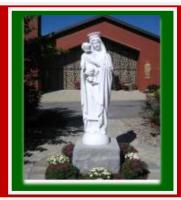
SAINT THEODORE

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 Saint Theodore Roman Catholic Church Post Office Box 146, 855 Route 57 Port Murray, New Jersey 07865

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 month	7:00 PM	
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 Satu	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 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



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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 Di Martile



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 11th

5:00 pm † **Thomas R. Mattison**

By Jim & Eileen Mattison

Sunday, December 12th

8:00 am † Joseph & Patricia Roche

By Clem & Clara Wyker

10:30 am Living & Deceased members

of St. Theodore

Monday, December 13th

8:45 am † The Anthony Nappi Family

By Angela Gross

Tuesday, December 14th

8:45 am † Vito & Marietta Mosellis

By Angela Gross

Wednesday, December 15th

8:45 am † William & Jessie Reynolds

By Family

Thursday, December 16th

No Mass

<u>Friday Decembe</u>r 17th

8:45 am † Antonietta & Sabino Antinolfi

By Daughter

Saturday, December 18th

5:00 pm Altar Rosary Society

Sunday, December 19th

8:00 am † Birthday blessings for Paul Boccolini

By Mom & Dad Ejvind

10:30 am † Henryk Kuruc

By Kuruc Family

Devotions

Blessed Virgin Mary–Monday 8:45 am Saint Joseph – Tuesday 8:45 am Divine Mercy – Friday 8:45 am Rosary Prayer – 1st Saturday 8:45 am

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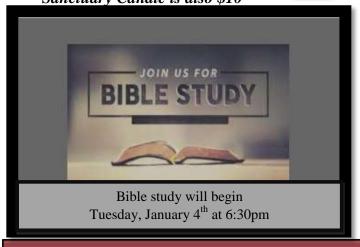
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Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12th

The Story of Our Lady of Guadalupe

The feast in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe goes back to the 16th century. Chronicles of that period tell us the story.

A poor Indian named Cuauhtlatohuac was baptized and given the name Juan Diego. He was a 57-year-old widower, and lived in a small village



near Mexico City. On Saturday morning December 9, 1531, he was on his way to a nearby barrio to attend Mass in honor of Our Lady.

Juan was walking by a hill called Tepeyac when he heard beautiful music like the warbling of birds. A radiant cloud appeared, and within it stood an Indian maiden dressed like an Aztec princess. The lady spoke to him in his own language and sent him to the bishop of Mexico, a Franciscan named Juan de Zumarraga. The bishop was to build a chapel in the place where the lady appeared.

Eventually the bishop told Juan to have the lady give him a sign. About this same time Juan's uncle became seriously ill. This led poor Juan to try to avoid the lady. Nevertheless the lady found Juan, assured him that his uncle would recover, and provided roses for Juan to carry to the bishop in his cape or tilma.

On December 12, when Juan Diego opened his tilma in the bishop's presence, the roses fell to the ground, and the bishop sank to his knees. On the tilma where the roses had been appeared an image of Mary exactly as she had appeared at the hill of Tepeyac.

The Sacrament of Confession Christmas Schedule:

Monday-Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.



Third Sunday of Advent - Joy

"Rejoice: the Lord is near."
As Christmas draws near,
the Church emphasizes the
joy which should be in our
hearts over all that the birth
of our Savior means for us.
The great joy of Christians is
to see the day drawing near



when the Lord will come again in His glory to lead them into His kingdom. The oft-repeated Veni ("Come") of Advent is an echo not only of the prophets but also of the conclusion of the Apocalypse of St. John: "Come, Lord Jesus," the last words of the New Testament.

Today is known as Gaudete Sunday. The term Gaudete refers to the first word of the Entrance Antiphon, "Rejoice". Rose vestments are worn to emphasize our joy that Christmas is near, and we also light the rose candle on our Advent wreath.







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