

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, Parish Catechetical Leader 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

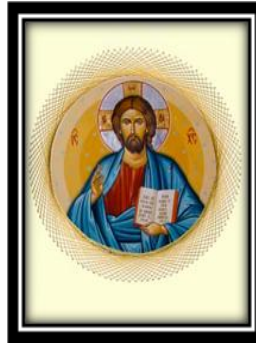
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

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 at St.Theodore believe that our Religious Education Program is a continuing journey of faith. It is one that begins in the home and is reinforced by our weekly classes. One of our main objectives is to teach the students the basic principles of the Catholic faith, however, giving meaning to the rituals and symbols of our faith is not enough. It is up to you, as parents, to provide a daily commitment to God by practicing the gift of faith and setting an example for your children. Our efforts will not be effective unless they are combined with your efforts.

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



May 16th, 2021 The Ascension Of The Lord

Corona Virus

- Those in vulnerable groups should stay home.
Those who are sick or symptomatic must stay home.
When entering and leaving please use hand sanitizer located at the entrance of the Church
No more than 30 people combined in the Church and community center.
Family household units may sit together. Others should sit 6ft apart Face masks are expected by all except the very young

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 15th 5:00 pm Mother's Day Remembrance

Sunday, May 16th 8:00 am Theresa, John, John Jr. Adamiak By Clem & Clara Wyker

10:30 am John Eder By Charlie & Nancy Guerrierre

Monday, May 17th 8:45 am Fred Stankavish By George & Georgianne Merlo

Tuesday, May 18th 8:45 am Blessings for Edward Kirby By Family

Wednesday, May 19th 8:45 am Parishioners of St. Theodore

Thursday, May 20th No Mass

Friday, May 21st 8:45 am In Honor of the Madonna of Health By Angela Gross

Saturday, May 22nd 5:00 pm Altar Rosary Society

Sunday, May 23rd 8:00 am The Kovacs Family

10:30 am Parishioner of St. Theodore

Your Offertory Gift

May 9th, 2021

First Collection: \$1,979

Plumbing: \$100

Maintenance & Repairs: \$513

Votives: \$61

50/50 Raffle \$700

Calendar of Events

Confirmation I

May 16th 12:30 pm

Parish Council Meeting

May 19th 6:30 pm

Panera Bread Fundraiser

May 21st 4 to 8pm



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

The Church restrooms, rectory, kitchen, and guest room shower were in need of some plumbing repairs. If you are able to help with a donation to support the expense of the repairs it would be most appreciated.



Announcements

Relaxing of New Jersey Restrictions

The following guidelines are issued for the Diocese of Metuchen: All pews may be opened for seating. The procession to present the gifts of bread and wine may be resumed. Indoor religious services may be held at 100% of the room's capacity with appropriate social distancing. More information will be provided in next weeks bulletin.

Parish fundraiser Friday, May 21st from 4pm-8pm

Please show the flyer when ordering and Panera will donate 20% of your purchase to our parish. Panera gift cards are also available for purchase after weekend Masses in increments of \$10.

The Parish 50/50 drawing will be held June 13th after the 10:30 am Mass.

Please support our parish by purchasing and/or selling tickets. All registered families were mailed a book of 10 tickets and additional tickets are available after weekend Masses and from the parish office.

St Theodore T-Shirts now available!

Order forms can be picked up in the narthex you can order on our website.

Please return order form and payment by June 1st. Return by mail, drop off in office, or in separate envelope in collection basket.

Keep payment separate from weekly donations.



Clothing Bin Donation Bin

If you have clothing donations please remember we have a drop off bin in front of the Parish.

Every month we receive \$100 as long as there are donations.

You can donate clothing and shoes.

Time to clean out those closets!



The Ascension of the Lord

The Ascension of the Lord took place 40 days after Easter, which this year, is celebrated on Ascension Thursday, May 13. However, in most dioceses in the United States, including the Diocese of Metuchen, the celebration of this solemnity and holy day of obligation is transferred to the following Sunday, May 16th. The Ascension of the Lord is detailed in the Scriptures and in our creeds. Every Sunday, we profess it in the Nicene Creed: "(Jesus) ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end." Jesus' ascension concluded his work on earth to bring about our redemption that he began on Good Friday.



Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his body, may live in the hope of one day being with him forever.

When Christ ascended into heaven, he did not leave his human nature behind. He brought that nature, our human nature, into heaven with him. The Son of God did not leave us orphans. He still has his human nature, and still bears the wounds of his passion in the kingdom of heaven. By bringing his human nature into heaven, Jesus Christ opened paradise for the human family. With a glorified human body and a human soul, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity sits at the right hand of God the Father for all eternity. This incorporation of the human and the divine makes him our presence in eternity and the mediator between God and humanity.

"This is the pressing and inspiring lesson of the ascension. It touches the core of the Christian faith, our own dignity as human beings, and the life available to us after death. It is a strong reminder to us of how greatly we are loved and how intensely God desires fellowship with us."

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