



St. Thomas the Apostle

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

September 9, 2018 The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Information

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: 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

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

Any information/insert included in the bulletin must be in the
Parish Office by Wednesday at 4:00 PM to make the follow-
ing weeks bulletin publication.

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
The Solemnity of Mary	January 1, 2019

Diocese of Cleveland

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Parish Staff

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Mrs. Heather Centifanti.....Office Manager
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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: The Gift of Forgiveness

Sunday September 9, 2018
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Grandparents Day
Rosh Hashanah
 9:00 AM L & D members of the Holy Name
 11:00 AM Franklin Knisley
 2nd Collection: Loose Change

Monday September 10, 2018
 9:00 AM Thomas C. Copeland

Tuesday September 11, 2018
Patriots Day
 9:00 AM All Souls

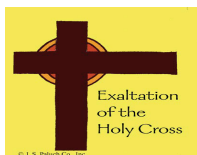
Wednesday September 12, 2018
The Most Holy Name of Mary
 9:00 AM Steve Arnal

Thursday September 13, 2018
St. John Chrysostom
 9:00 AM All Souls

Friday September 14, 2018
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
 9:00 AM Thomas C. Copeland

Saturday September 15, 2018
Our Lady of Sorrows
 9:00 AM Patricia Prevoznik
 4:00 PM Karen Juniper

Sunday September 16, 2018
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 AM L & D members of the Ladies Guild
 11:00 AM Fran Lesniak
 2nd Collection: Loose Change
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Pre-Baptismal Classes-2018

September 16 St. Thomas-12:30 PM (440) 949-7744
 October 16 St. Mary-7:30 PM (440) 934-4212

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

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

Help Protect Life Cleveland Right to Life needs volunteers. Call 216-661-3000.

E-mail Bulletins get Parish Bulletins by e-mail, write your e-mail address on your Sunday envelope. Keep up to date on weekly, upcoming events and breaking news.



St. Thomas the Apostle Church is Kid Friendly

Weekly Collection

Goal

September 2, 2018 \$5,000.00

September 2, 2018 \$4,630.50

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

St. Thomas News/Events

September 9-Coffee & Donuts
 September 10-PSR
 September 15-Quilt Club
 September 16-Pre Baptism Class



Country Christmas Concert & Dinner is Saturday December 8th in Grismer Hall featuring Allie Colleen. Advanced Tickets on sale by calling Michelle (440)670-1931. Cost is \$25.00 until October 12th, after cost is \$30.00

St. Thomas PSR begins on Monday, September 10th from 6:15-7:30 PM in Grismer Hall for 1st-7th grade.

Confirmation information will be available at a later date. Classes begin in November. Confirmation in April.

Ladies Guild Rummage Sale will be October 5th & 6th in Grismer Hall. Items can be dropped off on October 3rd & 4th in the School gym. Contact Karen 949-7714. Volunteers are needed to set-up and tear-down.

The Homeless Shelter is open for the summer for laundry and showers. We are providing laundry soap, snacks and coffee items. Drop into the box marked shelter.



St. Thomas Blanket Knitting Ministry is September 15th at 5PM in the Church. Contact Justine 440-830-9990. Accepting supplies of material, batting and yarn.



Rest in Peace Krista Plowman, and Edward Kubit. May Perpetual light shine upon them. Pray for the consolation of their family and friends.

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, September 15-4:00 PM

C-J Ritter L-MB Riley
 EM-M Rozmarynowycz, P Rieth, A Balmert
 C-J Balmert, R O'Connor
 S-C & E Balmert

Sunday, September 16-9:00 AM

C-J Houlihan L-R Radeff
 EM-K Yatson, K Janosik, P Blazina
 C-H Centifanti, J Houlihan
 S-X & J Centifanti

Sunday, September 16-11:00 AM

C-M Fairweather L-J Ganobsek
 EM-K Mohrbach, D Gray, D Munro
 C-S Brunkow, M Fairweather
 S-S Bunner, N Barsan

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



Gospels of the Week:

Monday	Lk 6:6-11	Thursday	Lk 6:27-38
Tuesday	Lk 6:12-19	Friday	Jn 3:13-17
Wednesday	Lk 6:20-26	Saturday	Lk 2:33-35
		Sunday	Mk 8:27-35

Thank You

...to Ray for the weekly flowers for Mary.

