

# 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 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 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

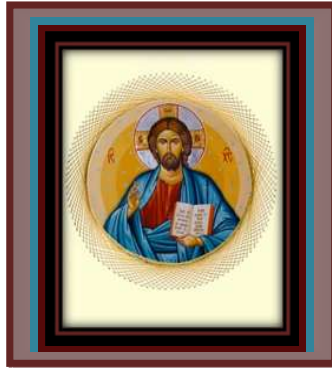
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

#### 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 Di Martile



March 27<sup>th</sup> 2022

Fourth Sunday of Lent

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 pm **Blessings for Helen Iwanowski**  
By Family

**Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday of Lent**

8:00 am † **Joan Dagney**  
By Greg & Kyle Beben

10:30 am † **John Schmid**  
By Rich & Maryjane Petturuti

**Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am † **John Schmid**  
By Rich & Maryjane Petturuti

**Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am † **Ciro Dimauro**  
By Sam

**Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am † **Francisco Verdade**  
By Jack Mateus

**Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> No Mass**

**First Friday April 1<sup>st</sup>**

8:45 am † **Barbara Kovacs**  
By Family

**First Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

8:45 am † **Della Rebinski**  
By Henry Rebinski  
5:00 pm † **Anthony Nappi**  
By Angela Gross

**Sunday, April 3rd Fifth Sunday of Lent**

8:00 am † **Peggy La Fontaine**  
By Stan & Dorothy Wantrobski

10:30 am † **Maryanna Corigliano**  
By Theresa McLaughlin

**Your Offertory Gift**

**March 13th, 2022**

**First Collection: \$2,512**

**Propane: \$ 850**

**Assessment: \$145**

**Thank you for your support!**

**Calendar of Events**

First Friday Devotion – April 1<sup>st</sup> 8:45am  
Stations of the Cross – Fri, April 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00pm

First Saturday Devotion – April 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:45am  
Grounds Clean Up – Sat, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:30am to 2:00pm

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Communion Retreat – Mon, April 4<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm

Altar Rosary Society Meeting – Wed, April 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm



*Sanctuary Candles*

Prayers for  
William H. Prosser

By Lisa Molinsky



**Please welcome and support!  
The Corona Self-Help Center**

They would like to share their testimony & deliver the message of life & prevention, inviting anyone present seeking help to choose a life free from the slavery of drug addiction. There will be a table set up after weekend Masses in the Narthex with t-shirts available. Every contribution is helpful and heartily appreciated.

Lauren Hardy, Steven, Michael & Christion , Helena & Christopher Picht, Lisa Moyer Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman, Michael, Robert, Helen, Sam, Marietta, Edward Kirby, William & Joan Prosser, Victoria



**Daily Mass & Devotions**

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



## Stations of the Cross Every Friday at 7 pm



## Lenten Confession Schedule

Every day except Thursday  
30 minutes before Mass  
or by appointment



## Choir rehearsal



The choir will be presenting Christopher Walker's "The Passion" during the homily on Good Friday at 7:00 pm. Those wishing to sing this beautiful composition may join us by attending choir rehearsal on Monday evenings at 7:30.

Please see our Music Director Chris Lance.

If you would like to return your Rice Bowl collection they can be placed in the entry way.

There will be a bin to put them in.

**Thank you for all the Rice Bowl donations!**



## Parish Council Meeting – March 9, 2022

**Church Roof** – Work starting March 14<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting.

**AC Unit** – Restrooms, Music Room, CCD Office, Sacristy  
These efforts are part of the capital campaign scope of work  
New electrical wiring needed, estimates requested.

**Religious Education** - Confirmation retreat March 15<sup>th</sup> 6-9pm in the Parish hall and is expecting 22 students. Elizabeth and Mary to provide snacks

### Liturgy of Holy Week and Easter

Two adults will be receiving their sacraments during Easter Masses

**Holy Thursday** – washing of the feet omitted this year  
**Candy donations** - Easter Egg hunt, no eggs are needed

**All Other Business** - Ukraine aid: Anyone wishing to make a donation to help the Ukrainian people can write a check payable to the Salvatorian Fathers with "Ukraine Help" in the memo line. This is being shared to the parish community via the Mass announcements, but it will not be included in the bulletin nor will it be posted in any social media.

### Lent – Respect. Repent. Restore

Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs."

In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics.

**Christian tradition can name at least seven reasons for fasting:**

1. From the beginning, God commanded some fasting, and sin entered into the world because Adam and Eve broke the fast.
2. For the Christian, fasting is ultimately about fasting from sin.
3. Fasting reveals our dependence on God and not the resources of this world.
4. Fasting is an ancient way of preparing for the Eucharist—the truest of foods.
5. Fasting is preparation for baptism (and all the sacraments)—for the reception of grace.
6. Fasting is a means of saving resources to give to the poor.
7. Fasting is a means of self-discipline, chastity, and the restraining of the appetites.

Parish Ground Spring Clean up  
Saturday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 10:30am to 2pm

Many hands make light work



Calling all who would like to help get our beautiful grounds ready for spring. Please join us for a fun time of work & fellowship. Projects include picking up sticks, raking leaves and trimming hedges. If you have a rake and trimmers make sure to bring them along with your gloves!

Rain date: Saturday April 9<sup>th</sup>

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