



St. Thomas the Apostle

715 Harris Road Sheffield Lake Ohio
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**Serving our Community
for over 60 years**

August 25, 2024

**21st Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

Parish Staff

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Parish Cluster Contacts

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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	1981-1997

St. Thomas the Apostle Church is fully accessible
No Steps, No Stairs, No Ramps.

Parish Information

Mass Times: Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
Sunday: 10:00 AM
Monday through Saturday: 9:00 AM

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

The Rosary: Prayed every day before Mass. This includes the weekends.

The Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help is prayed every Monday before 9:00 AM Mass.

Baptism: Sunday: 11:30 AM A Pre-Baptismal Class is required. One Sponsor must be an active Catholic. If not from St. Thomas the Apostle Parish they need a Sponsor Letter from the Parish they attend. Call the Office to Schedule.

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-3:00 PM
Friday-9:00 AM-1:00 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.

Mass Schedule

Share your Gifts
Sunday August 25, 2024
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
 10:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners
Monday August 26, 2024
 9:00 AM Timothy Mack
Tuesday August 27, 2024
St. Monica
 9:00 AM All Souls
Wednesday August 28, 2024
St. Augustine
 9:00 AM Felix & Viola Petcavage
Thursday August 29, 2024
Passion of St. John the Baptist
 9:00 AM Scott Ramer
Friday August 30 2024
 9:00 AM Pres. & Mrs. Donald J. Trump
Saturday August 31, 2024
 9:00 AM Charles Douglas Nowak
 4:00 PM Timothy Mack
Sunday September 1, 2024
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of Prayer
 10:00 AM Michael Ritter
 2nd Collection: Loose Change



St. Thomas Parish needs Lectors, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers & Servers. Never underestimate the power of the Holy Spirit working in you.

Prayer Line In need of prayers? Contact the Sisters of Notre Dame prayer line (440) 279-1163.

Mass Intentions are available for 2024/2025 for \$10.00 each. Contact the office (440) 949-7744.

Weekly Offering Please increase your Offering so we may meet our weekly financial goals. Thank you.

Pre-Baptism Class-2024
 September 29 St. Thomas-11:30 AM (440) 949-7744
 All new, expecting parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal Class before scheduling a baptism. One Godparents must be an active Catholic with a Sponsors Certificate from the Church they attend if they don't belong to St. Thomas. Call the Office to schedule.

"Invitation Back" Parishes have parishioners haven't seen at Church in a while. Like the Good Shepherd, let us invite those we know to come back.

Holy Immortal God, no one comes to you except through Jesus. We lift our prayers to you.

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday-August 24-4:00 PM
 C-R Radeff L-S Lynch
 EM-M Markoski, R O'Connor, R Zaborski
Sunday-August 25-AM
 C-J Mack L-J Houlihan
 EM-K Mohrbach, E & L Knoblauch



Please help if needed at the Mass you attend.

Weekly Collection Goal \$5,000.00

August 18, 2024 \$0.00
 Please increase your weekly Offering so we can meet our weekly goals.

Thank you to all our generous donors.

St. Thomas Church Events

St. Thomas Fall Fish Fry is Saturday, October 12th. We need volunteers. Nominated as one of the best in Lorain County by Pulse Magazine for 2023 & 2023. Contact Dave (440) 670-0204. More information to come!

Our Blanket Ministry continues to make blankets for the needy. Blankets are available for donation. To donate materials or finances contact Justine (440) 830-9990.

Vacationing? Our Parish finances don't...Remember your envelopes. Anything you can do to catch up on missed collections is greatly appreciated. Mail to 521 Harris Road, Sheffield Lake, Ohio 44054. Thank You!

The Homeless Ministry We need help feeding the homeless. We need donations of Food, Time and Treasures to continue this ministry. Contact Penny (440) 949-7548 for more information on how you can help.

Thank You

...to Kathy & John for the new Eucharistic Minister, Lector and Reader schedule for the rest of the year.

Events Around Town.

FFF September 6: Shawn Witmer, a part of Catholic Charities and Director of the Diocesan Social Action Office for Lorain county. He is also Diocesan Director for Catholic Relief Services for the Diocese of Cleveland. LCCC in Elyria, Ohio Luncheon Buffet: 11:30 AM • Speaker: 12:00 – 1:00 PM. Call (440) 320-3272 for info.

Cathedral Anniversary Please Join Most Reverend Edward C. Malesic, JCL and Reverend Sean P. Ralph for the Cathedral's 175th Anniversary Gala Saturday, Oct. 12, 2024. <https://saintjohncathedral.com/gala>

Qualified Charitable Distributions If you are age 70 1/2 or older, you may make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution. Talk to your IRA administrator to make your gift directly to our parish. Call Marylou Ozimek (216) 696-6525 x4070.

Brookside High School Mobile Food Pantry is the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 4:30 PM-6:00 PM. Make sure your trunk is cleaned out. No early pick-up.

Protecting God's Children from sexual abuse. Call authorities of inappropriate behavior. (216) 334-2999) or responservices@dioceseofcleveland.org

St. Thomas Church is Kid Friendly

