

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

I am the
bread of life;

whoever comes to me
will never hunger,
and whoever believes
in me will never thirst.

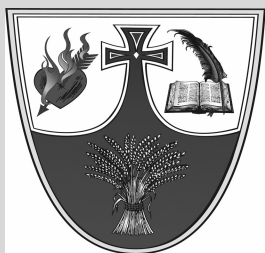
John 6:35



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August 1, 2021

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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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Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life. — John 6:27a

Saturday, July 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

4:30 p.m. +Dorothy Tomshe by Mary Conway

Sunday, August 1

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

11:00 a.m. +Shirley Piezer by Dan & Theresa Gillotti

Monday, August 2 St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop

NO MASS

Tuesday, August 3

NO MASS

Wednesday, August 4 St. John Vianney, Priest

8:30 a.m. living/deceased of the DiVaccaro & Klingshirn families

Thursday, August 5 Dedication Of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

NO MASS

Friday, August 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord

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

Saturday, August 7

4:30 p.m. living/deceased of the Brezinski family by Joe & Debbie

Sunday, August 8

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

11:00 a.m. +Don Kirchner by Jim & Cindi Conrad



Weekly Goal	\$4,000.00
July 25	\$2,799.00
Children's	\$6.00

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

AMERICAN FLAGS IN OUR CEMETERY

Each year American flags are put in our cemetery on the stones of those who served in the military. We thank and honor each of them.

We invite family members to remove those flags and keep them in memory of their loved one.

Masses

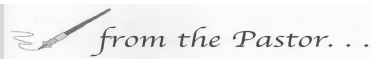
Sunday Vigil - Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday - 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM Wed & Fri - 8:30 AM; Holy Day Vigil, Holy Day and Civic Holidays - Watch Bulletin

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-mailsdebbie@stteresaparish.com and sue@stteresaparish.com Website..... www.stteresaparish.com



In the first reading, the Israelites are on their long cross-country trip of the Exodus. They are moaning about everything. *“Would that we had died at the LORD’s hand in the land of Egypt, [at least] we sat by our fleshpots and ate our fill of bread! But you had to lead us into this desert to make the whole community die of famine!”* I guess they are not themselves when they are hungry. Enter the “concerned friend,” God, who provides the manna to satisfy them. They stopped complaining, but only for a while. Turn a few pages in the Book of Exodus and the Israelites are again their old selves and complain and moan about one thing or another.

They continue to look over their shoulder to their enslaved life in Egypt. And they lost sight of the journey’s end: the promised land. They lost sight of God’s blessings in the here and now – and God’s promise in the land that awaited them. They could not see that the manna in the desert was only the grace of the moment to persevere in order to inherit the promise. It was the grace to let them put aside their old life and let a new-self emerge. But they just keep complaining never seeing the fullness of freedom that awaits them in the promised land.

The same goes for us. Are we aware of the great grace that God gives us in our Faith, our Church, and especially in the Eucharist? The grace to let us put on a new self – or as St. Paul would say, to put on Christ? The grace to help us persevere, in order to inherit eternal life with God?



Here’s the deal: if you want to get to the promised land you have to leave your personal Egypt behind. St. Paul, in his own way, points out the same thing in the second reading. *“I declare and testify in the Lord that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds;”* St. Paul is saying that there are folks out there that think if I do A or B or C then everything will be OK, and I won’t have the gnawing hunger, that emptiness in life. Such thoughts are futile. St. Paul urges us to *“put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new self, created in God’s way in righteousness and holiness of truth.”*

Put on the new self, created in God’s way, according to God’s plans – plans that are not quick fixes, but rather plans that endure. Put away the old self. So... if you could just pick one thing, just one thing about yourself to put away, what would it be? And to be clear, I am not just asking what you want to go away... I am also asking what will take its place. When you take off the old, the new takes its place otherwise the old will return. That is going to take thought, prayer, and reflection. It’s tough stuff to become a new self in Christ. We will need grace for all this!

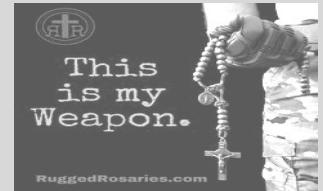
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mass	Wed, Aug 4	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Aug 4	9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Church
Bible Study	Thurs, Aug 5	7:00 p.m.	St. John Room
Mass	Fri, Aug 6	8:30 a.m.	Church
Confessions	Sat, Aug 7	3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	Church

TOGETHER - LET US PRAY ...

- Luz Villanueva, Eleanor Rieth
- Loretta Forthofer, Elvira Quester
- Marianne Rieth, Chris Ughrin
- Amy White, Jarmila Kos, Tom Parkey
- Kathleen Brezinski, Anna Joseph
- Patricia Welsh, Maebelle Fill
- Marty Lima, William Wisnieski
- Vickie Aring, Barb Powell
- Patrick O’Toole, Catherine Monfort
- JoAnne Wisnieski, Tom Wisnieski
- Michael Wisnieski,



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!

