

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

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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
 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 month7:00 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

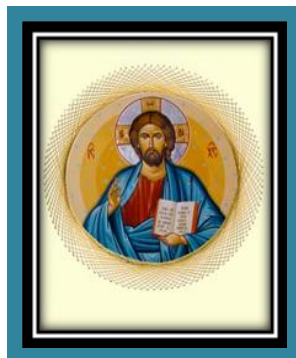
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

After 8:45 morning Mass:

First Friday with Divine Mercy Chaplet

First Saturday with Rosary Devotion



Salvatorian Fathers, SDS

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 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



August 8, 2021

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 7th

5:00 pm Altar Rosary Society

Sunday, August 8th

8:00 am † Dale Hartzel
By The Hartzel Family

10:30 am † Victor Vallo Sr.
By Victoria & Robert Dicheck

Monday, August 9th

8:45 am Living & Deceased Members of
St. Theodore

Tuesday, August 10th

8:45 am Ruthann Lambert
By Teresa Capello

Wednesday, August 11th

8:45 am † Bill & Jean Wolverton
By Teresa Capello

Thursday, August 12th

No Mass

Friday, August 13th

8:45 am † Margaret K. Doonan
By Helen Picht

Saturday, August 14th

5:00 pm † Margaret K. Doonan
By Morpeth Family

Sunday, August 15th

8:00 am Living & Deceased Members of
St. Theodore

10:30 am † Shirley Baldwin
By Jim & Eileen Mattison

Your Offertory Gift

August 1, 2021

First Collection: \$2,038

Repairs Donation: \$1,000

Votives: \$57



We exceeded our goal of \$1,000 for the air conditioning fund. With everyone's contribution we collected \$1,710!



The 2022 Mass intention book is now available. The stipend is \$10.00 per Mass. To schedule a Mass call the Parish office at 908-689-8318

Sanctuary Candles

We offer the burning candles, two available at all times – they are the ones near our murals Sanctuary. This intention is for a whole week. The stipend for a Sanctuary Candle is also \$10



Sanctuary Candle in memory of Andrew Peterson

By Nancy & Charlie Guerriere

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



Bulletin Board



FROM FATHER DAMIAN

Dear Parishioners:

Please be advised that I will be on vacation the month of Aug. 16 till Sept. 16. Father Artur Zaba, a Priest from Diocese of Paterson will celebrate weekend Masses. There will be no week day Masses during that time. I will remember you in my prayers and ask that you remember me in yours.



Parish Opportunities:

- We are in need of 4th & 7th grade teachers. All new teachers will have the support and training from our Religious Ed Director and seasoned teachers. This is an incredible opportunity to help guide our youth in growing closer to Christ.
- Altar Cleaning Crew – We need a few more parishioners to help keep the church, narthex & parish center clean. It can be done on your own schedule. Supplies & training are included! Call the parish office to get set up!



Religious Education will start Monday Sept 20th. Please return registration forms by Aug. 17th so books can be ordered. Any questions contact Liz Saam – 908-689-8318 ext.2

Congratulations to Mr. Kojo, winner of Walmart gift card raffle sponsored by the Altar Rosary Society.

John Schuttler, Christopher Picht, Lisa Moyer, Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman, Michael, Robert, Helen, Sam, Marietta, Edward Kirby, William & Joan Prosser.



St. Philomena

Feast Day August 11th



Little is known about the life of St. Philomena. However, it is believed she was a Greek princess who became a virgin martyr and died at 13-years-old.

Remains of a young lady were discovered in May 1802 at the Catacombs of Priscilla on the Via Salaria Nova with three tiles reading "Peace be to you, Philomena." All that is known about St. Philomena's life comes from a Neapolitan nun's vision. Sister Maria Luisa di Gesu claims St. Philomena came to her and told her she was the daughter of a Greek king who converted to Christianity. When Philomena was 13-years-old, she took a vow of consecrated virginity.

After her father took his family to Rome to make peace, Emperor Diocletian fell in love with Philomena.

When she refused to marry him, she was subjected to torture. St. Philomena was scourged, drowned with an anchor attached to her, and shot with arrows. Each time she was attacked angels took to her side and healed her through prayer.

Finally, the Emperor had Philomena decapitated. According to the story, her death came on a Friday at three in the afternoon, the same as Jesus.

Two anchors, three arrows, a palm symbol of martyrdom, and a flower were found on the tiles in her tomb, interpreted as symbols of her martyrdom.

The nun's account states Philomena was born on January 10 and was killed on August 10.

Devotion for Philomena began to spread once her bones were exhumed and miracles began to occur. Canon Francesco De Lucia of Mugnano del Cardinale received relics of St. Philomena and had them placed in the Church of Our Lady of Grace in Mugnano, Italy. Soon after her relics were enshrined, cancers were cured, wounds were healed and the Miracle of Mugnano, when Venerable Pauline Jaricot was cured of a severe heart issue overnight, were all attributed to St. Philomena. Other Saints began to venerate Philomena and attributing miracles in their lives to the young martyr, including St. John Marie Vianney and St. Peter Louis Marie Chanel.

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