

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

JANUARY 31, 2021

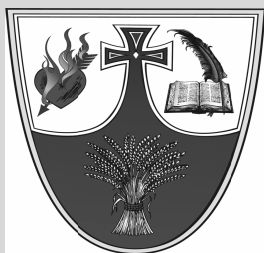
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The people were astonished at Jesus' teaching,
for he taught them as one having authority.

Mark 1:22



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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 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 31, 2021

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
— Psalm 95:6

Saturday, January 30

4:30 p.m. +Pat Chozinski by 4:30 Choir

Sunday, January 31

8:30 a.m. +Dorothy Tomshe by Tom & Peg King

11:00 a.m. +Shelleen Adkins by Dan & Theresa Gillotti

Monday, February 1

NO MASS

Tuesday, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

NO MASS

Wednesday, February 3 St. Blaise, Bishop & Martyr

8:30 a.m. Lou & Jean Varos (60th Wedding Anniversary)

Thursday, February 4

NO MASS

Friday, February 5

St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

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

Saturday, February 6

St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

4:30 p.m. +Jean Ackerman by her children

Sunday, February 7

8:30 a.m. +Phil Bruder by Tom & Peg King

11:00 a.m. living/deceased Mothers of St. Teresa Parish



Weekly Goal

\$4,000.00

January 24

\$2,772.00

Children's

\$21.00

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



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Presentation of the Lord

FEBRUARY 2

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

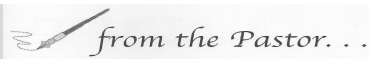
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Have you ever listened to someone give a talk or lecture where the message radiated from the whole person – the language, their personality, their voice, not just the subject? Perhaps that person was speaking of something new, or it could have been a subject that you were already aware of but, for some unknown reason, it suddenly becomes more clearly and thoroughly understood. The readings for this Sunday concern such a person who speaks “with authority.”

The Gospel Reading, from the Gospel of Mark, is a brief but powerful portion of Mark’s gospel that illustrates two aspects of Jesus’ mission. He came to teach and to overcome evil, and He proves that with a powerful miracle. Jesus came to teach “with authority” – the authority of God – something new and refreshing to the soul. His voice and message had a power even over evil spirits, so why would we not want to listen and obey?

It is interesting that in St. John’s Gospel, Mary, the Mother of Jesus, says only five words: “Do whatever he tells you!” (John 2:5) Jesus was God! Whatever He said was an important message and whenever we hear it, even today, we should not harden our hearts and turn away. So, the question to ponder over this week is: If you heard Jesus speak to you personally, what would you do?

Rev. Edward J. Smith, Pastor

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20
 Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
 Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
 Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11; Mk 6:7-13
 Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29
 Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34
 Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39



Jesus taught with authority

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END OF YEAR OFFERTORY STATEMENTS

Statements are sent *by request only*. To request yours, call the office at 440-934-4227 or email either office@stteresaparish.com or church@stteresaparish.com.

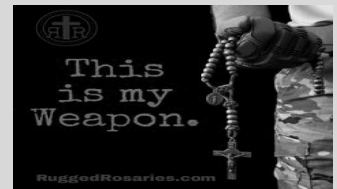
If you would like your statement emailed, please leave your email address.
 Thank you for your generous support of St. Teresa of Avila Parish – our family!

UPCOMING EVENTS

PSR	Tues, Feb 2	6:00 – 7:15 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Mass	Wed, Feb 3	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Feb 3	9:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Church
Bible Study	Thurs, Feb 4	7:00 a.m.	Avila Hall
Mass	Fri, Feb 5	8:30 a.m.	Church
Confessions	Sat, Feb 6	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

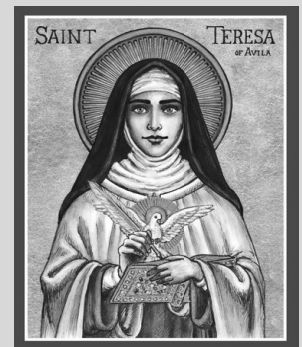


FAMILY AND FRIENDS SERVING OUR COUNTRY:

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**



Local Programming at AM 1260 The Rock

"Where We Worship" Bob Tayek explores the history, stories, and faith of our Catholic parishes and institutions in Northeast Ohio. **Sunday 2/21 at 11:00 am or Saturday 2/27 at 4:30 pm** - the story of Cleveland's **St. Mel Parish**.