“There’s no queen like humility for making the King surrender. Humility drew the King from heaven to the womb of the Virgin.”
St. Teresa of Avila



**Remember
CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING**



AM 1260 The ROCK – Novena to St. Monica

August 19 – August 27 - Tune into AM1260 The Rock at 3 p.m. to take part in this novena. AM1260 The Rock is offering this novena in response from listeners for their many prayer requests for family and friends who have left the Catholic Faith. St. Monica is the Patron Saint of conversions and is the mother of St. Augustine of Hippo for whom she prayed for conversion for almost 20 years. There will be a **Mass for the close of the Novena on Friday, August 27th at 7 p.m.** at Church of St. Monica, 13623 Rockside Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio. The Most Rev. Roger Gries will be celebrant. If you cannot listen live, go to their website at <https://am1260therock.com/event/st-monica-novena/> to see the novena prayers and intentions for each day.

For all AM1260 information and complete schedule visit www.AM1260TheRock.com.

**EUCCHARISTIC
ADORATION**

Come pray from **9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesdays.**

“..seek first the kingdom of God”
(Matthew 6:33).

Call the church office if you are interested (440-934-4227).

**Adoration takes place on
Wednesdays from
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

LORAIN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

Prayer vigil (first Thursday of each month) on **August 5 from 3-4 p.m.** at the YWCA Women’s Center building at 200 W. 9th St.

Prayer is the most potent weapon we have in the battle for life!

Check the website for the status on the Prayer Vigil at LorainCountyRightToLife.org.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
- Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
- Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28
- Thursday: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23
- Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10
- Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20
- Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30 — 5:2; Jn 6:41-51

**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

ST EDWARD HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE/ADMISSION TESTS

Open Houses for 8th Grade Boys

Sunday, Oct 3 from 11 – 1 p.m. and **Mondays**, Oct 18, 25 & Nov 8 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Pre-registration required at sehs.net/openhouse

Admission Tests for 8th Grade Boys

Saturdays Oct 9, 23 & Nov 6 at 9 a.m. and **Wednesday**, Nov 3 at 5:30 p.m. Pre-registration required at sehs.net/admissiontest

Office of Admissions: 216-521-2204 or admission@sehs.net

**DO YOU HAVE A
WORN OR TATTERED
AMERICAN FLAG?**

The Catholic Cemeteries Association is now accepting American flags in need of retirement.

Flags will be accepted year-round at

St. Joseph Cemetery,
32789 Detroit Rd.,
Avon, OH 44011,

Mon – Fri 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

JESUS’ DIVINE MERCY

“If you do not succeed in taking advantage of an opportunity, do not lose your peace, but humble yourself profoundly before Me and, with great trust, immerse yourself completely in My mercy. In this way, you gain more than you have lost, because more favor is granted to a humble soul ...” (From the *Diary of St. Faustina*, 1361)

PARISH NEWS

Visit Our Website! 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.



BIBLE STUDY – Everyone welcome!

Thursdays in August: 5th & 19th
 at 7:00 p.m. in the St. John Room



"I would like to express my sincere thanks to all those who helped sustain me during my recent hospital stay with their prayers and cards. Your efforts truly helped me through a difficult time." -Tom Parkey

LORAIN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE: SAVE THE DATES

We ask you to prayerfully consider volunteering your time this summer to help staff the Lorain County Right to Life booth at one of the upcoming fairs. We are now scheduling volunteers.

This year's festival and fair dates are as follows:

- North Ridgeville Corn Festival, Aug. 13-15
- Lorain County Fair, August 23-29
- Elyria Apple Festival, September 17-19

If you are interested please call us at 440-322-0076.
 For more information visit www.loraincountyrighttolife.org.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NEWS

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.

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

Mother Cabrini Food Pantry

The next food pantry collection will be August 7 & 8, 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, August 8, 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

This is a fund set up by the Social Concerns Committee that may provide help with groceries, medicine, and utility bills for those parishioners in need during this difficult time, **"Helping Hands Fund"**

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 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 OR at: <http://www.catholicstv.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.

NEWMAN CAMPUS MINISTRY – THE CATHOLIC CONNECTION FOR YOUR COLLEGE STUDENT!

The Newman Foundation of Northern Ohio, as part of the Diocese of Cleveland, supports Newman Campus Ministry on the college campuses within our Diocese. Newman Campus Ministry is an outreach on our college campuses throughout the United States and offers support, fellowship and guidance to our college students.

Many college students wander from the family of the Catholic Church when at college. Help your student know - their faith can continue wherever they are.

