

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 month6:30 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

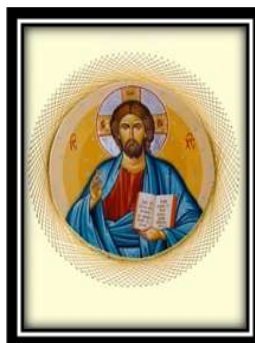
Following the Friday 8:45 AM Mass

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 DiMartile



November 27, 2022 First Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 26th

5:00 pm **Anniversary Blessings for Ray & Margaret Vonderheide**

Sunday, November 27th First Sunday of Advent

8:00 am † **Judson Edel**

By Saponaro Family

10:30 am † **Felix Otaegui & Bertha & Henry Owens**

By DeVenzia Family

Monday, November 28th

8:45am † **The Nappi Family**

By Angela Gross

Tuesday, November 29th

8:45 am † **Hamz Muheisen**

By Finnegan & Muheisen families

Wednesday, November 30th

8:45 am **Living & Deceased parishioners of St. Theodore**

Thursday, December 1st

8:45 am **No Mass**

First Friday, December 2nd

8:45 am **Blessing for Nancy Sives**

By Rose & Karl Strohmaier

First Saturday, December 3rd ~ St. Francis Xavier

8:45am † **Peter & Julie Martinez**

By Karl & Rose Strohmaier

5:00 pm **Living & Deceased members of the Kovacs family**

By Family

Sunday, December 4th Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 am † **Joseph & Patricia Roche**

By Clem & Clara Wyker

10:30 am † **Arthur Peterson**

By Charlie & Nancy Guerriere

St. Nicholas is coming!

St. Nicholas will be passing through our own parish on Sunday, December 4th after 10:30 Mass!



Parish Giving Tree

Our Parish Giving Tree will be on display in the Narthex from now until Dec. 12th. As always, thank you for your generosity as we try to make this Christmas season a special one for those less fortunate.




Christmas Confessions will be Monday, December 5th from 6 to 7pm

Sanctuary Candles

Deceased members of SMA Class 1961

Living members of SMA Class 1961

By Mary De Lany




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

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





Last year's winnings were over \$2,300!

Your 50/50 tickets have been mailed. Call the office if you are in need of more tickets. Make sure to return tickets by November 27th. The drawing will be held on Sunday, December 4th at 12pm. Your tickets can be mailed, put in Sunday basket marked 50/50 or dropped off in the office!

First Sunday In Advent

The word "Advent" comes from the Latin word "adventus," which means "a coming, approach, arrival." When we expect guests to arrive at our homes, we turn the lights on; we anticipate their arrival and welcome them with joy.

Advent wreaths ~ The Advent wreath is a centuries-old Christian tradition. Potentially overlooked by the candles it holds to light the way for the birth of Jesus, the Advent wreath itself symbolizes many themes and beliefs central to the Christian faith.

History of the Advent wreath ~ The origin of the Advent wreath has been traced back to Germany, though the exact dates are unknown. Historians have suggested that pre-Christian Germanic peoples would light candles around wreaths in the dark winter months in anticipation of the warmer, lighter months in springtime. This tradition likely evolved into an "Advent wreath" at some point during the Middle Ages, transforming the pagan tradition into a Christian one.

Advent wreath meaning ~ The circular shape of the Advent wreath symbolizes God's infinite love for us – it is never-ending, just like the true Light of the World, Jesus, who leads us into eternal life with Him. The materials of the Advent wreath similarly lead us to reflect on the everlasting nature of God.

Advent candle weeks, names & colors

Advent week 1 – Hope: Prophecy Candle (purple)

Advent week 2 – Peace: Bethlehem Candle (purple)

Advent week 3 – Joy: Shepherd's Candle (pink)

Advent week 4 – Love: Angel's Candle (purple)



SHARING THE SEASON COMMUNITY BENEFIT AUCTION & DINNER

Council 10419 of the Long Valley Knights of Columbus is holding its 31 st Annual Auction on Saturday evening, December 3, 2022 at St. Luke's Catholic Church, 265 West Mill Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853. It is a wonderful evening out featuring both live and silent auctions, a buffet dinner, beer, wine, beverages and deserts. Live auction begins at 8 PM, silent at 6 PM. Admission is only \$35 (with a \$10.00 discount for early purchase). Visit their website www.lvkofc.org for additional details.

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