

SAINT THEODORE

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Our Mission:

We proclaim to all people the salvation which has appeared in Jesus Christ, so that by the lives we live and in our apostolic activities, all may come "to know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent" and have life in all its fullness. (John 17:3),



Contact Information

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 Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday
 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Parish Staff

Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS ext 4
 Mass Schedule ext 3
 Elizabeth Saam, Director of Religious Education ext 2
 Mary Kovacs, Parish Secretary ext 1
 Chris Lance, Music Director

Ministry

RCIA.....Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS
Care of the sick.....call Parish Office
Altar Rosary Society:Meetings First Wednesday
 of the month6:30 PM
Youth Group Kevin McLaughlin

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday 5:00 PM
 Sunday8:00 AM and 10:30 AM
 Weekdays..... Monday through Wednesday, and
 Friday.....8:45 AM
 First Friday and First Saturday.....8:45 AM

Holy Days

Vigil Mass.....6:30 PM
 Holy Day..... 8:45 AM and 6:30 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday-Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday
 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.

Devotions

Miraculous Medal Novena

Following Monday 8:45 AM Mass

St. Joseph Devotion

Following Tuesday 8:45 AM Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet

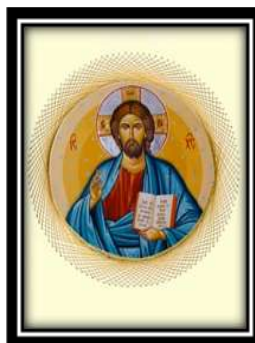
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

After 8:45 morning Mass:

First Friday with Divine Mercy Chaplet

First Saturday with Rosary Devotion



Salvatorian Fathers, SDS

Religious and apostolic, international society founded by Fr. Francis Jordan in 1881. We Salvatorians are called to follow Jesus Christ, the Divine Savior, by living as community within the universal Church for apostolic service.

PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION

Baptism: Expectant parents are encouraged to call the Parish Office to register for a preparation program.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): The preparation process for adults who wish to consider becoming Catholic or who wish to complete their Catholic sacramental formation. Contact the Parish Office.

Marriage: Couples planning to marry should contact the Parish Office at least one year prior to a tentative wedding date.

Care of the Sick: Please contact the Parish Office when someone is sick, hospitalized or unable to attend Mass so that arrangements may be made for those who wish to receive Communion and the Anointing of the Sick.

Program of Religious Education.....Monday 6:15 PM at School

We provide a Roman Catholic religious education to the children grades Kindergarten through 8th. We teach the doctrine of our Catholic Church utilizing Diocesan programs. Our Catechists share their own faith commitment as well as their knowledge, always mindful of our Catholic traditions. We offer preparation for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion, Reconciliation, and Confirmation.

The Youth Ministry is ready for an exciting year with lots of fun, social stewardship, and spiritual activities. Any youth in grades 6th thru 12th, are invited to join. College students, and adults are welcome to participate on a volunteer bases. This ministry is not a requirement of Rel. Ed. classes but should be thought of as a great opportunity for young adults to become involved in their church and give back not only themselves but others. Contact Parish Office for more information.

Trustees: Stanley Wantrobski, Ginny Moran

Parish Council: Bob Gagliano - President, Nancy Guerriere, Theresa McLaughlin, Dorothy Wantrobski, Stanley Wantrobski, Chris Lance, Mary Kovacs, Elizabeth Saam, Pam DiMartile



January 1, 2023 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother Of God

**Thank you for your generosity.
Next weeks collection is for
Together in Charity**

Saturday, December 31st ~ St. Sylvester
5:00 pm **Christmas Remembrance**

Sunday, January 1st ~ Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

9:00 am **Christmas Remembrance**
11:00 am † **Margaret Mustello**
By Charlie & Nancy Guerriere

Monday, January 2nd ~ St. Basil the Great

8:45 am † **Mary Theorux**
By Paul & Elisabeth Boccolini

Tuesday, January 3rd ~ The Most Holy Name of Jesus

8:45 am **Blessings for Russ, Julie & Darcie Strohmaier**
By Karl & Rose Strohmaier

Wednesday, January 4th ~ St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:45 am **Anniversary blessings for Jacque & Phil Daczewitz**
By Eileen & Jim Mattison

