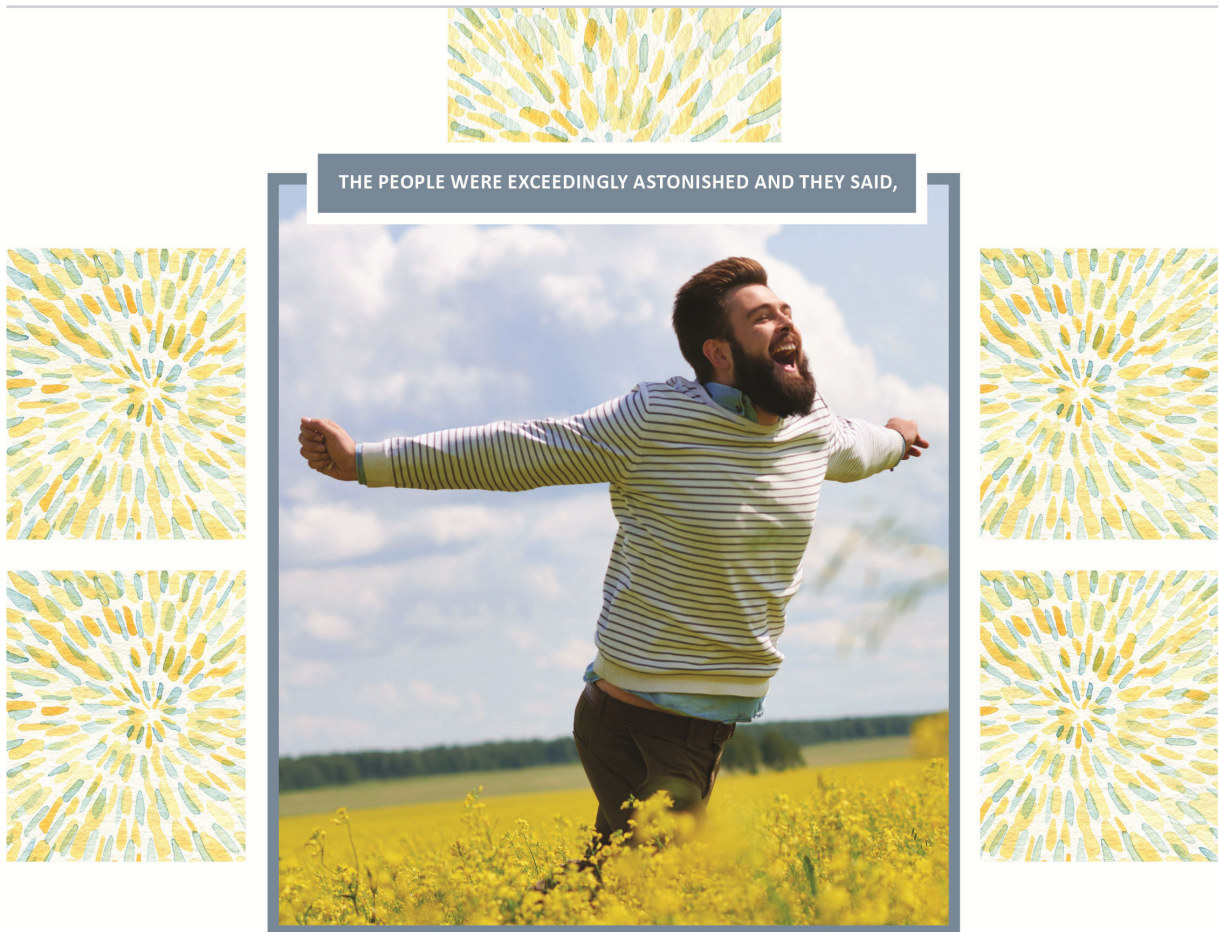


St. Teresa of Avila Parish

1878 Abbe Road Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054

SEPTEMBER 9, 2018, TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



*"He has done all things well.
He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."*

~ Mark 7:37



Established 1845

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHURCH is handicap accessible.

