



# St. Thomas the Apostle

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

**February 2, 2025**

**The Presentation of the  
Lord**

### Parish Staff

Father Stephen L. Shields..... Pastor  
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### Communications

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### Parish Cluster Contacts

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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	1981-1997

**St. Thomas the Apostle Church is fully accessible  
No Steps, No Stairs, No Ramps.**

### Parish Information

**Mass Times:** 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** is prayed every day before Mass.  
This includes the weekends.

**The Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help**  
is prayed every Monday before 9:00 AM Mass.

**Baptism:** Sunday: 11:30 AM A Pre-Baptismal Class is required. One Sponsor must be an active Catholic. If not from St. Thomas the Apostle Parish they need a Sponsor Letter from the Parish they attend. Call the Office to Schedule.

**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.

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday-Closed  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday-9:00 AM-3:00 PM  
Friday-9:00 AM-1:00 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.

**Remember St. Thomas the Apostle Church  
in your will.**

**Mass Schedule**

**God, Hear and answer our prayers**

**Sunday February 2, 2025**  
**The Presentation of the Lord**

10:00 AM Faye Marshall

**Monday February 3, 2025**  
**4th Week in Ordinary Time**

9:00 AM Sr. St. Marthe

**Tuesday February 4, 2025**

9:00 AM Diane Barry

**Wednesday February 5, 2025**  
**St. Agatha**

9:00 AM L/D Kacenjar family

**Thursday February 6, 2025**  
**St. Paul Miki & Companions**

9:00 AM L/D Schostek family

**Friday February 7, 2025**

9:00 AM Jimmy Koleda

**Saturday February 8, 2025**  
**St. Jerome Emiliani**  
**St. Josephine Bakhita**

9:00 AM Zoe L. Craig-Healing

4:00 PM Alexy family

**Sunday February 9, 2025**  
 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 AM L/D Holy Name

2nd Collection: Loose Change



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

**Every Saturday** after the 9:00 AM Mass, we have prayers for the Faithful Departed who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

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

**Mass Intentions** are available for 2025/2026 for \$10.00 each. Contact the office (440) 949-7744.

**Weekly Offering** Please increase your Offering so we may meet our weekly financial goals. Thank you.

**Continue to Contribute.** Please remember St. Thomas the Apostle church in your Last Will and Testament.

**Pre-Baptism Class-2025** All new, expecting parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptismal Class before scheduling a baptism. One Godparent must be an active Catholic with a Sponsors Certificate from the Church they attend. Call the Office to schedule.

<b>Weekly Collection Goal</b>	\$5,000.00
January 26, 2025	\$2,644.50
<b>We Give Catholic</b>	
<b>Save Our Barn</b> Amount Needed	<b>\$8,000.00</b> (Oct 2024)
Amount Collected	<b>\$10,885.00</b>
Please increase your weekly Offering so we can meet our Weekly Goal.	

**St. Thomas Church Events**

**The Homeless Ministry** We need donations of Food, Time and Treasures to continue this ministry. Contact Penny (440) 949-7548 for more information.

**St. Thomas Fish Fry** will start on Friday, March 7th. We need volunteers and donatins. We will be taking donations of soda, water,and desserts. Donations may be dropped off the day of each Fish Fry.

**Thank You**

...to our invisible volunteers.

**Events Around Town**

**LA County Fires** Catholic Charities is assisting with humanitarian relief through local agencies to provide food, shelter, medicines for the victims of the fires. To donate visit <https://tinyurl.com/LA-Relief>

**Catholic Calendar** Catholic homes have a Catholic Calendar <https://www.ashbypublishing.com/printed-church-calendars/15/catholic> or call 1-800-413-2220.

**“A Closer Walk With Thee” – CCA Monthly Grief Support E-Newsletter:** This helpful grief resource is emailed the first Tuesday of each month to any family/ individual who has expressed an interest in our bereavement programs. Contact **Rhonda** at 216-930-4866.

**The FEST** is looking for motivated college students for a paid internship this summer as we celebrate 25 years and plan and prepare for FEST 2025! Send your resume to Caitlin ([Caitlin@theFEST.us](mailto:Caitlin@theFEST.us)) by January 10<sup>th</sup> to apply!

**Jubilee Year of Hope** The Vatican has released Mass texts for the Jubilee Year of Hope. The year begins on Christmas Eve at the Vatican and on the Feast of the Holy Family (Sunday, December 29, 2024) in dioceses around the world. More information will be forthcoming. [Mass for the Holy Year | USCCB](#)

**Qualified Charitable Distributions** If you are age 70 1/2 or older, you may make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution. Talk to your IRA administrator to make your gift directly to our parish. Call Marylou Ozimek (216) 696-6525 x4070.

**Protecting God’s Children** from sexual abuse. Call authorities of inappropriate behavior. (216) 334-2999) or [responseservices@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:responseservices@dioceseofcleveland.org)

**Liturgical Schedule**

**Saturday-February 1-4:00 PM**

C-J Mack L-S Lynch

EM-P Rieth, R O’Connor, R Zaborski

**Sunday-February 2-10:00 AM**

C-B Barelka L-N Olitsky

EM-L Knoblauch, K Yatson, B Smith

Please help if needed at the Mass you attend.



**St. Thomas Church is Kid Friendly**

