

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

THIRD SUNDAY OF

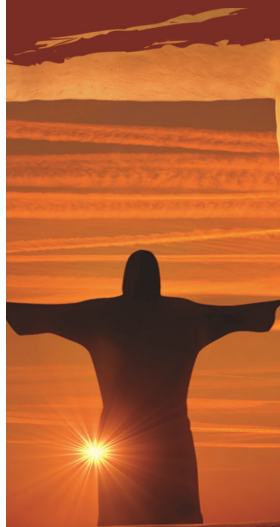
Lent

Jesus said,

"Destroy this temple and in
three days I will raise it up."

John 2:19

MARCH
4
2018



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PARISH INFORMATION

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are celebrated after the Noon mass on Sundays. A pre-baptism class is required for the first child. For class information call the rectory. Arrangements should be made shortly before or after the birth of the child.

COMMUNION CALLS: are made on Sundays by Eucharistic Ministers to the homebound. Please call the Rectory to schedule.

MATRIMONY: Couples need to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. No date may be reserved until discussed with a 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.

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-mailst.teresa.church@neohio.twcbc.com
Website..... www.stteresaparish.com

MASSES

Sunday Vigil.....Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday:.....8:30 AM and 11:00 AM
Holy Day Vigil:.....Watch Bulletin
Holy Day:.....Watch Bulletin
Civic Holidays:.....Watch Bulletin
Wednesday & Friday:.....8:30 AM

STAFF

Reverend Edward J. Smith, Pastor
Fr. Thomas Sanders, OSB, Weekend Associate
Debbie Wehler, Sue DiVaccaro, Secretaries
Lou Varos, Finance Council Chairperson

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH is handicap accessible.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT,
MARCH 4, 2018**

I, the LORD, am your God . . . You shall not have other gods besides me. -- Exodus 20:2a, 3

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Goal \$4,000.00
February 25 \$3,177.00

Please keep St. Teresa Parish in mind when making out your will.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

This collection will be taken the weekend of March 10 & 11, 2018.

**KEEP THESE PARISHIONERS
IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Luz Villanueva, Eleanor Rieth
Pat Chozinski, Marty Lima, Peg King
Gladys Mackert, Maebelle Fill
Gladys Wisniewski, Kathleen Brezinski
Patricia Welsh, Bernie Mack
Greg Brezinski, Shirley Karasevic
Cathy Veverka, Charlotte Joherle

ANointing OF THE SICK

For those advanced in age, sick, or undergoing surgery. Administered upon request. Contact the Rectory.

PSR (Parish School of Religion)

Classes take place on Tuesdays from 6 - 7:15 p.m. for grades 1-8. Call with questions to 934-4227.

If the Shef./Shef. Lake schools are closed due to bad weather on a Tuesday, PSR will be cancelled.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation takes place Sunday, March 11 at St. Thomas Church.

Please pray for all the Confirmandi during this time of preparation.

MONTHLY SPIRITUAL MAXIM

My ransom cost You a great deal.
St. Teresa of Avila

**BUILDING FUND - FEBRUARY
2018**

Donations for February \$ 2,030.00
Monthly Payment \$ 3,272.20
Balance Owed \$376,895.88

Thank you to all those who donated to the Building Fund!

**FISH FRY CONTINUES - WE
APPRECIATE THE DONATIONS!**

Donations of pop (Pepsi or Coke and Sprite or 7-Up, regular and diet) and baked goods can be dropped off at the Parish Life Center on Thursdays and Fridays between 9 a.m. & 3 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 3 **St. Katharine Drexel**
4:30 p.m. +Joe & Kay Brown and +Marty Broska by Ray & Cathy

Sunday, March 4 **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**
8:30 a.m. +Stanley Pliszka by Linda & Denny Rourke
11:00 a.m. +Russell Roland Fonseca, Jr. by Dan & Theresa Gillotti

