

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 Friday
 10 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
Malyssa Collazo, Parish Secretary	ext 1
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Mary Kovacs, Bulletin & Website Editor	
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

The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

- The prophecy of Simeon
- The flight into Egypt
- Losing the child Jesus in the temple
- Meeting Jesus & Mary on the way to Calvary
- The crucifixion
- Taking down Jesus' body from the cross
- The burial of Jesus



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

Sunday September 22nd Twenty - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 21st ~ St. Matthew

5:00 pm **Howard Morpeth**
By Altar Rosary Society

Sunday, September 22nd ~ Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Jose DaSilva**
By Nancy Alpaugh

10:30 am † **Dorothy Mitchell**
By Charles & Nancy Guerriere

Monday, September 23rd ~ St. Pius of Pietreclina

8:45 am † **Patrick & Ellen Neilan**
By Kathline Hague

Tuesday, September 24th

8:45 am † **Matthew Scott Creveling Sr.**
By Theresa McLaughlin

Wednesday, September 25th

8:45 am † **Thomas Bechler**
By Greg & Kyle Beben

Thursday, September 26th

No Mass

Friday, September 27th ~ St. Vincent de Paul

8:45 am † **George Hoffman**
By Family

Saturday, September 28th

5:00 pm † **Virginia Borello**
By Tim & Ginny Moran

Sunday, September 29th ~ Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Living & Deceased Parishioners
Of St. Theodore**

10:30 am † **Vincent Gallo**
By The Gallo Family

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ROSARY RALLY

Join us in a Public Square Rosary Rally on
**October 12th at 12 noon at the front lawn of
St. Theodore Parish**

This will be one of over **22,500 rallies** that will take place all across the United States on that day. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Signup sheet is in the Narthex!
For more information, contact
Cecilia De Venezia at 973-519-5446



Confession Schedule

Every Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday,
Saturday and Sunday,
30 minutes before Mass
or by appointment

Daily Mass & Devotions


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



Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:


Ientile Family, The Proefrock Family,
Luke Ansbach, Michael Shannon,
Sam Mattison, Ann Morpeth, for the Cáceres
Family, Helen Schuetler & Family, Edward Kirby,
Joseph Mattar, Patricia Walker and all the
intentions found in **THE BOOK OF
INTENTIONS** located in the Narthex.






St. Theodore Fundraising Social
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Saturday, October 5th at 6:00pm
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Blessing of the animals
Sunday, October 6th at 1pm

We ask God to help us remember our dependence on these creatures, great and small, and to make us wise enough to care properly for all animals: they too reveal God's loving presence.

For this blessing, bring along animals and meet in front of the Church, outside for the blessing from Father Damian.

St. Padre Pio Feast Day
September 23rd



Born May 25, 1887, in Pietrelcina, Italy, as Francesco Forgione, Padre Pio devoted himself to God at a very young age.

Ultimately, Francesco became a Capuchin Friar in January 1903 at the age of 16. At this beginning point of his religious life, Francesco Forgione became Brother Pio of Pietrelcina.

Ordination

After entering the Capuchins, Pio progressively became sick and ill. His stomach refused food, and he was only able to drink minimal amounts of water. He left the monastery and moved back home at the recommendation of his doctors, but his health was still poor. With little hope of improvement of his health, Pio most desired to be ordained. Though he was quite young for ordination, the bishop ordained Pio on August 10, 1910. At 23, Brother Pio became Father Pio, or in Italian, Padre Pio, as we know him today.

Stigmata

In 1918, Europe was ravaged by World War I and the Spanish flu. It was a year of suffering for Pio, his community, and Europe. Amidst this suffering of the world, one day in September, Padre Pio said Mass at San Giovanni Rotondo. Afterward, he received a miraculous vision: he saw someone with Christ's crucifixion wounds. After the vision, Pio realized he was physically dripping with blood – he had received the stigmata. Stigmata are the five wounds of Christ replicated in the human body. Around 400 people, including St. Francis of Assisi and St. Catherine of Siena, have claimed to have received the stigmata.

Upon receiving the stigmata, Pio tried to keep it a secret, though word spread about his reception of Christ's wounds. This led to much interest and controversy.

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