

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054



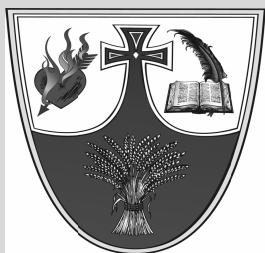
*Easter*

SUNDAY

APRIL 4, 2021

Our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed.  
Therefore, let us celebrate the feast.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8



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.

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

**April 4, 2021**

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD. — Psalm 118:17

**Saturday, April 3 HOLY SATURDAY**

**NO MASS**

**Sunday, April 4 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

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

11:00 a.m. +Dorothy Tomshe by Paul & Loretta Clark

**Monday, April 5**

**NO MASS**

**Tuesday, April 6**

**NO MASS**

**Wednesday, April 7**

8:30 a.m. +Carol Popiel Denardo by Kathy & Mary Halbach

**Thursday, April 8**

**NO MASS**

**Friday, April 9**

8:30 a.m. +Butch Klingshirn by Bruce & Sue

**Saturday, April 10**

4:30 p.m. +Gladys Mackert by Ray & Cathy Fitzwater

**Sunday, April 11**

8:30 a.m. living/deceased of the Altar & Rosary Society

11:00 a.m. +Mary, John & John, Jr. Botleho by Dan & Theresa Gillotti



Weekly Offering

<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$4,000.00
<b>March 21</b>	\$1,779.00
<b>Children's</b>	\$11.00

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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**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

 from the Pastor. . .

There are lots of ways to tell a story. The one that comes most naturally is to start at the beginning and move ahead to the end. There are other methods such as using flashbacks, telling the story in a non-linear fashion moving the reader/listener back and forth across the timeline, letting the story stitch itself together in the imagination of the audience.

There are also lots of places we tell stories: around a campfire with friends, around the family dinner table, leaning against a car in the school parking lot, the coffee machine at work, family reunions, and the list goes on and on.

And then there is the story. As Catholics we share a common story, the one that brings us here on Easter – the greatest story ever told. Here is part of our common story, told over the course of a single week of gospels.

**Palm Sunday** – the triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

**Monday** – the anointing of Jesus in Bethany, as one being anointed for death.

**Tuesday** – Judas beginning to think about betraying Jesus; Peter swearing he will always be there for Jesus.

**Wednesday** – Judas accepts the 30 pieces of silver.

**Thursday** – the Last Supper and celebration of the First Eucharist.

**Friday** – the Passion of the Christ: betrayal, arrest, trials, scourging, “Crucify him” they shout, the long walk to Calvary, death, a mother’s sorrow, at last laid to rest, the stone rolled into place.

**Saturday** – We wait. We wonder. We doubt. We Hope.

**Sunday** – “*the first day of the week*” when we discover the empty tomb and our amazement and doubts are erased, as Hope finds its new spring of living water. Jesus is raised from the dead.

When, where and how will you tell the story? There are lots of ways to tell a story, lots of places, but it begins with the story and how you tell it. The story now depends on you!

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
- Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15
- Sunday: Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

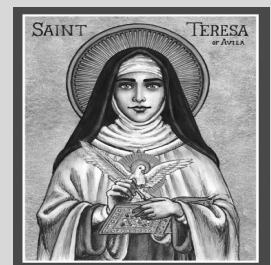
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

No PSR	Tues, Apr 6		Blessed Easter!
Mass	Wed, Apr 7	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Apr 7	9:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Church
Mass	Fri, Apr 9	8:30 a.m.	Church
Confessions	Sat, Apr 10	3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	Church



**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!

**“Faith and the love of pleasing God make possible what to natural reason is not possible.”** St. Teresa of Avila



Remember  
CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING



**AM 1260 The Rock: Chaplain's Corner with Fr. Doug Brown** (Fr. Doug Brown is Pastor of Mary Queen of Peace Parish in Cleveland, Chaplain to AM 1260 The Rock, and Chaplain to the Cleveland Police). See his written article "**Set Your Mind to Things That Are Above**" by visiting <https://am1260therock.com/set-your-mind-to-things-that-are-above/>.

