative prayer and selfless sacrifice.

May all of us always be mindful of the spiritual and material needs of those who commit their lives to seeking God by fixing their gaze on those things which are eternal.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Around the Town

"HOW DO WE PRACTICE FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE IN A SECULAR WORLD?" FREE EVENT

On **November 19 at 7:30 PM** in The Ragan Hall of the Knights of Columbus at 1783 Moore Rd. in Avon, **Father Ronald J. Wearsch**, Pastor at St. Joseph's Parish in Avon Lake, will present a lecture answering the question "How do we practice Faith, Hope and Love in a secular world?" which will help us as Christians to stand up for our faith as we live these virtues. **Please RSVP by November 16th** (we prepare for social distancing); face coverings required. FatherRagan@gmail.com or (440) 930-0251.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION MONTHLY SUNDAY GRIEF SUPPORT NOVEMBER 15TH:

Our next free monthly grief support group is **November 15th** from 3 – 4 p.m. with limited seating for social distancing. Our topic is **"Thanks-giving Grief/Preparing for the Holidays"**. We meet the 3rd Sunday of every month at St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon (NEW office). It is required that participants wear protective facial coverings. To RSVP contact **Rhonda** at 216-930-4866.

"A CLOSER WALK WITH THEE" – NEW MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT E-NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to Catholic Cemeteries Association's new monthly grief support **e-newsletter**, "A Closer Walk with Thee" - emailed the first Tuesday of each month. To subscribe visit the Bereavement page on our website <https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavemen> and click the brown signup box on the right side or contact **Rhonda** at 216-930-4866.

"FAMOUS PIEROGI" SALE ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH (1305 E. Erie Avenue, Lorain)

Purchase our **Famous Pierogi** just in time for Thanksgiving. **We will be selling our uncooked, frozen pierogi in either Potato with Cheese or Kraut for \$7 per dozen.** You will have 3 opportunities to get your pierogi. Pierogi can be picked up in our Parish Office on Monday, November 23rd or Tuesday, November 24th from 9 am to 2 pm if you pre-order by calling 440-934-4482. We will also have a drive thru pick-up on Wednesday, November 25th from 9 am to 2 pm. No pre-order required for Wednesday but it will only be available until we run out. If you have any questions, feel free to call us. Don't miss this opportunity!

SECOND HARVEST SCHOOL PANTRY at Brookside High School

Sheffield-Sheffield Lake City Schools offer Mobile Food Pantry Distributions at Brookside High School (1662 Harris Rd., Sheffield Village – enter through southern most driveway):

**3rd Wednesday of each month
from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.**

**The next distribution of food will be
Wednesday, November 18, 2020**

Open to any resident of the State of Ohio who is in need (income eligibility is self-declaration; **no** documentation required at registration). For information visit outreach@sslcs.org.