



St. Thomas the Apostle

715 Harris Road Sheffield Lake Ohio

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**Serving our Community
for over 60 years**

September 1, 2024

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

Parish Staff

Father Stephen L. Shields..... Pastor
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Communications

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Funeral Luncheon-Dave Johnston.....(440) 670-0204

Parish Cluster Contacts

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1305 East Erie Ave. Lorain 44052 (440) 288-0106
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Our Honored Former Pastors

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| +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 September 1, 2024
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of Prayer
 10:00 AM Michael Ritter
Monday September 2, 2024
Labor Day
 9:00 AM All Souls
Tuesday September 3, 2024
St. Gregory the Great
 9:00 AM Scott Ramer
Wednesday September 4, 2024
 9:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners
Thursday September 5, 2024
 9:00 AM John W. Adams
Friday September 6, 2024
 9:00 AM JoMarie Chutes
Saturday September 7, 2024
 9:00 AM All Souls
 4:00 PM timothy Mack
Sunday September 8, 2024
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 10:00 AM L/D Holy Name
 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.

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| Weekly Collection Goal | \$5,000.00 |
| August 18, 2024 | \$4,859.00 |
| August 25, 2024 | \$2,828.00 |

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!

St. Anthony PSR for grades 2-8 will begin October 21st from 6:15-7:30 PM. Registration and schedule can be found at WWW.stanthonylorain.org/ourparish/psr/ or contact psr@stanthonylorain.com.

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.

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 Karen & John for the new rock garden at church.
 ...to Dan for fixing the church vacuum cleaners.

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

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday-August 29-4:00 PM
 C-MB Riley L-S Riley
 EM-A & J Balmert, L Janis
Sunday-September 1-10:00 AM
 C-B Barelka L-J Houlihan
 EM-K Yatson, B Smith, D Gray



Please help if needed at the Mass you attend.

St. Thomas Church is Kid Friendly

