

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

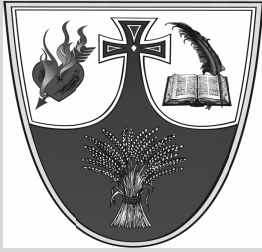
1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

## The Epiphany of the Lord

January 3, 2021



Saint Teresa of Avila Parish Coat of Arms



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.

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All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him. — Psalm 72:11

Saturday, January 2 Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
4:30 p.m. +Bernadette Mack by family
Sunday, January 3 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
8:30 a.m. +Audrey Alten by Bruce & Sue
11:00 a.m. +Deacon Gary Tomazic by John & Ella Smith
Monday, January 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
NO MASS
Tuesday, January 5 St. John Neumann, Bishop
NO MASS
Wednesday, January 6 St. Andre Bessette, Religious
8:30 a.m. All Souls
Thursday, January 7 St. Raymond of Penafort, Priest
NO MASS
Friday, January 8
8:30 a.m. living/deceased of St. Anthony & St. Teresa Parishes
Saturday, January 9
4:30 p.m. +Dorothy Tomshe by Bob & Marilyn Rumph
Sunday, January 10 BAPTISM OF THE LORD
8:30 a.m. living/deceased of the Altar & Rosary Society
11:00 a.m. +Pat Griffith by Mike, Barb & family



Table with 2 columns: Weekly Goal, Amount. Rows: Weekly Goal (\$4,000.00), December 20 (\$3,002.00), Children's (\$5.00)

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



LECTOR NEEDED ON SUNDAYS AT 8:30 A.M.

If you are interested please call the church office at 440-934-4227.



Masses

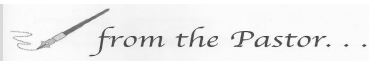
Sunday Vigil - Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday -8:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Wed & Fri - 8:30 AM; Holy Day Vigil, Holy Day and Civic Holidays - Watch Bulletin

Confessions

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 3:30 - 4:00 PM or by appointment.

CONTACT US

Rectory Office.....(440) 934-4227 Office Hours.....Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Fax.....(440) 934-4500 E-mails .....debbie@stteresaparish.com and sue@stteresaparish.com
Website..... www.stteresaparish.com



## Saint Teresa of Avila Parish Coat of Arms

After months of work and design, I proudly present to all of you, the official Coat of Arms of Saint Teresa of Avila Parish. This was truly a labor of love, as I worked to provide us a beautiful symbol of our Patroness and our Parish. We will now begin using the Parish Coat of Arms in various ways and applications.

The following is an explanation of our Coat of Arms:

1. The brown central image that sweeps up from the bottom of the Coat of Arms, and culminates in a cross at the top of the image, is the Seal of Mount Carmel. St. Teresa of Avila was a proud member of the Carmelite Order and sought to serve God through her religious vocation. She led a reform of the Order, so that the members could live a life more in keeping with the principles on which the Order was founded. This reform led to the creation of the "Discalced Carmelites". The word "discalced" means barefoot, denoting a greater emphasis on Gospel poverty that was a hallmark of the mendicant orders of the time (Example: Dominicans, Franciscans, Augustinians, Carmelites).

The Carmelite Order describes the image as follows: "In the center of the seal is Mount Carmel, cradle of the order, its tip reaching to the sky. It refers to Mount Carmel, the Carmelite's place of origin in Haifa, Israel. In the 9th Century BC the prophet Elijah lived and had a profound experience of God there. In that same place in the early 12th Century some hermits, inspired by the memory of Elijah, gathered there, with a desire "to live a life of allegiance to Jesus Christ" (Carmelite Rule). The cross on the summit of the mountain was added in the 16th Century as a distinctive mark of the Discalced Carmelites."

2. In the top left of the Coat of Arms is a pierced heart that is set aflame. This is a traditional image of St. Teresa of Avila. It represents the mystical experiences she had with God and His angels through prayer. The pinnacle of her mystical experiences occurred in 1559. While in prayer, an angel appeared to her and pierced her heart, which sent God's pure and passionate love into her soul, sending her into ecstasy.

