

# 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 Friday  
10 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
Malysa Collazo, Parish Secretary, Bulletin & Web page editor	ext 1
Elizabete Romanello, Financial Manager	ext 1
Chris Lance, Music Director	

## Ministry

**RCIA**.....Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS  
**Care of the sick**.....call Parish Office  
**Altar Rosary Society:** .....Meetings Third Sunday of the month .....9:00 AM  
**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

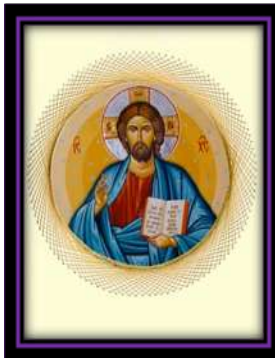
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

### 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, Theresa McLaughlin, Dorothy Wantrobski, Stanley Wantrobski, Chris Lance, Malysa Collazo, Elizabeth Saam, Pam DiMartile

## *Sunday July 6<sup>th</sup> ~ Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### **Mass Intentions**

#### **Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 pm **Present & Past members of  
St. Theodore Altar Rosary Society**  
By Altar Rosary Society

#### **Sunday, July 6<sup>th</sup> ~ Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am † **Richard Domanski**  
By Domanski Family

10:30 am † **Thomas Jackson**  
By Theresa McLaughlin

#### **Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am **Louise, George & Jack Wyker**  
By Clem & Clara Wyker

#### **Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am **For the deceased members of  
The Clear Family**  
By Matthew & Mary Delany

#### **Wednesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am † **Michael Dell Alra**  
By Jacqueline Ricke

#### **Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup>**

No Mass

#### **Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am † **Sue Moss**  
By Gerry & Brian Moss

#### **Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>**

5:00 pm **Ron Semonche**  
By Rachael & Family

#### **Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> ~ Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am **Carol Saam**  
By Saam Family

10:30 am **In loving memory of Mary Parenty**  
By Daughter & Son-in-Law



#### **Confession Schedule**

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

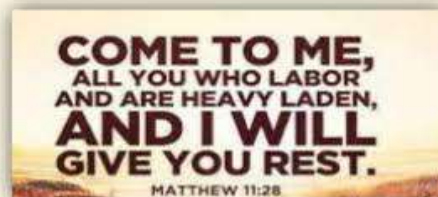
### **Your Offertory Gift~ June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

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special collection is for the Air Conditioning  
Fund.

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#### **Why go to Mass during the week?**

Because we love God and want to come together to worship and adore him and receive him in the Eucharist. What a great blessing and joy! We are joined with the entire Church - the entire Communion of Saints, in heaven, in purgatory, and on earth - praising God together.

That, my friend, is a party.

We participate in the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ himself! We receive his body, blood, soul and divinity in the Holy Eucharist. Heaven and Earth embrace each and every time the Eucharist is offered. This is the greatest of all dramas.

### **Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:**



Ann Marie, Ientile Family,  
Jim Mattison, for the Cáceres Family,  
Helen Schuetler & Family, Edward Kirby, Joseph Mattar,  
Louise Isidori, Bp. Paul Bootkoski, Craig Smith, Jaenne Szamreta, Eugene, Scott Griseto, Dom Mercurio and all the intentions found in **THE BOOK OF INTENTIONS** located in the Narthex.

# MASS Intentions

**The 2026 Mass Book will be open for booking  
Masses beginning July 15<sup>th</sup>**

- 1) Please have Mass Intentions written down with a second option for a date.
- 2) Please remember there are no Masses celebrated on Thursdays.
- 3) Mass stipend is \$10 per Mass and please send your check made payable to St. Theodore Church

**This is our BIGGEST fundraiser. We still need volunteers, call the office for more info. Many hands make light work.**



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Early Registration ends August 17<sup>th</sup> 2025-2026**

Religious Education Forms are due August 17<sup>th</sup>. Please return them in a timely manner. Forms can be found in the narthex and online. We also encourage mothers and fathers to get involved and volunteer. It's a great way to brush up on your Catechism at the same time!

St. Theodore's Religious Education program is seeking teacher volunteers. Keeping our Religious Education program running is vital to our parish and students. Please consider volunteering to be a teacher for the upcoming year. Please contact the Parish office or Elizabeth Saam for more information. (908) 689-8318 ext. 2



## Why we have Masses for the Living and the Dead

The Council of Trent states that Masses can be said for "the living and the dead, for sins, punishments, satisfactions, and other necessities".

Purgatory purifies the soul of those venial sins that impede the soul's perfect ascent to God. Death ends a person's ability to change morally, because body and soul—the integral person—are broken apart. The soul is, therefore, passive *vis-à-vis* himself. He can do nothing for himself (though, from love, he can do for others, which is why we can invoke the prayers of the faithful departed). We, who are alive, can do acts of charity for our faithful departed in purgatory they cannot do for themselves. Our charity can be extended to them to help atone for their sins.

**Catholics may have Masses said for living** people as a way to intercede for them and pray on their behalf. This is known as a Catholic Mass intention or request. The Mass is considered the highest form of worship and prayer, and some say it can have a powerful spiritual impact.

Here are some reasons why Catholics may have Masses said for living people:

- **Increase grace**

Living people can still grow in sanctifying grace, and a Mass can offer them increased grace to become more Christ like.

- **Repentance**

A Mass can provide the grace needed for repentance, even if conversion is ultimately a free choice.

- **Special occasions**

A Mass can be offered on special occasions, such as birthdays, anniversaries, or to pray for someone who is struggling with health issues.

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