STAFF

Reverend Edward J. Smith, Pastor
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 Noon 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.



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom? -- James 2:5

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30 p.m. +Ruth Smith by Paul & Lou Ann

Sunday, September 9

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

11:00 a.m. +Susan Zaleski by Don & Carol Kirchner

Monday, September 10

NO MASS

Tuesday, September 11

NO MASS

Wednesday, September 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:30 a.m. All Souls

Thursday, September 13 St. John Chrysostom

NO MASS

Friday, September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:30 a.m. deceased of Masnak/Tomshe families by Ed & Jo Niemiec

Saturday, September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

4:30 p.m. +Greg Brezinski by Wehler family

Sunday, September 16

8:30 a.m. +Stan Pliszka by Mom, Louise Nichols

11:00 a.m. living/deceased of the Smith & McCoy families



Sept. 2 Collection

Will be in next week's bulletin.

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

SENIOR GROUP MEETING - SEPTEMBER 21

All Seniors of the Parish, aged 50 and up, are invited the Tour the Burrell Farm House on Friday, September 21. Meet at the Parish Life Center at 10:00 a.m.



MASSES

Sunday Vigil - Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday - 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Wednesday & Friday - 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

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Back in the 1940's the newspapers carried the story of a boy who was born blind. He was a lively and imaginative child, full of interest in everything around him. Unfortunately, since he could not see the world in which he lived, he could only guess what things were like from their shape and texture as he felt it or their sound as he heard it. When they were too far away to be felt or smelt or listened to, he would have to guess at what they looked like.

Then his parents asked a certain eye surgeon whether an operation could remedy the blindness of their cheerful but sightless son. The doctor said he thought it was now possible to perform surgery that would make him able finally to see.

On the day scheduled for the operation, his parents drove the boy to the hospital in the family car. The father and mother hoped the doctor was right. Still they were torn by the inner, unexpressed question, "What if the operation fails?" Maybe their little son had the same inner fear, but his strongest emotion that day was a joyful hope.

In the operating room the surgeon set deftly about his work. Then he bandaged the child's eyes until they healed. Finally, the crucial day of the "unveiling" came. The doctor sat the boy by a window that looked out on the hospital parking lot and the green landscaped lawn beyond. He unrolled the bandage down to the gauze pads and set it on the table. Then he took the pads carefully off the closed eyes. Finally, he said, "Now, open your eyes."

The little boy opened his eyes and looked straight ahead of him. He blinked a couple of times but said nothing. Those seconds were like years to those present, and the father and mother were almost frantic. Then a smile spread across the lad's face. "There's the car I came in," he exclaimed. "I know it! And there's a tree. Oh, it's beautiful! It's beautiful!"

"The eyes of the blind will be opened." (Isaiah 35:5. Today's first reading). Do we, who have always seen God's trees and His other wonderful creatures, really appreciate the beautiful things He has given us for our delight?

The Reverend Edward J. Smith, Pastor

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday:	1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday:	1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Saturday:	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Sunday:	Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35



THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS, celebrated every year on **September 14**, recalls three historical events: the finding of the True Cross by Saint Helena, the mother of the emperor Constantine; the dedication of churches built by Constantine on the site of the Holy Sepulchre and Mount Calvary; and the restoration of the True Cross to Jerusalem by the emperor Heraclius II. But in a deeper sense, the feast also celebrates the Holy Cross as the instrument of our salvation. This instrument of torture, designed to degrade the worst of criminals, became the life-giving tree that reversed Adam's Original Sin when he ate from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil in the Garden of Eden.

UPCOMING EVENTS

PSR Begins	Tues, Sept 11	6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.	PLC Classrooms
Eucharistic Adoration	Wed, Sept 12	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Church
Clambake	Sat, Sept 15	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Avila Hall



PARISHIONERS:

Luz Villanueva, Eleanor Rieth
Pat Chozinski, Marty Lima
Gladys Mackert, Maebelle Fill
Gladys Wisnieski, Margaret Mauk
Kathleen Brezinski, Anna Joseph
Patricia Welsh, Shirley Karasevic
Charlotte Joherle

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, Michael Garba
SSgt. Leo Ostrolencki
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!