"Table Talk" Conversations with Roman and Eastern Rite Bishops. Dick Russ will talk with **Most Rev. Timothy Broglio**, Archbishop of the Military and a Cleveland native. **Thursday 2/18 at 5:00 pm, Friday 2/19 at 8:00 am, or Sunday 2/21 at 1:00 pm** - learn how the Archdiocese addresses the spiritual needs of our service men and women.

"God Calling" **Sundays at 4:30 PM** - Features vocation stories from priests, religious, married, and single Catholics. Paul Orlousky hosts this 30-minute glimpse into how God calls each one of us. February's lineup includes: 2/7-Fr. **Andy Turner**, Dean of Students, Borromeo Seminary; 2/14- **Vic and Pat Voinovich** (our Valentine's Episode); 2/21-Fr. **Joe Mamich**, Pastor-St. Joseph Parish, Strongsville; 2/28-**Deacon Bill and Nancy Fredrick**, St. Joseph Byzantine Church, Brecksville.



"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.*

PRO-LIFE MEDITATIONS OF THE ROSARY

The Fourth Joyful Mystery – The Presentation The Child is presented in the Temple because the Child belongs to God. Children are not the property of their parents, nor of the government. They – and we – belong to God Himself.

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

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.



DRIVE THRU ONLY FISH FRIES - FRIDAYS OF LENT.

We need Volunteers to Help with Fish Fry

NO BAKERS NEEDED THIS YEAR!

Please disregard the previous call for bakers.

Call the office to be put on the volunteer list and you will be contacted.

Parish office: 440-934-4227

Thank you for your support!

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

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

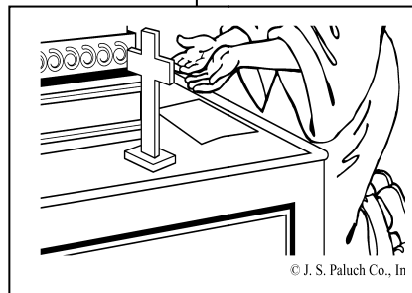
Responsorial Psalm Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

R. (8) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;
let us acclaim the rock of our salvation.
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us joyfully sing psalms to him. (R)

Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
For he is our God,
and we are the people he shepherds,
the flock he guides. (R)

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as in the day of Massah in the desert,
Where your fathers tempted me;
they tested me though they had seen my works." (R)



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**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
St. Anthony
www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/

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 February: 4th & 18th 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 or 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!

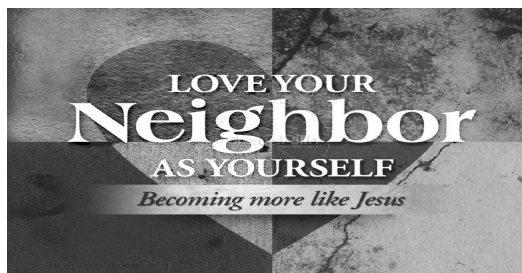
Travel with Fr. Edward Smith - Italy wide & Switzerland

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 and our facebook page.

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



SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NEWS

Mother Cabrini Food Pantry

The next food pantry collection will be February 6 & 7, 20

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 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.

THE MONTH OF JANUARY IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

"In the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth and under the earth" (Phil 2:10). Christ's name is chosen in heaven, and the Angel Gabriel announces it when he informs the Blessed Virgin of the incarnation: "Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb and shalt bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus". It is a name that has marvelous implications, for it means "savior." The very name bespeaks the magnitude of His mission, His infinite love, a love that will cause Him to offer Himself up for us.

