



Jesus was
transfigured
before them

St. Thomas the Apostle

715 Harris Road * Sheffield Lake * Ohio * 44054-1409

August 6, 2017

Transfiguration of the Lord

PARISH INFORMATION

MASSES: Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 AM

Monday through Saturday: 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 PM

or by appointment.

BAPTISM: Sundays: 12:30 PM

Parent Pre-Baptismal Class required

MARRIAGE: Contact the Office at least six months

before the tentative date is set.

HOME COMMUNION: Anyone desiring Communion at

home should notify the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Arrangements with the Parish Office must be

made before publication.

MEMBERSHIP: New members are welcome. Call the Office

when you arrive. If you are moving, or turn 18 years of age contact us to keep our files updated.

SICK CALLS: Communion for shut-ins and hospital visitation

notify the Parish Office

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday-closed

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday-9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Friday-9:00 AM-3:00 PM

Any information/insert included in the bulletin must be in the Parish Office by Wednesday at 4:00 PM

ST. THOMAS MISSION STATEMENT: We are a Catholic

Community guided by the Holy Spirit. Inspired by our liturgy and communal prayer, we reflect Jesus as servants, teachers and leaders building the kingdom of God.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Mary, Holy Mother of God January 1, 2018

The Assumption of Mary August 15, 2017

All Saints November 1, 2017

Immaculate Conception December 8, 2017

Christmas December 25, 2017

DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

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PARISH STAFF

Father Stephen L. Shields..... Pastor

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COMMUNICATIONS

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PARISH CLUSTER CONTACTS

St. Anthony...www.stanthonylorain.parishesonline.com

1305 East Erie Ave. Lorain 44052 (440) 288-0106

St. Teresa.....http://www.sttereasparish.com

1878 Abbe Rd. Sheffield Village 44054 (440) 934-4227

OUR HONORED FORMER PASTORS

+Fr. Raymond J. Grismer 1960-1962

+Fr. Urban A. Reichlin 1962-1968

+Fr. Claude J. Gaebelien 1968-1981

+Fr. John J. McCaffrey 1981-1998

St. Thomas the Apostle Church is fully accessible

No Steps, No Stairs, No Ramps

Mass Schedule

Weekly Intention: The Grace to Imitate Jesus

Sunday August 6, 2017
Transfiguration of the Lord
 9:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners
 11:00 AM Ken Hicks
 Second Collection: Loose Change

Monday August 7, 2017
St. Sixus II & Companions
St. Cajetan

9:00 AM Special Intentions
Tuesday August 8, 2017
St. Dominic

9:00 AM All Souls

Wednesday August 9, 2017
St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

9:00 AM Robert Potter
Thursday August 10, 2017
St. Lawrence

9:00 AM Special Intentions

Friday August 11, 2017
St. Clare

9:00 AM Mary Lou Judge
Saturday August 12, 2017
St. Jane Frances de Chantal

9:00 AM All Souls
 4:00 PM Robert Markovich

Sunday August 13, 2017
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM L & D Members of the Holy Name
 11:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners
 Second Collection: Loose Change
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Pre-Baptismal Classes-2017

August 20 St. Thomas 12:30 PM (440) 949-7744
 September 19 St. Mary 7:30 PM (440) 934-4212
 October 12 Holy Spirit 7:30 PM (440) 933-0043

New and expecting parents are required to attend a class before scheduling a baptism at their church of Worship.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/saintthomaschurchohio

Twitter: [Stthomas715](https://twitter.com/Stthomas715)

ONEPARISH.COM lets you sign up to an app and receive the bulletin on line. This keeps you up to date with current events and fundraisers of our Parish. It's easy, just download on the App store or get it on Google play. Take a bulletin as you leave to stay connected always!



St. Thomas the Apostle Church is Kid Friendly

Gospels for the Week:
 Thursday Jn 12:24-26
 Monday Mt 14:13-21 Friday Mt 16:24-28
 Tuesday Mt 14:22-36 Saturday Mt 17:14-20
 Wednesday Mt 15:21-28 Sunday Mt 17:22-33

Weekly Collections

Weekly	Goal	Fiscal Year to Date
July 30, 2017	\$5,000.00	\$25,000.00
Offertory	\$3,622.00	\$20,142.78
	(\$1,354.00)	(\$4,857.22)
St. Vincent de Paul	\$428.50	

Thank you for your generous and continued support.
 Please remember St. Thomas Parish in your Will.

St. Thomas News/Events

- 8/13-Coffee & donuts
- 8/13-Parish Picnic Lunch
- 8/20-BP/Sugar Screening
- 9/10-Coffee & Donuts
- 10/6-7-Rummage Sale
- 10/14-Spaghetti Dinner



St. Thomas Baseball Extravaganza is back! We are raffling off 4 tickets for Indians Games until the end of the regular season. Cost is \$5.00 each or 6/\$25.00. All non-winning tickets say in for future drawings. Tickets are sold after all weekend Masses.

Kathleen Eckenrode- August 3rd Game

Parishioners E-Mail Address If you have an e-mail address, print it on the front or back of your weekly Offertory Envelope. This is also a good opportunity to update addresses and phone numbers. We are trying to send the bulletin by e-mail to those who have an address.