For more information use this sign up link at <https://signupnc.newmanministry.com>, or visit your student’s college website to locate information on the Newman Campus Ministry there.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION
FREE MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS**

Join us August 15th. We meet the 3rd Sunday of every month. The August 15th topics are “*Planning for Special Days/Memorials*” and “*Family Dynamics in Grief*”. **3:00 pm In-Office** at St. Joseph, Avon | 32789 Detroit Road. **5:00 pm Virtual group** meets for an hour via Zoom. Sign-up for at <http://bit.ly/ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup> to receive login information and to download the handout materials. If you do not have Wi-Fi or email, please contact Rhonda at 216-930-4866. Your RSVP for both In-Person and Virtual Grief Support is appreciated but not required to attend.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

**THE MONTH OF AUGUST IS DEDICATED TO
THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**



The Blessed Virgin Mary is the most perfect example of Christian perseverance, but she is also our advocate in heaven where she is crowned Queen of Heaven and Earth (August 22). Mary is the "Mother of Perpetual Help", the patroness of the Congregation founded by St. Alphonsus Liguori (August 1). "No one who has fled to her protection is left unaided" is the claim of the *Memorare* of St. Bernard (August 20). Heretics have returned to the faith by the prayers of her Rosary, first preached by St. Dominic (August 8) in the twelfth Century, and hearts have been converted by the graces received while wearing her Miraculous Medal, promoted by St. Maximillian Kolbe (August 14) and adopted as the "badge" for the Pious Union he founded.

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope!

**PLEASE HELP US KEEP
“UP TO DATE”**

If you’ve recently had a child, and the baptism took place at another parish, please let us know so we can update our records.

If you are a young adult, supporting yourself, living on your own or with your parents, you should be independently registered in our parish.

If your son/daughter got married, at another parish but was baptized at St. Teresa, please let us know so we can make the notation in our records.

If you have changed your address, email or phone number, please let us know so we can update our records.

Contact us by calling 440-934-4227 or email at st.teresa.office@neohio.twc.bc.com.

**SUMMERTIME
WORSHIP**

Please dress appropriately for Mass.

If you are away, please don’t forget to send your offering envelope to the church office.

When traveling, find a church to attend Mass. Go to www.Masstimes.org.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, July 31 4:30 p.m. Debbie Korce Ann Glime (choir)	Sun, Aug 1 8:30 a.m. Christi Smail	Sun, Aug 1 11:00 a.m. Carol Kirchner
Sat, Aug 7 4:30 p.m. Debbie Korce (Wehler**) John Katricak (choir)	Sun, Aug 8 8:30 a.m. Bill Bistak **	Sun, Aug 8 11:00 a.m. Trish MacDonald

Lectors

Sat, July 31 4:30 p.m. Tom Pienoski **	Sun, Aug 1 8:30 a.m. Bruce DiVaccaro	Sun, Aug 1 11:00 a.m. Fred Courtright
Sat, Aug 7 4:30 p.m. Ruth Bistak	Sun, Aug 8 8:30 a.m. Frank Lanza	Sun, Aug 8 11:00 a.m. Lou Varos

Servers

Sat, July 31 4:30 p.m. Ray Fitzwater	Sat, Aug 7 4:30 p.m. Bill Brock
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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

MOTORCOACH TOUR OF THE FINGER LAKES, NEW YORK September 20-22, 2021.

Trip hosted by St. Peter Church, Lorain and all travel plans thru White Star Tours. Three days and two nights of wining and dining in the Finger Lakes. Cost is \$459/person (double occupancy) or \$608/person (single occupancy). Full payment must be made by August 1. For more information and reservations contact Sister Cordell Kopec, St. Peter Church, 440-282-9103, ext 112.

(Travel info posted on St. Teresa bulletin board in back of church)

UPCOMING ENCOURAGE RETREAT

Do you have a loved one who experiences same-sex attractions or identifies as LGBTQ+? Could you use some encouragement and inspiration in loving them well, while continuing to uphold the truths of our faith? Consider attending the **EnCourage Midwest Fall Retreat** right here in NE Ohio on **October 29-31**. Details at couragerc.org/event/encourage-retreat/

ROSARY FOR THE UNBORN

On **Saturday, August 7th** 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. Questions? Call (440) 288-0416.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM OF LORAIN COUNTY

August 6th we are honored to have **Bishop Edward C. Malesic J.C.L.** as our first speaker. Let's welcome Bishop Malesic with a full house and an enthusiastic audience.

Please join us at LCCC, in the Spitzer Conference Center, beginning at 11:30 for lunch. The program begins at noon and concludes at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$20 per lunch or all 4 programs for \$75. Reservations are required by the Monday prior to the event. Make plans to attend by calling 440-244-0643 or emailing fflorain@gmail.com.

The FEST 2021 - Sunday, August 8 @ 12:00pm **Held at Brookside Reservation, 3900 John Nagy Blvd, Cleveland, Ohio**

What is The FEST?! Our annual one-day event brings people together from all regions to enjoy an inspiring day of faith, family & fun! We have nationally known bands playing live – but it's more than just a concert! The FEST is an *experience*. Joyful FEST volunteers guide you to our activities, crafts, inflatables, sponsor tents, and entertainment all over the FEST grounds. And of course great food and drinks to enjoy while walking the beautiful grounds at Brookside Reservation. This year, The FEST is a **virtual AND in-person** event! To make sure that everyone is safe and comfortable, attendance is limited to 15,000 people.

Tickets cost \$10 and will SELL OUT! Be sure to get yours today – <https://thefest.us/>.