



# St. Thomas the Apostle

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

August 13, 2017

19th 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

**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

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## 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: Peace and Justice

**Sunday August 13, 2017**

**19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM L & D Members of the Holy Name  
 11:00 AM St. Thomas Parishioners  
 Second Collection: Loose Change

**Monday August 14, 2017**

**St. Maximilian Kolbe**

9:00 AM All Souls



**Tuesday August 15, 2017**

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 AM Mary Lou Judge



**Wednesday August 16, 2017**

**St. Stephen of Hungary**

9:00 AM All Souls



**Thursday August 17, 2017**

9:00 AM Bobby Keane

**Friday August 18, 2017**

9:00 AM Mary Lou Judge

**Saturday August 19, 2017**

**St. John Eudes**

9:00 AM L & D Members of Dr. & Mrs. Ben Carson and family

4:00 PM Hans Koschutnik

**Sunday August 20, 2017**

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM L & D Members of the Ladies Guild

11:00 AM Billy Shlapack

Second Collection: Faith & Values

Lectionary Year: "A"

### Pre-Baptismal Classes-2017

August 20 St. Thomas 12:30 PM (440) 949-7744

September 19 St. Mary 7:30 PM (440) 934-4212

October 12 Holy Spirit 7:30 PM (440) 933-0043

November 21 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.

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

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

**ONEPARISH.COM** lets you sign up to an app and receive the bulletin on line. This keeps you up to date with current events and fundraisers of our Parish. It's easy, just download on the App store or get it on Google play.

Take a bulletin as you leave to stay connected always!



Gospels for the Week:		Thursday Mt 18:21-19:1
Monday	Mt 17:22-27	Friday Mt 19:3-12
Tuesday	Lk 11:39-56	Saturday Mt 19:13-15
Wednesday	Mt 18:15-20	Sunday Mt 15:21-28

## Weekly Collections

Weekly	Goal	Fiscal Year to Date
August 6, 2017	\$5,000.00	\$30,000.00
Offertory	\$5,332.00	\$25,474.78
	<b>\$332.00</b>	<b>(\$4,525.22)</b>
St. Vincent de Paul	\$10.00	

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

## St. Thomas News/Events

- 8/13-Coffee & donuts
- 8/13-Parish Picnic Lunch
- 8/20-BP/Sugar Screening
- 9/10-Coffee & Donuts
- 10/6-7-Rummage Sale
- 10/14-Spaghetti Dinner



**St. Thomas Baseball Extravaganza** is back! We are raffling off 4 tickets for Indians Games until the end of the regular season. Cost is \$5.00 each or 6/\$25.00. All non-winning tickets say in for future drawings. Tickets are sold after all weekend Masses.

**Kathleen Eckenrode- August 3rd Game**

**St. Thomas Parish Picnic Lunch** is August 13th from Noon-2 PM. Contact Mike 440-242-7234 or Cindy 440-396-9460. All parish families are welcomed!

**Parishioners E-Mail Address** If you have an e-mail address, print it on the front or back of your weekly Offertory Envelope. This is also a good opportunity to update addresses and phone numbers. We are trying to send the bulletin by e-mail to those who have an address.

**Ladies Guild Rummage Sale** is October 6th & 7th. Save your gently used, clean items for donation. Drop off is October 4th & 5th in Grismer Hall. Call Karen 949-7714.

## Liturgical Schedule

**Saturday, August 19-4:00 PM**

C-J Mack L-J Rozmarynowycz

EM-M Rozmarynowycz, F Lesniak, B Kirtos

C-J Kirtos

S-M Wenzel

**Sunday, August 20-9:00 AM**

C-R Kirsch L-J Houlihan

EM- K Yatson, P Blazina, K Janosik

C-H Centifanti, J Houlihan

S-H Centifanti, W Holley

**Sunday, August 20-11:00 AM**

C-M Fairweather L-J Ganobsek

EM-D Munro, E Moussa, AM Woltman

C-S Brunkow, K Mohrbach

S-M Fairweather

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





August 13, 2017

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## Thank You

...to Roger for providing Music at the 9 AM and with the choir at the 11AM Masses.  
...to those who updated their addresses and e-mail.  
...to those who donate food every month to our St. Vincent de Paul community food collection.