Monday, March 5
NO MASS

Tuesday, March 6
NO MASS
Wednesday, March 7 **St. Perpetua and Felicity**
8:30 a.m. living & deceased of the Brezinski family
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 8 **St. John of God**
NO MASS

Friday, March 9 **St. Frances of Rome**
8:30 a.m. living & deceased members of St. Anthony & St. Teresa Parishes

Saturday, March 10
4:30 p.m. +Robert Dolacki by family

Sunday, March 11 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**
8:30 a.m. living & deceased of the Altar & Rosary Society
11:00 a.m. +Sidney Heidrick by grandparents

**LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN, PRAY AND LIVE!**

Stations of the Cross will take place on Wednesdays during Lent at 7 p.m. (except Holy Week).

Word Among Us booklets are available to each Parishioner in the rear of the church.

Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Every Saturday at 3:30 (except Holy Saturday)

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass will be **Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.** The Rosary will be said at 8:00 a.m. prior to Mass.

TRADITIONAL SEDER MEAL - ALL ARE INVITED!

This ritual meal recounts the liberation of the Hebrew people from Egyptian bondage and how it relates to the farewell meal Jesus shared with his closest friends, a Passover Seder Meal. Through this meal, we will be taught the importance of Jesus' words and deeds that evening, which are the foundation of the Catholic Mass. Join us in **St. Teresa of Avila's Parish Life Center on Wednesday, March 28 from 7 - 9 p.m.** Our Hosts will be Fr. Ed Smith and Dr. Phil Gigliotti. No Charge for the evening; a Free Will Offering will be taken. *RSVP a must by March 20, 2018 to 440-934-4227.* Seating is limited.

FIRST HONORS AT ELYRIA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Elizabeth Parkey, Class of 2019 - *Congratulations Beth from your Parish Family at St. Teresa Church!*

A FINAL MESSAGE FROM THE REV. BILLY GRAHAM

The following is Rev. Billy Graham's last Facebook message prior to his death:

"If you went for a walk in the woods, but then decided to wander off the path, and found yourself surrounded by a thicket of thorns and poison ivy, who would you blame? Would you blame the person who built the path? No, of course not. Instead you'd blame yourself if you were honest, because you alone were responsible for wandering from the path. In a far deeper way, this is what happens when we decide to leave God out of our lives. For a time, it may seem like wandering away from Him doesn't make any difference; it may even seem easier and freer. But eventually it catches up with us—just as wandering off that path and into the thicket caught up with you."

—Billy Graham May he rest in the peace of Christ.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab; Lk 18:9-14
Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21; Alternate readings (Year A): 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

When Christ told the Samaritan woman at their first meeting that she had had five husbands and was living unmarried with a sixth, she was amazed. "Come," she hastened to tell her friends, "and see someone who told me everything I ever did."

God has bestowed the same gift of reading hearts on certain of his saints. St. John Vianney, the famous Curé of Ars of nineteenth century France, often received this gift as he worked with souls.

For instance, years after the Saint's death, a certain railway worker testified before a church court how he had been converted by him. The fame of the Curé had prompted him to visit Ars, not to go to confession, but just to see what this priest was like. He liked what he saw and followed St. John into the sacristy. The Saint at once told him to kneel in the confessional.

"How long is it since your last confession?" the Curé asked him. "Such a long time that I can't remember," the stranger replied. "Examine yourself well. It is twenty-eight years." "Twenty-eight years? Yes, that's right." "And you did not receive Holy Communion then," the Saint continued: "you only received absolution." "That's correct, too." As they talked, the railroad man felt his faith growing stronger. In the end, he made a complete and heartfelt confession. And he stuck by his new resolution.

When Jesus came up to Jerusalem and cleansed the Temple, many of the Judeans hailed his teaching. However, he did not trust them or take them into his confidence. He knew they were looking for a political Messiah, not the suffering Messiah he was called to be. He could read in their hearts, the point of view that would eventually turn them against Him.

"... He was well aware of what was in man's heart." (John 2:25).