3. In the top right of the Coat of Arms is a book and quill. This represents the title "Doctor of the Church", which was bestowed on St. Teresa of Avila in 1970 by Pope Paul VI. She was the first of only four women ever to receive the title (the three others are St. Hildegard of Bingen, St. Catherine of Siena, and St. Therese of Lisieux). This title, reserved for the greatest teachers in the Church's history, was given to her in recognition of her writings on prayer, and the soul's journey to God.

4. At the bottom of the Coat of Arms is what, in heraldry, is called a Garb. The term refers to a Sheaf of Wheat. This represents the location of our Parish. St. Teresa of Avila Parish proudly resides in Sheffield Village, which is a part of the State of Ohio. In both the Great Seal of the State of Ohio, and the Seal of Sheffield Village, you will see a garb prominently displayed. This harkens us back to our agricultural roots, and our connection to this land.

I pray, as Parishioners of this Parish, you take pride in our Coat of Arms. Our Parish, under the patronage of St. Teresa of Avila, is where we come together as a spiritual family to worship God. This image represents who we are as a people. Through the intercession of St. Teresa of Avila, may we all grow more deeply in love with God and, in turn, serve our brothers and sisters in ever greater charity.

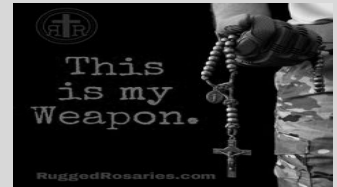
**Rev. Edward J. Smith, Pastor**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

PSR	Tues, Jan 5	6:00 – 7:15 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Mass	Wed, Jan 6	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Jan 6	9:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Church
Bible Study	Thurs, Jan 7	7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
Mass	Fri, Jan 8	8:30 a.m.	Church
Confessions	Sat, Jan 9	3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	Church

### TOGETHER - LET US PRAY ...

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

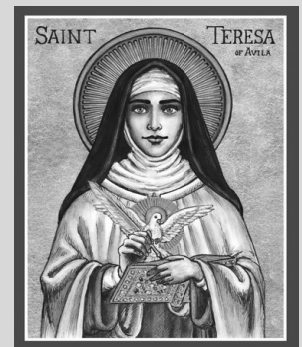


### FAMILY AND FRIENDS SERVING OUR COUNTRY:

Charles Godles, Christopher Barnhart, Jason Bender, Thomas Daley, Major 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!

**"Of all that He blesses you, a humble spirit is the best."**  
St. Teresa of Avila



**Remember  
CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING**



**MASS FOR LIFE - January 22, 2021 @ 10:00 am**

There will be a **Mass for Life at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in Cleveland on January 22 at 10am.** It will be a ticketed (free) event limited to only 140 people to allow for social distancing within the Cathedral. The online signup will be available the beginning of January from the Office of Worship. Groups will be limited to six people from a school or parish.



**Celebrate life!**



*"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.*

**VISIT OUR 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.

<b>READINGS FOR THE WEEK</b>	
Monday:	1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4, 7-8; Mk 6:34-44
Wednesday:	1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-52
Thursday:	1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps 72: 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30
Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13**

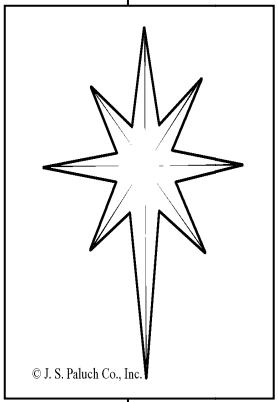
**R.(cf. 11) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.**

O God, with your judgment endow the king,  
and with your justice, the king's son;  
He shall govern your people with justice  
and your afflicted ones with judgment. **(R)**

Justice shall flower in his days,  
and profound peace, till the moon be no more.  
May he rule from sea to sea,  
and from the River to the ends of the earth. **(R)**

