

# St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

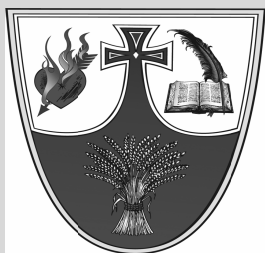
*The Lamb who is in  
the center of the throne  
will shepherd them and  
lead them to springs  
of life-giving water.*

*Revelation 7:17*



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May 8, 2022



**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.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**May 8, 2022**

"I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth." — Acts 13:47b

**Saturday, May 7**

**First Saturday**

4:30 p.m. living/deceased Mothers of St. Teresa Parish

**Sunday, May 8 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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

11:00 a.m. +Raymond Lyncha by Marian

**Monday, May 9**

**NO MASS**

**Tuesday, May 10**

**St. Damien de Veuster, Priest**

**NO MASS**

**Wednesday, May 11**

8:30 a.m. +Ben & Jim Graziano by Jean Wehler

**Thursday, May 12**

**Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs**

**NO MASS**

**Friday, May 13**

**Our Lady of Fatima**

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

**Saturday, May 14**

**St. Matthias, Apostle**

4:30 p.m. +Martin & Dorothy Yonkof by family

**Sunday, May 15 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8:30 a.m. +Allan Jungbluth by Agnes

11:00 a.m. +Don Kirchner by Tom & Laura Krebs



**Weekly Offering**

**Weekly Goal**

\$4,000.00

**May 1**

\$2,980.54

**Easter**

\$40.00

*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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**Month of Mary**



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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**

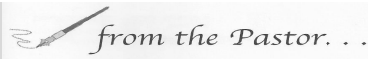
**Rectory Office**.....(440) 934-4227

**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



We are almost halfway through the Easter Season, and one might ask, "Why?" Why is it necessary to carry on the celebration of Easter? There are several answers to this question. One answer might be that we continue the celebration with joy and solemnity for the same amount of time as the Lenten season where the focus was on penance, prayer and alms giving. Another reason might be that we extend the celebration to the Feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. However, the most important reason of all is that we are celebrating the opening of the gates of Heaven to all the faithful. These gates had been shut since our first parents sinned. Now, because we can approach God with assurance of His love and know that the sacrifice of His Son, on our behalf, earned for us a place in Heaven, we should continue to celebrate and thank God for His infinite love and mercy. Also, there might be another reason, one that most people are not aware of; and that is God is always willing to balance our faults and failures with His grace and forgiveness.

The Gospel Reading today is from the Gospel of St. John (10:27-30). In this short reading, we have the essence of Christ, the Divine Shepherd, who has laid down His life for His people. Now He stands ready to lead His people into the divine pasture of heaven where we will be safe and "never perish." Is this reason enough to continue our Easter celebration? Absolutely! "Celebrating" doesn't have to be with a great deal of fanfare, music, flowers, or incense. It is a condition of the heart and mind. When meditating on what Jesus has done for us, we should never run out of gratitude, praise, and thanksgiving. This is the kind of celebration that God wants from us. Further, if we are still not convinced, we should think about how Jesus, the Son of God, forgave Peter three times after Peter had denied Jesus three times (See: John 21:15-17). He will do the same for us when we come to Him with a contrite heart. Something to think about (and celebrate) during your prayer time this week!

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



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

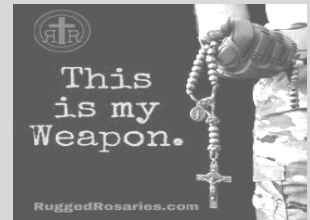
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Mass	Wed, May 11	8:30 a.m.	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, May 11	9 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Church
Mass	Fri, May 13	8:30 a.m.	Church
Confession	Sat, May 14	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!

