



*Isn't this  
the son  
of Joseph?*

# St. Thomas the Apostle

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

## February 3, 2019 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**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: The Grace of Wisdom

**Sunday February 3, 2019**  
**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM Patricia Prevoznik  
 First Communion Enrollment

11:00 AM Blas Garza  
 2nd Collection: Loose Change

**Monday February 4, 2019**

9:00 AM Judy Filipovich

**Tuesday February 5, 2019**  
**St. Agatha**

9:00 AM Margaret Pierson

**Wednesday February 6, 2019**  
**St. Paul Miki & Companions**

9:00 AM Thomas C. Copeland

**Thursday February 7, 2019**

9:00 AM Bernice Cicero

**Friday February 8, 2019**  
**St. Jerome Emiliani**  
**St. Josephine Bakhita**

9:00 AM Kenney & JoMarie Chutes  
 50th Wedding Anniversary

**Saturday February 9, 2019**

9:00 AM L /D Tom & Donna Floberg

4:00 PM Judith Filipovich

**Sunday February 10, 2019**  
**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM L/D Holy Name

11:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners  
 2nd Collection: Loose Change  
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### Pre-Baptismal Classes-2019

February 17	St. Thomas-12:30 PM	(440) 949-7744
March 19	St. Mary-7:30 PM	(440) 934-4212
April 11	Holy Spirit-7:30 PM	(440) 933-3777
May 21	St. Joseph-6:30 PM	(440) 933-3152

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. To have someone make a visit, call the Parish Life Office at 800-869-6525.

**St. Thomas Prayer Lines** A friendly voice is on the other end.(440)-865-9387 or (440)-949-7548. Pray for the sick, hungry and needy of our Parish Community. Holy Spirit, we lift our prayers to you in the name of Christ. Amen



**St. Thomas the Church is Kid Friendly**



<b>Gospels of the Week:</b>	Thursday	Mk 6:7-13	
Monday	Mk 5:1-20	Friday	Mk 6:14-29
Tuesday	Mk 5:21-43	Saturday	Mk 6:30-34
Wednesday	Mk 6:1-6	Sunday	Lk 5:1-11

Weekly Collection	Goal	\$5,000.00
January 27, 2019	\$4,093.00	
Catholic University additional	\$3.00	
Latin America	\$237.50	
Thank you for your generous and continued support. Please remember St. Thomas Parish in your Will.		

### St. Thomas News/Events

February 3-1st Communion Enrollment  
 February 4-PSR  
 February 6-Music Club



### Speak Love on Valentines Day Weekend St.

Thomas is proud to present the Family Sowell on Saturday, February 16, 2019. Tickets are \$10.00. Doors open at 5PM Call (440) 670-1931. Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

**St. Thomas Church** needs Lectors, Readers, Eucharist Ministers and Servers. Please consider helping out at the Mass you regularly attend. The feeling of participating deeper into the Mass is rewarding in so many ways.

**Mass Intentions** are available for 2019/2020. Call the office to schedule Mass/Masses for your loved ones. The intention can be for a friend, family member who is deceased, ill, suffering in any way or celebrating an anniversary. Cost is \$10.00 for each intention.

**The Quilt Ministry** of St. Thomas Church is Moving to the second Monday of the Month. They provided 34 blankets to our Parish and Community elderly and those in need. Contact Justine (440) 830-9990, for information.



**2018 Year End Tax Statements** for contributions are available by calling the Parish Office. MAILED ONLY.

**Catholic Charities Appeal** is February 9/10,2019. Letters were mailed in January inviting support. Pew collection provides services to the needy of the Diocese of Cleveland

### Liturgical Schedule

**Saturday, February 9-4:00 PM**

C-J Ritter L-P Dietz  
 EM-J Ritter, P Dietz, R Zaborski  
 C-A & J Balmert  
 S-C & E Balmert

**Sunday, February 10-9:00 AM**

C-J Mack L-R Kirsch  
 EM-Holy Name  
 C-Holy Name  
 S-W Holley, H Centifanti

**Sunday, February 10-11:00 AM**

C-M Fairweather L-J Houlihan  
 EM-E Moussa, N Olitsky, J Kelly  
 C-S Brunkow, S Helman  
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**Thank You**

...from the St. Elizabeth Homeless Center for the paper products donated by your Church. Penny's Van was full.