See Beyond Outward Appearances The phrase “Sunday best” has lost much of its meaning in our society today. Some lament the loss of people dressing up for church on Sunday; others think it’s a healthy sign that we’re as casual in attire gathered before the Lord as we are elsewhere. In either case, we are still focused on external appearance, mistaking it for some sort of favored position before God. True, James criticizes the community that favors the rich and well-dressed while ostracizing the poorly clothed, but even more he criticizes the making of distinctions, making choices based on criteria that having nothing to do with the reign of God. James might turn our attention to the reign of God described by Isaiah, in which people are healed and the earth becomes ripe to bear fruit. Jesus today is focused on this reign of God, healing a Gentile man in a region hostile to his Jewish faith, not mindful of the man’s origins or clothing or status or ability to repay. Isaiah, James, and Jesus in Mark’s Gospel all call us to look deeply to find where the will of God needs to be done, and has been done, on earth as in heaven.

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.

Pregnant and in need? call 1-800-712-HELP.

Visit OptionLine.org

Homeless and pregnant? Call Good Counsel Homes, 1-800-723-8331 or visit

www.goodcounselhomes.org.

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

Pro-Life Doctors List A list of local Pro-life doctors, who do not practice abortion nor support its use. Call 440-322-0076 or www.loraincountyrighttolife.org under the Resources and Issues tab.



Family Perspectives

The deaf man in today’s gospel had friends who brought him to see Jesus for help. We are often deaf to one another and don’t know it. We hurt others when we listen but don’t hear. Take a tip from the deaf man and his friends-recognize our deafness and then ask God to heal us.

Events Around Town

Extraordinary Ministry of Holy Communion Fall Sessions is Saturday, September 29 St. Joseph Parish, Avon Lake: 9 AM-11:30 AM. To become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion call the office. We can register you for one of the following classes. There is no fee.

Lorain County Right to Life-Save the Dates

Visit our booth at the Elyria Apple Festival in Downtown Elyria on September 21 - 23, 2018.

Clambake Dinner Saturday, September 15, 2018. Sponsored by St. Teresa of Avila's Altar & Rosary Society (1878 Abbe Road, Sheffield Village, Ohio 44054), 440-934-4227. Dinner Served from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM. \$28.00 for Clam Dinner with Chicken; \$15.00 for Chicken only Dinner; \$8.50 for extra clams. All dinners include clam chowder, (dozen clams w/mussels - clambake dinners only), gilled lemon herb boneless chicken breast/leg quarter, red potatoes, corn on the cob, coleslaw, roll and butter. **PRE-SALE TICKETS ONLY** - available in church office Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 3 PM



Chaplain Services for Prisons and Jails located in the Diocese of Cleveland. Call the Parish Life Office at 800-869-6525 or 216-696-6525 x 3500. The Diocesan Ministry to the Incarcerated has a presence in the three state prisons, the county jails and the juvenile facilities located within our diocese we would be glad to visit with them.

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!



Catholic Cemeteries Association - Monthly GRIEF SUPPORT – Next Meeting, 3 PM Sunday, September 16th at St. Joseph Cemetery, Avon (temporary trailer office). Contact Rhonda at 216.930.4866. The topic for September will be: “Family Specific Grief”. We meet the 3rd Sunday of every month at 3:00 PM, except on holidays, then we meet the 4th Sunday. Don’t grieve alone.

Weekly Parish Events

- September 9—coffee & donuts Parish Library 10-10:30 AM
- September 10-PSR Grismer Hall 6:15-7:30 PM
- September 12-Music Club Church 7-8:30 PM
- September 15-Quilt Club Church 5-7:00 PM
- September 16-Pre Baptismal Class Church 12:30-1:30 PM

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.