

The Son of Man has



nowhere to rest his head

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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

St. Thomas the Apostle

715 Harris Road * Sheffield Lake * Ohio *
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**Serving our Community for
60 years**

June 26, 2022

**The 13th 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 daily before 9 AM Mass. This includes the weekends.

The Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help is prayed every Monday before Mass.

Baptism: Sunday: 11:30 AM
Parent 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/insert 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

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Mass Schedule

Pray for all our Fathers

Sunday June 26, 2022
13th Week in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM June M. Truax
 2nd Collection: Loose Change

Monday June 27, 2022
St. Cyril of Alexandria

9:00 AM Viola Petcavage

Tuesday June 28, 2022
St. Irenaeus

9:00 AM Special Intentions

Wednesday June 29, 2022
Ss. Peter & Paul

9:00 AM Yoon Jung Kim (Yustina)

Thursday June 30, 2022
First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

9:00 AM Hans Kosschutnik

Friday July 1, 2022
St. Junipero Serrs

9:00 AM JoAnn Grau

Saturday July 2, 2022
Blessed virgin Mary

9:00 AM L/D Thomasine Burk-Cohn family

4:00 PM In Van Ha
Sunday July 3, 2022

10:00 AM Shirley Kliner
 2nd Collection: Loose Change

Pre-Baptism Class-2022

July 14-7:30 PM Holy Spirit (440) 934-3777

August 16-6:30 PM St. Joseph (440) 933-3152

September 18-11:30 AM St. Thomas (440) 949-7744

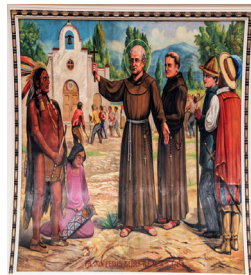
All new, expecting parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal Class before scheduling a baptism at the Parish they attend. One of the two Godparents must be an active Catholic with a Sponser Certificate from their church.

Prayer Line In need of prayers? Contact the Sisters of Notre Dame prayer line (440) 279-1163.

St. Thomas Facebook: Send your e-mail address to the Parish Office and receive the bulletin electronically each week. <https://m.facebook.com/thomas.church.39142>

St. Thomas Parish needs Lectors, Readers, Eucharist Ministers & Servers. "Never underestimate the power of the Holy Spirit working in you."

When wealth is lost, nothing is lost; when health is lost something is lost; when character is lost, all is lost.



Weekly Collection Goal \$5,000.00

June 19, 2022 \$5,199.00

Thank you for your generosity with reaching our goal.

Online Giving www.CatholicCommunity.org/Offertory
 Please continue to support St. Thomas by mailing in your weekly envelopes.

Thank you for your generous and continued support. Remember St. Thomas in your Will.

St. Thomas Church Events

Community Days will be Thursday, July 14th-Sunday, July 17th. The Parade is Wednesday. St. Thomas has a booth at the carnival 4/15th-17th selling Instant Tickets.

St. Thomas Fall Fish Fest Fall fish fest will be Oct 15th 4PM to 7PM. Next year Lenten fish fry will start Feb 24th to March 31 2023. More information will follow on both events as the dates become closer. Watch the Bulletin throughout the summer months.

Homeless Shelter To donate paper products, food, time or finances, call Penny (440) 949-7548. We serve all year to a full shelter. Help us to help others.

Mass Intentions are available for 2022/2023. They are \$10.00 each. Contact the office (440) 949-7744 or drop into the weekly collection. Mark the envelopes Masses.

Blessing Blankets Ministry continues to make blankets for the needy. Blankets are available for donation. To donate materials call Justine (440) 830-9990.

Health Ministry Our Parish Health Ministry will have it's Annual free lab draw on Sunday July 17th from 9:30-12:30. Fasting encouraged. Take AM meds with water if possible. Results will be mailed.

Virtus Training <http://www.virtus.org> click training tab. Anyone working with children in our Parish must do this.

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. Park in Sevits stadium parking lot due to school busses and cars at dismissals.

Laws of Love Paul talks about another kind of freedom when he says that following the Spirit means freedom from the Law. He was not talking about ignoring the speed limit or pirating DVDs. He meant people who were obsessed with keeping all the laws and customs that were part of the Jewish tradition. It would be like someone who goes to Mass on Sunday only because he doesn't want to break a Church law, or someone who drives the speed limit because he doesn't want to pay a fine. Taken to an extreme, you would have to memorize every law on the books to be sure you did not break one. The freedom of the Spirit is a life lived out of love. A person goes to Mass out of love for God; a driver would obey the speed limit to protect other drivers. As long as we love one another, we wouldn't have to worry about breaking the law, for God's laws are all examples of how to love one another.

