

St. Thomas the Apostle
 715 Harris Road * Sheffield Lake * Ohio * 44054-1409

September 16, 2018
The Twenty-fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Parish Information

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: 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

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

Any information/insert included in the bulletin must be in the
 Parish Office by Wednesday at 4:00 PM to make the follow-
 ing weeks bulletin publication.

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 Assumption of Mary	August 15, 2018
All Saints	November 1, 2018
Immaculate Conception	December 8, 2018
Christmas	December 25, 2018
The Solemnity of Mary	January 1, 2019

Diocese of Cleveland

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Parish Staff

Father Stephen L. Shields..... Pastor
 Mrs. Heather Centifanti.....Office Manager
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Communications

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 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. Gaebelin	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: Peace & Generosity

Sunday September 16, 2018
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Catechetical Sunday
 9:00 AM L & D members of the Ladies Guild
 11:00 AM Fran Lesniak
 2nd Collection: Loose Change



Monday September 17, 2018
St. Robert Bellarmine
Yom Kippur

9:00 AM Sr. Patricia
Tuesday September 18, 2018
 9:00 AM Thomas C. Copeland

Wednesday September 19, 2018
St. Januarius
 9:00 AM Rivenbark & Fields Family



Thursday September 20, 2018
Ss. Andrew Kim Taegon & Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions

9:00 AM All Souls
Friday September 21, 2018
St. Matthew



9:00 AM Joseph Andulics
Saturday September 22, 2018
 9:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Mitchell Sr.
 4:00 PM Agnes & Joseph Zaborniak Sr.

Sunday September 23, 2018
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners
 11:00 AM Charlie Kelly
 2nd Collection: Loose Change
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Pre-Baptismal Classes-2018

September 16 St. Thomas-12:30 PM (440) 949-7744
 October 16 St. Mary-7:30 PM (440) 934-4212
 New and expecting parents are required to attend a class before scheduling a baptism at their church of Worship.

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



Help Protect Life Cleveland Right to Life needs volunteers. Call 216-661-3000.


E-mail Bulletins get Parish Bulletins by e-mail, write your e-mail address on your Sunday envelope. Keep up to date on weekly, upcoming events and breaking news.


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

Gospels of the Week: Thursday Lk 7:36-50
 Monday Lk 7:1-10 Friday Mt 9:9-13
 Tuesday Lk 7:11-17 Saturday Lk 8:4-15
 Wednesday Lk 7:31-35 Sunday Mk 9:30-37

Weekly Collection Goal
 \$5,000.00
 September 9, 2018 \$3,135.00
 Thank you for your generous and continued support.
 Please remember St. Thomas Parish in your Will.

St. Thomas News/Events
 September 16-Pre Baptism Class
 September 19-Music Club
 September 23-BP/Sugar Screening




 **Country Christmas Concert & Dinner** is Saturday December 8th in Grismer Hall featuring Allie Colleen. Advanced Tickets on sale by calling Michelle (440)670-1931 or the Parish Office. Cost is \$25.00 until October 12th, after cost is \$30.00


St. Thomas PSR begins on Monday, September 10th from 6:15-7:30 PM in Grismer Hall for 1st-7th grade. **Confirmation** information will be available at a later date. Classes begin in November. Confirmation in April.

Ladies Guild Rummage Sale will be October 5th & 6th in Grismer Hall. Items can be dropped off on October 3rd & 4th in the School gym. Contact Karen 949-7714. Volunteers are needed to set-up and tear-down.

The Homeless Shelter is open for the summer for laundry and showers. We are providing laundry soap, snacks and coffee items. Drop into the box marked shelter.



St. Thomas Blanket Knitting Ministry is September 15th at 5PM in the Church. Contact Justine 440-830-9990. Accepting supplies of material, batting and yarn.

 **Rest in Peace** Samuel Mastorovich. May Perpetual light shine upon him. Pray for the consolation of his family and friends.

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, September 22-4:00 PM
 C-P Dietz L-M Rozmarynowycz
 EM-R Zaborski, B & J Kirtos
 C-P Rieth, P Dietz
 S-

Sunday, September 23-9:00 AM
 C-R Kirsch L-R Kirsch
 EM-K Yatson, B Smith, H Centifanti
 C-P Blazina, K Janosik
 S-W Holley, H Centifanti

Sunday, September 23-11:00 AM
 C-J Houlihan L-AM Woltman
 EM-N Olitsky, S Helman, J Kelly
 C-J Houlihan, M Fairweather
 S-M Fairweather, N Barsan

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



Thank You

...to our Health Ministry Team of Nurses who provide us with free BP/Sugar Screening each month at no charge.
 ...to those who supplied, sold, purchased and enjoyed the Cleveland Indians Baseball tickets this year.
 ...to Holy Name for the coffee & donuts after Mass.
Janet & Lydia for hosting our Pre-Baptism class.

Listening & Responding There are three interwoven themes in today's readings: listening to God, faith vs. good works, and losing our life in order to find it. How are they related? The Suffering Servant of Isaiah undergoes much distress and ridicule, but is able to bear it because he has listened to the promptings of God day after day. The psalm tells us that God listens, too. God hears our prayers for help and is always ready to save us. As our faith deepens, so does our desire to do the works of justice and charity that build up the reign of God. God directs our actions in ways we often cannot see, and we don't always see the results. We are called upon in faith to trust that what we do is enough, and that willingness to listen to God's promptings will lead us in the right way.

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 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 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.

Pregnant and in need? call 1-800-712-HELP.

Visit OptionLine.org

Homeless and pregnant? Call Good Counsel Homes, 1-800-723-8331 or visit

www.goodcounselhomes.org.

Hurting from an abortion? Visit us online at www.AbortionForgiveness.com.



Pro-Life Doctors List A list of local Pro-life doctors, who do not practice abortion nor support its use. Call 440-322-0076 or www.loraincountyrighttolife.org under the Resources and Issues tab.

Family Perspectives

Calling ourselves Christian is not sufficient. Allowing Jesus to lead us as the Lord is necessary. Instead of praying for and pleading for what we want, sometimes we will need to suffer and take up our crosses to find abundant life.

Events Around Town

St. Peter North Ridgeville School is in need of a cafeteria Helper. Call 216-696-6525 X3340 for an application and more information regarding this position.

Catholic Communication Collection will be September 29/30th. It provides faith, worship and witness through social media sites, podcasts, television, radio and print. Please support this important work and be generous in the collection and help communication of the gospel message.



Extraordinary Ministry of Holy Communion Fall Sessions is Saturday, September 29 St. Joseph Parish, Avon Lake: 9 AM-11:30 AM. To become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion call the office. We can register you for classes. There is no fee.

Lorain County Right to Life-Save the Dates

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

Chaplain Services for Prisons and Jails located in the Diocese of Cleveland. Call the Parish Life Office at 800-869-6525 or 216-696-6525 x 3500. The Diocesan Ministry to the Incarcerated has a presence in the three state prisons, the county jails and the juvenile facilities located within our diocese we would be glad to visit with them.

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!



Catholic Cemeteries Association - Monthly Grief Support-Next Meeting, 3 PM Sunday, September 16th at St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon (temporary trailer office). Call Rhonda at 216.930.4866. The topic for September will be: "Family Specific Grief". Don't grieve alone.

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.

Weekly Parish Events

September 16-Pre Baptismal Class Church	12:30-1:30 PM
September 17-PSR	Grismer Hall 6:15-7:30 PM
September 19-Music Club	Church 7-8:30 PM
September 22-Quilt Club	Church 5-7:00 PM

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.