*"To the little we do, which is nothing, God will unite Himself, with His greatness, and give it such high value that the Lord Himself will become the reward of this work."*

St. Teresa of Avila

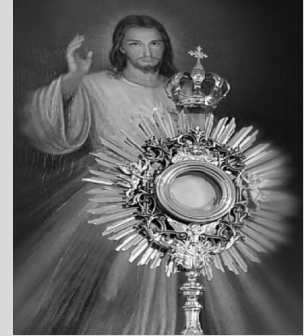




Remember  
CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING



**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).

**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)

**POPE FRANCIS'  
PRAYER INTENTION –  
MAY**

We pray for all young people,  
called to live life to the fullest;  
may they see in Mary's life the  
way to listen, the depth of  
discernment, the courage that  
faith generates, and the  
dedication to service.

**PRO-LIFE MEDITATIONS ON THE ROSARY**

The Coming of the Holy Spirit That the Holy Spirit will open the minds and hearts of those who now reject the Gospel of Life and allow them to be convinced of the truth and goodness of all that the Church professes concerning human life.

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

**THE MONTH OF MAY IS DEDICATED  
TO OUR BLESSED LADY**



**Hail, holy Mother, thou  
who didst bring forth the  
King who rules heaven and  
earth forever and ever.**

The month of May is the "month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world [pay] to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May, no. 1).



**May 8, 2022**

Happy and Blessed  
Mother's Day to all our  
Mothers and loving rest to  
those who are deceased.

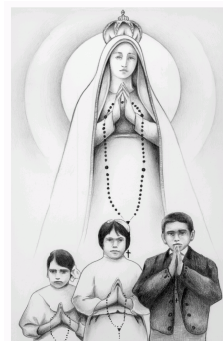
World Day of  
Prayer for  
Vocations



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**THE STORY OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA**

Between May 13 and October 13, 1917, three Portuguese children—Francisco and Jacinta Marto and their cousin Lucia dos Santos—received apparitions of Our Lady at Cova da Iria near Fatima, a city 110 miles north of Lisbon. Mary asked the children to pray the rosary for world peace, for the end of World War I, for sinners, and for the conversion of Russia.



# 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.

### BIBLE STUDY

Everyone is welcome!  
Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.  
the St. John Room  
May 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>



### FELLOWSHIP GROUP

We are made up of folks from various neighboring parishes. We meet to learn about our Catholic faith, to discuss current issues and to pray.  
Meets at 10:00 a.m. in St. Teresa's Parish Life Center: Join us May 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>



### THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

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

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!

### FISH FRIES AT ST. TERESA CHURCH - May 20 & 27, 2022

We will be hosting additional fish fries on **May 20 and May 27** from 4:30 – 7 p.m.

*We need additional volunteers for both days* between 9:00 a.m. and (approximately) 8:00 p.m.

**Please sign up** by calling the office (440-934-4227) or on the signup sheet in the rear of the church. (Please specify what hours you are available.)



...to all the Volunteers and Supporters of our Fish Fry!

### WELCOME! – New Parishioners!

Phillip & Bernadette Hultz  
Maggie Andorka

Welcome to the family in Christ at St. Teresa of Avila Parish!



### "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

#### Mother Cabrini Food Pantry

The next food pantry collection will be **May 7 & 8, 2022**

**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. **Please - NO non-food donations.**

**We only accept donations of unused & unopened non-perishable food items.**

## 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.catholicstv.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.

**If you have changed your address, email or phone number**, please let us know.

Contact us by calling 440-934-4227 or email at [st.teresa.office@neohio.twcbc.com](mailto:st.teresa.office@neohio.twcbc.com).

### CATHOLIC FAITH RESOURCES AVAILABLE ON CD IN VESTIBULE

**Want to learn more about your faith? Listen and learn as you drive!**

CD's are available in the vestibule of the church for **FREE**.

Many topics available, such as an interview with Pope Benedict XVI "Light of the World – The Pope, The Church, and the Sign of the Times", "No Escape – From Prison to the Catholic Faith" by Russell Ford, and "Can You Trust God?" by Dr. Tim Gray. *Plus many more.*

**Check them all out and feel free to take what interests you!**

### BUILDING FUND – APRIL 2022

Donations:	\$1,875.00
Monthly Payment	\$3,272.20
Balance Owed	\$291,441.52

**Thank you to all who donated to the Building fund!**



### WHEN LIGHTING CANDLES IN THE REAR OF THE CHURCH.....

Please use **only** the Bic Lighters provided.

