

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

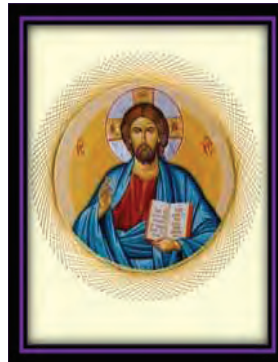
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

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 16th, 2025 Second Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 15th

5pm † Deceased members of the Kuriak Family
By Rachael & Family

Sunday, March 16th ~ Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 am † William Bonnah
By Josephine Bonnah

10:30 am † Tom Jackson
By Theresa McLaughlin

Monday, March 17th

8:45 am Birthday Blessings for Mary Kovacs
By Family

Tuesday, March 18th

8:45 am † Stephen Giordano
By Family

Wednesday, March 19th ~ St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:45 am † Josephine Ciszkowski
By Mary Kovacs

Thursday, March 20th

No Mass

Friday, March 21st

8:45 am For God's Blessings for Fr. Joseph Urban
By Jadwiga Gondek

Saturday, March 22nd

5:00 pm † Susan Bifano
By Nancy Guerriere

Sunday, March 23rd ~ Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 am † Thomas Jackson
By The Rosarians of St. Theodore

10:30 am † George DeFeis
By Jean & Dotty McCarthy

Your Offertory Gift

March 9th, 2025

First Collection: \$2,444

Votives: \$153

Assessment Fund: \$878


Ash Wednesday: \$1,577.80


Online Giving: \$168.09


Next week's special collection is for:

Retirement Collection for Diocesan Clergy

Thank You for your generosity.

	<i>Altar Rosary Society News Corner</i>
	
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

	"Matthew's Testimony to Jesus" Tuesday's at 6:30 PM
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	STATIONS OF THE CROSS EVERY FRIDAY AT 7PM
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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.



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



Decree on Designating Sacred Places for the Jubilee Indulgence

Most Reverend James Francis Checchio, Bishop of Metuchen, designated the following sacred places within the Diocese of Metuchen as places where the faithful may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence:

- Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen, NJ
- Shrine Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament, Raritan, NJ
- **National Blue Army Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima, Washington, NJ**
- National Shrine of St. Lucy Filippini (inside St. Mary of Mt. Virgin Church), New Brunswick, NJ

These sacred spaces have been carefully chosen to reflect the spiritual significance of pilgrimage and to foster deeper conversion and reconciliation among the people of God. The visit is not merely an outward action but a reflection of the soul's pilgrimage toward God, with conversion, reconciliation, and renewal at its heart.

Thus, the faithful may obtain the Jubilee Indulgence by fulfilling the following conditions:

- Reception of Holy Communion
- Prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father
- A sincere intention to detach from all sin, even venial sin, and, if necessary, going to confession
- Participating in liturgical celebrations or other designated religious activities connected to the Jubilee Year.

In some cases, those unable to travel may fulfill the requirements through other means, such as prayers at home. The period for obtaining the Jubilee Indulgence will coincide with the Jubilee Year, as outlined by the Holy See beginning the 8th of December 2024 and will end on the 8th of December 2025.

We encourage all the faithful, during this time of grace, to take the opportunity for sacramental confession, so that the Jubilee Indulgence may be received in the spirit of true reconciliation with God and the Church.

Pilgrims of Hope: Journeying Together in Faith, Hope & Charity

If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so next weekend **March 22/23**, which has been designated as **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**. Please prayerfully consider a gift to help our parish reach its goal. If we can exceed our goal, 50% of the amount collected over goal will be returned to us in the form of a parish rebate. Just as important as our financial goal is our goal of reaching 100% participation. Every gift no, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Thank you

St. Theodore's Church invites you-

Join us for a Parish Mission!



Lenten Retreat 2025

‘What Kind of King?’

A powerful prayer exhibit on the kingship and passion of Jesus Christ

Please join us in our Parish for two evenings of Lenten Retreat with Fr. Luke, National Blue Army Shrine Chaplain in Washington

Sunday, March 16th & Monday, 17th at 6:30pm

Occasion for confession will be at 6:00pm

What is Mortal and Venial Sin?

Mortal Sin destroys charity in the heart of man by a grave violation of God's law; it turns man away from God... by preferring an inferior good to him. Venial sin allows charity to subsist, though it offends and wounds it. Mortal sin results in the privation of sanctifying grace, that is, of the state of grace. If it is not redeemed by repentance and God's forgiveness, it causes exclusion from Christ's kingdom and the eternal death of hell. One commits venial sin when, in a less serious matter, he does not observe the standard prescribed by the moral law, or when he disobeys the moral law in a grave matter, but without full knowledge or complete consent. Venial sin weakens charity and merits temporal punishment. Deliberate and un-repented venial sin disposes us little by little to commit mortal sin. However, venial sin does not break the covenant with God. With God's grace, it is humanly repairable. "Venial sin does not deprive the sinner of sanctifying grace, friendship with God, charity, and consequently, eternal happiness."

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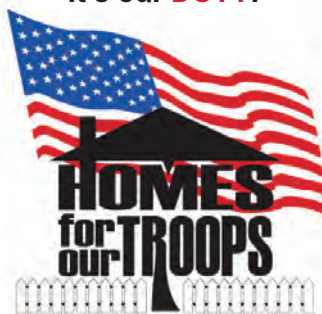
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