### PRO-LIFE MEDITATIONS OF THE ROSARY

The First Glorious Mystery – The Resurrection **Christ is Risen!** By his Resurrection, He has destroyed the power of death, and therefore the power of abortion. The outcome of the battle for Life has already been decided. Life is victorious! Let us pray that all proliferers will spread this victory to every segment of our society.

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



*"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.*

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



Jesus, I trust in You

#### Divine Mercy is Sunday, April 11, 2021

It is always the Sunday after Easter. Visit the link below to learn more about the GREAT GIFTS OF MERCY being offered to us all! <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message>.

Prepare for Divine Mercy Sunday (April 11) by **praying the Divine Mercy Novena of Chaplets beginning on Good Friday, April 2, 2021 (ends on April 10)**. Go to <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena> for how to pray this Novena.

#### DIVINE MERCY SERVICES IN OUR AREA ON APRIL 11

St. Vincent de Paul Church at 3:00 p.m.

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 3:00 p.m.

With the Chaplet, Prayers and Benediction

**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](http://www.stanthonylorain.org)

St. Anthony's perpetual Adoration  
Chapel is behind the church.

#### Approach the Fount of Life from the Diary of St. Faustina

##### Meditation:

**I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy** (*Diary*, 299).

**Ask of my faithful servant** [Father Sopocko] **that, on this day, he tell the whole world of My great mercy; that whoever approaches the Fount of Life on this day will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment. Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy** (*Diary*, 300).

##### My Prayer Response:

"Mankind so needs to understand and accept Divine Mercy" (John Paul II, posthumous Divine Mercy Sunday message, April 3, 2005). Lord Jesus, help us to believe in the promise You made about Mercy Sunday and turn to Your mercy with trust.

*The words of Jesus appear in boldface*



### PARISH NEWS

Visit Our Website! [www.stteresaparish.com](http://www.stteresaparish.com)

Read the *Bulletin* and find current events in "Announcements" (top of home page) or scroll to the bottom.

#### Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

*The office will remain closed to the public.*



#### BIBLE STUDY – Everyone welcome!

Thursdays in April: 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>  
at 7:00 p.m. in Avila Hall.

#### PSR (Parish School of Religion)

Classes continue on Tuesdays from 6:00 – 7:15 p.m.

***There will be no classes on April 6 – have a Blessed Easter!***



#### THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

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

**Sunday, April 11, 2021 at 8:30 a.m.**

Please arrive at 8:00 a.m. to pray the Rosary 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.



#### FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Non-perishable food donations (**we do not accept non-food items**) for the Mother Cabrini Food Pantry in Lorain can be brought to the church Easter weekend and placed in the tub in the vestibule. *Thank you for your generosity now and in the past!*

Sponsored by the Social Concerns and Altar & Rosary Society

#### Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn

Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen promoted the idea of "Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn" – when an individual prays a short prayer every day for nine months to preserve the life of an unborn child.

**If you have signed up previously, you do not have to contact us. If you have not participated in the past, send an email to [office@stteresaparish.com](mailto:office@stteresaparish.com) and you will be added to our email list.**

This devotion begins **March 25 (Feast of the Annunciation)** and ends at Christmas.

Say this prayer everyday:

***"Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."***

Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

## MASS ON TV, ONLINE AND RADIO

The weekly television Mass produced by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland is now on Sundays at 10 a.m. on WUAB Channel 43, the CW43. Viewers are invited 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.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

**R. (24) This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say,  
"His mercy endures forever." (R)

"The right hand of the LORD has struck with power;  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted.

I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the LORD." (R)

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done;  
it is wonderful in our eyes. (R)

## 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!**



## MASSES AVAILABLE FOR 2021

If you would like to schedule a Mass for someone, please call the church office at 440-934-4227.

## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION - APRIL

Universal Intention – Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.