St. Thomas Parish Picnic Lunch is August 13th from Noon-2 PM. Contact Mike 440-242-7234 or Cindy 440-396-9460. All parish families are welcomed!

Ladies Guild Rummage Sale is October 6th & 7th. Save your gently used, clean items for donation. Drop off is October 4th & 5th in Grismer Hall. Call Karen 949-7714.

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, August 12-4:00 PM

C-MB Riley L-S Riley
 EM-C Dietz, A Balmert, P Arnal
 C-J Balmert, E Fabanich
 S-C & E Balmert

Sunday, August 13-9:00 AM

C-E Bayus L-J Mack
 EM- Holy Name
 C-Holy Name
 S-H Centifanti, W Holley

Sunday, August 13-11:00 AM

C-J Ritter L-AM Woltman
 EM-J Kelly, N Olitsky, J Houlihan
 C-S Helman, D Gray
 S-S Bonner

Looking for new Servers, Lectors, Commentators or Eucharist Ministers, call the Parish Office at 949-7744.



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Thank You

...to all who serve at Mass.
...to those who give of their time, talents and treasures.

The 2017-18 Faith & Values Appeal for Catholic Education Parish In-Pew Appeal is August 19th/20th. All the money raised is used for tuition assistance programs for students in need.



Eyewitnesses Today, the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord, is a day of eyewitness accounts. The first, a vision reported by the prophet Daniel, was well known to Jesus and his apostles. The vision account was written in quite mystical and figurative language. It is a vision of heaven, powerful and memorable. There are flames of fire, burning wheels, the Ancient One, and a Son of Man. Clearly, Daniel saw something. But was it a dream? Was it real? Was it merely a clever myth?

Peter wants no such confusion about his vision! We are told in Matthew's Gospel what he and his friends James and John saw when they went up on the mountain with Jesus one day. Jesus warned the three witnesses to tell no one until "the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." Lest readers of one of the Gospels discount the story or simply write it off as a pious myth, Peter gives his own account of the Transfiguration of Jesus in his second letter to the church. He writes with authority, as an eyewitness, this message from God concerning Jesus: "This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased," and he assures us that the message is "altogether reliable"

Catholic Radio Stations

1220 AM-WHKW Radio The Word
1260 AM-The Rock Tune
1060 AM-Living Bread

<http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/catholicradio>

EWTN-Is a Catholic news, television and radio network which offers news from around the world as it happens. www.ewtnnews.com Check EWTN's for Mass schedule.



3 Parish Cluster Events

St. Thomas: Music Club invites all singers and musicians to join us. Contact Roger (440)346-3022.

St. Teresa: The Lorain County Health Dept. holds an Immunization Clinic every other month in St. Teresa's Parish Center. If your child needs immunizations call the Health Department at (440)322-6367.

St. Anthony: Our Perpetual Adoration Chapel is open 24/7. It is located behind the Parish Office/Rector, and overlooks the Lake. If the door is locked go to the Parish Office.

Family Perspectives

Whatever valley we are in, whatever crisis confronts us, whatever problem perplexes us, we have a completely reliable source of direction, strength, courage and wisdom. "This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to Him." Families that gather in prayer and worship will be transfigured by the presence of the Lord Jesus.

Events Around Town

Respect Life "Some people argue that changing laws will not eliminate abortions. It is certainly true that a change of heart is more important than a change of law. What is forgotten, however, is that the law is the great teacher. Children grow up believing that if a practice is legal, it must be moral." Visit www.clevelandrighttolife.org

Natural Family Planning Do you want your marriage to last a lifetime? Do you never want to fall out of love? Many couples who have learned Natural Family Planning discover it helps their marriage in many more ways than they anticipated. Classes starting August 14 in Westlake register online: neo-nfp.org.

St. Joseph Shelter is open this summer. We need donations of food and snacks, personal hygiene products and laundry products. Contact Penny 949-7548. Drop donations in boxes marked shelter.

Lorain County Right to Life Look for our booth at the North Ridgeville Corn Festival, Friday, August 11 - Sunday, August 13, 2017.

Crafters Wanted for Elyria Catholic's Holiday Craft Show & Bazaar, Saturday, November 11, 2017 from 9 AM-3 PM. Students help load and unload your car. Tables are \$35, or \$40 with electric, for registration post marked by September 30, 2017. Call Lynette Patton 440-288-8034 or elyriacatholicband@gmail.com.

The Highlight of Summer Our annual Catholic Family FESTival is Sunday, August 6 as we come together for The FEST from 12 until 10 PM at the CPL (28700 Euclid Avenue). It's all FREE. Go to: www.theFEST.us for details, parking instructions, and a complete schedule.

St. Anthony School is accepting enrollment for the 2017/2018 school year. Contact the school for more information about class and grade availability. (440) 288-0106 or visit www.stanthonylorain.parishesonline.com

Boxes from Home The Altar & Rosary Society of St. Vincent de Paul Church sends "Boxes from Home" to deployed soldiers. Call Dorothy at (440) 984-2192 with the soldier's name, rank, branch of service, and the overseas mailing address.

Parish Events this Week

August 13 Parish Picnic Church 12:00-2:00 PM

August 13 Coffee & donuts Church Library 10:30-11AM