# 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 Hou	ırs: 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	
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 month	6:30 PM
Youth Group	Kevin McLaughlin

#### Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday8:00 AM	A 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	

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Holy Day 8:45 AM and 6:30 PM	1
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

## Sunday August 13th 2023 ~ Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, August 12th5:00 pmBlessings for Kuhrick Family<br/>By Rachel & Family

Sunday, A	Augi	ust 13 <sup>th</sup> ~ Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary
<u>Time</u>		
8:00 am	Ť	Dale Hartzel
		By Hartzel Family

10:30 am † Victor Vallo Sr. By Robert & Victoria Dicheck

<u>Monday, August 14th</u> ~ <u>Vigil Mass</u> 6:30 pm † Rogalia Golonka By Helen Schuettler

## Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> ~ <mark>The Assumption of the Blessed</mark> Virgin Mary

8:45 am The Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Theodore
6:30 pm † Sam & Marietta Tridente

By John & Jane Talerico

Wednesday, August 16th ~ St. Stephen of Hungary8:45 am†Beth, Tom & Louis DebariBy Angela Gross

<u>Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup></u> No Mass

Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am † Bobby Gross & Tom Folk By Angela Gross

## Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm The Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Theodore

Sunday, August 20th ~ Twentieth Sunday in OrdinaryTime8:00 am†Matthew & Mildred DeLany<br/>By Matthew & Mary Ann DeLany10:30 amAltar Rosary Society



### **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 With Exposition of the Holy Eucharist Your Offertory Gift

August 6, 2023

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**Sanctuary Candle Offering** 

In memory of Allan Keggan



Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May they rest in peace.

By Matt & Mary Ann DeLany

Now grant rest, O Lord, to the souls of your departed servants, in a place of light, joy, and peace where there is no pain, sorrow, nor mourning.



St Theodore offers our heartfelt condolences to the **Domanski** family. May Richard's soul be at peace with our Heavenly Father.

We pray for peace and comfort for you and your loved ones at this difficult time and offer our heartfelt condolences to you all.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen

# RE IGIOUS EDUCA<sup>5</sup>ION



## **Religious Education 2023-24**

We are accepting registrations for the Fall. Registration forms can be found in the Narthex by the children's bulletin board and also online

# Registrations should be returned by August 17<sup>th</sup>.

We need teacher assistants. If interested please see Elizabeth Saam our Religious Ed Director.

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sends us a rebate on your purchase, which can be use towards our parish operatin expenses. They are sold through the Altar Rosary Society after all

# Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:



Adam, Andrew, Dottie McCarthy & Kimberly Rivers, Wally Schlegel, Scott Goodrich Billy Pinamont, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, for the Cáceres family, The Saksa family, Ryan Clarke, Sharon Stritenberger, Mary Supple, Barbara, Al DiFonzo Cuello, Steven, Michael & Christian, Helena & Christopher Picht, Lisa Moyer Det. Misotis Familia, Mary Whitman, Michael Fiume, Robert, Helen Schuetter & Family, Marietta, Edward Kirby, and all those, whose names appear in the **THE BOOK OF INTENTIONS** located in the Narthex

# The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation

The Assumption is the oldest feast day of Our Lady, but we don't know how it first came to be celebrated.

Its origin is lost in those days when Jerusalem was restored as a sacred city, at the time of



the Roman Emperor Constantine (c. 285-337). By then it had been a pagan city for two centuries, ever since Emperor Hadrian.

For 200 years, every memory of Jesus was obliterated from the city, and the sites made holy by His life, death and Resurrection became pagan temples.

After the building of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in 336, the sacred sites began to be restored and memories of the life of Our Lord began to be celebrated by the people of Jerusalem. One of the memories about his mother centered around the "Tomb of Mary," close to Mount Zion, where the early Christian community had lived.

On the hill itself was the "Place of Dormition," the spot of Mary's "falling asleep," where she had died. The "Tomb of Mary" was where she was buried.

At this time, the "Memory of Mary" was being celebrated. Later it was to become our feast of the Assumption.

For a time, the "Memory of Mary" was marked only in Palestine, but then it was extended by the emperor to all the churches of the East. In the seventh century, it began to be celebrated in Rome under the title of the "Falling Asleep" ("Dormitio") of the Mother of God.

Soon the name was changed to the "Assumption of Mary," since there was more to the feast than her dying. It also proclaimed that she had been taken up, body and soul, into heaven.



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