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# St. Theodore Catholic Church

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## DO NOT BE AFRAID

John came to testify to the light and prepare an upright people for the Lord. The Church has celebrated feasts in honor of John the Baptist since the fourth century. In the early Church, John was held in high esteem along with the apostles and St. Stephen. John, filled with the Holy Spirit in the womb of his mother Elizabeth, brings the children of Israel to the Lord their God. "John baptized Christ, the giver of baptism, in the waters made holy by the one who was baptized" (Preface 61, Roman Missal). Like the angel in the Gospel, we can say "Do not be afraid," for John is born anew to herald the message of repentance and conversion that leads us

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## No tengan miedo

toward our salvation.

Juan vino a dar testimonio de la luz y a preparar al pueblo para el Señor. La Iglesia ha celebrado fiestas en honor de Juan Bautista desde el siglo IV. En la Iglesia de los primeros tiempos se tenía a Juan en gran estima, junto con los Apóstoles y san Esteban. Juan, lleno del Espíritu Santo desde el vientre de su madre, Isabel, trae a los hijos de Israel al Señor, su Dios. Juan bautizó a Cristo, que nos trajo el Bautismo, en las aguas santificadas por el que había sido bautizado. Como el ángel del Evangelio, podemos decir "no tengan miedo" porque Juan ha vuelto a nacer mensajero de arrepentimiento y de conversión que nos lleva a la salvación.

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RECONCILIATION WEEKEND MASSESS

Saturday......4:00 pm Saturday: 5:15 pm

Sunday Sunday: 9:00 am (Broadcast on KATE 1450 AM) 1/2 hour before Masses

11:00 am (Español)

## From the Desk of Father Kurt

This Sunday the Church celebrates that Solemnity of the birth of John the Baptist. There are a lot of feasts in the Church that involve John the Baptist. Why is he so important? One reason is because he was an important figure in the early Church. Many people began to believe that John the Baptist was the Messiah. The many feasts in honor of John were a way of clearly defining his role in the Church. Luke points out very clearly that John was not messiah, but a man whose role was to prepare the way for the Messiah's coming, another way of saving, "John was not the light but bore witness to the light."

Another reason for John's importance was that he represented the transition from the Old Covenant that God made with the Jewish people, to the new covenant that God would establish with the entire world through his Son Jesus. Luke and the other Gospel writers use John as a literary device to set up the importance of what is about to take place in human history. Salvation and true worship, which was once reserved to a chosen people has now been offered to the entire world. Jesus has opened the door of salvation to anyone that will put their faith in him. For us this feast reminds us of the generosity of God's boundless love, and a challenge to respond to God's love by becoming his faithful disciples.

Love in Christ. Father Kurt Farrell



Thank you to all those who helped Father celebrate is 20th Anniversary as a priest! What a wonderful blessing!



Affective July 2nd our security codes will be changing. Please contact the parish to let us know if we need to update your access code.

## Sacrificial Giving

June 16-17, 2018

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Improvement Fund	St. James
\$7,880.49	\$707.16	\$135.00	\$155.06

2018 Catholic Ministry Appeal Goal \$60,970.00

Amount Pledged & Received:

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## **Upcoming Broadcast Masses**

Mass Intentions | Schedule

No Mass

Rosary

Mass

† Poor Souls in Purgatory

by Loren & Kathy Aase

Rosary

Mass:

† Anita West

by a friend

Rosary

Masses

† Ramon Rosado & Luz

Ortiz by the Ortiz Family

Rosary

Mass

† Patrick L. Callahan

by Doris Callahan

Adoration

Spanish Prayer Group

Reconciliation

Rosarv

Mass † Ruth O'Brien by Family

Reconciliation

Rosary

Mass. † Jack Bergen

by Pat & Nancy Bergen

**Spanish Mass** † Vincent Warner Sr.

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Mon, June 25

4:45 pm

5:15 pm

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6:30pm - 8:00pm

4:00 pm

4:45 pm

5:15 pm

8:30 am

8:30 am

9:00 am

11:00 am

Tues.