"Rather, as one who has received more, you are more indebted. What can we do for a God so generous that He died for us, created us, and gives us being?"
St. Teresa of Avila

CATHOLIC PROGRAMMING

Going on vacation? **AM 1260 The Rock** can go anywhere you do! Download our app from the Google Play store or the iPhone app store to stay connected to Rock Solid Truth!

Table Talk with Bishop Perez: Join Host Dick Russ and Bishop Nelson Perez as they discuss what's on the mind of the Catholic community. Tune in to AM 1260 The Rock for *Table Talk* on **September 13 at 5 p.m.** Rebroadcast Sept. 15 at Noon and Sept. 16 at 1 p.m. To listen to the audio archive of the previous two episodes, visit www.am1260therock.com/audio-archive.

Find your local TV or Radio station by going to ewtn.com/channelfinder/ or ewtn.com/radio/.



"The God of Jacob keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free." *Psalms 146:7*

*Novena for the
Legal Protection
of Human Life*



U.S. BISHOP'S CALL US TO PRAY AND FAST FOR LIFE

Pray and fast each Friday, through September 28, that a change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life. Join at www.usccb.org/pray/

May we welcome all life! Our Father....., Hail Mary....., Glory Be....

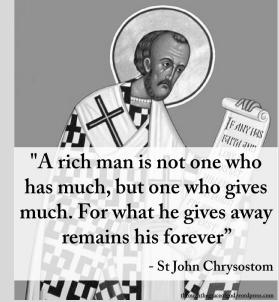
HOLY SPIRIT, BRING US A DESIRE FOR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

"My Lord and Creator, Your goodness encourages me to converse with You. Your mercy abolishes the chasm which separates the Creator from the creature."

St. Faustina

St. Teresa's Eucharistic Adoration takes place each Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

We need Adorers for each hour.



"A rich man is not one who has much, but one who gives much. For what he gives away remains his forever"

- St John Chrysostom

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM SEPTEMBER 13

St. John, named Chrysostom (golden-mouthed) on account of his eloquence, came into the world of Christian parents, about the year 344, in the city of Antioch. In 374, he began the life of an anchorite in the mountains near Antioch, but in 386 the poor state of his health forced him to return to Antioch, where he was ordained a priest. In 398, he was elevated to the See of Constantinople and became one of the greatest lights of the Church. But he had enemies and was sent into exile. In the midst of his sufferings, like the apostle, St. Paul, whom he so greatly admired, he found the greatest peace and happiness. His enemies were not satisfied with the sufferings he had already endured, and they banished him still further, to Pythius, at the very extremity of the Empire. He died on his way there on September 14, 407.

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.

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

Thank You to all those who helped in any way with our Saturday Night Suppers!

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

The next monthly breakfast will be **Saturday, September 15 at Saint Peter's Church, North Ridgeville**. Breakfast is from 8:30am to 9:45am. Meet new friends and strengthen your relationship with Jesus. So that we have an idea of how much food to prepare please RSVP to Tom Fumich at (440) 610-6604 or sjsbreakfast@gmail.com to attend. **St. Teresa men interested in attending can meet in St. Teresa's parking lot at 7:45 a.m. Call with questions to Bill Bistak at 440-934-0154.**

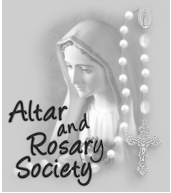
LITURGICAL SCHEDULES FOR FALL 2018

All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors and Servers are asked to contact the office by September 21 with any dates they are unavailable to serve in October and November 2018. **Thank You !!**



HOW TO REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER

Registration forms are available on the card table in the rear of the church or in the church office. Return your forms in the collection basket or to the church office.

