

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, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Office Closed Wednesday)

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

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

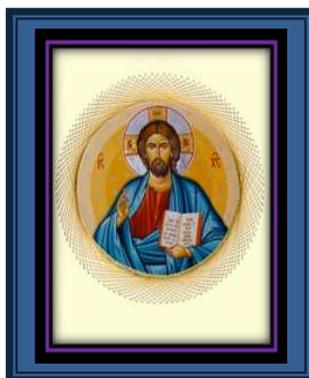
Vigil Mass.....6:30 PM
Holy Day..... 8:45 AM and 6:30 PM

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

Mass Intentions

Next week's collect is for
Property & Liability

Saturday February, 17th

5:00 pm Living & deceased parishioners of
St. Theodore

Sunday, Feb. 18th First Sunday of Lent

8:00 am † Henry & Theresa Rebinski
By Family

10:30 am 62nd Anniversary blessings for
William & Joan Prosser
By Daughter Lisa Marie

Monday, February 19th

8:45 am Living & deceased parishioners of
St. Theodore

Tuesday, February 20th

8:45 am † Kenneth & Dorothy Berks
By Greg & Kylie Beben

Wednesday, February 21st

8:45 am † Gerald Cicala
By Geri & Daniel Farse

Thursday, February 22nd

NO Mass

Friday February, 23rd

8:45 am † Francis Andolino
By George & Georgianne Merlo

Saturday February, 24th

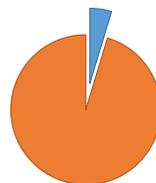
5:00 pm † Thomas McGlynn
By DeStefano family

Sunday, Feb. 25th Second Sunday of Lent

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

10:30 am † Frank Altese
By Dorothy Gene

Property & Liability Fund
We are at 5% of goal. This
includes balances from 2022
& 2023



■ Collected \$2,118

■ Balance \$43,249



Confession Schedule

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



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY

AT 7PM

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

Carol Saam, Perry Alburg, Nancy Guerriere,
Scott Griseto, Teresa & Danny, Vincent
Locasto, Ann Morpeth, Frances Oleni, Patsy
Reiger, Michaela G, Adam, Andrew, Kimberly
Rivers, Wally Schlegel, Scott Goodrich Billy
Pinamont, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, for the
Cáceres family, The Saksa family, Ryan Clarke,
Sharon Stritenberger, Mary Supple, Barbara,
Cuello, Steven, Michael & Christian, Lisa
Moyer Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman,
Michael Fiume, Robert, Helen Schuetter &
Family, Marietta, Edward Kirby, and all the
intentions found in **THE BOOK OF
INTENTIONS** located in the Narthex.

The Three Pillars of Lent



Prayer is an essential aspect of the Lenten season. During this time, individuals are encouraged to reflect on their relationship with God and to seek a deeper spiritual connection with the divine. This can be achieved through daily prayers, attending church services, or participating in devotional activities such as the Stations of the Cross.

Fasting is another important aspect of Lent. It involves giving up certain luxuries or desires for a period of time in order to focus on spiritual needs. This can take many forms, such as giving up food for a day, abstaining from certain foods for a period of time, or giving up other things like television or social media. The purpose of fasting is to help individuals draw closer to God by acknowledging their dependence on God and breaking away from worldly distractions.



Almsgiving is the third pillar of Lent and involves helping those in need. This can involve donating to charities, volunteering time at a local soup kitchen, or helping a neighbor in need. Almsgiving is an expression of compassion and love. It is an integral part of the entire season, as it helps individuals to focus on their obligations to others and to live a life of selflessness and service.

1st pillar ~ Prayer

Say the rosary daily
Pray a Lenten devotional daily
Read about the Saints
Pray a Divine Mercy chaplet daily
Pray Stations of the Cross on Fridays
Pick a person each day to pray for
Add a daily Mass to your routine
Read a chapter of the Bible each day
Attend an extra Mass
Give someone a compliment each day
Go to Confession once a week



2nd Pillar ~ Fasting

Negative self-talk, your pillow, alcohol, watching , Netflix, complaining, elevators, coffee, screen time, gossip, podcasts, mom guilt, Youtube, music, texting, the news, snooze button, eating out, long showers, salt & pepper, video games, scrolling, snacking, rolling eyes, leaving lights on, multitasking, makeup, cursing, napping, Instagram, filters, being picky.

3rd Pillar ~ Almsgiving

Join a ministry at church, send a heartfelt gift to a loved one, introduce yourself to someone after Mass, pay for someone's groceries (anonymously), send Easter cards to an elderly home, collect baby items for a pregnancy center, donate food to your local food bank, tutor a schoolchild, run an errand for an elderly neighbor, write a note of affirmation to someone, make a meal for a neighbor c offer to babysit for free, be fully present to your children, be fully present to your spouse, find a service project with a local charity, fundraise for your favorite Catholic mission, teach a child something new, shop ethically set up a Lenten "piggy bank", **arrive early or stay a few minutes after Mass to pray.**



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