

St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

FIFTH SUNDAY OF

Lent

I will place my law within them
and write it upon their hearts;
I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.

Jeremiah 31:33

MARCH
18
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.

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Weekly Goal \$4,000.00
March 11 \$3,409.00
Children's \$2.00

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

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education in the Holy Land. Please be generous. Collections takes place March 30.

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
Chris Geiger, Jim Schilens, Jr.

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.

First Holy Communion takes place on April 21 at the 4:30 p.m. Mass.

Let us pray for these children, that they always accept Jesus into their lives with childlike innocence.

MONTHLY SPIRITUAL MAXIM

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

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

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

MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE

There are many weekend dates available for your intentions, including April 15 at 8:30 a.m., April 28 and April 29 at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Call the church office.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 17 St. Patrick
4:30 p.m. +Chester Zombeck by Donna Scalzitti

Sunday, March 18 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
8:30 a.m. +Tom King, Jr. by Mom & Dad
11:00 a.m. +Joseph Tomshe by Ed & Jo Niemiec

Monday, March 19 St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
NO MASS

Tuesday, March 20 NO MASS

Wednesday, March 21
8:30 a.m. +Butch & Elaine Klingshirm by Bruce & Sue
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Thursday, March 22 NO MASS

Friday, March 23 St. Turibius
8:30 a.m. living & deceased of the St. Teresa & St. Anthony Parishes

Saturday, March 24 Blessed Oscar Romero
4:30 p.m. +Violet Trudnowski by Phil & Joan

Sunday, March 25 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
8:30 a.m. +Stanley Pliszka by Gary & Kathy Eckenrode
11:00 a.m. deceased of the Smith & McCoy families



Wednesday, March 28 Seder Meal
Holy Thursday, March 29 Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday, March 30 The Lord's Passion & Veneration of the Cross
Holy Saturday, March 31 Stations of the Cross
Easter Sunday, April 1 Blessing of Food
Mass Easter Vigil
Mass

7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
Noon
3:00 p.m.
11:00 a.m.
7:30 p.m.
8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

COMMUNAL Penance SERVICE - SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

Our Communal Lenten Penance Service will take place **Sunday, March 18, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church.** Several priests will be available to hear confessions.

"If you excuse yourself in confession, you shut up sin within your soul, and shut out pardon." --St. Augustine

TRADITIONAL SEDER MEAL - ALL ARE INVITED!

Through this meal, we will be taught the importance of Jesus' words and deeds at His last supper, 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.**

FISH FRY UPDATE

We are in desperate need of bakery! Please consider donating a baked item or 2 - we have been running low.

We need help with clean up at 7:15 p.m.

All donations can be dropped off at the PLC Thurs/Fri between 9 a.m. & 3 p.m. and after hours in the enclosed porch by the church office. **Thank You!**

WE ARE IN NEED OF ALTAR SERVERS

Please consider becoming an Altar Server! Anyone from the 4th grade through adult are welcome to call the office. Our need is great for the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession) Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 -- 15:47

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

God chose the Israelites as His special people and revealed Himself and His law to them. Out of Israel came His Divine Son, who revealed God even more fully, and gave us the law of love. But throughout human history there have been many wise men of every nation who have known neither the Old Testament nor the New Testament yet have taught many of the same truths.

Take Confucius, the Chinese moralist who lived in 552-479 BC, and is still revered by the Chinese as a master counselor. A man of high intelligence and compassion, Confucius tried to reform society in China by teaching practical wisdom to a small group of men who were destined to hold high public office. Here are some of the ideas he passed on to them.

"God is the creator of all men." "There is the great God; does He hate anyone?" "The superior man exalts in others and abases himself; he gives the first place to others and takes the last himself." "The practice of right living is deemed the highest . . . complete virtue takes first place." "Do not commence or abandon anything hastily." "While his parents are alive, a son should not consider his wealth his own nor hold it for his use only." "What you do not want done to yourself, do not do unto others." "The body and the animal soul go downwards, and the intelligent spirit is on high."

These were wise sayings, indeed, and Confucius had many admiring pupils who carried on his work as a teacher. One of them, Mencius, who lived in the third century BC, was the author of one axiom that was particularly discerning: "The great man is he who does not lose his child's heart."

Try matching some of these statements with comparable passages in the Bible. Of course, not all that the Confucianists or the other thoughtful pagan philosophers said would blend with divine public revelation. But their efforts to teach goodness shows that God was calling them to Himself through the light of human reason, and they were listening.

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The Reverend Edward J. Smith, Pastor



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

Fetus means, in Latin, "little one".

Visit www.clevelandrighttolife.org

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED STUDENTS!