# Liturgical Ministers Schedule

## Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, Apr 3  
4:30 p.m.  
No Mass

Sun, Apr 4  
8:30 a.m.  
Greg Smail (Bistak\*)

Sun, Apr 4  
11:00 a.m.  
Lou Varos

Sat, Apr 10  
4:30 p.m.  
Ann Glime

Sun, Apr 11  
8:30 a.m.  
Greg Smail

Sun, Apr 11  
11:00 a.m.  
Fred Courtright

## Lectors

Sat, Apr 3  
4:30 p.m.  
No Mass

Sun, Apr 4  
8:30 a.m.  
Christi Smail

Sun, Apr 4  
11:00 a.m.  
Tom Parkey

Sat, Apr 10  
4:30 p.m.  
Tom Pienoski

Sun, Apr 11  
8:30 a.m.  
Bruce DiVaccaro

Sun, Apr 11  
11:00 a.m.  
Lou Varos



**During this Year of Saint Joseph**, the Church has made a plenary indulgence available to all the faithful who satisfy the usual conditions (confession, Eucharist, prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, a spirit of detachment from sin, and the intention to gain the indulgence for one's self or someone in purgatory), as well as perform one of the prescribed works, as follows:

- Meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer, or take part in a spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph
- Following St. Joseph's example, perform a spiritual or corporal work of mercy
- Recite the Holy Rosary with your family or your fiancé
- Entrust your daily activity to the protection of St. Joseph
- Pray through the intercession of St. Joseph that those seeking work can find dignifying work
- Recite the Litany of St. Joseph for Christians who suffer all forms of persecution
- Recite any prayer or act of piety legitimately approved in honor of St. Joseph, in particular on March 19, May 1, on the 19th of any month, and every Wednesday

This gift of a plenary indulgence extends particularly to the elderly, the sick, the dying, and all those who, for legitimate reasons, are unable to leave their homes, if, detached from all sin and with the intention of fulfilling, as soon as possible, the usual conditions, recite an act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, comfort of the sick and patron of a good death, offering with confidence to God the pains and trials of their life.

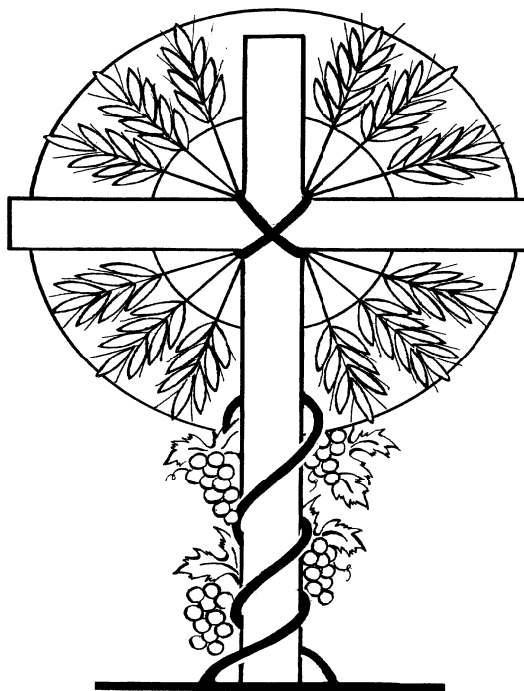
## Around the Town

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

Knights of Columbus Council 3269 Avon-Avon Lake-Sheffield Village. 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 visit: **Become a member online at: [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus). Local email: [Fatherragan@gmail.com](mailto:Fatherragan@gmail.com) (Subject: membership).**

### ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN WILL RESUME IN MAY

St. Anthony of Padua Church, 1339 E. Erie Ave. in Lorain will not be praying "The Rosary of the Unborn" on the first Saturday of April because of another traditional service: "The Blessing of Food" the day before Easter. **The prayer service for the end to legalized abortions will resume Saturday, May 1.** *Thank you.*



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### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION FORMATION SESSIONS

Sessions are FREE and online for 2021. Next class is: Thursday, May 20, 2021 from 7 – 9:30 p.m.  
Call the church office at 440-934-4227 by May 14.