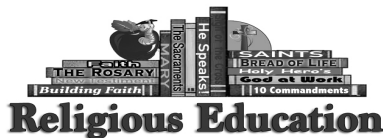


THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY IS SPONSORING A CLAMBAKE !

Clambake - Saturday, September 15 Dinner will be served from 5:30 - 7 p.m. Clambake dinner is \$28; Chicken only dinner is \$15; Extra dozen clams are \$8.50; Plate sharing \$5. Pre-sale tickets only in the church office - available beginning this week, Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Our next Altar & Rosary Society Mass will be **Sunday, September 9, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.** The Rosary will be said at 8:00 a.m. prior to Mass.

All ladies of the parish are invited to join the Altar & Rosary Society.



2018 -2019 PSR {PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION}

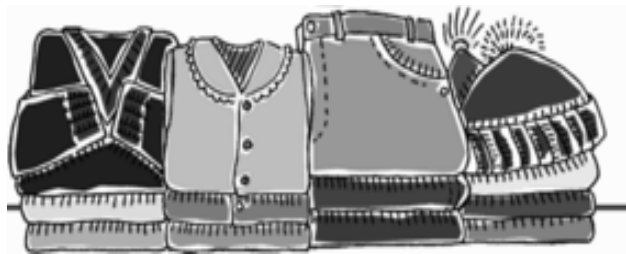
1st -8th grade PSR begins Tuesday, September 11, 2018. Classes take place on Tuesdays, from 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. in the Parish Life Center. Registration forms are in the rear of the church, on our website (www.stteresaparish.com), and in the church office. Contact Mr. William Bistak, Principal PSR at acura_previa@yahoo.com with questions.



ST. TERESA'S BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES - EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

In September we will meet only on **Thursday, September 20, at 7:00 p.m.** Join us in the St. John Room in the Parish Life Center.

There will be no class on September 6!



Sponsored by St. Teresa's Altar & Rosary Society and Social Concerns Committee

Accepting donations of gently worn clothing for the children of Blessing House and Birthright of Lorain County

Includes sizes for newborn to age 12

Winter clothing is especially needed – sweaters, sweatshirts, coats, boots, gloves/ mittens, scarves, hats

**Bins will be set up in front of St. Joseph altar for the weekends of:
September 8/9, 15/16, 22/23 and 29/30**

Sponsored by St. Teresa's Altar & Rosary Society

Clambake



Saturday, September 15, 2018
5:30—7:00 p.m.

Tickets Available

Church Office
 Mon - Fri, 9 a.m.— 3 p.m.
 or call 440-934-4227

Menu

Clam Dinner	\$28.00
Chicken only Dinner	\$15.00
Extra dozen clams	\$ 8.50
Plate Sharing	\$ 5.00

Dinners include clam chowder, (dozen clams w/mussels - clambake dinners only), grilled lemon herb boneless chicken breast/leg quarter, red potatoes, corn on the cob, coleslaw, roll and butter



THE SEASON OF CREATION begins on **September 1, World Day of Prayer for Creation (which Pope Francis has recognized as a meaningful Catholic celebration), and ends on October 4, Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of ecology and animals.** On **Saturday, Sept. 29**, consider attending the *"Caring for Our Common Home: Laudato Si' and Integral Ecology"* Diocesan conference from 9 am – 5 pm at John Carroll University Dolan Science Center. Cost: \$20 before September 14. \$25 after September 14. Register at Eventbrite. Meaningful Catholic resources can help us celebrate the Season of Creation: www.catholicclimatemovement.global and www.catholicclimatecovenant.org.

There are many Masses in 2018 still open for your intention. Call the church office to schedule a Mass for a loved one.



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION FALL FORMATION SESSIONS

If you would like to become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion please call the office. We can register you for one of the following classes. There is no fee.

Saturday, September 29

St. Joseph Parish, Avon Lake: 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, October 16

Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish, Grafton: 7 - 9:30 p.m.

TELEVISED SUNDAY MASS

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

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat, Sept 8
4:30 p.m.

