

# 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, Director of Religious Education 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 month .....6:30 PM  
**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

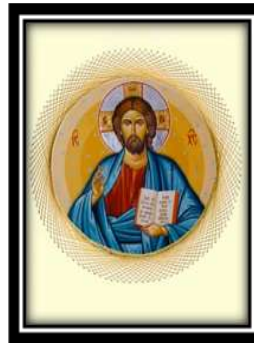
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

#### 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, Nancy Guerriere, Theresa McLaughlin, Dorothy Wantrobski, Stanley Wantrobski, Chris Lance, Mary Kovacs, Elizabeth Saam, Pam DiMartile



# January 29, 2023 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> ~ St. Thomas Aquinas

5:00 pm † **Jeff Schwarz**  
By Vicki Haines

### Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Birthday Blessings for Father Damian**  
By Parishioners' of St. Theodore

† **Carmen de Lainez**  
By Family

10:30 am † **Luisa Lance**  
By Saam Family

### Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

8:45 am † **Michael Wojtowicz**  
By The Kovacs family

† **Sabino & Antinetta Antinolfi**  
By The Iannelli Family

### Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> ~ St. John Bosco

8:45 am † **Anthony Guiga**  
By George & Georgianne Merlo

### Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>

8:45 am † **Michael Wojtowicz**  
By Irma Marquart

### Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ The Presentation of the Lord No Morning Mass

### First Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ St. Blaise

8:45 am † **Michael Wojtowicz**  
By George & Georgianne Merlo

### First Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup>

8:45am **For the living & deceased parishioners of St. Theodore**

5:00pm † **Francis Blevins**  
By Rachel Semonche

### Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Blessings for the Wyker Family**  
By Friends of Family

10:30 am † **Jean Greco**  
By Jim & Eileen Mattison

**2022 Income Tax Contribution Statements are available**

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### Sanctuary Candle Offering

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**& Mary Pultz**

By Mary Ann Kubik



### Remember to pray for those in

Mary Supple, Abigail Saksa, Barbara, Al DiFonzo, Juan A Cuello, Lauren Hardy, Steven, Michael & Christion, Helena & Christopher Picht, Lisa Moyer Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman, Michael Fiume, Robert, Helen Schuetter & Family, Marietta, Edward Kirby



## Happy Birthday Father Damian!

Dear Father Damian,  
Our Lord has blessed us  
with a wonderful priest in  
you! May God continue  
to strengthen you and our  
congregation!

Have a blessed birthday!

Thank you for bringing  
out the best in God's messages of love,  
prosperity, and righteousness. As you celebrate  
your birthday, may God's blessings, grace, favor,  
and guidance continue to be with you!

With love & prayers, St. Theodore Family



## The Presentation of the Lord

### Why do Catholics celebrate the feast of the Presentation?

This feast day celebrates both the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, as well as the Purification of Mary, which was required by the Mosaic Law forty days after the birth of a child.



The Church celebrates the feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2, also called Candlemas for the custom of using lighted candles. In the early Church it was often celebrated on February 14th, 40 days after the Epiphany, in keeping with the practice of celebrating Christmas on that date in the East. Among the Orthodox it is known as the Hypapante (“Meeting” of the Lord with Simeon).

## TRICKY TRAY



## 2023 Village of Volunteers

The next tricky Tray meeting is February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. We invite all parishioners to volunteer some of your time! It is a big event that requires the whole parish!  
God will provide!

**This is a list of areas of help needed and how many people for each job.**

### # of Helpers – description of help

5 Solicitors – Request Donations January – November: Make your own hours!!

5 Wrappers – Arrange & wrap donations

4 Kitchen/Concession Setup

15 Movers

10 Event Setup

9 Ticket sellers

3 Admission

8 Sellers Floating sellers

8 Runners/Pushers

10 Event Breakdown

5 Movers & Event Unpack



### Parish Council Meeting January 11, 2023

\*The camera is mounted and working for livestream Masses.

\*The church bell is working manually. Continue to research repair of the bell.

\*Capital Campaign is moving along. Plan is to have the new carpet installed after Easter. We may not have use of the church for a few weeks.

\*Tricky Tray committee had first meeting Jan. 12 with second meeting planned for Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>. Still need more volunteers. Mansfield School is letting us use their school.

\*Prayer for Life is set for Jan. 22 at 2:30pm in the church. There will Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, Divine Chaplet and Benediction. Rosary to follow outside the church.

\*We will be having Eucharistic Devotions the first weekend of the month starting March 5th. It will be on Saturday 4p-4:45p (before 5pm Mass) and Sunday after the 8:30am Mass from 9:30pm - 10:15am.



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