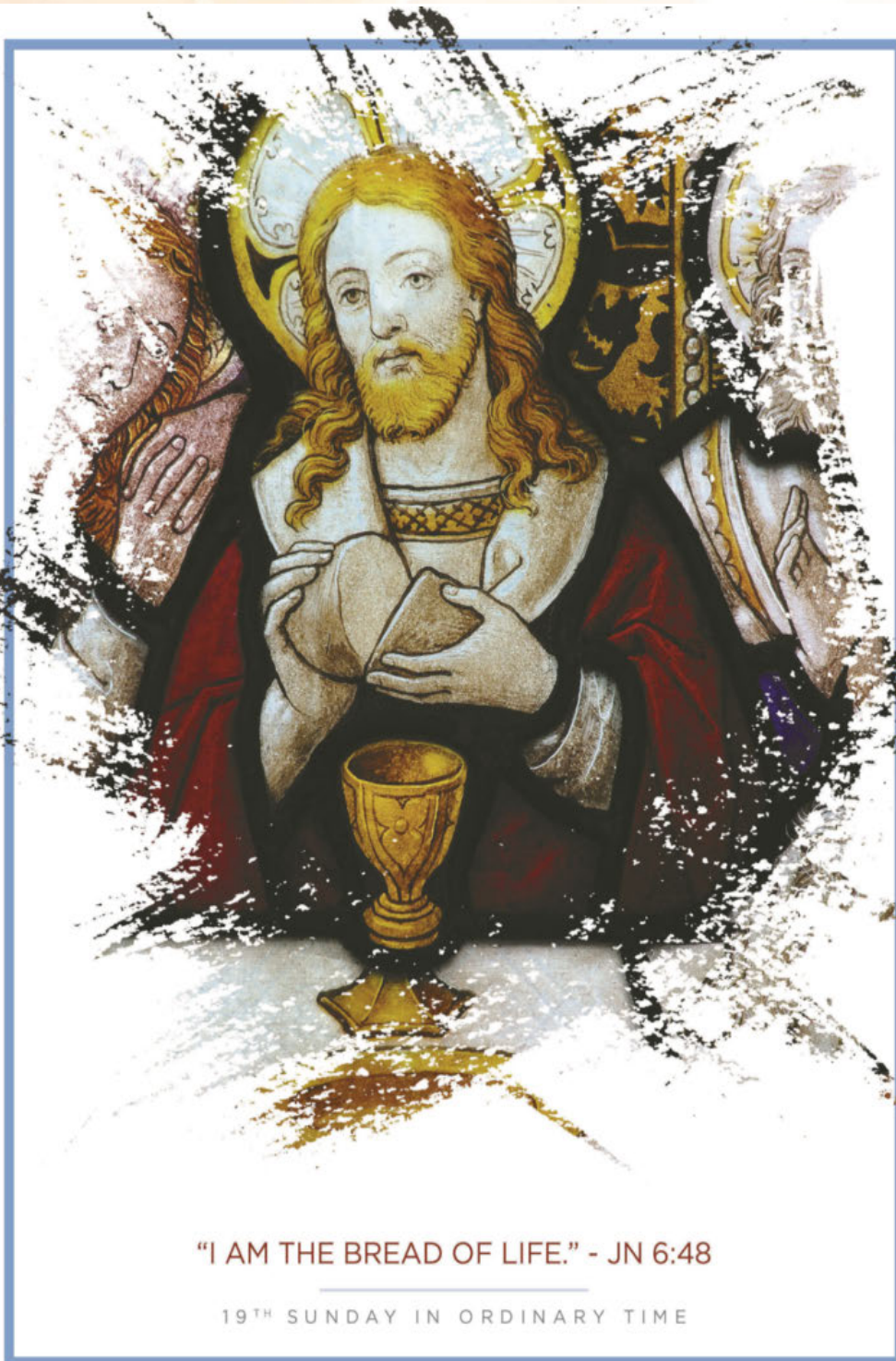


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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH | AUGUST 11, 2024



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 10:00 am

WEEKDAYS

Monday & Tuesday:
8:30 am

HOLY DAY MASSES

Consult the bulletin

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The theme of the readings today is again, "God provides for His people." The reference is to the providing of physical provisions such as feeding the 5000 people who came to hear Jesus preach. The Readings for today have a similar theme, but the reference here is to a feeding that goes much deeper and is more significant. In the Old Testament the Jews had a great reverence for God's feeding them in past events (*See Exodus 16:4; Nehemiah 9:15, Ps 105:40 and the First Reading below.*) It is from those events that the Jewish people have come to revere bread as a symbol of Life. Nevertheless, the point is that God's feeding His people was something they experienced and revered; therefore, Jesus' statement about feeding them with His own flesh and blood should have been thought out by the Jewish people and not discarded so lightly. We would be wise to give it some serious consideration as well.

