

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 Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Office Closed Wednesday)

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 month6:30 PM

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

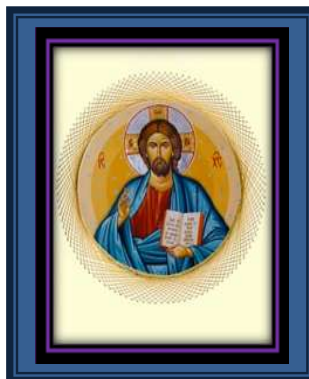
Vigil Mass.....6:30 PM
Holy Day..... 8:45 AM and 6:30 PM

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 DiMartile

**Third Sunday of Easter
April 14 2024**

Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 13th

5:00 pm † **Jean Moran**
By Tim & Ginny Moran

Sunday, April 14th

8:00 am **Living & Deceased Parishioners
of St. Theodore**
10:30 am **Confirmation Class**
By DeStefano Family

Monday, April 15th

8:45 am † **James DeStefano**
By DeStefano Family

Tuesday, April 16th

8:45 am **Altar Rosary Society**

Wednesday, April 17th

8:45 am † **Fr. Maciej Melaniuk**

Thursday, April 18th

No Mass

Friday, April 19th

8:45am † **Julia Schuetter**
By Helen Schuetter

Saturday, April 20th

5:00 pm † **Maria Capolango**
By Mary Lou Viola

Sunday, April 21th

8:00 am † **John William Koper**
By Capaldo Family
10:30 am † **Steve & Helen Dicheck**
By Robert & Victoria Dicheck

Mass is the greatest prayer that we can offer. This is true for many reasons, and especially so because it is Christ's prayer, Christ's saving sacrifice offered to the heavenly Father for his glory and for our salvation.

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Sanctuary Candle Offering

- 1. Blessing & Health for Michael Gondek**
By Jadwiga Gondek
- 2. Myles, John Gondek**
By Jadwiga Gondek

**We offer the Remember in your prayers the sick
of the Parish:**

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, Billy Pinamont, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, for the Cáceres Family, Ryan Clarke, Sharon Sritenberger, Barbara, Cuello, Steven, Michael & Christian, Lisa Moyer Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman, Michael Fiume, Robert, Helen Schuetter & Family, Marietta, Kathy Finnegan, Joelynn Locasto, Edward Kirby, Joseph Mattar and all the intentions found in **THE BOOK OF INTENTIONS** located in the Narthex.

Let us pray

for our children and youth
who are preparing to receive

Confirmation on Friday, April 19th
and
First Holy Communion on May 5th

Dear Parishioners,

It is with a heavy heart to announce I have stepped down as Parish Secretary. I am so blessed and honored to have served St. Theodore and my fellow Parishioners. I am deeply grateful for the support, love and trust you have shown me. I will treasure all the office visits, laughter and many projects we worked on together. Thank you to Fr. Damian for his kindness, patience and generosity. Stronger together.

With love and prayers,

Mary Kovacs

A GREAT THANK YOU

Dear Mary Kovacs,

We would like to thank you for your dedicated service, willing spirit and labor in love. We have been so blessed by the many years of your faithful service as Parish Secretary, Bookkeeper, Bulletin Editor and Webmaster to St. Theodore Church. May God's blessing and the protection of the Blessed Mary be with you and give you peace and joy as you move into your next chapter of life.

With prayer,

Fr. Damian, SDS
and Parishioners of St. Theodore Church.

“Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while You speak to us”.

In the Gospel of Luke for the 3rd Sunday of Easter is the story about two disciples of Jesus who lost their perspective for the future. They followed Jesus, they witnessed His mighty deeds, they heard Him speaking. But they don't recognize Jesus as a Messiah and Savior and they don't hear Him speaking about his passion, death and resurrection. With patience Jesus explained them that the Messiah had to suffer and die in order to enter into His glory of the resurrection and to achieve the salvation of the world. Then, when Jesus broke the bread at table, the disciples recognized Him and saw that he was alive, that He was risen, that it is Jesus who found them. Indeed, He is the Good Shepherd searching for the lost sheep. After experiencing His real presence, the disciples got things straightened out and regained their perspective on life and its meaning.

We need our own personal Emmaus a place where we can get things straightened out again, too. Like the two disciples walking away from Jerusalem to Emmaus, Jesus meets us where we are and gives us the grace to see, believe and have hope. Please continue to let Him enter into your homes and your hearts.

Jesus I trust in you.

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