

St. Thomas the Apostle

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

February 24, 2019 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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: 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-4:00 PM
Friday-9:00 AM-1:00 PM
Information/insert for the bulletin must be in the Parish Office by Wednesday at 4:00 PM to make the following week.

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

Diocese of Cleveland

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Parish Staff

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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. 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: Persevere in Prayer

Sunday February 24, 2019
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 AM Anthony J. Arena
 11:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners
 2nd Collection: Eastern Europe

Monday February 25, 2019

9:00 AM All Souls

Tuesday February 26, 2019

9:00 AM Special Intentions

Wednesday February 27, 2019

9:00 AM Bayus & Prosek Family

Thursday February 28, 2019

9:00 AM Fr. Daniel Kayajan

Friday March 1, 2019

World Day of Prayer

9:00 AM Sung Hwan Chang (Luke)

Saturday March 2, 2019

9:00 AM Agnes Wiemels

4:00 PM Anne & Michael Pribanic

Sunday March 3, 2019

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM George DeCoske

11:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners
 2nd Collection: Loose Change
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Pre-Baptismal Classes-2019

March 19 St. Mary-7:30 PM (440) 934-4212
 April 11 Holy Spirit-7:30 PM (440) 933-3777
 May 21 St. Joseph-6:30 PM (440) 933-3152

New and expecting parents are required to attend a class before scheduling a baptism at your Parish.

Chaplain Services are available for Prisons and Jails located in the Diocese of Cleveland. To have someone make a visit, call the Parish Life Office at 800-869-6525.

St. Thomas Prayer Lines A friendly voice is on the other end.(440)-865-9387 or (440)-949-7548. Pray for the sick, hungry and needy of our Parish Community. Holy Spirit, we lift our prayers to you in the name of Christ. Amen.

Mass Intentions are available for 2019/2020. Call to schedule Mass for your loved ones. Cost is \$10.00 each.

St. Thomas Church needs Lectors, Readers, Eucharist Ministers and Servers. Please consider helping out at the Mass you regularly attend. The feeling of participating deeper into the Mass is rewarding in so many ways.



St. Thomas the Church is Kid Friendly



Gospels of the Week:

Monday	Mk 9:14-29	Thursday	Mk 9:41-50
Tuesday	Mk 9:30-37	Friday	Mk 10:1-12
Wednesday	Mk 9:38-40	Saturday	Mk 10:13-16
		Sunday	Lk 6:39-45

Weekly Collection	Goal	\$5,000.00
	February 17, 2019	\$4,510.50

Thank you for your generous and continued support.
 Please remember St. Thomas Parish in your Will.

St. Thomas News/Events

February 24-BP/Sugar Screening
 February 25-Parish Council
 February 27-Music Club



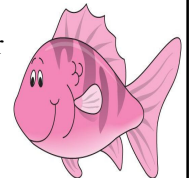
St. Elizabeth Homeless Center Our Parish prepares Hot Meals twice per month for the overnight shelter. If you would like to help cook, or donate food contact Penny (440) 949-7548. Boxes are also located in the Church for donations marked Shelter. For other services available, go to www.ccdocle.org/facility/stelizabethcenter.

The Quilt Ministry of St. Thomas is the second Monday of the Month. They provided 34 blankets to our Parish and Community elderly and those in need. Contact Justine (440) 830-9990.



2018 Year End Tax Statements for contributions are available by calling the Parish Office. MAILED ONLY.

St. Thomas Fish Fry Meeting is on Tuesday, February 26th at 6PM in Grismer Hall. Fish Fry begin on March 8, 2019. Prep is Thursdays, cook and serve is on Fridays. Children who need service hours for school are welcome to help. Donations of pop, water and desserts will be accepted on Thursdays and Fridays at Grismer Hall between 10 AM-2 PM.



Ash Wednesday is March 6th with Masses at 9AM and 7 PM. Ashes will be distributed at both Masses.

Stations of the Cross is every Friday of Lent at 4 PM. Fish Fry will begin Friday, March 8th serving 4-7 PM. Take out is available. Call (440) 949-8491.