For safety reasons no matches may be used to light the candles. If you are unable to light a candle, place your donation in a "Candle Donation" envelope found in the vestibule of the church.

Place the envelope in the collection and your candle will be lit the following Monday. **Thank You!**

### 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

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter

Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

## Liturgical Ministers Schedule

### Eucharistic Ministers

<b>Sat, May 7</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Debbie Korce (Wehler**) Ann Glime (choir)	<b>Sun, May 8</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Christi Smail	<b>Sun, May 8</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lou Varos
<b>Sat, May 14</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Ann Glime Ruth Bistak (choir)	<b>Sun, May 15</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Kathy Cunningham	<b>Sun, May 15</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Fred Courtright

### Lectors

<b>Sat, May 7</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Ruth Bistak	<b>Sun, May 8</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Frank Lanza	<b>Sun, May 8</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Tom Parkey
<b>Sat, May 14</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Larry Durica	<b>Sun, May 15</b> <b>8:30 a.m.</b> Bernard Valdez	<b>Sun, May 15</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> Lou Varos

### Servers

<b>Sat, May 7</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Pienoski	<b>Sat, May 14</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b> Brock **
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## 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  
440-752-0736

"Where are you going?"

### DOUBLE YOUR DONATION TO FEED HUNGRY FAMILIES: SVDP RACE FOR HUNGER RELIEF MATCHING GIFT CAMPAIGN

**Please help. The need for food is great.** For too many local families living in poverty, they don't know even where or how they'll find their next meal. That's why YOUR donation to our hunger centers is so important during this matching gift campaign from now through May 8. Please help by making a donation today. No gift is too small. Not only will your contribution be **doubled**, but **every dollar of your gift will feed up to eight people**. Donate at [svdpcle.org](http://svdpcle.org) or mail a check to: St. Vincent de Paul Society Race for Hunger Relief, 1404 E. 9th Street-3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114.  
*Thank You!*

## Around the Town

### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT

Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings in-person in six of our offices and virtually: For details, visit: <https://www.cleccem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>. For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

### FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE – RESULTS OF SPRING CAMPAIGN

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2022 Spring Campaign of 40 Days for Life. God poured blessings upon the campaign and we know 742 babies, mothers, fathers and families were spared from abortion, 10 more abortion workers experienced conversion, and another abortion facility closed. Praise God! Cumulatively over the 15 years of 40 Days for Life, there have been 21,528 babies spared from abortion, 239 converted abortion workers, and 115 abortion facility closures. Praise God! We look forward to praying with you from September 28 – November 6 in the 2022 Fall Campaign. God bless you and thank you.

*John Noall*, campaign director - 40 DFL/Cleveland/Bedford Hts/Painesville

### WESTSHORE SINGLE SENIOR GROUP

We would like to introduce our group. We are Christian adults who are single or have become single as a result of separation, divorce or death. Our mission is to provide social opportunities for friendship and fellowship to individuals of all denominations through meetings, dinners and other social activities. Please help us inform other singles in similar situations about our group. All singles are welcome to attend any or all activities.

The Westshore Single Senior Group will hold their general meeting on **Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 6:00pm**. The meeting will be held at St. Brendan's Kenny Center located at 4242 Brendan Lane, North Olmsted, 44070. Brendan Lane runs south off Lorain Rd and is one street west of Clague Rd. Join us for our general meeting. Bring your favorite game for game night. Contact Paul N at (440) 665-3130 if you have any questions about our group.

### MAGNIFICAT OF STARK COUNTY

We are a ministry to Catholic women, invites you to a breakfast on Saturday, June 4, at Walsh University Barrette Center, 2020 East Maple Street, North Canton, Ohio. Please join us for a special time of fellowship and sharing. Micky Wolf will be our guest speaker. Cost: \$25 Mail-in/\$26 Online. Go to [magnificatstark.weebly.com](http://magnificatstark.weebly.com) for reservations. Reservations cannot be accepted after May 21st. Open seating. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. with Breakfast at 9:00 a.m. There will be an optional Mass at 8:00 a.m. in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel at Walsh University. For further information call Rosemary Pffner at 330-499-9371.

### 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).