



# St. Thomas the Apostle

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

April 16, 2017

Easter Sunday

## 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

Mary, Holy Mother of God	January 1, 2018
The Assumption of Mary	August 15, 2017
All Saints	November 1, 2017
Immaculate Conception	December 8, 2017
Christmas	December 25, 2017

## DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

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## PARISH STAFF

Father Stephen L. Shields..... Pastor  
 Mrs. Heather Centifanti.....Office Manager  
 Mr. Michael Chutes.....Custodian

## COMMUNICATIONS

Parish Office..... 440-949-7744  
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 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.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. Gaebelien	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: He is Risen, Alleluia

**Sunday April 16, 2017**  
**Easter Sunday**  
**of the Lord's Resurrection**  
 9:00 AM L & D members of the Ladies Guild  
 11:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners  
 Second Collection: Loose Change

**Monday April 17, 2017**  
**Income Tax Day**

9:00 AM Faith & Action

**Tuesday April 18, 2017**

9:00 AM Jack Keane

**Wednesday April 19, 2017**

9:00 AM Special Intention

**Thursday April 20, 2017**

9:00 AM Mary Ellen Jakubisin & family

**Friday April 21, 2017**

9:00 AM All Souls

**Saturday April 22, 2017**

9:00 AM Special Intention

4:00 PM Judy Borer

**Sunday April 23, 2017**

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

9:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners

11:00 AM Jeff Trebonik & family

Second Collection: Home Missions

Lectionary Year: "A"

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**Pre-Baptismal Classes-2017**

April 23 St. Thomas 12:30 PM (440) 949-7744

May 16 St. Mary 7:30 PM (440) 934-4212

June 8 Holy Spirit 7:30 PM (440) 933-3777

July 18 St. Joseph 6:30 PM (440) 933-3152

New and expecting parents are required to attend a class

before scheduling a baptism at their church of worship.

**St. Thomas Prayer Network** is waiting to pray for you.

Call Deb (440)-865-9387 or Penny (440)-949-7548 and

our prayer group will storm heaven.

**Catholic Radio Stations**

1220 AM-WHKW Radio The Word

1260 AM-The Rock Tune

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

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**INCOME TAX DAY**



**Weekly Collections**

April 2, 2017

Weekly	Goal	Fiscal Year to Date
Weekly Goal	\$5,000.00	\$200,000.00
Offertory	\$5,185.50	\$176,625.50
	<b>+ \$185.50</b>	<b>(\$23,374.50)</b>

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

**St. Thomas News**

*The Lord has Risen Among Us!*

Today our hearts are again filled with the joy of Easter. After the Lenten season, the time of penance and conversion, after the striking celebrations of the Holy Triduum, today we stand before Jesus' empty tomb and meditate with wonder and gratitude on the resurrection of the Lord. Life has conquered death. Mercy and love have conquered sin! The Lord has risen among us! The truth indelibly marked the lives of the apostles who, after the resurrection, again sensed the need to follow their teacher and, having received the Holy Spirit, set out fearlessly to proclaim to all what they had seen with their own eyes and personally experienced. Christ's resurrection is not an event of the past. It contains a vital power which has permeated our world. Where all seems to be dead, signs of the resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force. In the midst of darkness something new always springs to life and sooner or later produces fruit. We need faith and hope in order to open ourselves to this new and marvelous horizon. As we know that faith and hope are gifts from God, and we need to ask for them: "Lord, grant me faith, grant me hope! I need them so much!" Then with our attitude, with our witness, with our faith, we can say: Jesus is risen! *Have a Blessed and Happy Easter Season.....Fr. Steve and Staff*

**Liturgical Schedule**

**Saturday, April 22-4:00 PM**

C-J Mack L-J Rozmarynowycz

EM-L & M Wenzel, M Rozmarynowycz

C-R O'Connor, S Lynch

**Sunday, April 23-9:00 AM**

C-R Kirsch L-E Bayus

EM- K Yatson, E Bayus, D Arena

C-P Blazina, R Arena

S-K Janosik, R Arena

**Sunday, April 23-11:00 AM**

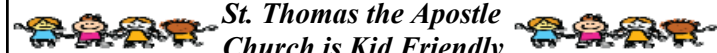
C-J Houlihan L-AM Woltman

EM-S Helman, J & C Rouhier

C-K Mohrbach, S Brunkow

S-M Fairweather

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



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

**Gospels for the Week:**

Monday	Mt 28:8-15	Friday	Jn 21:1-14
Tuesday	Jn 20:11-18	Saturday	Mk 16:9-15
Wednesday	Lk 24:13-35	Sunday	Jn 20:19-31

## Thank You

...to those who give of their time, talent and treasure to St. Thomas during this Lent and Easter Season.

