# 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 Staff

Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS	ext 4
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Mary Kovacs, Parish Secretary	ext 1
Chris Lance, Music Director	

#### Ministry

RCIAFather D	amian Tomiczek, SDS
Care of the sick	call Parish Office
Altar Rosary Society:Meetings First Wednesday	
of the month	6:30 PM

#### Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday	5:00 PN	1
Sunday	8:00 AM and 10:30 AN	1
Weekdays	Monday through Wednesday, and	d
Friday	8:45 AN	Λ
First Friday and	d First Saturday8:45 AN	1
Holy Days		
	6.20 DM	

Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Holy Day	8:45 AM and 6:30 PM	
Vigil Mass	6:30 PM	

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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 DiMartile 31 <sup>t</sup>, 2024

# Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

# Mass Intentions

<u>Holy Saturday, March 30<sup>th</sup></u> 8:00 pm - Easter Vigil Easter Remembrance

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Welcome

our Church

Family

Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>th</sup> 7:30am - Easter Procession

8:00 am Easter Remembrance

10:30 am Easter Remembrance

Monday, April 1<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am Easter Remembrance

*<u>Tuesday, April 2<sup>th</sup></u>* 8:45 am **Easter Remembrance** 

Wednesday, April 3th8:45 amEaster Remembrance

<u>Thursday, April 4<sup>st</sup></u> No Mass

Friday April 5<sup>th</sup>

8:45 am Living & Deceased Members of Elane Family By Family

### <u>Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup></u>

- 8:45 am **† Henry & Theresa Rebinski** By Family
- 5:00 pm † **James DeSefano** By DeStefano Family
- Sunday, April 7th Divine Mercy Sunday8:00 am† Richard DomanskiBy Family
- 10:30 am Blessing & Remembrance for Nicolas John Prosser By sister Lisa Marie



#### **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 Your Offertory Gift March 24, 2024 First Collection: \$ 1,963 Easter Flowers: \$ 230 Easter Gift: \$ 120 Propane: \$ 699 Votive: \$ 82

Thank you for your support!

# Sanctuary Candle symbol of Christ's presence



The two Sanctuary Candles near the Altar burn to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ. It is a mark of honor to remind the faithful of the presence of Christ, and is a profession of their love and affection.

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or a special intention make arrangements with the Parish Office. The cost of the candle is \$10.00

## Remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish:

Carol Saam, Perry Alburg, Clint Williamson, Scott Griseto, Teresa & Danny, Nancy Guerriere, Vincent Locasto, Ann Morpeth, Frances Oleni, Patsy Reiger, Michaela, Adam, Andrew, Kimberly Rivers, Wally Schlegel, Scott Goodrich, Billy Pinamont, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, for the Cáceres

Family, The Saksa family, Ryan Clarke, Sharon Stritenberger, Barbara, Cuello, Steven, Michael & Christian, Christopher Picht, Lisa Moyer Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman, Michael Fiume, Robert, Helen Schuetter & Family, Marietta, Edward Kirby, and all the intentions found in **THE BOOK OF INTENTIONS** located in the Narthex.

# Christ is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia!

# My Dear Parishioners,

With great joy in my heart I announce to you: "Christ is risen! He is Risen indeed!" This ancient greeting sums up what we celebrate this Easter Sunday, the joy of Christ risen and alive in our midst.

When we live the new life of the resurrection we become the best version of ourselves. We become what St Augustine referred to as an "Easter People", a people transformed into disciples and stewards who commit to give their time, talent and treasure in witness. My prayer for you this Easter is that you live as people deeply touched by the Resurrection.

May you have a Blessed and Happy Easter With prayer, Fr. Damian, SDS

# Our family Easter Egg Hunt is back!

St. Theodore invites you to join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt after 11:30 Mass on Easter Sunday.



# **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



Join us for the Devotion to Divine Mercy and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 3pm

# What is Easter?



The word "Easter" comes from Old English, meaning simply the "East." The sun which rises in the East, bringing light, warmth, and hope, is a symbol for the Christian of the rising Christ, who is the true Light of the world.

The Paschal Candle used during the Easter Vigil is a central symbol of this divine light, which is Christ. It is kept near the ambo throughout Easter Time and lit for all liturgical celebrations.

The Easter Vigil is the "Mother of All Vigils" and Easter Sunday is the greatest of all Sundays. The season of Easter is the most important of all liturgical times, which Catholics celebrate as the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church.

The octave of Easter comprises the eight days which stretch from the first to the second Sunday. It is a way of prolonging the joy of the initial day. There are 50 days of Easter from the first Sunday to Pentecost. It is characterized, above all, by the joy of glorified life and the victory over death expressed most fully in the great resounding cry of the Christian: Alleluia! All faith flows from faith in the resurrection: "If Christ has not been raised, then empty is our preaching; empty, too, is your faith." (1 Cor 15:14)



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