#### 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 Ho	ours: Monday through Friday
10 a.m. to 1 p.	m.

#### **Parish Staff**

Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS		
Mass Schedule	ext 3	
Elizabeth Saam, Director of Religious Education		
Malyssa Collazo, Parish Secretary		
Elizabete Romanello, Financial Manager		
Mary Kovacs, Bulletin & Website Editor		
Chris Lance, Music Director		

#### Ministry

RCIA	Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS
Care of the sick	call Parish Office
<b>Altar Rosary Society:</b>	Meetings First Wednesday
of the month	6:30 PM
Youth Group	Kevin McLaughlin

### Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Saturday ....... 5:00 PM

Sunday8:00 A	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		

#### Monday-Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday

30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.

#### **Devotions**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** 

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

# The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows

- The prophecy of Simeon
- The flight into Egypt
- Losing the child Jesus in the temple
- Meeting Jesus & Mary on the way to Calvary
- The crucifixion
- Taking down Jesus' body from the cross
- The burial of Jesus



#### **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

## **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, September 14th ~ Exaltation of the Holy Cross

5:00 pm Blessings for Darcie, Julie &

**Russ Strohmaier** 

By Karl & Rose Strohmaier

Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>~ Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am † Ann Quilla

By Gerry & Brian Moss

10:30 am † Mary Supple

By The Boccolini Family

Monday, September 16th~ St. Cornelius

8:45 am Living & Deceased members of

St. Theodore

Tuesday, September 17th

8:45 am † Jack Hague

By Kathline Hague

Wednesday, September 18th

8:45 am † Henry & Theresa Rebinski

By Family

Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>

No Mass

Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> ~ St. Andrew Kim

8:45 am

† John P. Hague

By Kathline Hague

Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> ~ St. Matthew

5:00 pm

† Howard Morpeth

By Altar Rosary Society

<u>Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>~ Twenty-Fifth Sunday In</u> Ordinary Time

8:00 am

Jose DaSailva

By Nancy Alpaugh

10:30 am

† Dorothy Mitchell

By Charlie & Nancy Guerriere

## Daily Mass & Devotions Rlessed Virgin Mary—Monday 8:

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 Your Offertory Gift September 1, 2024

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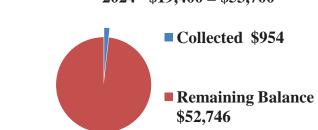
Next week's collect is for the Assessment Fund

## Assesment Fund includes remaing balance from

2022 - \$16,900

2023 - \$17,400

2024 - \$19,400 = \$53,700





#### **Confession Schedule**

Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

# Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:



Ientile Family, The Proefrock Family,
Luke Ansbach, Michael Shannon,
Sam Mattison, Ann Morpeth, for the Cáceres
Family, Helen Schuetler & Family, Edward Kirby,
Joseph Mattar, Patricia Walker and all the
intentions found in **THE BOOK OF**INTENTIONS located in the Narthex.



#### ROSARY RALLY

Join us in a Public Square Rosary Rally on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at the front lawn of St. Theodore Parish

This will be one of over **22,500 rallies** that will take place all across the United States on that day. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



Signup sheet is in the Narthex! For more information, contact Cecilia De Venezia at 973-519-5446

#### Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross September 14<sup>th</sup>

On 13 September 335, the Church of the Holy Sepulcher (also called the Church of the

Resurrection) was dedicated. The following day, the cross that Empress Helena had discovered on 14 Sept. 320, was venerated in a solemn ceremony.

In 614, the Persian King, Chosroes II, waged war on the Romans. After conquering



Jerusalem, he confiscated many treasures, among which was the Cross of Jesus. The Byzantine emperor Heraclius initiated peace negotiations, but was rejected. He then waged war and won near Nineveh, asking for the restitution of the Cross, which then returned to Jerusalem. Today, the cruelty of the Cross is not what is exalted, but the Love that God manifested to humanity by accepting death on the Cross: "Who, though in the form of God, emptied himself, taking the form of a slave. This is the glory of the Cross of Jesus!" (Pope Francis)

#### Wonder and gratitude

Lifting up our gaze should not enkindle fear, but gratitude, because that elevation is the measure of the love with which God loves His children, in His Son. It is the Mercy of God, therefore, which, as is the case with Nicodemus, illuminates the darkness of our lives and allows us to continue on our journey.

#### There is no neutrality regarding the Cross

We cannot remain neutral regarding the Cross of Jesus. Either we are with Him or we are against Him. A choice is made before every action, for the actions of a Christian are none other than the testimony of how "God has love us so much that he gave His only Son, Jesus".





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