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 Friday	
10 a.m. to 1 p.m	1.

Parish Staff

Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS		
Mass Schedule	ext 3	
Elizabeth Saam, Director of Religious Education		
Malyssa Collazo, Parish Secretary, Bulletin &		
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Elizabete Romanello, Financial Manager		
Chris Lance, Music Director		

Ministry

RCIA	Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS
Care of the sick	call Parish Office
Altar Rosary Society:	Meetings Third Sunday of
the month	9:00 AM
Youth Group	Kevin McLaughlin

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday	5:00 PM	
Sunday	8:00 AM and 10:30 AM	
Weekdays Monday	through Wednesday, and	
Friday	8:45 AM	
First Friday and First Sat	urday8:45 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 ChapletFollowing 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, Malyssa Collazo, Elizabeth Saam, Pam DiMartile

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 12th

5:00 pm **Living** &

Living & Deceased members of the Hefferan Family

By D'Andrea Family

Sunday, April 13th ~ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 am

† Mary Wittmann

By Wittmann Family

10:30 am

Living & Deceased members of St. Theodore

Monday, April 14th

9:00 am

† Mary Elizabeth Berge

By Family

Tuesday, April 15th

8:45 am Easter Remembrance

Wednesday, April 16th

8:45 am **Easter Remembrance**

Thursday, April 17th~ <mark>Thursday of Holy Week Holy</mark> Thursday

7:00 pm **Easter Remembrance**

Friday, April 18th ~ Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

7:00 pm **Liturgy of Passion**

Saturday, April 19th~ Holy Saturday

8:00 pm Easter Remembrance

Sunday, April 20th~ Easter Sunday of The Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 am **Easter Remembrance**

10:30 am † Helen & Steve DiCheck

By Robert & Victoria DiCheck

Altar Rosary Society will be available <u>Easter Sunday</u> before/after masses for gift card purchases!

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Your Offertory Gift April 6th, 2025

> First Collection: \$2,638

Votives: \$168.57

Online Giving: \$265

> Easter Gift: \$498

Thank you for your generosity.

April Events

Saturday, April 12th- Spring Clean- up 10am-2pm {DON'T FORGET YOUR GLOVES!}

Sunday, April 13th – Hospitality Sunday! after 8am & 10:30 am Mass- PLEASE BRING YOUR FAVORITE TREAT TO SHARE!

Monday, April 14th - Living Stations of the Cross @ 6 pm

Friday, April 18th – Stations of the Cross @ 8pm

Sunday, April 20th – Easter Procession @ 7:30 am & Egg Hunt after 10:30am Mass



The Community Food Pantry of Washington & their customers would like to pass along their sincere "Thank You" and "Bless You". St. Theodore's recent donation of \$240.00 in ShopRite Gift Cards to the Community Food Pantry of Washington is greatly appreciated. This donation will be used to continue their work in providing assistance to those in need. We are very fortunate to live in such a caring community.

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, Scott Griseto

and all the intentions found in THE BOOK OF

INTENTIONS located in the Narthex.



Confession Schedule

Holy Thursday, April 17th 6:00 PM - 6:50 PM

Good Friday, April 18th 6:00 PM and 6:50 PM

Holy Saturday, April 19th 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM 12:00 Noon - 12:50 PM 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM

Holy Week and Easter Services

Holy Thursday, April 17th

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00 PM Visit to the Repository 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM

Good Friday, April 18th

Liturgy of the Passion and Holy Communion: 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross: 8:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet: Day 1

Holy Saturday, April 19th

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM to 7:45 PM Blessing of Easter Food 1:00 PM

Divine Mercy Chaplet Day 2: 7:45 PM Easter Vigil, Mass: 8:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY, April 20th

Procession: 7:30 AM Mass: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt after 10:30 Mass

Hershey Park Discount Tickets

Are being offered at St. Peter & Paul Church, Great Meadows. Regular price per person is \$89.95 per day. Our discount price is \$46.00 per person (all ages 3+). All tickets must be paid for and ordered by April 20th. Call us at 908-637-4269, email us-stpeterandpaul@comcast.net, or visit our website, peterpaulgm.com, and under the tab Upcoming Events you will find an order form.



Each day in Holy Week corresponds to a day that Jesus spent in Jerusalem, culminating in his death on Good Friday and resurrection on Easter Sunday. Traditionally, different events are assigned to earlier days in Holy Week. For example, Spy Wednesday is when Judas took a bribe from the religious leaders to betray Jesus, and Maundy Thursday is when Jesus was arrested.

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified.

Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war.



Our Family Easter Egg Hunt is back!

Please join us after the 10:30 am Mass on Easter Sunday for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Children feel free to bring your own basket to collect your eggs.

Pray for sunshine!



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