



# St. Thomas the Apostle

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

## January 7, 2018 The Epiphany of the Lord

### PARISH INFORMATION

**MASSES:** Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 AM  
Monday through Saturday: 9:00 AM

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday: 3:00 to 3:45 PM  
or by appointment.

**BAPTISM:** Sundays: 12:30 PM  
Parent Pre-Baptismal Class required

**MARRIAGE:** Contact the Office at least six months  
before the tentative date is set.

**HOME COMMUNION:** Anyone desiring Communion at  
home should notify the Parish Office.

**FUNERALS:** Arrangements with the Parish Office must be  
made before publication.

**MEMBERSHIP:** New members are welcome. Call the Office  
when you arrive. If you are moving, or turn 18 years of age  
contact us to keep our files updated.

**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-3:00 PM  
Any information/insert included in the bulletin must be in the  
Parish Office by Wednesday at 4:00 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.

### 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

### 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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PSR/Kim & David Gray.....440-714-4007  
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

### PARISH CLUSTER CONTACTS

St. Anthony...www.stanthonylorain.parishesonline.com  
1305 East Erie Ave. Lorain 44052 (440) 288-0106  
St. Teresa.....http://www.stterearparish.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: Courage to Evangelize

**Sunday January 7, 2018**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

9:00 AM Julia Johnston & family

11:00 AM Ken Hicks

2nd Collection: Loose Change



**Monday January 8, 2018**

**The Baptism of the Lord**

9:00 AM Raymond Breeds

**Tuesday January 9, 2018**

**Ordinary Time begins**

9:00 AM Fr. Tom Cleaton

**Wednesday January 10, 2018**

9:00 AM Rivenbark & Fields family

**Thursday January 11, 2018**

9:00 AM Marcia Cheramy

**Friday January 12, 2018**

9:00 AM Jeannie M. Lamlein

**Saturday January 13, 2018**

**St. Hilary**

9:00 AM Mike Wisnor & family

4:00 PM Mary Ann Lasby

**Sunday January 14, 2018**

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

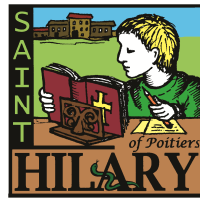
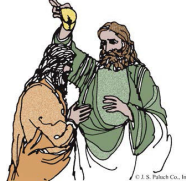
9:00 AM L & D members of the Holy Name  
Communion Enrollment

11:00 AM Charlie Kelly

2nd Collection: Loose Change

Lectionary Year: "B"

This is My  
Beloved Son



### Pre-Baptismal Classes-2018

January 21 St. Thomas-12:30 PM (440) 949-7744

February 20 St. Mary-7:30 PM (440) 934-4212

March 15 Holy Spirit-7:30 PM (440) 933-3777

New and expecting parents are required to attend a class before scheduling a baptism at their church of Worship.

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/saintthomaschurchohio](http://www.facebook.com/saintthomaschurchohio)

**Twitter:** [Stthomas715](https://twitter.com/Stthomas715)

**ONEPARISH.COM** sign up to an app and receive the bulletin on line. Download the App store or Google play.

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

**Bulletin Ad Campaign 2018** Our Church Bulletin Advertising Representative is working on a 2018 Ad Campaign. Call 440-382-2805 to include an ad or recommend a business. Please support these businesses.

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

**Gospels for the Week:** Thursday Mk 1:40-45

Monday Mk 1:7-11 Friday Mk 2:1-12

Tuesday Mk 1:21-28 Saturday Mk 2:13-17

Wednesday Mk 1:29-39 Sunday Jn 1:35-42

## Weekly Collection

## Goal

December 31, 2017

\$5,000.00

Offertory

\$3,627.00

-\$1,373.00

Additional Christmas \$650.00

St. Vincent de Paul \$197.00

Thank you for your generous and continued support.

## St. Thomas News/Events

**Mass Intentions** are available for 2018 and 2019. Each intention is \$10.00.

**Solace of Lorain County-** Advocacy for Families coping with substance abuse. The next meeting will be January 11, 2018 from 6-8 PM at LCCC-Care Center (BU 113D), 1005 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria. call Kathy at 440- 823-6177.

**January Collections: Catholic University,** January 20-21 2018. The Catholic University of America is the national University of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. It provides an academically rigorous education guided by the Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. Your support helps to expand its impact in preparing the next generation of leadership for our Church and nation.

**Latin America /El Salvador,** January 27-28 2018 This is the only appeal made for the Cleveland Latin American Mission in El Salvador. It is the main support for two diocesan priests who work in the two parishes served by our Mission Office. The Church in Latin America is managed by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops and benefits projects and the formation of seminarians, religious and lay leaders in 23 countries across Latin America.

