

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

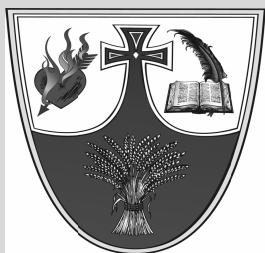
1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 24, 2022



Jesus, I trust in You



**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.

**SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY**

**April 24, 2022**

Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever. — Revelation 1:18a

**Saturday, April 23**      **Saturday within the Octave of Easter**

4:30 p.m. +Pat Griffith by Mike & Barb Griffith and family

**Sunday, April 24**      **SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY**

8:30 a.m. +Albert Niemiec by Ed & Jo Niemiec

11:00 a.m. +Martin & Dorothy Yonkof by family

**Monday, April 25**      **St. Mark, Evangelist**

**NO MASS**

**Tuesday, April 26**

**NO MASS**

**Wednesday, April 27**

8:30 a.m. +Don Kirchner by Arlene Kirchner

**Thursday, April 28**      **St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr**

**NO MASS**

**Friday, April 29**      **St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin/Doctor of the Church**

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

**Saturday, April 30**      **St. Pius V, Pope**

4:30 p.m. +Gus Wehler by Jean Wehler

**Sunday, May 1**      **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8:30 a.m. All Souls

11:00 a.m. +Fr. James Becherer by Jeff & Karen Warren and family



<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$4,000.00
<b>April 10</b>	\$3,350.00
<b>Children's</b>	\$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!

**SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC HOME MISSION**

Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous.

More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

**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**

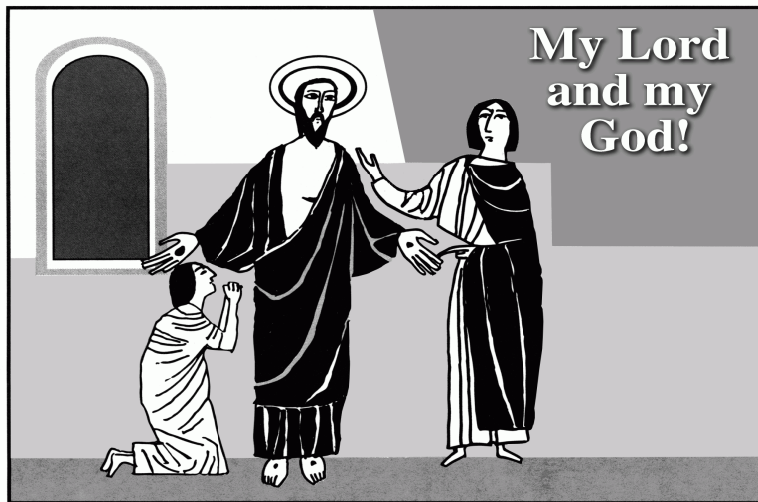
**Rectory Office**.....(440) 934-4227      **Office Hours**.....Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
**Fax**.....(440) 934-4500      **E-mails** .....debbie@stteresaparish.com and sue@stteresaparish.com  
**Website**..... www.stteresaparish.com

 from the Pastor. . .

The Gospel Reading is from the Gospel of St. John (20:19- 31). Put yourself into this scene. It is the night of the Resurrection, and Jesus appears in all His divine Glory before the apostles. Can you imagine the joy after the shock subsides? They must have been bouncing all over the room. Then Thomas, who wasn't there, throws cold water on that event when he learns about it but refuses to believe. It takes another appearance of Christ to convince Thomas who then utters the great phrase of humility: "My Lord and my God!" Do you have doubts like that? It is natural, but we must not harbor them for long. Prayer is the answer.

Emotions and doubts are not wrong or sinful, but to leave them as such without doing anything about them is wrong. Sometimes God puts doubts into our head in order for us to get moving toward finding the truth through prayer or study or both. Something to think about during your prayer time this week!

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



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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

A&R Meeting	Mon, Apr 25	1:00 p.m.	St. John Room
Mass	Wed, Apr 27	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Apr 27	9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Church
Mass	Fri, Apr 29	8:30 a.m.	Church
Confession	Sat, Apr 30	3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	Church

**TOGETHER -  LET US PRAY ...**

- Eleanor Rieth, Fran Rottman
- Loretta Forthofer, Elvira Quester
- Marianne Rieth, Chris Ughrin
- Jarmila Kos, JoAnne Wisnieski
- Kathleen Brezinski, Anna Joseph
- Patricia Welsh, Gina Ackerman
- Marty Lima, William Wisnieski
- Vickie Aring, Michael Wisnieski
- Patrick O'Toole, Judy Williamson
- Lloyd Canterbury



**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,
  - Darrin Kirchner, Dustin Moorman
  - CWO2 Leo Ostrolencki, Ken D.
- 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!

**"I write this for the consolation of weak souls like myself that they might never despair or fail to trust in the greatness of God."**  
St. Teresa of Avila



Remember  
CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING



## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



**Wednesdays 9a.m. – 1 p.m.**

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).

## PRO-LIFE MEDITATIONS ON THE ROSARY

The Resurrection For all who have lost loved ones, and especially for parents of a child who was miscarried, aborted or stillborn, that they will find peace in the promise of the Resurrection. For pro-life novenas visit **Priests for Life** at [PrayerCampaign.org](http://PrayerCampaign.org)

## LOCAL CHURCHES WITH DIVINE MERCY SERVICES

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

St. Jude Church – (2:30 p.m. Reflection); 3:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Lorain – 3:00 p.m.

## 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.

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



### Divine Mercy is Sunday, April 24, 2022

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 24) by **praying the Divine Mercy Novena of Chaplets beginning on Good Friday, April 15, 2021 (ends on April 23)**. Go to <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena> for how to pray this Novena.