The First Reading is from the First Book of Kings (19:4-8). This is an example of God again providing for His people. In this case, Elijah had been given a specific task by God, but his efforts were not very successful; and he was discouraged and tried to run away. God would not let him off that easily. He provided nourishment and water for Elijah and sent him off again to fulfill his task. God is aware of our physical needs as well as our spiritual needs.

The Responsorial Psalm is (34:2-9). This is a beautiful prayer of someone who has been rescued by God from physical or spiritual danger and now glorifies Him out of gratitude. This Psalm is often used in Good Friday sermons because of its reference to God the Father's "watching over all His (Jesus') bones, not one of them shall be broken." (Ps: 34:21) That's some watching!

The Second Reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (4:30-5:2). Although we might not see it at first, St. Paul gives us the "key" to the way that God watches over His people today. It is the Holy Spirit who guides us, if we let Him. We should place ourselves under the guidance of the Holy Spirit every morning. When we neglect His guidance or advice, it "grieves the Holy Spirit"; and we are headed toward sin as Paul mentions.

The Gospel Reading is taken from John (6:41-51). John's gospel does not give us the Last Supper scene of Christ giving us His Body and Blood in remembrance, as do the other gospels. Instead, John devotes a good portion of Chapter 6 to this sublime gift which we should meditate on frequently.

Take a moment and think about our faith and religion without the Eucharist or Holy Communion. **Wow!** The Mass would be only prayers, homilies and singing. We would have nothing physical or tangible to remember Jesus by or be physically close to Him. There would be no tabernacle to visit or host to fill the monstrance to worship on days of exposition. There would be no ministers taking Jesus to the sick or homebound. Our faith would be missing the essence of God, which is the Eucharist. Jesus left us this great gift because it fills a need that we all have. We cannot have spiritual life without it. So, you are encouraged to receive Christ in the Eucharist often and, the next time you do, please spend an extra moment with Jesus to Thank Him for this great gift of life and love. **Something to think about during your prayer time this week!**

Rev. Edward J. Smith

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AUGUST 11, 2024

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:00 pm or by appt.

BAPTISM

At least one parent must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling the Office.

Baptisms will be held on the 4th Sunday of the month.

MARRIAGE

At least one member of the couple must be a parishioner & actively attend Mass prior to calling

Couples need to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance

No date may be reserved until discussion with the pastor of the parish.

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SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb. (1 Kgs 19:8)

PSALM: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

SECOND READING: So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us. (Eph 5:1-2)

GOSPEL: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (Jn 6:51)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK AUGUST 11, 2024

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/Eph 4:30-5:2/Jn 6:41-51

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8-3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58



Sunday - Aug 11th - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Frank & Virginia A. Varga
Requested by: Diane Varga

Monday - Aug 12th - St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:30 am - †Pat & Tommie DelSignore
Requested by: Loving Family

Tuesday - Aug 13th - Sts. Pontian, Pope, & Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

8:30 am - †Joe Veroni (Anniversary)
Requested by: Linda Mathewson

Wednesday - Aug 14th - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil

4:00 pm - †Pat & Tommie DelSignore
Requested by: Loving Family

Thursday - Aug 15th - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30 am - †Reuel Reed
Requested by: Carol Gonzales

Saturday - Aug 17th - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Vigil

4:00 pm - †Patricia Smith (Birthday)
Requested by: Joseph & Juanita Smith

Sunday - Aug 18th - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am - †Norma Michalski
Requested by: Norman Michalski



Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass - Wednesday, August 14th at 4:00 pm
Holy Day Mass - Thursday, August 15th at 8:30 am



Saturday, August 17th at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Laura V.
Eucharistic Ministers: Joanne C., Jerry D., Michael S.

Sunday, August 18th at 10:00 am

Lectors: Rose J.
Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa S., David L., Joann T.