Ann Glime
Tom Pienoski **
Joan Gigliotti
Daniel Bryda

Sun, Sept 9
8:30 a.m.

Rick Basista
Barb Eifel **
Christi Smail
Aaron Davis

Sun, Sept 9
11:00 a.m.

Debbie Brady
Elmer Klingshirn
Dan Gillotti
Theresa Gillotti

Sat, Sept 15
4:30 p.m.

John Katricak **
Debbie Korce
Frances Geiger
Mike Palmer

Sun, Sept 16
8:30 a.m.

Bill Bistak **
Marty Yonkof
Carol Yonkof
Sue DiVaccaro

Sun, Sept 16
11:00 a.m.

Trish MacDonald
Norman Novak
Susan Novak
Carol Kirchner



Lectors

Sat, Sept 8
4:30 p.m.

Phil Gigliotti

Sun, Sept 9
8:30 a.m.

Larry Durica

Sun, Sept 9
11:00 a.m.

Fred Courtright

Sat, Sept 15
4:30 p.m.

Ruth Bistak

Sun, Sept 16
8:30 a.m.

Bruce DiVaccaro

Sun, Sept 16
11:00 a.m.

Tom Parkey

Altar Servers

Sat, Sept 8
4:30 p.m.

Dan Huczko

Sun, Sept 9
8:30 a.m.

Cara Smail

Sun, Sept 9
11:00 a.m.

Mikey Griffith
David Griffith

Sat, Sept 15
4:30 p.m.

Ray Fitzwater

Sun, Sept 16
8:30 a.m.

Server Needed

Sun, Sept 16
11:00 a.m.

Beth Parkey

Around the Town

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

The next meeting will be **September 13, 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.

LORAIN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE - SAVE THE DATES

Visit our booth at the Elyria Apple Festival in Downtown Elyria on **September 21 - 23, 2018**.

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST

Join us **Monday, September 10, 2018** for the first session at The Copper Cup, 680 Dover Center Road, Westlake. Cost is \$10 - includes appetizers, cash bar - register at theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west. Pay at the door. Questions: email theologyontherockswest@gmail.com.

A POWERFUL STUDY ON THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Join us for *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother*.

Two Churches are holding this study:

St. Vincent de Paul Church beginning **October 3 at 7 p.m.** and continuing for 8 weeks. For more information or to register contact Jackie Prosak at 324-6615 x4 or jackiesvdp@gmail.com. Cost is \$25/person for materials. Registration due by Sept 29.

St. Peters, Lorain beginning **September 18 - Nov. 6 at 6:30 p.m.** Cost is \$25/person. Contact Deacon Jay at 440-282-9103 x110.

ALL CHURCH RETREAT AT ST. JUDE, ELYRIA

Open to men and women on **Sept. 18, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.** Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by breakfast, speaker, lunch, reflection, stations of the cross and lunch. Reservations to Joan at 366-7163.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

A comprehensive weekend of marriage preparation held at St. Leonard Retreat Center, 4076 Case Rd., Avon. Next date is **September 21 - 23, 2018**. Call Alex & Lily Fuentes at 216-849-3769 or visit www.clevelandencounter.com.

ANNUAL BENEFIT FOR ST. ANDREW ABBEY

Sunday, September 23, 2018 at The American-Croatian Lodge, 34900 Lakeshore Blvd, Eastlake, OH 44095. 1 p.m. Mass, 2 p.m. refreshments followed by dinner, dancing, live auction and much more. To purchase tickets go to www.standrewabbey.org.

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL TO HOST CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

On Thursday, **September 20, 2018** Holy Trinity School will host admissions directors and staff from eight Catholic High Schools: Benedictine, Elyria Catholic, Holy Name, Magnificat, Padua Franciscan, St. Edward, St. Ignatius, St. Joseph Academy. From 6:00-7:30pm, each high school's representative will be located in Holy Trinity's gym. Light refreshments will be provided. No registration. Questions: Julie @ julie.scanlan@htsavon.org.

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.