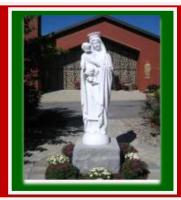
SAINT THEODORE

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 Saint Theodore Roman Catholic Church Post Office Box 146, 855 Route 57 Port Murray, New Jersey 07865

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 | |
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| Care of the sick | call Parish Office | |
| Altar Rosary Society:Meetings First Wednesday | | |
| of the month | 7:00 PM | |
| Youth Group | Kevin McLaughlin | |

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

| Saturday | 5:00 PM | |
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| Sunday | 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM | |
| Weekdays Monday through Wednesday, and | | |
| Friday | 8:45 AM | |
| First Friday and First Satu | urday8:45 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.

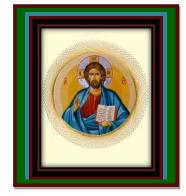
Devotions

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

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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



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 18th

5:00 pm **Altar Rosary Society**

Sunday, December 19th

† Birthday blessings for Paul Boccolini 8:00 am

By Mom & Dad Ejvind

Monday, December 20th

Salvatore & Geanette Urbano 8:45 am

By Family

Tuesday, December 21st

Living & Deceased members 8:45 am

of St. Theodore

Wednesday, December 22nd

8:45 am The Anthony Nappi Family

By Angela Gross

Thursday, December 23rd

No Mass

Friday December 24th Christmas Vigil

5:00 pm * Christmas Pageant - Live streamed

Christmas Remembrance

12:00 Midnight Mass Christmas Remembrance

Saturday, December 25th Christmas Day 9:00am Christmas Remembrance

11:00am * Live streamed

Christmas Remembrance

Christmas Remembrance 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 26th

8:00 am **Christmas Remembrance**

Christmas Remembrance 10:30 am

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

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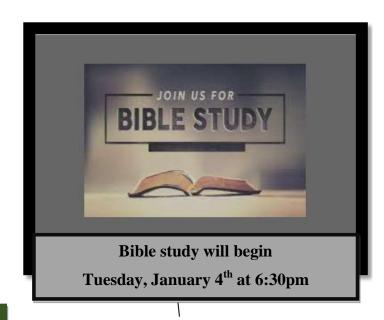
Religious Retirement Fund: \$649

Christmas Flowers: \$180

Christmas Gift: \$175

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Michael, Robert, Helen, Sam, Marietta,

Edward Kirby, William & Joan Prosser. Victoria



Dear Parishioners,

I would like to take a moment to wish you a very Merry Christmas. During this season, we will be celebrating Hope, Peace, Love and Joy; I pray that all four of these would fill your life in every way this Christmas and beyond. I am grateful to God. This Christmas, as in all previous years, we celebrate "Immanuel" (God with us). Without Christ's presence among us we would be lost. Through God's presence working within us we are being healed, transformed, reconciled and made whole. I pray you have a blessed Christmas.

Father Damian, SDS

Confession Christmas Schedule:

Monday-Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve

5:00 pm Mass Christmas Pageant Live Streamed 12:00 pm Mid-night Mass

Christmas Day
9:00 am Mass
11:00 am Mass - Live streamed
5:00 pm Mass

Feast of the Nativity



Christmas is one of the most important days of the Church year, second only to Easter itself. It is the feast of the incarnation, the feast of God becoming flesh (the Latin "in carne" means "enfleshment"). It is a uniquely Christian teaching, the Divine choosing to become one of us. Because of this belief, God is not only Transcendent, but also wholly Immanent, Emmanuel (God-with-us). While remaining Transcendent (meaning we must rise above our present condition to reach Him), He is at the same time Immanent (meaning He is with us as we rise toward Him). Every Eucharist is like Christmas where the bread and wine are transformed into His flesh, His Body and Blood, and, in a sense, He is born anew on the altar.

The liturgical season of Christmas begins with the vigil Masses on Christmas Eve and concludes on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. During this season, we celebrate the birth of Christ into our world and into our hearts and reflect on the gift of salvation that is born with him, including the fact that he was born to die for us.

The Christmas tree and the Nativity scene are popular symbols of the season and a tradition in many Christian homes. It is also traditional to exchange Christmas gifts with family and friends to honor God the Father's gift of his only son to the world. Having received the gift of Christ, we naturally want to pass that gift along to our loved ones.





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