

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink,
a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me,
ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.

MATTHEW 25:35-36



**OUR LORD
JESUS
CHRIST
KING
OF THE UNIVERSE**

NOVEMBER 22, 2020



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.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 22, 2020

"I myself will look after and tend my sheep." — Ezekiel 34:11

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

Monday, November 23 St. Clement

NO MASS

Tuesday, November 24 St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions

NO MASS

Wednesday, Nov. 25 St. Catherine of Alexandria

8:30 a.m. All Souls

Thursday, November 26 Thanksgiving Day

NO MASS

Friday, November 27

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

Saturday, November 28

4:30 p.m. +Clara Schilens by Bill DeChant, Jim, & family

Sunday, November 29 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:30 a.m. +Jean Ackerman by Bruce & Sue DiVaccaro

11:00 a.m. +Ellen Theresa Price by Dick & Terri Boyson



Weekly Goal	\$4,000.00
November 15	\$2,513.00
Children	\$1.00

*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 this 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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Fax.....(440) 934-4500 **E-mails**debbie@stteresaparish.com and sue@stteresaparish.com
Website..... www.stteresaparish.com

TEMPTATION: THE ORDINARY WAYS THE DEVIL ATTACKS US – PART II***Diversion***

“But take heed to yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life” (Luke 21:34). In some cases, we’ve noted how evil spirits have undermined the good of marriage and family by seduction into worldly pursuits (workaholicism), or addictions (pornography, alcohol, and so on) that interrupt a person’s duty to the family. The evil ones try to thwart God’s call, timing, or plan for families. Knowing that good people won’t be tempted to obvious evil, evil spirits often tempt us to choose a lesser good or immediate gratification. Diabolical diversions may prevent us from fulfilling our mission, to the detriment of loved ones.

Distance

Temptations arise to distance you from God, family, friends, and communities. This includes temptations to the orphan-spirit (which says, “I’m unlovable, rejected, alone”). The difference between the temptations to distance and division is that you may be well disposed toward a person (not divided), but you are nonetheless tempted to isolate yourself, disengage, put on a mask, hide your real state of being, and shun community. By distancing yourself from loving relationships, you may create a void that demons try to fill.

Destruction

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and have it abundantly” (John 10:10). Demonic seduction aims to destroy families, marriages, godly friendships, good works, and holy intentions. In some cases, religious men and women who lived their vocations for a while were demonically attacked to the point of leaving.

Disobedience

“You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience” (Eph. 2:1–2). That demons tempt us to disobedience is an understatement. Disobedience and pride are like two sides of the same coin. Beware when you are tempted to disobey lawful, authentic authority such as God’s commandments and the Church’s moral teaching. Disobedience has led many souls away from the Church into the occult or the demonic.

Duplicity

“Let what you say be simply ‘Yes’ or ‘No’, anything more than this comes from the Evil One” (Matt. 5:37). To be duplicitous is to be double-minded, two-faced, irresolute. We all know politicians who claim to be Catholic while legislating for anti-Catholic causes. In some family cases, the demonic hook originates from the duplicity of one spouse who leads a double life (by having an extramarital relationship, for example). The devil observes Christians who pray piously in church in the morning and then go home or to work, where they act the complete opposite of a Christian.

Discouragement

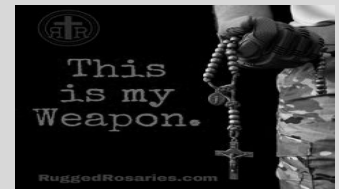
Our word *acedia* comes from a Greek word meaning, essentially, “I don’t care.” Lethargy about God and the spiritual life due to weariness, overwhelm, or disappointment is a common temptation. The Desert Fathers referred to it as the “noonday devil.”

Discouragement dampens faith, hope, love, joy, generosity, and judgment. The Fathers taught that discouragement is the most dangerous of all temptations because it thwarts progress toward the goal of being with God and attaining eternal life. Many deliverance cases begin with deep-seated, paralyzing discouragement. Discouragement has no place in the home. Each loved one benefits from encouragement. The devil delivers enough discouragement to lead people to a place of darkness. Let’s resist discouraging words and actions in the domestic church.

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

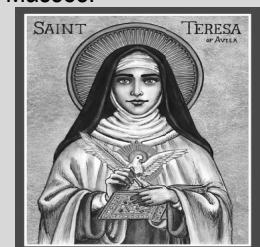


**FAMILY AND FRIENDS
SERVING OUR COUNTRY:**

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



NEWS FROM AM 1260 THE ROCK

New Program from EWTN! Do you believe in miracles? Join us Saturdays at 7 PM for **“The Miracle Hunter”** as host Michael O’Neill delves into the world of miracles and takes listeners on a hunt that explores the greatest mysteries and marvels of the Catholic Church.