June

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July

July 8 †Chuck Smith by Carol Smith

July 15 †Joe Carlin by family

July 22 †Alice Olson by husband, family & friends

July 29 **Donor Needed** Aug 5 **Donor Needed** 

Daily	Scri	nture	Read	linas
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Mon 6/25	2KGS 17:5-8,13-15a, 18	MT 7:1-5
Tues: 6/26	2KGS 19:9B-36	MT 7:6,12-14
Wed: 6/27	2KGS 22:8-13, 23:1-3	MT 7:15-20
Thurs: 6/28	2KGS 24:8-17	MT 7:21-29
Fri: 6/29	ACTS 12:1-11	MT 16:13-19
Sat: 6/30	LAM 2:2,10-14,18-19	MT 8:5-17
Sun: 7/1	WIS 1:13-15; 2:23-24	PS 30:2, 4, 5-6, 1

WIS 1:13-15; 2:23-24 PS 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 2 COR 8: 7, 9, 13-15 MK 5: 21-43

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${\it \it J}$	his Week's Activities & T	Reminders
Mon June 25	Loaves & Fishes 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Marian Hall
Tues, June 26	Aging with Gusto 10:00 am - 11:00 am	Access
	Parent/School Association Meeting 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Marian Hall
Wed June 27	Morning Prayer Group 6:00 am - 7:00 am	Parish Conference Room
Thurs June 28	Parish Life Meeting 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Parish Conference Room
Fri June 29	Parish Office Closed	
Sat June 30	No Parish Activities	
Sun July 1	No Parish Activities	

## **Future Events**

August 26 Mass in the Park 10am

October 2018 Our Lady of Guadalupe Grotto Trip March 18-29, 2019 2019 Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in Israel

## 2018 Pictorial Directory Update

A quick update on the status of the photo directory. Our goal is a minimum of 500 member/family photos. We began scheduling photos on May 24 and as of June 14 - 26 families have had their photos taken for the directory! Thank you so much /Muchas Gracias?



Thoughts

and Prayers

To book an appointment, you may contact Natasha directly by calling: 507-383-0966 or go online at www.natashaclarey.photos.

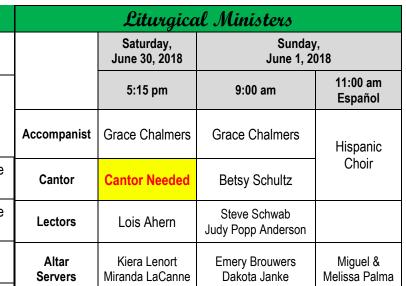


## **Employment Opportunity**

St. Theodore Catholic Parish is seeking a Christ-centered individual for the position of Part-Time Parish

Administrator. Interested qualified applicants may contact the Parish Office at (507)373-0603 and should submit cover letter, resume, and application to: Parish Administration - 308 E. Fountain Street - Albert Lea. MN 56007 - administration@sttheo.org. Job description and application can be found on our parish website at www.sttheo.org. Position includes the opportunity to work with a wonderful team and an excellent benefits package.

This past week, two members of our parish family were called home to the Lord. We pray for the friends & family of Thomas "Tommy" Chicos and Howard Attig. As they morn the loss of their loved one, may the love, mercy and compassion of our Lord bring them peace and comfort during this difficult time.







Our At Home Mission Trip was once again a huge success thanks to the hard work of all those who volunteered. rolled up their sleeves, and stepped forward to lend a hand it cleaning up our parish campus!

We are so thankful and proud to have been able to work side-by-side with so many dedicated parishioners! THANK YOU!

St. Theodore Faith Formation

**BAPTISM** 

## St. Theodore School News

We will have a float in the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July parade. We are in need of candy to give during the parade. Any candy donations can be dropped off in the parish office. The parish office is open Monday - Thursday. We will be collecting candy donations until July 2nd. Please no chocolate (we don't want it melting on everyone).

We are still accepting registrations for the 2018-2019 school year. Tuition assistance is available, contact us for more information. If you or anyone you know has any questions about our school, please don't hesitate to call the School Office at 507-373-9657. Kristina will be in the school office Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays (8:00am-3:00pm) over the summer, if you need any assistance.

Hope everyone is having a great summer! St. Theodore Catholic School

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Welcome: This weekend we welcome two newly baptized members into the body of Christ. Mia Jasleen Merrit Vazgues, daughter of Andrew & Angeles Merrit and Aurora Lee Hanson, daughter of Cody Lee Hanson and DonavirAnn Vargo. We celebrate the blessings of these beautiful eternal souls into our community as a wonderful addition and may they grow to love the Lord.

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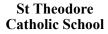


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