## Liturgical Schedule

**Saturday, January 13-4:00 PM**

C-MB Riley L-J Ritter

EM-MB Riley, J Ritter, C Dietz

C-S Lynch, E Fabanich

S-

**Sunday, January 14-9:00 AM**

C-J Mack L-J Mack

EM-Holy Name

C-Holy Name

S-

**Sunday, January 14-11:00 AM**

C-M Fairweather L-J Houlihan

EM-C Rouhier, M Fairweather, J Kelly

C-S Brunkow, AM Woltman

S-S Bonner

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



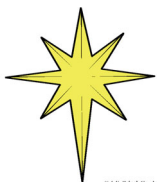
**Thank You**

...to our Musicians and Singers for the beautiful music.



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**Eastern Star** Fair eastern star, that art  
ordain'd to run  
Before the sages, to the rising Sun,  
Here cease thy course, and wonder that the  
cloud  
Of this poor stable can thy Maker shroud.



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**God's Promise to all People** Today Isaiah reminds the people of God that the land shall be restored to their possession, they shall rejoice to see their people return from the bondage of exile, and that they shall be a light to the nations. In other words, through the people of Israel, the Savior shall come to all people who seek God with a sincere heart. This brings joy and the radiance of God's glory to all the world and to all people everywhere. Through the fidelity of the people of God, and through God's fidelity to them, all people shall become God's children and rejoice in the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel.

**Catholic Radio Stations**

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



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

**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's for Mass schedule. Televised Sunday Mass-Channel 8 at 6:00 AM.

**Pregnant and in need?** Visit [OptionLine.org](http://OptionLine.org) or call 1-800-712-HELP.

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

**Hurting from an abortion?** Visit [www.AbortioForgiveness.com](http://www.AbortioForgiveness.com).

**Help us Protect Life** by volunteering. Cleveland Right to Life needs volunteers. Our volunteers will tell you that their gift of time and talents are repaid ten-fold in the joy they get from assisting the families and clients who visit us. Call 216-661-3000.

**Family Perspectives**

It was only after they entered the house that the Magi found Jesus. Today's gospel challenges us to bring our gifts into our home and family. There we will find Jesus. Our spiritual search for God starts at home.

**Events Around Town**

**Catholic Renewal Ministries** will host a Charismatic Mass on Friday, January 19th, at 7:00 PM at St. Peter Church, 35777 Center Ridge Rd., North Ridgeville 44039. Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. Praise and worship will begin at 7:00 and the liturgy will start at 7:30. Healing prayer teams will be available after mass for individual prayer, and there will also be a social after mass. For more information, please contact Fr. Franco at 440-327-2201 or CRM at 440-944-9445. Come and bring a friend! This will be a time to truly encounter the Lord.

**Women's Retreat Day**-"Finding Ways to Serve God" St. Teresa's Altar & Rosary Society invites all women to a day of learning and prayer on Saturday, January 27, 2018. Doors open at 9:30 AM for coffee and pastry. Sr. Mary Berigan, SND, from The Blessing House in Lorain, will be our speaker. Sr. Mary will share her insights regarding "serving God as our lives change". Lunch will be served at Noon, followed by a prayer service. Call the church office at 440-934-4227 to reserve your seat. \$5 at the door. A Free Will offering will be taken to benefit The Blessing House in Lorain.

**Chaplain Services** are available for Prisons and Jails located in the Diocese of Cleveland. If you have a loved one incarcerated and would like a priest, deacon or one of our lay volunteer ministers visit with them, call the Parish Life Office at 800-869-6525 or 216-696-6525 x 3500.

**Retrouvaille Weekend** – January 19-21, 2018 - A Life-line for Troubled Marriages. Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring – your relationship cold, distant – thinking about a separation or divorce? Retrouvaille (rediscovery), is open to couples of all faiths, consists of a weekend experience for couples and six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. Call 1.800.470.2230, or go online to [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

**3 Parish Cluster Events**

**St. Thomas:** Music Club invites all singers and musicians to join us. Contact Roger (440)346-3022.

**St. Teresa:** Eucharist Adoration is every Wednesday from 9 AM-1 PM in the Church.

**St. Anthony:** Our Perpetual Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 behind the Church.

**Parish Events this Week**

Jan 8-PSR	Grismer Hall	6:30-7:15 PM
Jan 8-12-CYO	Grismer Hall	3:30-9:00 PM
Jan 13-CYO	Grismer Hall	9AM-4PM