### 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 CLUSTER INFO

**St. Thomas the Apostle**

[www.saintthomaschurch.net](http://www.saintthomaschurch.net)

**St. Anthony**

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

## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION – APRIL

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

### 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.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FATHER RAGAN COUNCIL NO. 3269

On April 23 and 24 outside the doors of St Teresa's, Brother Knights of Columbus and helpers will be conducting their annual fundraising "Measure Up Campaign" to benefit organizations supporting clients with developmental disabilities including Lucy Idol Center, Family Haven, Christian Community School and the Help Foundation Inc.. For mail-in checks donate to "Father:Ragan Council #3269" and mail to: The Ragan Hall, PO Box 224, Avon Ohio 44011. Thanks Avon/Avon Lake Knights of Columbus Council #3269.



#### THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

**Mass**  
Sunday, May 8, 2022 Rosary at 8:00 a.m.

The next A&R Meeting will be Monday, April 25 at 1:00 p.m. in the St. John Room

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!



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#### ONE MINUTE MEDITATION: Empty and Fill

There are times in our lives when we have to empty our minds of negativity so God can replace it with peace and joy. Each day, take time to rid yourself of anger, fear, self-pity, jealousy, and bitterness. Then look for God's gifts of peace, wisdom, friendship, forgiveness, and love.

#### LET US PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED Nancy Fox who passed away April 9, 2022

Merciful father, hear our prayer and console us. As we renew our faith in Your Son, whom You raised from the dead, strengthen our hope that all our departed brothers and sisters will share in His Resurrection, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.



#### "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.

#### SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE NEWS

##### Spiritual Adoption of the Unborn

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.

### CHILDREN’S COLORING PAGES

Coloring pages are available for children in the vestibule of the church. Each is packaged in its own bag with crayons – please take them home after Mass and continue to talk about the LORD!



### 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.



### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

#### Sunday of Divine Mercy

God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### PRAYER REQUEST BINDER

Prayer requests can be written in the binder located in the back corner of the church by the candles. The binder is on a stand across from the statues of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

***The LORD is near to the brokenhearted;*** Psalm 34:18

# Liturgical Ministers Schedule

## Eucharistic Ministers

**Sat, Apr 23**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
Ann Glime  
Tom Pienoski

**Sun, Apr 24**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
Greg Smail

**Sun, Apr 24**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
Trish MacDonald

**Sat, Apr 30**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
Joan Gigliotti  
Tom Pienoski \*\*

**Sun, May 1**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
Bill Bistak

**Sun, May 1**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
Carol Kirchner

## Lectors

**Sat, Apr 23**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
Andy Augustine

**Sun, Apr 24**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
Christi Smail

**Sun, Apr 24**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
Fred Courtright

**Sat, Apr 30**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
Phil Gigliotti

**Sun, May 1**  
**8:30 a.m.**  
Frank Lanza

**Sun, May 1**  
**11:00 a.m.**  
Bernard Valdez

## Servers

**Sat, Apr 23**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
Brock \*\*

**Sat, Apr 30**  
**4:30 p.m.**  
Fitzwater



## Around the Town

**MATTHEW 25:36 "FOR...I WAS SICK AND YOU VISITED ME."**  
The Eucharistic Ministry team of University Hospital in Elyria is looking for volunteers. Consider helping 60-90 minutes. Volunteers must be commissioned as a Eucharistic Minister, be fully vaccinated against Covid-19 (although we do not visit any Covid patient rooms) and also have proof of this year's flu shot. Hospital orientation and training provided. Interested in learning more? Contact Mary Anne Cunningham at (440) 759-7459 or [maryanne116@msn.com](mailto:maryanne116@msn.com).

## Quo Vadis Young Adult Group

Every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.  
St. Joseph Parish Hall  
Avon Lake

Join our GroupMe  Open to anyone 18-39  
[QuoVadis.AL@gmail.com](mailto:QuoVadis.AL@gmail.com)  
440-752-0736

**"Where are you going?"**

### AN INTER-PARISH MEN'S GROUP

We will meet May 6<sup>th</sup> for a First Friday luncheon at St. Clarence Church, 30106 Lorain Road, North Olmsted. Registration begins at 11:15 AM, followed by the luncheon, then an inspirational talk, and concludes with Mass. Cost is \$13. Please call George Perz at (440) 937-6606 by Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> to make a reservation.

### FIRST FRIDAY FORUM OF LORAIN COUNTY –

**"Saints Among Us". May 6, 2022.** Fr. Manning delights in storytelling and will share with us true stories that explore the lives of 3 individuals from Northeast Ohio whose lives recommend them for consideration as models for imitation, i.e. for sainthood.

- Missionary priest Louis de Goesbriand - later first Bishop of Burlington VT
- Rhoda Weis (Canton area)- named as intercessor in cure of mother of EWTN's Mother Angelica
- Helen Pelczar (St. John Cantius - Cleveland's Tremont area)- a stigmatist

Lunch begins at 11:30 and speaker at 12:00 at the Spitzer Conference Center of Lorain County Community College, 1005 N. Abbe Rd. Elyria. Call for reservations by 6:00 Monday, May 2 at 440-213-2132 or email [fflorain@gmail.com](mailto:fflorain@gmail.com). Cost is \$25.

### CALVARY CEMETERY– Pre-Planning Seminar

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on **Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. at Calvary Cemetery Lorain.** Please join us to learn about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and a savings certificate. Please know the CCA follows the current CDC guidance regarding COVID-19 protocols. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event at **216/641-7575 ext. 6. Calvary Cemetery 555 N. Ridge Rd. Lorain** or email Bob DeJohn at [bdejohn@clecem.org](mailto:bdejohn@clecem.org).