Prayer to the Holy Name of Jesus

O good Jesu, according to Thy great mercy, have mercy on me. O most merciful Jesu, by that Precious Blood which Thou didst will to shed for sinners, I beseech Thee to wash away all my iniquities and to look graciously upon me, a poor and unworthy sinner, as I call upon Thy holy Name. Therefore, O Jesus, do Thou save me for Thy holy Name's sake. Amen

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION FORMATION SESSIONS

Sessions are FREE and online for 2021

Upcoming dates include:

Thursday, February 25 from 7 – 9:30 p.m. (contact office by February 19)

Sunday, March 21 from 2 – 4:30 p.m. (contact office by March 15)

Call the church office at 440-934-4227

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic School Lorain, Ohio

To learn about a Catholic education for your child at St. Anthony school visit their website at <https://www.stanthonylorain.org/>.

Community. Academics.
Service. Faith.



**CELEBRATE
CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS
WEEK 2021**

January 31 - February 6
#CSW21

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

Sat, Jan 30 4:30 p.m. Ruth Bistak (**Fitz)	Sun, Jan 31 8:30 a.m. Greg Smail	Sun, Jan 31 11:00 a.m. Don Kirchner
Sat, Feb 6 4:30 p.m. Debbie Korce	Sun, Feb 7 8:30 a.m. Greg Smail	Sun, Feb 7 11:00 a.m. Lou Varos

Lectors

Sat, Jan 30 4:30 p.m. Phil Gigliotti	Sun, Jan 31 8:30 a.m. Bruce DiVaccaro	Sun, Jan 31 11:00 a.m. Tom Parkey
Sat, Feb 6 4:30 p.m. Tom Pienoski **	Sun, Feb 7 8:30 a.m. Bruce DiVaccaro	Sun, Feb 7 11:00 a.m. Tom Parkey



POPE FRANCIS DECLARES “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 and click on “Announcements” in the scrolling bar at the top of the page.

Around the Town



From February 17 – March 28, you are invited to join with other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7 am to 7 pm during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Preterm - 12000 Shaker Blvd, Cleveland, 44120 or Planned Parenthood - 25350 Rockside Rd, Bedford Hts, 44146, or Family Planning—462 Chardon St, Painesville, 44077. Join us at the Kickoff Rally at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church gymnasium on Sunday, February 14 at 2PM. For more information contact John Noall at clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com or 216-245-9744. **WEBSITES:** www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland, www.40daysforlife.com/painesville, www.40daysforlife.com/bedfordheights.

ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN

On the first **Saturday of February, the 6th** at 11 am, all are warmly invited to pray the Rosary of the Unborn for an end to legalized abortions at St. Anthony Church, 1339 E. Erie Ave. The northwest entrance to the Church will be open at 10:30 am. (Every first Saturday of the month, this prayer service will continue until the Covid 19 Virus leaves and we will be able to return to our previous schedule of 12 rosaries from 10 am until 4 pm.) Questions? Call (440) 288-0416.

CORNERSTONE PREGNANCY CENTER

This is just a reminder that you are invited to join us around the table for Intercessory Prayer, which will be taking place this Wednesday, February 3rd, at 8:30 am. Prayer will be at our center located at **364 Griswold Rd. Elyria, OH 44035. If you are unable to join us, please join us, please pray from home.**

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT

Catholic Cemeteries Association continues with our free monthly in-office grief support groups on **Sunday, February 21st** with limited seating for social distancing. The February topic is “Experiencing God’s Loving Embrace”. We meet the 3rd Sunday of every month from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Saint Joseph Cemetery, Avon (NEW office). Participants are asked to RSVP so we can plan appropriate social distancing at each location. We require all in attendance to wear protective facial coverings. To RSVP or for questions, please contact Rhonda at rabrams@clecem.org or 216-930-4866.

STUFFED CABBAGE DINNER – ST FRANCES CABRINI

Drive thru dinner on **Saturday, February 13 from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.** Includes 2 stuffed cabbage, sausage & sauerkraut, dumplings & cabbage and dessert for \$20 each. Order by phone (Randy at 277-8915 or the office at 277-7266) or email (Stephanie_stfrances@yahoo.com), or pay at the office (2143 Homewood Dr, Lorain). **Orders must be made by Monday, February 8.** To pick up your dinners (stay in your car) use the west driveway in the parking lot and exit using the east driveway.