

# 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
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Elizabeth Saam, Director of Religious Education	ext 2
Malyssa 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

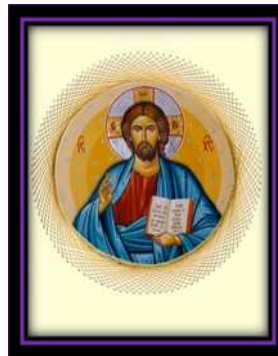
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

#### 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, Malyssa Collazo, Elizabeth Saam, Pam DiMartile

## *Sunday July 27<sup>th</sup> ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### **Mass Intentions**

#### **Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> ~ Sts. Joachim & Anne**

5:00 pm In memory of present & past members  
of St. Theodore Altar Rosary Society

#### **Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am Richard Domanski  
By Family

10:30 am Blessings upon Victoria & Robert  
Dicheck 50<sup>th</sup> Golden Wedding Anniversary

#### **Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am † Veronica Quinnan  
By Family

#### **Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> ~ Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus**

8:45 am † Anthony Panskay  
By Domanow Family

#### **Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup>**

8:45 am † Nicholas Merlo  
By Family

#### **Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup> ~ St. Ignatious of Loyola** No Mass

#### **First Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> ~ St. Alphonsus Liguori**

8:45 am † Gerard Quinnan  
By Family

#### **First Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>**

8:45 am † Michael Shanon  
By Fellow choir members

5:00 pm Birthday Blessings for Victor Kucinski  
By Family

#### **Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 am John, Theresa & John Jr. Adamiak  
By Clem & Clara Wyker

10:30 am † Ruth Pauze  
By Boccolini Family

### **Your Offertory Gift~ July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**First Collection: \$2,103**

**Votives: \$64**

**Electronic Giving: \$221**

Thank you for your generosity.

**Next week's Special collection is for the Air  
Conditioning Fund.**

### **Father Damian is going on vacation!**

Dear Parishioners:

Please be advised that I will be on vacation from August 4<sup>th</sup> through September 10<sup>th</sup>. Father Zbigniew Las, CMF (Claretian Missionaries) from Poland will serve you during that time. Let us give him a warm St. Theodore welcome, an eagerness to help and work together. I will remember you and Fr. Zbigniew in my prayers and ask that you remember me in yours.

With prayers,  
Fr. Damian, SDS



### **Daily Mass & Devotions**



Blessed Virgin Mary—Monday 8:45 am  
Saint Joseph – Tuesday 8:45 am  
Divine Mercy – Friday 8:45 am  
First Friday & First Saturday 8:45am  
With Exposition of the Holy Eucharist

### **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, Joseph Magnini, Fr. Gabriel, SDS, Baby Rowan, Bonnie Jewel Hawkins and all the intentions found in **THE BOOK OF INTENTIONS** located in the Narthex.

## July 29: Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus



July 29<sup>th</sup> we celebrate the friends of Jesus, the siblings of Bethany, Martha, Mary, and Lazarus. They welcomed Jesus into their home on different occasions, providing Him with a place of rest in the midst of His active ministry. They are typically pictured in iconography with Martha serving Our Lord's needs, Mary sitting at His feet, and Lazarus dining with Him.

Originally only Martha was celebrated on this day, but in 2021 Pope Francis expanded the memorial to include all three of the Saintly siblings.

These holy friends of Jesus can be seen as personifying the three theological virtues:

- **Martha** represents **faith** — while in mourning the death of her brother, through confusion and frustration at Jesus' delay, she still professes Jesus as the Messiah.
- **Lazarus**, represents **hope** — he was raised from the dead and manifests the Christian expectation of the resurrection and new life.
- **Mary** represents **love** — she sits at the Lord's feet listening to Him, which Jesus proclaimed "the better part," a great model for contemplative life. She also shows forth love in getting up and running to the Lord when He calls and anointing His feet while at supper, demonstrating her undivided heart. Their stories can be found in Luke 10:38-42, John 11:1-44, and John 12:1-11.



First Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>  
at 8:45am

First Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>  
at 8:45am

Christ himself directed St. Margaret Mary to foster devotion to His Sacred Heart. One of these devotions was to make the first Friday of each month a special day of observance. Specifically, the devotion involved receiving Holy Communion on nine consecutive first Fridays with the intention of making reparation to "the Heart that has loved men so and is loved so little in return." Jesus told St. Margaret Mary of His great love for souls and His desire to shower His mercy on those who were devoted to Him. He revealed several promises for those who lovingly practiced the First Friday devotion. Among the promises were: final perseverance in the Catholic faith, reception of the sacraments before death, and death in the state of grace, as well as the consolation of Christ's love at the time of death.

Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary developed alongside devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The heart of Mary mirrors the heart of Jesus both in great love and in sharing His suffering. This devotion increased after the appearances of the Blessed Mother to three children of Fátima, Portugal, early in the twentieth century. The Blessed Mother told the eldest of the children that she would "assist at the hour of death with all the graces necessary for the salvation of their souls" all who, for five months, on the first Saturday of each month:

1. confess their sins,
2. receive Holy Communion,
3. recite the Rosary,
4. and keep Mary company for fifteen minutes while meditating on the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary, all offered in a spirit of reparation.



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