OFFERTORY REPORT

FISCIAL YEAR (7/1/24-6/30/25)

AMOUNT BUDGETED WEEKLY..... \$5,779.00
 SUNDAY COLLECTION (7/21/2024) \$4,749.00
 7/1/2024 TO DATE +/- BUDGET..... - (\$393.00)



MY GIFT TO GOD REFLECTS HIS GENEROSITY TO ME

If you are unable to contribute, please submit your envelopes all the same as it is our most clear indication of active participation for Mass.

MAILING DONATIONS

Anyone mailing your envelope/contribution/donations to the St. Anthony Parish Office, please mail it to: **P.O. Box 2199, Sheffield Lake, OH 44054** as we do not have regular mail service to our Parish Office.
Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



MANY PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

To Jean Marie, Jamie Marie, Michael, and many family & friends upon the death their daughter and mother, **Christine Marie Connor** on July 24, 2024.

May Christine's soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

LIFE IS CHANGED, NOT ENDED.



PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

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|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
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| Joe Rizzo | Amy Schmidt | Jack Tocchi | Audali Torres | Rosa Torres | Nanette Truffin |
| Peter Uies | Stacie Velasquez | Nick Vivens | Sherri Wedgeworth | Paul Winkler | Richard Yurovich |
- Doris Zgola-Whitka

Call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to this list. Please notify us when to remove the name.

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Call the "Prayer Line" for immediate prayer requests,

Linda: 440-667-9050 from 9 am - 3 pm or Terri, 440-320-3272 from 3 - 9 pm

ADORATION CHAPEL

St. Dominic was a miracle worker. *“John of Bologna, an early friar, relayed that when he served at St. Dominic’s Masses, he would see tears stream down the saint’s cheeks after he received Holy Communion. This simplicity of the tears of this great preacher reminds us that Jesus gives us a tremendous gift in the Eucharist: God Himself descends and takes His dwelling in the soul of man.*

Our response then should be one of gratitude, awe and reverence for the love Christ has for us: that He should give Himself to sinful man as food.” ~Maria Cintorino

(St. Dominic, Founder of the Order of Preachers, Defender of Faith, Spain, 1170-1221, Feast Day: 8/8)

Philosopher and convert from Judaism, St. Teresa Benedicta (Edith Stein) wrote:

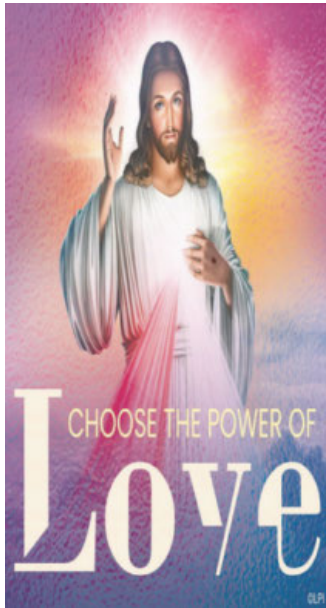
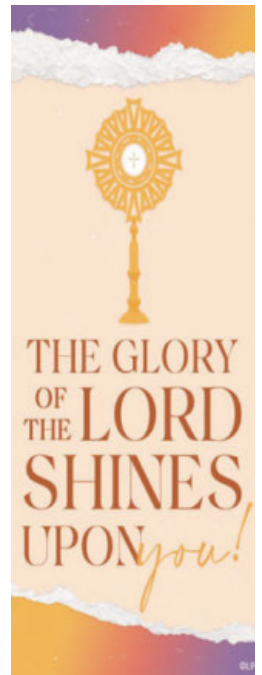
“To live the Eucharistic life means to exit the narrowness of one’s own life . . . in order to grow into the infinity of Christ’s life.”

(St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Carmelite Nun, Patroness of Martyrs, Germany, Feast Day: 8/9)

St. Lawrence is a patron of the poor. *“The blessed apostle John clearly explained the mystery of the Lord’s Supper when he said, “Just as Christ laid down His life for us, so we too ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.” St. Lawrence understood this, ‘my brethren, and he did it; and he undoubtedly prepared things similar to what he received at that table.*

He loved Christ in his life; he imitated him in his death.” ~St. Augustine

(St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr, Patron of Deacons and Third Patron of Rome (d. 258), Feast Day: 8/10)



DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION - THE GIFT OF PROFOUND PEACE

My conversation with the Lord Jesus before the retreat. Jesus told me that this retreat would be a little different from others. **You shall strive to maintain a profound peace in respect to your communings with Me. I will remove all doubts in this regard. I know that you are at peace now as I speak to you, but the moment I stop talking you will start looking for doubts. But I want you to know that I will affirm your soul to such a degree that even if you wanted to be troubled, it will not be within your power** (Diary, 169).