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts;  
the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute.  
All kings shall pay him homage,  
all nations shall serve him. **(R)**

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,  
and the afflicted when he has no one to help him.  
He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;  
the lives of the poor he shall save. **(R)**



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**Please Continue To Support  
The Church With Your  
Donations.**

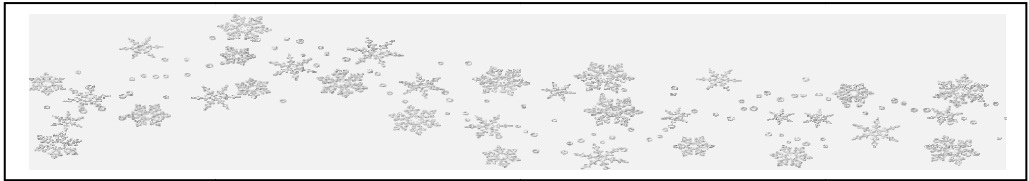
**Mail donations to the office:  
1878 Abbe Road  
Sheffield Village, OH 44054  
Thank You!!**

**CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE  
FOR THE SICK**

Call the church office if a family member is sick or hospitalized. 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 INFO**

**St. Thomas the Apostle**  
[www.saintthomaschurch.net](http://www.saintthomaschurch.net)  
**St. Anthony**  
[www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/](http://www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/)



### Parish News

Please continue to read the *Bulletin* on our website at [www.stteresaparish.com](http://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 January: 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.stteresaparish.com). If you have questions, please call the church office at 440-934-4227. PSR is for students in 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grades.



Classes resume on Tuesday, January 5, 2021.  
**Sacred Heart of Jesus – save us!**

**Pray for our Deceased**  
**Phillip Bruder, who passed away on December 18, 2020**  
Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



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*Come Let Us Adore Him!*

### SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NEWS

#### Mother Cabrini Food Pantry

The next food pantry collection will be January 2 & 3, 2021

**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.



**We only accept donations of unused & unopened non-perishable food items. Please no Non-Food donations.**



### THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

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.

The Altar & Rosary Society would be happy to pray the Rosary at the funeral home for the deceased of our Parish. The Family is invited to call the Parish Office at 440-934-4227 and ask for this gift of the heart!



#### 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.

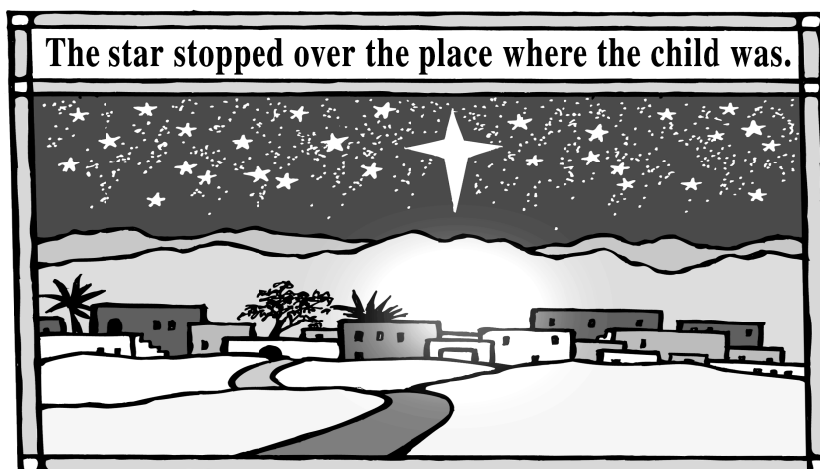
## Mass on TV, Online and Radio

**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](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/offices/communications/mass) OR at: <http://www.catholictv.org> OR <https://www.ewtn.com/tv>, and [www.HeartoftheNation.org](http://www.HeartoftheNation.org).

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

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONER!

Adriane Jungbluth – welcome!



## PROMISE FULFILLED

Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## 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](http://www.stteresaparish.com) and our facebook page.**

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

## 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.**

**Please do not leave disposable masks in the pew. Thank You!**



## Liturgical Ministers Schedule

### Eucharistic Ministers

<b>Sat, Jan 2</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> John Katricak**	<b>Sun, Jan 3</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Greg Smail	<b>Sun, Jan 3</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Don Kirchner
<b>Sat, Jan 9</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Joan Gigliotti (Wehler)	<b>Sun, Jan 10</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Bill Bistak **	<b>Sun, Jan 10</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Trish MacDonald

### Lectors

<b>Sat, Jan 2</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Tom Pienoski	<b>Sun, Jan 3</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Bruce DiVaccaro	<b>Sun, Jan 3</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Fred Courtright
<b>Sat, Jan 9</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Phil Gigliotti	<b>Sun, Jan 10</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Christi Smail	<b>Sun, Jan 10</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lou Varos

### Prayers for after Mass

**Hail Mary**, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.[Said three times]

**Hail, Holy Queen**, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee to we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile, show unto us the blessed Fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

**Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

### Let us pray,

O God, our refuge and our strength, look down with mercy upon the people who cry to Thee; and by the intercession of the glorious and immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of God, of Saint Joseph her spouse, of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and of all the saints, in Thy mercy and goodness hear our prayers for the conversion of sinners, and for the liberty and exaltation of the Holy Mother the Church. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**Saint Michael the Archangel**, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray: and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Have mercy on us.**  
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## Around the Town

### The FEST Internship

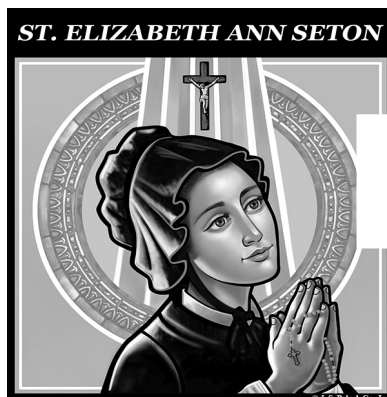
**Calling all college students looking for a paid summer internship!** The FEST ([www.theFEST.us](http://www.theFEST.us)) is looking for summer interns to make this year's event the best FEST yet! We are looking for students with interests in theology, business marketing & communications, event planning, or logistics management to join the team that puts together our annual Diocesan Family Festival. Interns will be a part of a fast-paced team and will play a critical role in the marketing, planning and coordination of annual event for thousands of people. Interns will provide support and have responsibilities including public speaking, marketing, mailings, digital and social media, press releases, logistics, event planning, and more. Interns must have strong people skills, work ethic, critical thinking, organizational skills, and reliable transportation. For more information or to apply, please send your resume to [Caitlin@theFEST.us](mailto:Caitlin@theFEST.us) by January 10<sup>th</sup>.

### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES GRIEF SUPPORT

Catholic Cemeteries Association continues with our free monthly in-office grief support groups on **January 17<sup>th</sup>** with limited seating for social distancing. We offer a comfortable, private, and safe environment where you are free to talk about your grief. The January topic is "Facing the New Year with Hope and Love" but discussions follow whatever is on your heart. We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month from **3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Saint Joseph Cemetery, Avon (NEW office)**. Participants are requested to RSVP so we can plan appropriate social distancing at each location. It is required that participants wear protective facial coverings. To RSVP or for questions, please contact **Rhonda** at 216-930-4866.

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

Don't forget to subscribe to the Catholic Cemeteries Association's monthly grief support e-newsletter, "A Closer Walk with Thee". This e-newsletter is emailed the first Tuesday of each month to any family/individual who has expressed an interest in our bereavement programs. To subscribe to this valued grief support resource, visit the [Bereavement page on our website](#) and click the brown signup box on the right side, contact **Rhonda** at 216-930-4866. You can also click this link and go directly to the signup <https://bit.ly/ccabereavementbulletin>.



**Feast Day  
January 4**