**Faith Fitness** Usually we make lifestyle changes in exercising or dieting. How many of us consider our "Faith Fitness"? Does your New Year's resolution include making faith a more important part of your lifestyle?

**An Ongoing Mission** In his hometown synagogue, Jesus' neighbors are amazed by his words. Nevertheless, they remind each other, "Is this not Joseph's son?" Surely the people know who he is. The carpenter's son. The young man who had learned in this very synagogue, the boy down the street. Conflict arises as Jesus begins to define himself in a new way. When he compares himself to the ancient prophets Elijah and Elisha the tensions grow. The tensions multiply when Jesus begins to tell of a new mission for God's people: the good news of the scriptures is intended for all. In his famous passage from the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul reminds us of the eternal nature of love. Love does not come to an end. In today's readings, we are reminded that, like love, Jesus' mission cannot be contained. Jesus slips through the crowd of persecutors and moves on to new challenges. We are called to this same perseverance in the name of love.

**Catholic Radio Stations**

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

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

'Table Talk' radio show featuring Bishop Perez on AM 1260 The Rock, Cleveland's Catholic radio station. Visit: [1260AMtherock.com](http://1260AMtherock.com) for times and dates.

**EWTN**-Is a Catholic news, television and radio network which offers news from around the world as it happens. [www.ewtnnews.com](http://www.ewtnnews.com) Check EWTN for Mass schedule.

Televised Sunday Mass-Channel 8 at 6:00 AM. For those who can get to church, the TV or online liturgy does not fulfill the Sunday Mass obligation.

**E-mail Bulletins** add your e-mail address to your Sunday envelope and get your weekly bulletin by E-mail. Keep up on weekly news and upcoming events.

**Bulletin Ad Campaign** Our Bulletin Advertising Representative is working on a 2019 Ad Campaign. Call 440-382-2805 to include an AD or recommend a business.



**Weekly Parish Events**

February 3-Confirmation Class Church/Hall	9-11:15 AM
February 4-PSR Grismer Hall	6:15-7:30 PM
February 4-8 CYO Grismer Hall	3:30-9:00 PM
February 6-Music Club Church	7-8:00 PM
February 9-CYO Grismer Hall	9-3:00 PM

**Family Perspectives**

Jesus encounters resistance from his neighbors in today's gospel as he begins his ministry. Sometimes, families can resist members who are seeking to follow a new direction from God. Families that practice flexibility and openness are helpful to those seeking God's calling in their lives.

**Events Around Town**

**What to do with those empty pews?** Addressing the Lack of Young People in the Church. St. Teresa of Avila Parish, 1878 Abbe Rd., Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054, invites all women to a Women's Retreat Day on February 16, 2019 from 10 AM - 1 PM. Our speaker will be Fr. Andrew Hoover, from St. Peter's North Ridgeville. \$5 at the door; a Free Will Offering will be taken. RSVP 440-934-4227. Refreshments and lunch will be served.

**Boxes from Home** St. Vincent de Paul sends boxes to our military people. Call Dorothy at 984-2192 with your soldier's information and they will send a box!



**Protecting God's Children** The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is about the protection of children from sexual abuse. Immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior. Call the Diocesan Response Service at 216-334-2999 or [response\\_services@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org).

**West Side Catholic Center** needs volunteers to partner with participants of their Workforce Development Certificate Program assisting individuals as they progress in the work readiness program and into the first months of employment. Call Frank Johaneck at 216-332-2538.

**Give the Gift of Time:** Volunteer Cornerstone of Hope opportunities ranges from weekly commitments to once a year. Contact [Rachel@cornerstoneofhope.org](mailto:Rachel@cornerstoneofhope.org).

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

**Homeless and pregnant?** Please call Good Counsel Homes, 1-800-723-8331 or visit [www.goodcounselhomes.org](http://www.goodcounselhomes.org).

**Hurting from an abortion?** Visit us online at [www.AbortionForgiveness.com](http://www.AbortionForgiveness.com).

**Help Protect Life** Cleveland Right to Life needs volunteers. Call 216-661-3000. Each life is an indescribably sacred and fragile mystery. Abortion destroys the revealing of God's plan for that child.



**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.