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, March 2-4:00 PM

C-S Riley L-M Rozmarynowycz
 EM-R Zaborniak, P Rieth, L Wenzel
 C-M Wenzel, E Fabanich
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Sunday, March 3-9:00 AM

C-J Houlihan L-R Radeff
 EM-H Schremp, J Houlihan, R Radeff
 C-K Janosik, R Arena
 S-X & J Centifanti

Sunday, March 3-11:00 AM

C-M Fairweather L-AM Woltman
 EM-J Kelly, D Munro, D Gray
 C-M Fairweather, S Brunkow
 S-



Thank You

...to Michelle and Michael for presenting the Sowell Concert.

Do No Harm We listen quite a while before we get to the “punch line” of the first reading today: even though it would be an easy thing to do, David will not harm the anointed one of the Lord. We, of course, know that Jesus is the Messiah, the anointed one of God, but the Bible uses this term for many different people. It is scripture’s way of indicating who has been chosen by God for a special place and mission in salvation history. In today’s Gospel, Jesus presents a greatly enlarged list of those who, as children of God, we should not harm, but love instead: our enemies, those who curse us or do us harm, those who owe us money, the ungrateful, the wicked. The point of Jesus’ teaching is not to encourage these kinds of behaviors in others, but rather to form us in the image of our heavenly Father by increasing our opportunities to love unconditionally, expecting no return; to be merciful and forgiving, even when it would be easier not to.

Eastern Europe Collection A new generation of Catholics in Central and Eastern Europe needs support. These grants give the people living there a place to encounter Christ and the courage and strength to re-build their church communities.

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.

E-mail Bulletins add your e-mail address to your Sunday envelope and get your weekly bulletin by E-mail. Keep up on weekly news and upcoming events.

Bulletin Ad Campaign Our Bulletin Advertising Representative is working on a 2019 Ad Campaign. Call 440-382-2805 to include an AD or recommend a business.

Weekly Parish Events

February 24-BP/Sugar Church	9:30 AM-12:00 PM
February 25-Parish Council Room #2	7-8 PM
February 25-PSR Grismer Hall	6:15-7:30 PM
February 25-1 CYO Grismer Hall	3:30-9:00 PM
February 27-Music Club Church	7-8:00 PM
March 2-CYO Grismer Hall	9-3:00 PM

Family Perspectives

Families teach their own set of values. The gospel speaks of judging, condemning, and forgiving noting “what goes around comes around.” Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven.” Practice and grow with the gospel virtues of mercy and forgiveness. Be bold and stop the family blame game. Forgiving families prosper.

Events Around Town

St. Teresa Mardi Gras Party March 2, 2109 Doors open at 5:30 PM Fun, Great Food, Live Music, and Raffles For \$25.00 you will receive an all-you-can-eat buffet of authentic New Orleans Mardi Gras food, beer/pop/water, and live music. Pre-Sale tickets only. Call 440-934-4227.

St. Anthony Frozen Pierogi's are available for purchase year round. Call Kim, 440-288-0106 to get them today! Pickup in the Parish Office.

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!



Protecting God's Children The Diocese of Cleveland's “Protecting God's Children” program is about the protection of children from sexual abuse. Immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior. Call the Diocesan Response Service at 216-334-2999 or response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org.

First Friday Forum of Lorain County Mr. David Simmer will be the speaker. Join us on Friday, March 1, 2019 from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Cost is \$18 per person and includes lunch. Contact 244-0643 by February 25.

Give the Gift of Time: Volunteer Cornerstone of Hope opportunities ranges from weekly commitments to once a year. Contact Rachel@cornerstoneofhope.org.

Pregnant and in need? Call 1-800-712-HELP. Please visit OptionLine.org

Homeless and pregnant? Please call Good Counsel Homes, 1-800-723-8331 or visit www.goodcounselhomes.org.

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

Help Protect Life Cleveland Right to Life needs volunteers. Call 216-661-3000. Each life is a sacred and fragile mystery. Abortion destroys the revealing of God's plan for that child.



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.