

St. Thomas the Apostle

715 Harris Road Sheffield Lake Ohio
44054-1409
(440) 949-7744

Serving our Community for over 60 years August 27, 2023 The 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 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 Pre-Baptismal Class required One Sponsor must be an active Catholic with a Sponsor Letter from the Church they attend.

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
Information for the bulletin must be in the Parish Office by Wednesday at 3:00 PM to make the weekend.

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.

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.....Property Manager

Communications

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Twitter.....Sthomas715
PSR-David Gray.....(440) 714-4007
Music Ministry- John & Kathy Mack ...(440) 242-8683
RCIA.....(440) 949-7744
CYO-Jim O'Connor.....(440) 949-2631
Grismer Hall/Gym.....(440) 949-8491
Funeral Luncheon-Dave Johnston..... (440) 670-0204

Parish Cluster Contacts

St. Anthony...www.stanthonylorain.parishesonline.com
1305 East Erie Ave. Lorain 44052 (440) 288-0106
St. Teresa.....office@stteresaparish.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 1981-1997

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

Mass Schedule

Pray for the Care of Creation

Sunday August 27, 2023
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM JoMarie Chutes
 2nd Collection: Loose Change

Monday August 28, 2023
St. Augustine

9:00 AM Felix & Viola Petcavage

Tuesday August 29, 2023
Passion of St. John the Baptist

9:00 AM L/D Martin Walsh & family

Wednesday August 30, 2023

9:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners

Thursday August 31, 2023

9:00 AM Poor Souls

Friday September 1, 2023

9:00 AM All Souls

Saturday September 2, 2023

9:00 AM Tess Ferguson

4:00 PM Kellie Lynn Keene

Sunday September 3, 2023

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM JoMarie Chutes
 2nd Collection: Loose Change



St. Thomas Parish needs Lectors, Readers, Eucharist 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 for \$10.00 each. Contact the office (440) 949-7744.

Pre-Baptism Class-2023

September 19-6:30 PM St. Joseph (440) 933-3152
 October 1-1:30 PM St. Raphael (440) 871-1100
 October 15-11:30 AM St. Thomas (440) 949-7744
 October 17-6:30 PM St. Joseph (440) 933-3152

All new, expecting parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal Class before scheduling a baptism at the Parish they attend. One of the two Godparents must be an active Catholic with a Sponsor Certificate from the Church they attend.

No Political Advertising Advertising for political candidates of any kind is forbidden on all St. Thomas Parish property.

Remember to pray for those of our Parish Community that are sick, lonely, lost.

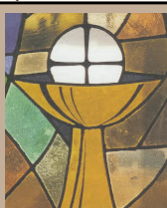
Liturgical Schedule

Saturday-August 26-4:00 PM

C-MB Riley L-S Riley
 EM-J & A Balmert, P Rieth

Sunday-August 27-10:00 AM

C-J Ritter L-J Houlihan
 EM-K Mohrbach, D Gray, M Fairweather
 Cup servers removed until further notice. Fill in (if needed) for Eucharist Ministers at the Mass you attend.



Weekly Collection Goal \$5,000.00
 August 20, 2023 \$4,372.00
 Please increase your Offering so we may meet our weekly financial goals.
 Thank you for your generous and continued support.
 Remember St. Thomas in your Will.

St. Thomas Church Events

BP/Sugar Screening will be moved to Sunday, August 27th of August after the 10:00 Mass.

PSR Registration ALL PSR is at St. Anthony. Classes are Mondays from 6:15-7:30 PM. Call (440) 288-0106 or locate forms www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/psr
 Classes begin September 11, 2023.

St. Thomas Shirts Official St. Thomas shirts are now available for sale. Be the first one on your block to get the new Official Shirt. Big Frog Custom Shirts, 35878 Detroit Road, Avon. (440) 723-3393.

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.

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.

Thank You
 ...to Music John for the new Mass Schedule
to Larry & Steve for the new St. Thomas shirts.

Events Around Town

First Friday Forum features Sr. Mary McCormick, OSU Monday, August 28, 2023 Reservation deadline: 6:00 PM, (cancellations are due then or you will be charged). Pay at the door or mail your \$25 check to: First Friday Forum of Lorain County, 320 Middle Avenue, Elyria, OH 44035 Call 440-213-2132 or e-mail fflorain@gmail.com

A Unique Program to Strengthen and Heal Your Marriage – September 22-24, 2023. The Retrouvaille program (witch means re-discovery) helps married couples improved ways of communicating and relating to each other to overcome challenges which have left them feeling frustrated, hurt, distant, or even hopeless. Retrouvaille, is supported by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, but is open to couples of all faiths. call Shelly or Rob at 216.509.0301 or 440.836.4810. www.helpourmarriage.org

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 distribution.

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

St. Thomas Church is Kid Friendly