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday-July 2-4:00 PM

C-MB Riley L-S Riley

EM-MB Riley, R Zaborski, R O'Connor

Sunday-July 3-10:00 AM

C-A Hicks L-R Radeff

EM-D Munro, K Janosik, K Mohrbach

Cup servers removed until further notice. Fill in (if needed) for Eucharist Ministers at the Mass you attend.



St. Thomas Church



Thank You

...to our Parish Garden Angels for work around our Parish, School and Rectory/Office.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Be Ready It is easy to say we want to follow Jesus, yet most of us feel competing desires that stand in the way of discipleship. We may be distracted by the constant swirl of activity so prevalent in our surrounding culture; we might be lured by worldly wealth and the status that often accompanies it; we may simply be comfortable with the way things are and find it difficult to risk changing anything. In today's Gospel, Jesus makes it clear that we must stop putting off making the changes that will bring us closer to him and to God's way of life. We must trust in the Lord, knowing that what he most deeply desires is that we be close to him. If you encountered Jesus today and said you were ready to follow him, what would he see in your heart, what obstacles or hesitations would he perceive? Go to Jesus in prayer this day. Listen to him say, "Follow me." Prayerfully place your life in the Lord's hands and be ready to follow.

Discipleship Costs In today's first reading, God tells the prophet Elijah to prepare Elisha to succeed him. Succeeding Elijah will be no easy task; he has spent his life facing threats from the kings he has confronted about their infidelity to the God of Israel. The psalm illustrates the emotional and spiritual distress that the prophets' steadfast faithfulness to God brought them. Paul's description of the Christian's freedom from the law as opposed to "the desire of the flesh" puts this struggle at the very heart of Christian identity. Luke's Gospel recounts Jesus' decision to journey toward Jerusalem, where he knows he will meet his earthly fate. Following Jesus, like succeeding Elijah as prophet, will now become more difficult. Unlike his calls to the first disciples, Jesus encounters those who are not ready or not strong enough to journey with him.

Treasures from Our Tradition The pilgrim experience of going by foot to Santiago de Compostella, the shrine of St. James, reaches its high point at the feast of the Apostle. Tens of thousands of pilgrims are already on the road. The difficult journey and the often primitive lodging facilities are made bearable by the joy of the pilgrims, their songs and prayers. When their journey is documented properly, they receive the scallop shell, a reminder not only of James the fisherman, but also his call to fish for human beings and to baptize the nations. In the Middle Ages, those who wore this badge on their hats were granted lodging and hospitality wherever they went. Next to the palm, the sign of a Jerusalem pilgrim, the scallop shell was most highly prized. In the Middle Ages, some people so enjoyed the pilgrim road that they spent most of their lives on the road. Today people take up the route and are drawn gradually into the spirituality of the journey.



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

Events Around Town

The FEST is August 7, 2022 If you have any questions, please email Caitlin@theFEST.us or call The FEST office at 216.202.3040. Please also check out The FEST website to download these announcements and logos electronically. Thank you for your support of The FEST! God Bless!

Calvary Cemetery – Pre-Planning Seminar Join a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Saturday, July 23, 2022 at 1 PM. Learn about all Catholic burial options. The CCA follows COVID-19 protocols. RSVP to 216/641-7575 ext. 6. Calvary Cemetery 555 N. Ridge Rd. Lorain or email Bob DeJohn at bdejohn@clecem.org.

Have you been to Confession lately? - The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a healing remedy for our sinfulness. Confession, one part of the Sacrament, calls us to discover the struggles that cause sinful acts and present them to God in the presence of the priest. All Catholics should consider approaching this sacrament at least twice a year, especially during Advent and Lent. Although serious matters should be brought before the priest, our lesser sins are healed through the celebration of Mass or with sincere contrition and any good work.

Office Vacation The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, July 1- July 12th.

Catholic Relief Services The humanitarian crisis is worsening daily in Ukraine as Russia intensifies its invasion of the country and its bombardment of civilian areas and buildings. . Catholic Relief Services is working with Ukraine. <https://support.crs.org/donate/donate-ukraine>.

Catholic Cemeteries continues with monthly Gief Support the third week of every month at 3 PM At St. Joseph, Avon, Holy Cross, Brookpark. We meet the 4th Sunday of every montgh. You don't have to grieve alone.

TV Mass The Sunday television Mass may now be viewed at 10 AM on WUAB Channel 43. This does not fulfill your Sunday obligation of Mass.

Catholic Radio Stations

1220 AM-WHKW Radio The Word

1260 AM-The Rock

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

'Table Talk' 1260AMtherock.com for times and dates.



Parish Cluster Events

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

St. Anthony: Rosarys for the Unborn are said the first Saturday of each month from 10 AM-3:30 PM. In Church.

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