

# St. Thomas the Apostle

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

## May 19, 2019 5th Sunday of Easter

**Masses:** Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 AM  
Monday through Saturday: 9:00 AM

**Confession:** Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 PM  
or by appointment

**Baptism:** Sunday: 12:30 PM  
Parent Pre-Baptismal Class required

**Marriage:** At least one member must be a parishioner  
Contact the Office at least six months  
before the tentative date is set

**Home Communion:** Notify the Parish Office

**Funeral:** Arrangements with the Parish Office must be made before publication. Hall rental and Funeral Luncheons available. Call Dave 440-670-0204 for food list and pricing.

**Membership:** Call the Office when you arrive. If you are moving, or turn 18 years of age contact us

**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-1:00 PM  
Information/insert for the bulletin must be in the Parish Office by Wednesday at 4:00 PM to make the following week.

**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

The Solemnity of Mary	January 1, 2019
The Assumption of Mary	August 15, 2019
All Saints	November 1, 2019
Immaculate Conception	December 8, 2019
Christmas	December 25, 2019

### Diocese of Cleveland

Website:.....www.dioceseofcleveland.org  
Phone.....800-869-6525  
Address.....1404 E. 9th St., Cleveland, Ohio 44114

### Parish Staff

Father Stephen L. Shields..... Pastor  
Mrs. Heather Centifanti.....Office Manager  
Mr. Michael Chutes.....Custodian

### Communications

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Confirmation/John & Kathy Mack.....440-242-8683  
RCIA/Chris Selent.....440-864-5792  
CYO/Jim O'Connor.....440-949-2631  
Grismer Hall/Gym.....440-949-8491  
Funeral Luncheon/Dave.....440-670-0204

### 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. Gaebelein	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: Love One Another

**Sunday May 19, 2019**  
**5th Sunday of Easter**  
 9:00 AM L&D Ladies Guild  
 11:00 AM Frank Szalay Sr.  
 2nd Collection: Loose Change



**Monday May 20, 2019**  
**St. Bernardine of Siena**  
 9:00 AM Poor Souls

**Tuesday May 21, 2019**  
**St. Christopher Magallanes & Companions**  
 9:00 AM Joseph Andulicis

**Wednesday May 22, 2019**  
**St. Rita of Cascia**  
 9:00 AM Special Intentions



**Thursday May 23, 2019**  
 9:00 AM George Wiemels

**Friday May 24, 2019**  
 9:00 AM Special Intentions

**Saturday May 25, 2019**  
**St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII**  
**St. Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi**  
 9:00 AM L & D James Hanson Family  
 4:00 PM Viola Klosz



**Sunday May 26, 2019**  
**6th Sunday of Easter**  
 9:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners  
 11:00 AM Thomas C. Copeland  
 2nd Collection: Loose Change  
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**Pre-Baptismal Classes-2019**  
 June 16 St. Thomas-12:30 PM (440) 949-7744  
 July 16 St. Mary-7:30 PM (440) 934-4212  
 August 22 Holy Spirit-7:30 PM (440) 933-3777  
 New and expecting parents are required to attend a class before scheduling a baptism at your Parish.

**Chaplain Services** are available for Prisons and Jails located in the Diocese of Cleveland at 800-869-6525.

**St. Thomas Prayer Lines** A friendly voice is on the other end.(440)-865-9387 or (440)-949-7548.

**St. Thomas Church** needs Lectors, Readers, Eucharist Ministers and Servers. The feeling of participating deeper into the Mass is rewarding in so many ways.

**Bulletin Ad** Call 440-382-2805 to recommend a business.



St. Thomas Church  
is Kid Friendly



**Gospels of the Week:** Thursday Jn 15:9-11  
 Monday Jn 14:21-26 Friday Jn 15:12-17  
 Tuesday Jn 14:27-31a Saturday Jn 15:18-21  
 Wednesday Jn 15:1-8 Sunday Jn 14:23-29

Weekly Collection	Goal	\$5,000.00
May 12, 2019		\$3,382.00
Newman Campus		\$190.50

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

### St. Thomas Church Events

May 26-BP Screening 9:30-12:30 PM  
 May 27-Office Closed  
 June 15-Father's Day Steak Fry 4:30-7PM

**Father's Day Steak Fry** Saturday, June 15th from 4:30-7 PM. Cost \$15.00 Reserved tickets includes 10 oz steak, baked potato, corn, salad, dessert, drink. Call 242-7234.

**The Quilt Ministry** of St. Thomas will meet again in September. To provide a blanket to our Parish Community sick and elderly, contact Justine (440) 830-9990. Thank you to those who have donated to our Ministry.

**St. Elizabeth Homeless Center** St. Thomas prepares Hot Meals twice a month for the overnight shelter. To help cook, or donate food contact Penny (440) 949-7548. Boxes in the Church are marked Shelter for donations.

**Mass Intentions** are available for 2019/2020. Call the office to schedule . Cost is \$10.00 for each intention.

**Catholic Renewal Ministries** will host a Pentecost Mass Celebration, Sunday, June 9th, at St. Peter Church, 35777 Center Ridge Rd., North Ridgeville 44039. The celebration starts with praise and worship at 2:00 PM with Fr. Bob Franco. After Mass, individual prayer for healing, and fellowship time. Contact 440-327-2201. Celebrate Pentecost as a community and join in as we pray, in power, for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

**Catholic Charities** Make a commitment to Walk in Faith and Give in Joy by sharing the gifts which God has given you. Invest in the camp experience for those with disabilities and special needs. Help them enjoy Camp Christopher and find God in nature.

