

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),



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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
Malysa Collazo, Parish Secretary	ext 1
Elizabete Romanello, Financial Manager	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

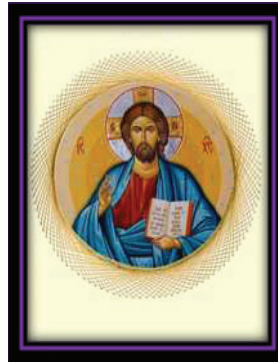
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

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

Sunday March 2nd, 2025 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 1st

8:45am † **Marilyn Russo**
By Angelo & Dorthy Perrucci

5pm **In memory of Present & Past Members of
St. Theodore Altar Rosary Society**
By Altar Rosary Society

Sunday, March 2nd ~ Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am † **Mary Wantrobski**
By Stan & Dorothy Wantrobski

10:30 am **Blessings for Malgosia Typiaki-Bialoni,
Derick Ivaniec & Eva Misiak**
By Friends

Monday, March 3rd

8:45 am † **James Hoffman**
By Family

Tuesday, March 4th

8:45 am † **Brian Cariston**
By Mary Kovacs

Wednesday, March 5th ~ Ash Wednesday

8:45 am **Living & Deceased members of
The Rebinski Family**

12:00pm † **Pauline Scala**
By Pat & Beth Romanello

6:30pm **Special Intentions**

Thursday, March 6th

No Mass

First Friday, March 7th

8:45 am **Living & Deceased Parishioners of
St. Theodore**

Saturday, March 8th

5:00 pm **Blessings for the Feeney Family**
By Pam DiMartile

Sunday, March 9th ~ First Sunday of Lent

8:00 am † **Edgardo Pagan, Rudy Diaz, Reynier
Ramirez & Josefina Pagan**
By Yomara Diaz

10:30 am **In memory of present & past members of
St. Theodore Altar Rosary Society,**
By Altar Rosary Society

Your Offertory Gift

February 23rd, 2025

First Collection: \$2,813

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to you for your weekly donations as well as all second collections to our church. Please go to our website [www.sttheodorenj.org] and click the "online giving" tab. This service provides a convenient and consistent donation flow for our church. We have credit card & PayPal options as well as the option to make your contribution monthly automatically.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY

AT 7PM



**March 5th, Ash Wednesday
Distribution of Ashes
schedule:**

8:45 am, 12:00pm & 6:30pm

**Remember in your prayers the
sick of the parish:**

Ann Marie, Ientile Family,
The Proefrock Family, Luke Ansbach,
Michael Shannon, Jim Mattison, for the Cáceres
Family, Helen Schuetler & Family, Edward
Kirby, Joseph Mattar, Louise Isidori, Bp. Paul
Bootkoski, Craig Smith, Jaenne Szamreta,
Eugene and all the intentions found in **THE
BOOK OF INTENTIONS** located in the
Narthex.



'Altar Rosary Society News Corner'

3/9 ~10:30am ~ Mass Intention
Living/Deceased Members- ARS

3/16 ~ 9am-10am~ARS Meeting
in Parish Hall ~Rosary at 10am

3/23 ~ 8am ~Mass Intention Tom
Jackson-ARS

3/30 ~ 8am ~Mass Intention
Living/Deceased Members- ARS



Ash Wednesday dates back to the 11th century. Yet, the tradition of receiving ashes has even earlier roots — to the ancient Hebrew custom of clothing oneself in sackcloth and dusting oneself with ashes as a sign of penance.

The Bible does not explicitly detail this first day of Lent, but there are many instances of this repentant act in the Old Testament:

“I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and have laid my strength in the dust.” Job 16:15

In the New Testament: “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the deeds of power done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes: Luke 10:13

Across many religious traditions, ashes signify the mortality of our human bodies. Genesis 3:19 tells us,

“By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; you are dust, and to dust you shall return.” Genesis 3:19

As the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday awakens us to Jesus’ entry into the desert preceding his death. Before Easter, however, we must prepare our hearts for his Resurrection.

We begin our season of preparing our hearts for Easter by recognizing our brokenness and need for conversion, a turning of our hearts to God.

Where do the ashes come from?

Palm Sunday is the Sunday before Easter. It symbolizes Christ’s return to Jerusalem after spending 40 days in the desert. In the Catholic tradition, we receive palm leaves, which have been blessed, to hold onto during Mass and bring home. The leftover palms from Palm Sunday are then burned and saved for the next Lenten season. So, this year’s ashes are from the palms of Palm Sunday of 2024

Want to shake up your prayer life?

OPEN YOUR BIBLE!



“Matthew’s Testimony to Jesus”

Frances Hogan's series on St. Matthew's Gospel delves into an in-depth study of Jesus' saving Passion, Death, and Resurrection. The series provides unique insight into Matthew's testimony and highlights Christ's connection to the Old Testament.

Tuesday's at 6:30 PM

Everyone is welcome. Please join us.



“Human life must always be defended from its beginning in the womb and must be recognized as a gift of God that guarantees the future of humanity” Pope Francis Please join Christians throughout the globe to pray and fast for an end to abortion from March 5th to April 13th during the 40 Days for Life campaign, in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 66 East Washington Ave, Washington.

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you” Isaiah 41:10

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