

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 month7:00 PM
Youth Group Kevin McLaughlin

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday8:00 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

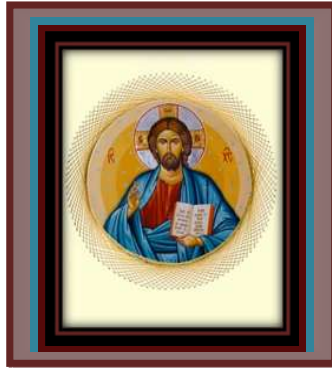
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

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 Di Martile



March 13th 2022 Second Sunday of Lent

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 12th

5:00 pm † **Anne & Ken Levins**
By Susan Paguia

Sunday, March 13th Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 am **Nancy Sives**
By Karl & Rose Strohmaier

10:30 am † **James Castagna**
By Capaldo Family

Monday, March 14th

8:45 am † **Harvey Davison**
By George & Georgianne Melro

Tuesday, March 15th

8:45 am † **Michael O'Brian**
By George & Georgianne Melro

Wednesday, March 16th

8:45 am **Blessings for Mary Kovacs**
By Family

Thursday, March 17th St. Patrick's day

No Mass

Friday March 18th

8:45 am † **Francisco Verdave**
By Jack Mateus

Saturday, March 19th Feast Day of St. Joseph

5:00 pm † **Josephine Ciszowski**
By Mary Kovacs

Sunday, March 20th Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 am † **Rose Kane**
By Family

10:30 am † **Catherine Kattermann**
By Capaldo Family

Your Offertory Gift

March 6, 2022

First Collection: \$2,761

Ash Wednesday: \$1,144

Property & Liability: \$55

Votive: \$109

Thank you for your support!

**Parish Council Meeting, Feb. 9, 2022
Summary**

- The Capital Campaign continues to be a success. As of today we collected \$81,179.
- As soon as the weather allows, the roof work will begin.
- Replacement of the HVAC unit for restrooms, music room and sacristy will follow and the church's rug replacement.
- We are moving along to update our live stream capabilities.
- Lent begins 3/2/22. There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday. Masses for Holy Week will be announced in the Bulletin.
- Spring clean-up is April 2nd (Rain date April 9th).
- We will be having a Fellowship Dinner on June 5th after the 10:30am Mass. This is replacing the Parish Picnic this year. We will forgo the 50/50 this year.

Sanctuary Candles

In memory of **Ciro Di Mauuro**
By **Sam Saponio**



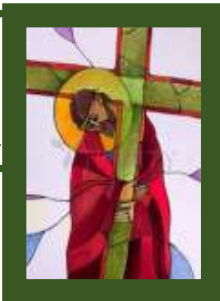
Daily Mass & Devotions

Blessed Virgin Mary—Monday 8:45 am
Saint Joseph – Tuesday 8:45 am
Divine Mercy – Friday 8:45 am
Rosary Prayer – 1st Saturday 8:45 am

Lauren Hardy, Steven, Michael & Christion , Helena & Christopher Picht, Lisa Moyer Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman, Michael, Robert, Helen, Sam, Marietta, Edward Kirby, William & Joan Prosser & Victoria



Stations of the Cross Every Friday at 7 pm



Five Steps for a Good Confession

1. Examine your conscience.
2. Be sincerely sorry for your sins.
3. Confess your sins to a priest.
4. Resolve to amend your life.
5. After your confession, do the penance the priest assigns

What is Mortal and Venial Sin?

Mortal Sin destroys charity in the heart of man by a grave violation of God's law; it turns man away from God... by preferring an inferior good to him.

Venial sin allows charity to subsist, though it offends and wounds it.

Mortal sin results in the privation of sanctifying grace, that is, of the state of grace. If it is not redeemed by repentance and God's forgiveness, it causes exclusion from Christ's kingdom and the eternal death of hell.

One commits venial sin when, in a less serious matter, he does not observe the standard prescribed by the moral law, or when he disobeys the moral law in a grave matter, but without full knowledge or complete consent.

Venial sin weakens charity and merits temporal punishment. Deliberate and un-repentent venial sin disposes us little by little to commit mortal sin.

However, venial sin does not break the covenant with God. With God's grace, it is humanly reparable. "Venial sin does not deprive the sinner of sanctifying grace, friendship with God, charity, and consequently, eternal happiness."

Lenten Confession Schedule

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



St. Patrick, March 17

St. Patrick was a fifth-century Romano-British Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland. Known as the the "Apostle of Ireland", he is the primary patron saint of Ireland, the other patron saints being Brigit of Kildare and Columba. **St. Patrick, pray for us.**



Feast of St. Joseph March 19th

St. Joseph, the spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the foster-father of Jesus, was probably born in Bethlehem and probably died in Nazareth. His important mission in



God's plan of salvation was "to legally insert Jesus Christ into the line of David from whom, according to the prophets, the Messiah would be born, and to act as his father and guardian".

Most of our information about St. Joseph comes from the opening two chapters of St. Matthew's Gospel. No words of his are recorded in the Gospels; he was the "silent" man. We find no devotion to St. Joseph in the early Church. It was the will of God that the Virgin Birth of Our Lord be first firmly impressed upon the minds of the faithful. Pius IX (1870) declared him patron and protector of the universal family of the Church. The darkest hours of his life may well have been those when he first learned of Mary's pregnancy; but precisely in this time of trial Joseph showed himself great. His suffering, which likewise formed a part of the work of the redemption, was not without great providential import: Joseph was to be, for all times, the trustworthy witness of the Messiah's virgin birth. After this, he modestly retires into the background of Holy Scripture. Of St. Joseph's death the Bible tells us nothing. There are indications, however, that he died before the beginning of Christ's public life. His was the most beautiful death that one could have, in the arms of Jesus and Mary. Humbly and unknown, he passed his years at Nazareth, silent and almost forgotten he remained in the background through centuries of Church history.

St. Joseph is invoked as patron for many causes. He is the patron of the Universal Church. He is the patron of the dying because Jesus and Mary were at his death-bed. He is also the patron of fathers, and of carpenters.

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