### Liturgical Schedule

**Saturday, May 25-4:00 PM**

C-MB Riley L-M Rozmarynowycz  
 EM-A & J Balmert, L Wenzel  
 C-M Wenzel, S Lynch

**Sunday, May 26-9:00 AM**

C- B Barelka L-R Radeff  
 EM-H Centifanti, K Yatson, P Blazina  
 C-R Radeff, R Arena  
 S-W Holley, H Centifanti

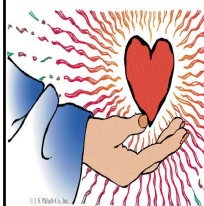
**Sunday, May 26-11:00 AM**

C-J Houlihan L-AM Woltman  
 EM-N Olitsky, D Munro, D Gray  
 C-M Fairweather, K Mohrbach



**Thank You**

...to Dave, Mike and the Mother's Day Brunch team that provided a nice Mother's Day Brunch.  
 ...to our St. Thomas Garden Angels  
 ....to David for all the First Communion Pictures shared with the families and Church.



**Missionaries of Mercy** Paul's back! After last week's "violent abuse," opponents organized a lynch mob that beat Paul nearly to death. Call Paul the "energizing evangelist," transforming deadly cruelty into life-giving zeal.

Paul's past courage can inspire our commitment; Revelation's future "new heaven, new earth" should inspire our optimism. Revelation's present assurance, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race," can challenge us to become "missionaries of mercy." Pope Francis declared that the Church's credibility is completely dependent on our showing unconditional mercy. Mercy, said Francis, makes the Church, the world, and everyone young again, reawakened to life's noblest virtues. In today's Gospel Jesus reinforces that theme: "This is how all will know you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

**Treasures from our Traditions** Frequent fliers today have many ways to accrue air miles, so one doesn't always have to endure long hours in cramped seats to earn free hours in cramped seats. In St. Paul's day, there were no such perks, nor would there have been any legal system for him to protest the shipwrecks he endured. He had other rewards in mind. The churches that he established in the catalogue of cities from today's first reading must have been very different from one another. Language, culture, customs, religious history, obstacles to community, social challenges, the places where they met, their clothing, their bread and wine, all distinct, particular to the area. There were social customs as well: in a Christian household, the only place where a slave would be able to stand legally as an equal with the master would be at the table of the Lord, because at that table a new world of reconciliation was imaged. While Paul revered local customs, he was relentless about challenging the ways that people lived their Christian lives and how their worship reflected them. It is much the same today, as a global Catholic Church seeks to respect local customs and culture, allowing for differences in many things, yet always giving expression to the underlying presence of Christ, who binds us all together into his body.

**Parish Cluster Events**

**St. Teresa:** Eucharist Adoration is every Wednesday from 9 AM-1 PM in the Church.

**St. Anthony:** Rosary's for Unborn is said the first Saturday of each month from 10 AM-3:30 PM.

**Family Perspectives**

"As I have loved you, so you should also love one another." What you do in your family to create a community of love is critical, not only for you but for the strength of society and our church. It is a participation in the work of the Lord, a sharing in the mission of the Church. It is holy" The everyday actions and interactions of family members are one of the main ways Christ acts in the world. Families, be true to your calling! Ask the Holy Spirit for help in being families who love one another.

**Events Around Town**

**Solace of Lorain County-**Advocacy for Families Coping with Substance Abuse will meet Friday, May 24, 2019 from 6-8 PM. Carlisle: Carlisle Room, LaGrange, 12882 Diagonal Rd., LaGrange. Call Kathy at 440-823-6177. Or visit us at: [www.lorainadas.org](http://www.lorainadas.org).

**Catholic Cemeteries Association Grief Support** Group meets monthly—next meeting is Sunday, May 19 at 3 PM at St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon (temporary trailer office). Topic will be "Your New Normal – What is Normal?" No reservations needed. Don't grieve alone.

**Boxes from Home** St. Vincent de Paul sends boxes to our military. Call Dorothy at 984-2192 with your soldier's information and they will send a box! Please keep the health and safety of the members of our Armed Forces in your thoughts and prayers.



**Catholic Radio Stations**

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



<http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/catholicradio>  
**'Table Talk'** [1260AMtherock.com](http://1260AMtherock.com) for times and dates.  
**EWTN-**[www.ewtnnews.com](http://www.ewtnnews.com) TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.

**Protecting God's Children** "Protecting God's Children" protects children from sexual abuse. Inform local authorities of inappropriate behavior. Call 216-334-2999 or [response services@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:services@dioceseofcleveland.org).

**Pro-Life Doctor's List** A list of local Pro-life doctors, who do not practice abortion nor support its use. Call 440-322-0076 or visit [www.loraincountyrighttolife.org](http://www.loraincountyrighttolife.org) under Resources and Issues tab.

**Pregnant and in need?** 1-800-712-HELP [OptionLine.org](http://OptionLine.org)

**Hurting from abortion?** [www.AbortionForgiveness.com](http://www.AbortionForgiveness.com).

**Help Protect Life** 1- 216-661-3000 Life is a sacred and fragile mystery. Abortion destroys the revealing of God's plan for that child.