Truth shall spring  
out of the earth,  
and justice shall  
look down from  
heaven.

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**The 2017-18 Faith & Values Appeal** for Catholic Education Parish In-Pew Appeal is August 19th/20th. All the money raised is used for tuition assistance programs for students in need.

**Nothing to Fear** A rabbi was asked why God sends trials and troubles into human lives. "Because God gets lonely for his people" was the reply. There is some resonance with this wisdom, as Jesus makes his disciples get into a boat without him and goes off alone while they venture into stormy waters. Neither Jews nor Christians believe that the Almighty plays this sort of whimsical game with them, but there is some truth in the statement that we don't turn to God for saving help until we're in a bind. Peter's role today is to represent each member of the whole church. Our story is the tale told about Peter's faith. What can bolster our faith is that even when Christ calls us to face bravely the tempests of life, if we are walking through them with our eyes fixed on him in faith, we have nothing to fear. Even when we falter or sink, simply crying "Lord, save me!" is enough to help us know the steady grasp of God's hand. Then, sheltered inside the walls of faith, the storms we endure lose their power over us.

## 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.



## 3 Parish Cluster Events

**St. Thomas:** Music Club invites all singers and musicians to join us. 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.

## Family Perspectives

Sometimes it isn't the troubles we face that make life hard; it's our fear and doubt that weaken our resolve. The gospel today recounts how Jesus calmed fears and encouraged His followers. We can trust the calming presence of Christ in our family life. Our families can be like Christ. when we encourage those facing trouble.

## Events Around Town

**Fall 2017 Eucharist Ministry of Holy Communion Sessions** We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers for weekend Masses. A short training session provided by the Diocese is necessary to be certified. The next formation session is Sunday, October 8, 2017 at St Peter Parish, 35777 Center Ridge Rd, North Ridgeville, OH 44039, from 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM (check-in at 1:30 PM). RSVP to the church office by Friday, September 29, 2017. Please prayerfully consider this liturgical ministry.

**Respect Life** "Some people argue that changing laws will not eliminate abortions. It is certainly true that a change of heart is more important than a change of law. What is forgotten, however, is that the law is the great teacher. Children grow up believing that if a practice is legal, it must be moral." Visit [www.clevelandrighttolife.org](http://www.clevelandrighttolife.org)

**Natural Family Planning** Do you want your marriage to last a lifetime? Do you never want to fall out of love? Many couples who have learned Natural Family Planning discover it helps their marriage in many more ways than they anticipated. Classes starting August 14 in Westlake register online: [neo-nfp.org](http://neo-nfp.org).

**St. Joseph Shelter** is open this summer. We need donations of food and snacks, personal hygiene products and laundry products. Contact Penny 949-7548. Drop donations in boxes marked shelter.

**Crafters Wanted** for Elyria Catholic's Holiday Craft Show & Bazaar, Saturday, November 11, 2017 from 9 AM-3 PM. Students help load and unload your car. Tables are \$35, or \$40 with electric. Call Lynette Patton 440-288-8034 or [elyriacatholicband@gmail.com](mailto:elyriacatholicband@gmail.com).

**St. Anthony School** is accepting enrollment for the 2017/2018 school year. Contact the school for more information about class and grade availability. (440) 288-0106 or visit [www.stanthonylorain.parishesonline.com](http://www.stanthonylorain.parishesonline.com)

**Boxes from Home** The Altar & Rosary Society of St. Vincent de Paul Church sends "Boxes from Home" to deployed soldiers. Call Dorothy at (440) 984-2192 with the soldier's name, rank, branch of service, and the overseas mailing address.

## Parish Events this Week

**August 20** BP/Sugar Screening Church Library 9:30-12:00  
**August 20** Baptism Class Church 12:30-1:30PM