**The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*

My Prayer Response:

Lord Jesus, I love the way You described Your gift of peace to St. Faustina. I would love to receive that kind of peace! So I ask You: Fill me with Your peace that I may be at peace. Lord, give us the grace to be saints like St. Faustina. Amen.

Get daily meditations emailed to you at forms.thedivinemercy.org/dmdsignup/.

PRO-LIFE THOUGHT OF THE WEEK FROM [PROLIFECORNER.COM](https://prolifecorner.com)

Let us throw ourselves on the mercy of God, our Creator, and unceasingly ask Him for an end to abortion and euthanasia.

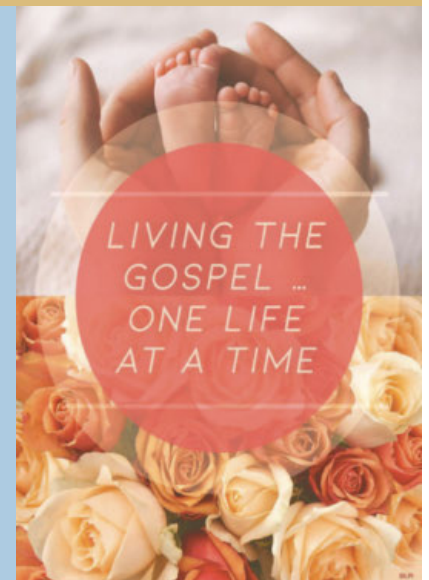
Then and only then can we have peace in our hearts, in our families, and in the streets of America.

Think about this:

The reason we have abortion on demand in some states in this land is simple: Our self-centered, materialistic society has a wrong attitude towards our children.

After all, children are our most precious natural resource; they are our future.

Lord, let us not be cowards; give us the courage & wisdom necessary to stand up & fight the evil of abortion & euthanasia today. Amen!





DONATIONS HAVE BEEN MADE

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REGISTER NOW FOR ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PSR CLASSES!!

Registration is open for PSR classes for all children in Grades 2-8 at St. Anthony, St. Teresa of Avila & St. Thomas parishes.

Classes are held on Monday evenings from 6:15-7:30 pm.
First class begins on October 21st.

Registration forms, class schedule and information can be found at www.stanthonylorain.org/our-parish/psr/.

Any questions, please contact psr@stanthonylorain.com.



RIGHT TO LIFE THANK YOU



Thank you to all who supported Life by participating in the Lorain County Right to Life Signature Ad Campaign. **St. Anthony Church was able to donate \$600 for the cause.** Look for your signatures on their website and the educational media from August to November around Lorain County!

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP - 8/18

Catholic Cemeteries Association provides free, monthly grief support groups both In-Person at 3 pm & Virtually at 5 pm via Zoom on the same day. Meetings are open discussion with a topic or whatever is in your heart.

The August Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 18th with the closest location at St. Joseph Cemetery in Avon at 32789 Detroit Rd.

The Topic will be "*Planning for Special Days & Memorials*" and "*Family Dynamics in Grief*". Your RSVP is appreciated but not required. Please contact Rhonda at 216-930-4866 for more information or sign up for the virtual group at <https://bit.ly/ccavirtualgriefsupportgroup>.

WE ARE SCHEDULING 2025 MASS INTENTIONS BEGINNING THIS MONDAY, AUGUST 12TH

Please use the Mass Request Form below, and include the completed Request Form with your Mass offering (*checks only please*) in an envelope. For those who are inexperienced with scheduling Masses, please be aware the Diocese sets a \$10 minimum charge for each Mass requested. **Please drop your envelope either in the collection basket, place in the Parish Office mailbox by the side door or mail to P.O. Box 2199 Sheffield Lake, OH 44054.** Because of the large numbers of people requesting Mass intentions, we are asking for no in person Mass scheduling. Once your Mass is scheduled, you will be contacted by the Parish Secretary. As always, we will endeavor to make this as convenient and smooth a process as possible.

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