Thursday, January 5th ~ St. John Neuman

No Morning Mass

First Friday, January 6th ~ St. Andre Bessette


8:45 am † **Gene Boduck**
By Family

First Saturday, January 7th ~ St. Raymond of Penafort

8:45 am † **Henry & Theresa Rebinski**
By Family
5:00 pm † **Mildred Francis Gallo**
By Vincent & Carmela Gullo & family

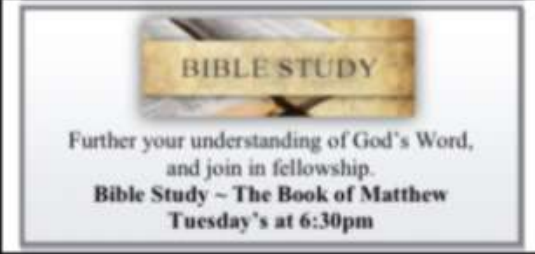
Sunday, January 8th ~ The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am † **Margaret Mustello**
By Stan & Dorothy Wantrobski
10:30 am **Living & deceased parishioners of St. Theodore**



Devotions

Blessed Virgin Mary—Monday 8:45 am
Saint Joseph – Tuesday 8:45 am
Divine Mercy – Friday 8:45 am
Rosary



BIBLE STUDY

Further your understanding of God's Word,
and join in fellowship.
Bible Study ~ The Book of Matthew
Tuesday's at 6:30pm

Sanctuary Candles ~We offer the burning candles, two available at all times. They are the ones near our murals Sanctuary. This intention is for the whole week. The stipend for a Sanctuary Candle is \$10



Sanctuary Candle Offering

In Memory of
Frances Blevins
By Family

Remember to pray for those in need



Mary Supple, Abigail Saksa, Barbara, Al DiFonzo, Juan A Cuello, Lauren Hardy, Steven, Michael & Christion, Helena & Christopher Picht, Lisa Moyer Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman, Michael Fiume, Robert, Helen Schuetter & Family, Marietta, Edward Kirby



1 st Friday January 6 th at 8:45am	1 st Saturday January 7 th at 8:45am
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2023 Village of Volunteers

We are resuming our biggest fundraiser that can bring in up to \$20,000.

We need the entire parish to make this successful!

Many hands make light work and there is something everyone can contribute no matter how little time you can spare.

This is a list of areas of help needed and how many people for each job.

of Helpers – description of help

- 5 Solicitors – Request Donations January – November: Make your own hours!!
- 5 Wrappers – Arrange & wrap donations
- 4 Kitchen\Concession Setup
- 15 Movers
- 10 Event Setup
- 9 Ticket sellers
- 3 Admission
- 8 Sellers Floating sellers
- 8 Runners\Pushers
- 10 Event Breakdown
- 5 Movers & Event Unpack



There will be a sign up next week after masses so please pray on what you feel you can help with. You might even have fun doing it!

January 1st Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother Of God

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is a feast day of the Blessed Virgin Mary under the aspect of her motherhood of Jesus Christ, whom Christians see as the Lord, Son of God. It is celebrated by the Latin Rite of the Catholic Church on 1 January, the Octave (8th) day of Christmastide.

"Mary, the all-holy ever-virgin Mother of God, is the masterwork of the mission of the Son and the Spirit in the fullness of time. For the first time in the plan of salvation and because his Spirit had prepared her, the Father found the dwelling place where his Son and his Spirit could dwell among men. In this sense the Church's Tradition has often read the most beautiful texts on wisdom in relation to Mary. Mary is acclaimed and represented in the liturgy as the "Seat of Wisdom."



—Catechism of the Catholic Church 721

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS 56th WORLD DAY OF PEACE 1 JANUARY 2023

No one can be "Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night" (First Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians, 5:1-2). With these words, the Apostle Paul encouraged the Thessalonian community to remain steadfast, their hearts and feet firmly planted and their gaze fixed on the world around them and the events of history, even as they awaited the Lord's return. When tragic events seem to overwhelm our lives, and we feel plunged into a dark and difficult maelstrom of injustice and suffering, we are likewise called to keep our hearts open to hope and to trust in God, who makes himself present, accompanies us with tenderness, sustains us in our weariness and, above all, guides our path. For this reason, Saint Paul constantly exhorts the community to be vigilant, seeking goodness, justice and truth: "So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober" (5:6). His words are an invitation to remain alert and not to withdraw into fear, sorrow or resignation, or to yield to distraction or discouragement. Instead, we should be like sentinels keeping watch and ready to glimpse the first light of dawn, even at the darkest hour.

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