Christian Life hinges on the practice of Mercy. This Easter Season, choose to help others by.....Give drink to the thirsty, help prepare a meal for the bereaved, visit the sick, visit the imprisoned, help another with their needs, pray for the living and the dead, admonish sinners with kind words, understanding and lack of judgement.



**REJOICE AND BE GLAD** “This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.” Let us remember that these words of today’s responsorial psalm are not only sung from the hearts of those gathered in our parish. They are also sung by the poor in tiny barrios throughout Central and South America. They are sung by those denied religious freedom in our world; these Christians lift their voices in clandestine places of worship. These words are sung by people who have lost loved ones to acts of terrorism and war around the globe. Even in the midst of conflict and division, Christians still come together to declare that poverty, loneliness, violence, and division will never have as much power as the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Indeed, let us rejoice this day and be glad!

## Scheduled Parish Events

**Sunday, April 16**

**Monday, April 17**

**Tuesday, April 18**

Teen Survivors of Suicide Room #1 7-8:30 PM

**Wednesday, April 19**

Music Club Church 7-8:30 PM

**Thursday, April 20**

**Friday, April 21**

**Saturday, April 22**

**Sunday, April 23**

Baptism Class Church 12:30-1:30 PM

**NOTICE**—Only scheduled events have legal use of these facilities. To schedule an event call the Parish Office. No parish property is to leave the premises. This includes the kitchen. We do not give permission or the opportunity to borrow or lend property. St. Thomas Grismer Gym & Kitchen are available for rent. Call for information/ price list. Hall rental includes the kitchen. No gambling except for a parish event. Hired security required if alcohol is served. Requirements of the State of Ohio and/or the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland.

## Family Perspectives

Easter is a time for families to gather for a special meal and to worship together at Church. Home rituals can also make this feast the most important faith event for the year. Make an effort this year to bring Easter into your home. Try special decorations, a home Easter candle, a special meal, and pray together, sing “Alleluia” or Jesus Christ is Risen Today”, each day of Easter week to proclaim the Risen Lord!

## St. Thomas Events 2017

4/23-Baptism Class 12:30 PM

5/6-First Communion Practice 10-12 PM

5/7-First Communion 9 AM Mass

5/14-Coffee & Donuts

5/21-BP/sugar Screening

5/14-Mother’s Day Buffet (All you can eat!)



## Events Around Town

**Special Collection** will be taken for the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on April 29/30, 2017. This is a one time collection to support the mosaic ornamentation of the Trinity Dome, the crowning jewel of the Shrine.

**50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration** is Sunday, July 30, 2017 at a 2:30 PM Mass in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Reservations will be accepted for couples married 50 years (married in 1967). Couples who are celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over) or have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend. Seating is limited. Registration forms will be sent to all parishes; couples should contact their parishes to register. Deadline is Monday, June 19, 2017.

**Catholic Renewal Ministries'** Traveling Charismatic Mass for April will be held at Sacred Heart Parish on Friday, April 21st. Praise and worship will begin at 7 PM with Mass at 7:30 PM The church is located at 410 W. Lorain St. in Oberlin, 44074. Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. Healing prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual prayer, with a social after the Mass. Contact Fr. Bob Franco at 440-327-2201.

## 3 Parish Cluster Events

**St. Thomas:** Music Club invites all singers and musicians to join us on Tuesdays, for practice, from 7-8:30 PM in the Church. For information contact Roger (440)346-3022.

**St. Teresa:** The Lorain County Health Dept. holds an Immunization Clinic every other month in St. Teresa's Parish Center. If your child needs immunizations call the Health Department at (440)322-6367.

**St. Anthony:** Our Perpetual Adoration Chapel is open 24/7. It is located behind the Parish Office/Rectory, and overlooks the Lake. If the door is locked go to the Parish Office.