The Reverend Edward J. Smith

CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING

EWTN Network brings you great Holy Week and Easter programming on TV, Radio and Internet! Join EWTN Global Catholic Network in remembering Christ's love for us through His Passion, Death and Resurrection. During Holy Week and Easter, EWTN brings you special programming and Live Easter Masses from Rome and the Basilica of the National Shrine in Washington DC, and much more. Find your local TV or Radio station by going to ewtn.com/channelfinder/ or ewtn.com/radio/.

RESPECT LIFE

"Sweeter even than to have had the joy of children of my own has it been for me to help bring about a better state of things for mothers generally, so that their unborn little ones could not be willed away from them."

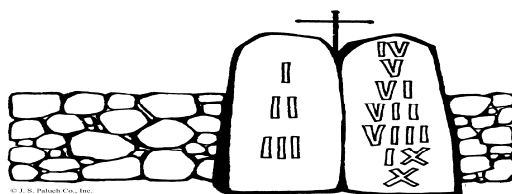
- Susan B. Anthony

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From February 14 – March 25, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Please help spread the word about this important community outreach. Contact John Noall at clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com or 216-245-9744 for more information. Visit: www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland.

MOTHER CABRINI FOOD PANTRY, LORAIN

Our next collection of non perishable food will be **March 3 & 4**. Place your non-perishable donations in the tub in the vestibule of the church. Help is always needed on the *2nd, 3rd and 4th Saturdays* of each month from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Many thanks to all those who support this ministry financially and with their time!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Confirmation Class	Sun, March 4	8:30 a.m.	Church/PLC
PSR	Tues, March 6	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, March 7	9:00 a.m. - Noon	Church
Fish Fry	Fri, March 9	4:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
Confirmation	Sun, March 11	11:00 a.m.	St. Thomas Church
PSR	Tues, March 13	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms

LET US GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD OUR GOD FOR THOSE AMONG US:

Thank You to all our wonderful fish fry volunteers! The fish fry would never be successful without you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Charles Godles, Christopher Barnhart, Jason Bender, Thomas Daley, Capt. 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, Jacob Teyton, 1st Sgt. Derek Lisowski, Michael Garba, SSgt. Leo Ostrolencki
To add names call 934-4227.

PARISH CLUSTER CORNER

St. Thomas the Apostle

www.saintthomaschurch.net

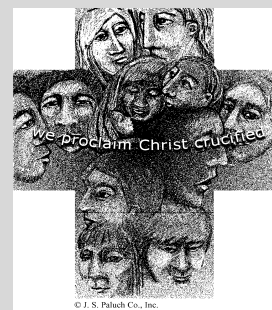
St. Anthony

www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/

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



TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS

Sunday Mass is aired on Channel 8 on Sundays at 6:00 a.m.

HOLY SPIRIT, BRING TO US A DESIRE FOR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"A Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration is a sharing in the work of Redemption." Archbishop Fulton Sheen



Around the Town

SOLACE OF LORAIN COUNTY - ADVOCACY FOR FAMILIES COPING WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The next meeting will be **March 8, 2018 from 6 - 8 p.m.** at LCCC CARE Center (BU 113D), 1005 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria. For information call Kathy at 440-823-6177. Visit: www.lorainadas.org.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA NEWS

Pierogi Time! Pierogi will be sold on all Fridays during Lent from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Pre-order by calling Patty at 934-4482. Baked goods available as well.

Pierogi: frozen \$7/dz and cooked \$8/dz. Cabbage & Noodles, Mac & Cheese, and Pierogi dinners also available.

Lenten Soup Supper St. Anthony's Marian Guild invites all parishioners to a "Soup Supper" on **March 19, 2018 at 6 p.m.** The evening will begin with a Prayer Service in the church lead by Deacon Paul Heiser, followed by the Soup Supper in the social hall. Deacon Paul will deliver a message after dinner. Please RSVP to Denise at 714-4761.

FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation help to anyone and if you're 50 and older, and can't afford a tax preparation service, we were made especially for you. There are many sites open in Lorain County **by appointment only**. To find a location near you call 1-888-227-7669.

ST. JUDE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY - SALAD BUFEET

Women of all Parishes are invited to our Annual Salad Buffet on **Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.** in the Family Center, 590 Poplar St. Enjoy a variety of fresh, homemade salads and a guest speaker. No charge. Call Joan at 366-7163 for reservations.

CELEBRATE CATHOLIC SISTERS

National Catholic Sisters Week, March 8 - 14, is a celebration of the lives and legacies of women religious who have dedicated their efforts to bring the Good News to those they serve. Join the Sisters of the Cleveland Diocese in the local celebration on **Saturday, March 10** from 1- 4 p.m. at Magnificat High school. For information or to register, go to Eventbrite.com and click Celebrate Catholic Sisters. Or, contact Sr. Kate Hine, SND at khine@ndec.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

Blood drive will be held **Saturday, March 10, 2018 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.** at the Ragan Hall, 1783 Moore Road, Avon.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER AND PARISH MISSION

St. Vincent de Paul Church invites you to this Parish Mission on **Monday, March 12 at 7 p.m.** with speaker Matthew W. Harley, Sr., "Living the Peace Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi", and **Tuesday, March 13** for Soup Supper from 5 - 6:30 p.m. followed by speaker at 7 p.m., Sr. Carol Anne Smith, "Remembering God's Love".

ST. JOSEPH PARISH - SPEAKERS DURING MARCH

St. Joseph Parish, Avon Lake, will host two speakers. At **7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 14**, Tom Mrosko will share with us his experience with immigrants. Tom serves as the director of the Office of Migration and Refugee Services, Diocese of Cleveland. He has perspective on the challenges that immigrants face when they come to the U.S. and how we, as followers of Jesus, can honor His command in Matthew 25: 35 to welcome the stranger. On **March 21 at 7 p.m.**, Isam Zaiem will speak on the topic, *Understanding Islam and Muslims*. Isam is a co-founder of the Cleveland Chapter of the Council on American-Islamic Relations. Please join us for these important conversations in the social hall, St. Joseph Parish, 32929 Lake Rd., Avon Lake, and its phone number is 440-933-3152. For further information, contact Fr. Dan Fickes.

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 under Resources and Issues tab.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, March 3
4:30 p.m.

Mike Palmer
Frances Geiger
John Katricak
Tom Pienoski **

Sun, March 4
8:30 a.m.

Greg Smail
Sue DiVaccaro **
Marty Yonkof
Carol Yonkof

Sun, March 4
11:00 a.m.

Marci Matsamas
Susan Novak
Don Kirchner
Carol Kirchner

Sat, March 10
4:30 p.m.

Ann Glime
Joan Gigliotti
Debbie Korce
EM Needed

Sun, March 11
8:30 a.m.

Rick Basista
Barb Eifel **
Kathy Cunningham
Christi Smail

Sun, March 11
11:00 a.m.

Theresa Gillotti
Marci Matsamas
Elmer Klingshirn
Dan Gillotti

Lectors

Sat, March 3
4:30 p.m.

Andrew Augustine

Sun, March 4
8:30 a.m.

Bruce DiVaccaro

Sun, March 4
11:00 a.m.

Dan Gillotti

Sat, March 10
4:30 p.m.

Phil Gigliotti

Sun, March 11
8:30 a.m.

Larry Durica

Sun, March 11
11:00 a.m.

Fred Courtright

SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018



Altar Servers

Sat, March 3
4:30 p.m.

Dan Huczko

Sun, March 4
8:30 a.m.

Adam Smail

Sun, March 4
11:00 a.m.

Server Needed

Sat, March 10
4:30 p.m.

Bill Brock **

Sun, March 11
8:30 a.m.

Cara Smail

Sun, March 11
11:00 a.m.

Victoria Korce