

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 through Friday
 10 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
Malysa Collazo, Parish Secretary	ext 1
Elizabete Romanello, Financial Manager	ext 1
Mary Kovacs, Bulletin & Website Editor	
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

The month of August is dedicated to The Immaculate Heart of Mary

"In the end, my Immaculate Heart
will triumph." Our Lady of Fatima



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

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 24th ~ St. Bartholomew

5:00 pm † **Russell Griseto**
By Ina Russo

Sunday, August 25th ~ Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am † **Madeline Ackerman**
By Jim & Eileen Mattison

10:30 am † **Gaetano Viola**
By Marylou Viola

Monday, August 26th

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

Tuesday, August 27th ~ St. Monica

8:45 am † **Melina Mattar**
By Ina Russo

Wednesday, August 28th ~ St. Augustine

8:45 am † **Raymond I. Spagnuolo**
By Saam family

Thursday, August 29th ~ Passion of St. John the Baptist No Mass

Friday, August 30th

8:45 am † **Luviminda Elane**
By Family

Saturday, August 31st

5:00 pm † **Grace Ross**
By Ina Russo

Sunday, September 1st ~ Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Living & Deceased members
of St. Theodore**

10:30 am **Thanksgiving & Prayer for
Valeria Toczniske**
By Yadviga Gondek



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

Your Offertory Gift

August 18th, 2024

First Collection: \$3,326

Assumption: \$689

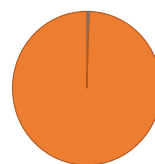
Votive: \$78

Thank you for your generosity.

**Next week's second collection is for
the Property & Liability Fund**

Property & Liability Fund

We are at 9% of goal. This includes
balances from 2022 & 2023



■ Collected \$220

■ Balance \$41,098

Sanctuary Candles

*We offer the burning candles, two
available at all times –
they are the candles near our
murals Sanctuary. This
intention is for a whole
week. The stipend for a
Sanctuary Candle is also \$10*



SANCTUARY CANDLE In MEMORY OF

**GAETANO VIOLA
&**

JOSHUA RAPPAPORT

By Marylou Viola

Parish 50/50 Raffle



Congratulations to our 50/50 winners:

1st prize - Dawn Smith \$2,336

2nd prize – Kevin Mc Laughlin \$350.40

3rd prize – James DeStefano \$233.60

Thank you to everyone that participated!

**The 50/50 raised \$2,920 that will go
towards utility bills!**

St. Theodore's Fundraising Social
BEER~WINE & CHEESE TASTING

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday ~ October 5, 2024
6:00 PM

NEW JERSEY MARCH FOR LIFE
Trenton, NJ | September 26, 2024

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10:00 a.m. – Pre-Rally Concert

11:00 a.m. – Rally

12:00 p.m. – March for Life

Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:

Joan Prosser, Michael Shannon,
Sam Mattison, Ann Morpeth, for the Cáceres
Family, Helen Schuetler & Family, Edward
Kirby, Joseph Mattar, Patricia Walker and all the
intentions found in **THE BOOK OF
INTENTIONS** located in the Narthex.



Carrying Jesus with Us Imitating Mary in Receiving Communion

“What must Mary have felt as she heard from the mouth of Peter, John, James, and the other Apostles the words spoken at the Last Supper: ‘This is my body which is given for you’ (Lk 22:19)? The body given up for us and made present under sacramental signs was the same body which she had conceived in her womb!” Sri writes, “John Paul then beautifully drew out the unique meaning Holy Communion would have had for the Blessed Virgin: ‘For Mary, receiving the Eucharist must have somehow meant welcoming once more into her womb that heart which had beat in unison with hers...’ What a profound insight! Imagine Mary preparing herself to be reunited with her Son in this way. Imagine the loving attention she gave to Jesus in every Holy Communion. What a joy it must have been for her to have her Son dwelling within her again! May Mary be a model for us in the way we receive the Eucharist. Let us pray that we may ardently welcome Jesus in every Holy Communion as Mary received her Son. May the Eucharist cause our hearts to beat ever more in unison with Christ’s as Mary’s heart beat perfectly with his” (*A Biblical Walk Through the Mass*, pp. 142-3, *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 56).



For Reflection:

1. As you prepare to depart after Mass, ask the intercession of our Blessed Mother and St. Philip Neri to help you recognize and reverence Christ’s Eucharistic presence in yourself and others.
2. Consider making “visual contact” with the tabernacle after Mass as a way to acknowledge the Blessed Sacrament remaining in the church in union with your own presence as a tabernacle processing into the world. Find concrete ways of being a “sanctuary light” to awaken awareness of Christ’s presence.