Elizabeth White

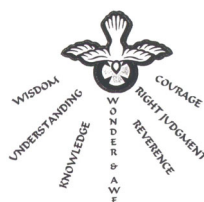
Jacob Stitchick

Michael Griffith

Madison DeChant

Aubree Thompson

"But it is God who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us, by putting his seal on us and giving us his Spirit in our hearts as a first installment." — St. Paul

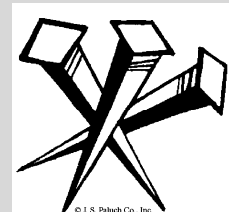


UPCOMING EVENTS

Penance Service	Sun, March 18	2:00 p.m.	St. Anthony Church
PSR	Tues, March 20	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, March 21	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Church
Fish Fry	Fri, March 23	4:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
PSR	Tues, March 27	6:00 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, March 28	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Church
Seder Meal	Wed, March 28	7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
Mass of Lord's Supper	Thurs, March 29	7:00 p.m.	Church
Lord's Passion	Fri, March 30	Noon	Church
Stations of the Cross	Fri, March 30	3:00 p.m.	Church
Fish Fry	Fri, March 30	4:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall
Food Blessing	Sat, March 31	11:00 a.m.	Church
Easter Vigil	Sat, March 31	7:30 p.m.	Church
Easter Mass Times	Sun, April 1	8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.	Church

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

Thank You to The Altar & Rosary Society and the Social Concerns Commission for supplying and serving breakfast to our Confirmandi throughout their formation classes these past couple of months.



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 Peyton, 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

"Eucharistic Adoration is an invaluable converse with Christ where we learn more deeply of the mysteries of His Divine and human life." - St. John Paul II



Around the Town

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

The next meeting will be **March 22, 2018 from 6 - 8 p.m.** at Amherst Beaver Creek: Visitor Center, 913 N. Lake St., Amherst. 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.

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.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT

Takes place **Sunday, March 18** at St. Joseph Cemetery in Avon at 3:00 p.m.

ST. AGNES ALTAR & ROSARY CHICKEN PAPRIKAS DINNER

Takes place **Palm Sunday, March 25 from 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.** Adult dinners are \$12, children 6-12 are \$5, *under 5 eat free. 611 Lake Ave., Elyria.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - PALM SUNDAY FILM: JESUS OF NAZARETH

Join us **Sunday, March 25 from 4:30 - 6:15 p.m.** for the final 2 segments of the television mini-series "Jesus of Nazareth". Doors open at 4 p.m. We are located at 1783 Moore Rd., Avon.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM OF LORAIN COUNTY

Join us **Friday, April 6, 2018 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** at the Spitzer Conference Center, Elyria. Lunch buffet followed by speaker; \$18 each with **RSVP by April 2, 2018** to 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com. Speaker will be Jason Lewis, M.A. - "Even Better After 50: Spirituality and Faith Formation of Older Adults".

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Visit: www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - HOPEFUL HEARTS

This group is for grieving seniors 60 and over. Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, March 27 from 1-2:30 p.m.** at Holy Spirit Parish Family Center, 410 Lear Rd., Avon Lake. No reservation necessary. Call with questions to 933-3777.

DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION

On **Sunday, April 8, at 3:00 p.m.** **Nativity B.V.M Church in Lorain** will celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy. The service will include the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Exposition and Benediction, readings, and special songs and prayers for the Jubilee Year of Mercy. A reception will follow. All are welcome!

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY - PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR

April 9, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. a one (1) hour seminar takes place at Holy Trinity Parish - Modular Meeting Room, 33601 Detroit Road, Avon. RSVP to 216-641-7575 ext 8.

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.

Pregnant and in need? Help is available at OptionLine.org or call 1-800-712-HELP.

Homeless and pregnant? Call Good Counsel Homes, 1-800-723-8331 or visit www.goodcounselhomes.org.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, March 17
4:30 p.m.

Debbie Korce
Frances Geiger
John Katricak
Mike Palmer

Sun, March 18
8:30 a.m.

Marty Yonkof
Carol Yonkof
Sue DiVaccaro **
Greg Smail

Sun, March 18
11:00 a.m.

Norman Novak
Susan Novak
Carol Kirchner
Fred Courtright

Palm Sunday
Sat, March 24
4:30 p.m.

Joan Gigliotti
Ann Glime
Tom Pienoski **
EM Needed

Palm Sunday
Sun, March 25
8:30 a.m.

Bill Bistak **
Rick Basista
Christi Smail
Kathy Cunningham

Palm Sunday
Sun, March 25
11:00 a.m.

Dan Gillotti
Marci Matsamas
Elmer Klingshirn
Theresa Gillotti

Lectors

Sat, March 17
4:30 p.m.

Jean Ackerman

Sun, March 18
8:30 a.m.

Bruce DiVaccaro

Sun, March 18
11:00 a.m.

Gene Welsh

Palm Sunday
Sat, March 24
4:30 p.m.

Phil Gigliotti
Andrew Augustine

Palm Sunday
Sun, March 25
8:30 a.m.

Greg Petro
Larry Durica

Palm Sunday
Sun, March 25
11:00 a.m.

Fred Courtright
Tom Parkey



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Altar Servers

Sat, March 17
4:30 p.m.

Tom Pienoski

Sun, March 18
8:30 a.m.

Adam Smail

Sun, March 18
11:00 a.m.

Server Needed

Palm Sunday
Sat, March 24
4:30 p.m.

Ray Fitzwater

Palm Sunday
Sun, March 25
8:30 a.m.

Cara Smail

Palm Sunday
Sun, March 25
11:00 a.m.

Beth Parkey