Prayer Intentions We at AM 1260 The Rock pray daily for the intentions of our listeners. Please call us at 216-227-1260 or email prayers@am1260therock.com with your prayer requests. The nuns at Christ the Bridegroom are our prayer partners and pray for and with you.

Responsorial Psalm PS 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6

R. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
In verdant pastures he gives me repose. **(R).**

Beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths
for his name’s sake. **(R).**

You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows. **(R).**

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
for years to come. **(R).**



“In the silence of the heart God speaks. If you face God in prayer and silence, God will speak to you. Souls of prayer are souls of great silence.”

*St. Teresa of Calcutta
Adoration takes place on
Wednesdays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.*

**THERE WILL BE
NO ADORATION ON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2020.**

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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
- Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
- Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
- Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28; Thanksgiving Day (suggested): Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
- Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11 — 21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
- Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
- Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

PRO-LIFE MEDITATIONS OF THE ROSARY

The Third Glorious Mystery – The Descent of the Holy Spirit The Holy Spirit is the Advocate: He pleads our cause, for we cannot save ourselves. We pray that He will make us advocates for the babies, who cannot speak or write or vote or protest or even pray.

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

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

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 December: 10th & 17th 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 24	6:00 – 7:15 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Mass	Wed, Nov 25	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Nov 25	9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Church
Mass	Fri, Nov 27	8:30 a.m.	Church
Confessions	Sat, Nov 28	3:30 – 4:00 p.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.



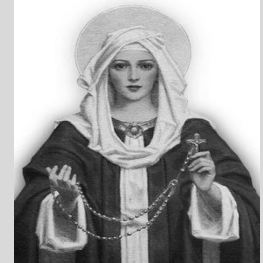
GIFTS FOR BABY JESUS

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

The weekly television Mass produced by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland is moving. Starting on Nov. 22, the Sunday television Mass will be seen at 10 a.m. on WUAB Channel 43, the CW43. This change provides viewers with an opportunity to take part in the weekly celebration of the Mass at a more convenient time, and, is an over-the-air station that is accessible even to those without cable TV. Also watch the Mass at www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/communications/mass OR at: <http://www.catholictv.org> OR <https://www.ewtn.com/tv>, and www.HeartoftheNation.org.

Listen to Mass on AM 1260 The Rock at 4 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

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.

There will be NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION on Wednesday, December 23.

We will be cleaning and decorating the church for Christmas.

We Give Thanks!!!

THANK YOU TO.....

....Darlene and Frank Lanza and all who helped with the Cabbage Roll dinner this weekend.

We had a good turnout and the food was delicious!

*Dear Lord,
On Thanksgiving Day, we bow our hearts to You in prayer. We give You thanks for all You have done, mostly for the gift of Jesus Christ, Your Son; For beauty in nature, in which we see Your Glory, for joy and health, friends, and family; For our daily sustenance, Your mercy and care, these are the blessings You kindly share. So today we offer this response of praise with a promise to follow You all of our days. Amen.”
— Mary Fairchild*

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!**

Thank You Fr. Smith, Fr. Thomas Sanders and Fr. Ken Katricak for all you do for St. Teresa of Avila Parish. You are in our prayers!



Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

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
Sat, Nov 28 4:30 p.m. Ann Glime (Fitz)	Sun, Nov 29 8:30 a.m. Bill Bistak **	Sun, Nov 29 11:00 a.m. Don Kirchner

Lectors

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
Sat, Nov 28 4:30 p.m. Ruth Bistak	Sun, Nov 29 8:30 a.m. Adam Smail	Sun, Nov 29 11:00 a.m. Lou Varos

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

"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.** Drive thru pick-up on Wednesday, November 25th from 9 am to 2 pm. No pre-order required, 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!

DO MORE! BE MORE! LEND A HELPING HAND & JOIN US

Knights of Columbus
Council 3269 Avon-Avon Lake-Sheffield Lake

As Catholic men, we are called to do more. Since 1882 the **Knights of Columbus** have helped men answer that call. Your membership connects you with opportunities to make an impact in your community, gives you access to resources to help grow deeper in faith, stay informed about the issues Catholics care about, and meet others. You will also have exclusive access to insurance and financial planning products to help you protect your family. Members have the opportunity to develop lifelong friendships and attend social gatherings and enjoyable events with brother knights and their families.

For more information about the Knights of Columbus in Ohio or to join online visit: kofc.org/joinus.



"...allow the Gospel of Christ to touch and transform our own hearts and the decisions we make. May we strive to imitate Christ and follow in his footsteps, caring for the most vulnerable among us. Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may our Lord grant us the grace to live courageously and faithfully his Gospel of life." Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann of Kansas City in Kansas, chairman of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities