

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

JANUARY 17, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

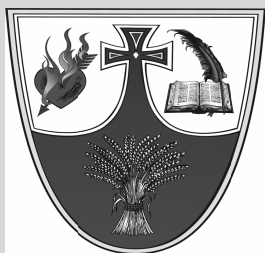


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AS JOHN THE BAPTIST WATCHED  
JESUS WALK BY, HE SAID,

*"Behold, the Lamb of God."*

JOHN 1:36



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.

The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 17, 2021

Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you. — 1 Corinthians 6:19a

Saturday, January 16

4:30 p.m. +Gladys Mackert by Denny & Marianne Rieth

Sunday, January 17

8:30 a.m. +Greg Weiss by Tom & Peg King

11:00 a.m. +Pat Chozinski by Mike & Barb Griffith

Monday, January 18

NO MASS

Tuesday, January 19

NO MASS

Wednesday, January 20 St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr

8:30 a.m. All Souls

Thursday, January 21 St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

NO MASS

Friday, January 22 Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of the Unborn

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

Saturday, January 23 St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

4:30 p.m. +Jean Ackerman by Marcie Downie

Sunday, January 24

8:30 a.m. +Louise Pliszka-Nichols by Denny & Marianne Rieth

11:00 a.m. +Ruth Thompson by Ed & Jo Niemiec



Table with 2 columns: Offering Type and Amount. Includes Weekly Goal, January 10, Christmas, and Children's.

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

COLLECTION: THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

This weekend is the Collection for The Catholic University of America. Located in the heart of the nation's capital, Catholic University offers graduate and undergraduate courses in more than 180 academic programs. By giving to the National Collection, you will help support more than 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education. Thank you for your generosity.

Learn more at: collection.catholic.edu.

Masses

Sunday Vigil - Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday - 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

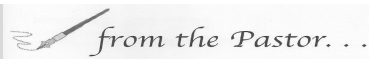
Wed & Fri - 8:30 AM; Holy Day Vigil, Holy Day and Civic Holidays - Watch Bulletin

Confessions

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

CONTACT US

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A minister was completing a sermon on the evils of alcohol. With great emphasis he said, "If I had all the beer in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river."

With even greater emphasis he said, "And if I had all the wine in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river."

And then finally, shaking his fist in the air, he said, "And if I had all the whiskey in the world, I'd take it and pour it into the river."

With his sermon complete, he sat down.

The choir leader stood very cautiously and announced with a smile, "For our closing song, let us sing Hymn #365, We Shall Gather at the River."

This joke, sent to me by a parishioner, suggests tongue-in-cheek that the river is where we should go. Certainly, in our Gospel, the Jordan River had become the place to be for all those who heard John the Baptist's call to repentance and sought baptism. Even Jesus finds himself with John on the river bank. John testifies that Jesus is the Son of God who has come to baptize with the Holy Spirit. He came to wash away our sins by offering his life in exchange for our eternal salvation. In turn, he calls us to be his disciples so that we can proclaim the Gospel in our lives. As you reflect on our discipleship, how are you doing proclaiming Christ by the witness of your life?

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c; Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Ps 85:8, 10-14; Mk 3:13-19
- Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Mk 3:20-21
- Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20



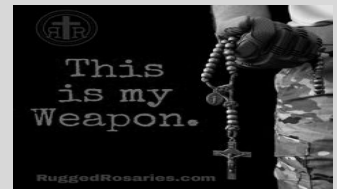
We are having a **Fish Fry Drive Thru** and we will need cake bakers & workers. Call the office to be put on the volunteer list and you will be contacted. Workers will need to keep six feet apart and masks must be worn. *We are low on workers.* Please drop frosted cakes in the breezeway by the church office on Thursday so they can be cut first thing Friday morning. The office number is 440-934-4227. **Thank you for your support!**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

PSR	Tues, Jan 19	6:00 – 7:15 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Mass	Wed, Jan 20	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Jan 20	9:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Church
Bible Study	Thurs, Jan 21	7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
Mass	Fri, Jan 22	8:30 a.m.	Church
Confessions	Sat, Jan 23	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, Debbie Brady



**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!**

**AM 1260 The Rock Mass of the Month for Intentions of Our Listeners and Benefactors**

AM 1260 The Rock is having a monthly Mass said for YOU- our listeners and benefactors. This is a new initiative at The Rock. We will have a monthly Mass said at different churches around Northeast Ohio. All are welcome to attend Mass as we offer prayers for you, our listeners, and donors. The January Mass is at St. Ignatius of Antioch on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM. Our February Mass is at St. Charles Borromeo on Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM. Our March Mass will be at Mary Queen of Peace on Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM. Please join us if you can! Visit [am1260therock.com](http://am1260therock.com) for future Masses as they are scheduled.

**PRO-LIFE MEDITATIONS OF THE ROSARY**

The Second Joyful Mystery – The Visitation John the Baptist leapt for joy in his mother’s womb. We pray that people may realize that abortion is not about children who “might” come into the world, but is about children who are already in the world, living and growing in the womb, and are scheduled to be killed.

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

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10**

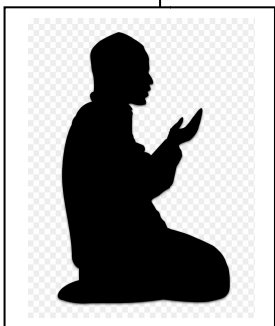
**R. (8a and 9a) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.**

I have waited, waited for the LORD,  
and he stooped toward me and heard my cry.  
And he put a new song into my mouth,  
a hymn to our God. (R)

Sacrifice or offering you wished not,  
but ears open to obedience you gave me.  
Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not;  
then said I, “Behold I come.” (R)

“In the written scroll it is prescribed for me,  
to do your will, O my God, is my delight,  
and your law is within my heart!” (R)

I announced your justice in the vast assembly;  
I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know. (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.*

**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.

**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.  
If you have questions, please call the office at 440-934-4227 or email us at [debbie@stteresaparish.com](mailto:debbie@stteresaparish.com) or [sue@stteresaparish.com](mailto:sue@stteresaparish.com).



*If the Sheffield/Sheffield Lake Schools are closed on a Tuesday due to bad weather, PSR will be cancelled for the night as well.*

**Sacred Heart of Jesus – have mercy on us!**

#### 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.*

#### JOY

The fullness of joy is to behold God in everything.  
—St. Julian

#### SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NEWS

##### Mother Cabrini Food Pantry

The next food pantry collection will be February 6 & 7, 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

##### Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass

**Sunday, February 14, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.**

The Rosary will be said at 8:00 a.m. prior to Mass.  
*Please come and pray!*

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

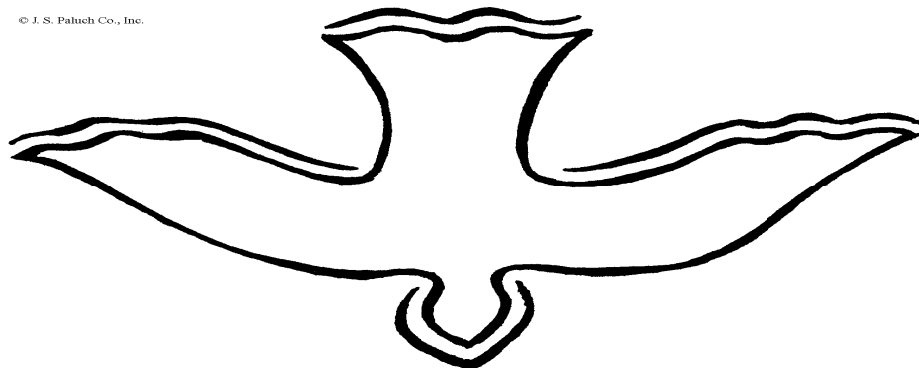
For those parishioners who may need monetary help during this difficult time, the Social Concerns Committee "**Helping Hands Fund**" may be able to provide assistance for groceries, medicine, and utility bills. **Please contact the parish office at 934-4227 Monday through Friday between 9a.m. – 3p.m.**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

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## POPE FRANCIS PROCLAIMS “YEAR OF ST JOSEPH”

Pope Francis announced a special year dedicated to St. Joseph starting from 8 December 2020 until 8 December 2021, on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of St. Joseph as the Patron of the Universal Church, as well as the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady. To read more about this, go to <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-12/pope-francis-proclaims-year-of-st-joseph.html>.



The Apostolic Penitentiary also issued a decree **granting special indulgences** for the duration of the special year to celebrate the anniversary and “to perpetuate the entrustment of the whole Church to the powerful patronage of the Custodian of Jesus.” During this period, the faithful will have the opportunity to commit themselves “with prayer and good works, to obtain, with the help of St. Joseph, head of the heavenly Family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from the serious human and social tribulations that besiege the contemporary world today.”

To learn more about the indulgences go to <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2020-12/apostolic-penitentiary-plenary-indulgence-year-st-joseph.html>.

To reach the above links, visit our website at [www.stteresaparish.com](http://www.stteresaparish.com) and click on “Announcements” in the scrolling bar at the top of the page.

## 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 16</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Ann Glime (Fitzwater)	<b>Sun, Jan 17</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Kathy Cunningham	<b>Sun, Jan 17</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Fred Courtright
<b>Sat, Jan 23</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> John Katricak **	<b>Sun, Jan 24</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Christi Smail	<b>Sun, Jan 24</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lou Varos

## Lectors

<b>Sat, Jan 16</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Andrew Augustine	<b>Sun, Jan 17</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Bruce DiVaccaro	<b>Sun, Jan 17</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Tom Parkey
<b>Sat, Jan 23</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Ruth Bistak	<b>Sun, Jan 24</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Tom Pienoski	<b>Sun, Jan 24</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Fred Courtright

### 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 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

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SEMINAR

**The LCADA Way: Addiction in Lorain County.** President and CEO Dan Haight of The LCADA Way (<https://www.thelcadaway.org/>) will on **Thursday, February 18 at 7:30 PM** in the Knights of Columbus Council #3269, Fr. Ragan Hall at 1783 Moore Rd. in Avon, OH 44011 discuss a variety of addictions, The LCADA Way's support services and their role in the counties of Lorain, Erie, Medina for clients and their families. Since 1981, LCADA (Lorain County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services, Inc.) has been a leading, non-profit corporation that is primarily dedicated to improving the lives of clients suffering from substance addiction and mental health issues, e.g. gambling with compassion, care and understanding. **Please RSVP by February 12<sup>th</sup> with your name(s), the number attending, your phone number and email address to either (440) 930-0251, [fatherragan@gmail.com](mailto:fatherragan@gmail.com) or mail to The LCADA Way Meeting at the above address. Facial coverings and social distancing are required during the seminar. The seminar is free and all are welcome. Snacks and beverages will be provided.**

### THE CATHOLIC CREDIT UNION INC.

(located at St. Joseph Parish in Avon Lake) is looking for volunteers for its Supervisory Committee. It requires approximately one to three hours per month—every second Tuesday of the month at 3:30 in the afternoon. A background in finance or accounting would be appreciated but not necessary! If you are interested, please call Laury at 44-225-1892.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BAKED CHICKEN DINNER TO GO

On **Wednesday, January 27, 4 to 7 PM**, the Knights of Columbus Father Ragan Council will be preparing Baked Chicken Dinners for takeout. The dinner will include a half chicken (baked), baked potato, a vegetable, salad, rolls and dessert. The meals can be picked up at Ragan Hall, 1783 Moore Road (next to B.J.'s). Cost is \$10 per meal, cash or check to Father Ragan Charitable Foundation. There will be a drive through pickup and the meals will be delivered to your car. It is preferred that you reserve meals in advance by January 24, 7 PM, however, impromptu pickups are acceptable. For advanced orders or questions please contact Jim at 440-865-9668 or at [sunbeam.gardens@gmail.com](mailto:sunbeam.gardens@gmail.com) or John at 440-725-7369 or at [john.pabin@gmail.com](mailto:john.pabin@gmail.com).

### 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): **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m.** **The next distribution of food will be Wednesday, January 20, 2021.** 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](mailto:outreach@sslcs.org).

### 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.

**Homeless & pregnant?** Call Good Counsel Homes – 800-723-8331, or visit [www.goodcounselhomes.org](http://www.goodcounselhomes.org).

**Hurting from an abortion?** Visit [www.AbortionForgiveness.com](http://www.AbortionForgiveness.com).