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 2	1 p.m. (Office Closed Wednesday)	

Parish Staff

Father Damian Tomiczek, SDS	
Mass Schedule	ext 3
Elizabeth Saam, Director of Religious Education	ext 2
Mary Kovacs, Parish Secretary	
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

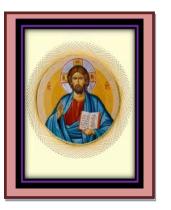
Saturday	5:00 PM		
Sunday	8:00 AM and 10:30 AM		
Weekdays Mo	nday through Wednesday, and		
Friday	8:45 AM		
First Friday and Fir	st Saturday8:45 AM		
Holy Days			
Vigil Mass	6:30 PM		

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

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

Sunday December 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent



- Saturday, December 2nd5:00 pmBlessings for Brian & Adelipylypy Shun
By Helen Schuettker
- Sunday, Dec. 3rd ~ First Sunday of Advent8:00 am† Joseph Jr. & Patricia RocheBy Clem & Clara Wyker
- 10:30 am Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Theodore
- Monday, December 4th ~ St. John Damacene8:45 amBlessings for Julie, Darcie & RussStrohmaierBy Karl & Rose Strohmaier
- Tuesday, December 5th8:45 amLiving & Deceased Parishioners of
St. Theodore
- Wednesday, December 6th ~ St. Nicholas8:45 am†Henry & Theresa Rebinski
By Family
- Thursday, December 7th ~ Vigil6:30 pm† Michael KekerBy Stan & Dorothy Wantrobski
- Friday, December 8th ~ The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 8:45 am **† Father Joseph Rucinski** By Eileen & Jim Mattison
- 6:30 pm In honor of the Immaculate Conception By Angela Gross
- Saturday, December 9th ~ St. Juan Diego5:00 pmLiving & Deceased Parishioners of
St. Theodore
- Sunday, Dec. 10th ~ Second Sunday of Advent8:00 amBirthday Blessings for Michaela Kovacs
By Mary Kovacs
- 10:30 am † Sam & Marietta Tridente By Theresa McLaughlin

Your Offertory Gift <u>November 26, 2023</u> First Collection: \$1,817 Propane: \$820 Thanksgiving: \$125

Thank you for your generosity. Next week's collection is for Religious Retirement Fund

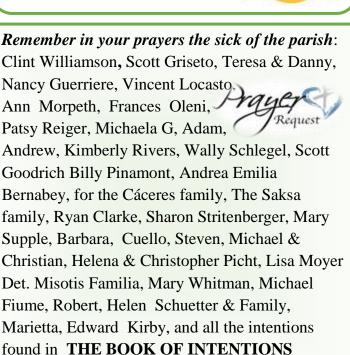
Christmas Confession will be on Monday, December 4th from 6pm to 7pm. Confessions are also 30 minutes before every Mass

Hospitality Sunday ~ December 10th after 8am & 10:30 am Masses. Bring your favorite baked goods and join in fellowship to start the week off.



St. Nicholas will be passing through our own parish on Sunday, December 3rd after 10:30 Mass!

located in the Narthex.



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 8:45 am





Our Parish Giving Tree will be on display in the Narthex from **now through December 3rd.** A flier explaining how the program works is hung on the bulletin board in the back of the church



Free Admission Donations accepted Refreshments to follow

> Bring in the holidays with music by several vocal and instrumental groups



Sunday, December 17th after 10:30 Mass

Come join the festive chaos as we decorate the Church. It is a wonderful time for your family to feel the Christmas spirit as we prepare for the birth of Jesus.



SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION December 8th ~ HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION



Mass Schedule

Thursday, 7th 6:30 pm Vigil Mass

Friday. 8th 8:45 am & 6:30 pm

Full of grace ~ In the Gospel of Luke, Mary is called "full of grace," a term that reflects her "immaculate" (from the Latin for "without stain") state.

And he came to her and said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!"

Luke 1:28

The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains this connection.

Through the centuries the Church has become ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace" through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confesses, as Pope Pius IX proclaimed in 1854. The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original





Sunday, 24th Christmas Eve Mass & Pageant

Monday, 25th 5:00 pm 12:00 am Midnight Mass (there will be regular Sunday Mass at 8:00 am & 10:30 am)



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