



# St. Theodore Catholic Church

Inviting people to actively participate in the Life of Christ!

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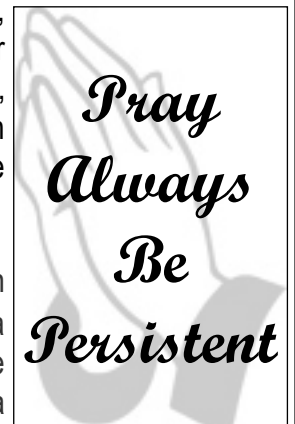
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**Today**, the word of God proclaims that those who cry out to the Lord will be justified. Saint Paul urges Timothy to remain faithful to the vocation entrusted to him, and that he never stop preaching the Gospel with patience and wisdom in the community. For Paul, faith leads to salvation. In the Gospel, Jesus encourages his disciples to pray to the Father like the persistent widow, who never gave up her search for justice before the unjust judge. She was so insistent in her petitions that the judge granted her what she sought. Such is the life of prayer before the Father. Prayer is important for those who serve the community! It may help to expose the parish community to the variety of devotions of the Church, such as the Liturgy of the Hours, Lectio Divina, a Taizé prayer service, or even a form of semi-contemplative experience, such as a centering prayer. Such an exposure would enrich the lives of those who gather every Sunday to celebrate the paschal mystery of the Lord.



**Hoy**, la palabra de Dios proclama que aquellos que claman al Señor serán justificados. San Pablo insta a Timoteo a permanecer fiel a la vocación que se le ha confiado, y que nunca deje de predicar el Evangelio con paciencia y sabiduría en la comunidad. Para Pablo, la fe conduce a la salvación. En el Evangelio, Jesús anima a sus discípulos a orar al Padre como la viuda persistente, que nunca renunció a su búsqueda de justicia ante el juez injusto. Ella era tan insistente en sus peticiones que el juez le concedió lo que buscaba. Tal es la vida de oración ante el Padre. ¡La oración es importante para aquellos que sirven a la comunidad! Puede ayudar exponer a la comunidad parroquial a la variedad de devociones de la Iglesia, como la liturgia de las horas, Lectio Divina, un servicio de oración Taizé, o incluso una forma de experiencia semi-contemplativa, como una oración centrada. Tal exposición enriquecería la vida de los que se reúnen todos los domingos para celebrar el misterio pascual del Señor.

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Saturday:** 5:15 pm  
**Sunday:** 9:00 am (Broadcast on KATE 1450 AM)  
11:00 am (Español)

**RECONCILIATION**

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm  
**Sunday:** 1/2 hour before Masses

**Parish Office Hours**

**Monday-Thursday**.....8:00 am-5:00 pm  
**Friday**.....8:00 am -12:00 pm  
Office closes from 9:00-9:45 am on Wednesday so staff can attend Mass and 12:00-1:00 pm for lunch Monday -Thursday.

**PRAYER CHAIN**

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## From the Desk of Father Kurt

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus speaks of the importance of being persistent in our prayer and not to get discouraged when our prayers don't seem to be answered. Jesus did not only teach about the importance of prayer but modeled it for his disciples by making a habit of spending long periods of time in prayer to his heavenly Father. Jesus prayed before making big decisions, before performing miracles, and before undergoing his passion. He prayed in the desert, on the mountain top, in the temple and in the garden. Jesus told his disciples to come away to a deserted place and pray awhile. He taught them to go to their inner room and pray to their heavenly Father in secret, and when asked how to pray, he taught his disciples the Our Father. There is no question that prayer was important to Jesus and if prayer was important to Jesus, it should also be important to us.

Love in Christ,  
Father Kurt Farrell

## Mass Intentions & Schedule

Tue Oct 22	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary <b>Mass</b> † Donald Roberts by Bob & Becky Spencer	Church Church
Wed Oct 23	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary <b>Mass</b> † Polly Schiltz	Church Church
Thurs Oct 24	9:00 am	<b>Mass</b> For All Parishioners	Church
Fri Oct 25	8:30 am 9:00 am	<b>Rosary</b> <b>Mass</b> For All Parishioners	Church Church
	9:30 am-6:30 pm 6:30-8:00 pm	<b>Adoration</b> <b>Hispanic Holy Hour</b>	Church Church
Sat Oct 26	4:00 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation Rosary <b>Mass</b> † LeRoy & Helen Wilder by the Wilder Family	Church Church Church
	Sun Oct 27	8:30 am 9:00 am  11:00 am	Reconciliation & Rosary <b>Mass</b> For All Parishioners, Tautges, Rathman & Rhodes Family Members by Larry, Rich and Betty <b>Hispanic Mass</b> For All Parishioners

## Sacrificial Giving

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
<b>\$7,813.76</b>	<b>\$837.99</b>	<b>\$595.00</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>

## 2019 Catholic Ministry Appeal

Goal	\$60,180.00
Amount Received	<b>\$41,504.00</b>
% of Goal Received	<b>68.97%</b>

## Sunday Broadcast Sponsors

Date	Sponsor(s)	Intention
Nov 3	Andrew & Karen Cibert Judy Popp-Anderson	† Donald Roberts For the living and deceased family members of Judy Popp-Anderson
Nov 10	Andrew & Karen Cibert Don & Darlene Sullivan  <b>Additional Sponsors Needed</b>	† Donald Roberts † Don & Darlene Sullivan's parents
Nov 17	Roger & Mary Jemming	For the deceased & living members of
Nov 24	Violet Kalis  <b>Additional Sponsors Needed</b>	† Henry Kalis in celebration of their 60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

## Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 10/21	ROM 4:20-25	LK 12:13-21
Tues: 10/22	ROM 5:12, 15B, 17-19, 20B-21	LK 12:35-38
Wed: 10/23	ROM 6:12-18	LK 12:39-48
Thurs: 10/24	ROM 6:19-23	LK 12:49-53
Fri: 10/25	ROM 7:18-25A	LK 12:54-59
Sat 10/26	ROM 8:1-11	LK 13:1-9
Sun: 10/27	SIR 35:12-14,16-18 2 TM 4:6-8,16-18	PS 34:2-3,17-18,19,23 LK 18:9-14

## MCCL Annual Christmas Wreath Orders

Help support the MCCL with your purchase of a Christmas Wreath. You can place your orders after the 5:15 pm and 9:00 am Masses.

**Thank you in advance for your support!**



Diocese of Winona-Rochester Annual Women's Conference

**“Transforming Culture to Promote Life-  
The Unique Gift of Womanhood”**

November 2, 2019, 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM  
St. Agustin Church, Austin

Please contact the Office of Life, Marriage & family for more info.


## Special Mass Times:

- All Saint Day: Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:00 am & 5:30 pm
- All Souls Day: Saturday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00 am anointing Mass.
- Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 28, 9:00 am Mass
- No Mass: Friday, November 29, 2019

## This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon Oct 21	<b>Loaves &amp; Fishes</b> 5:00 - 6:30 pm <b>Hispanic Bible Class</b> 6:00 - 7:30 pm	Marian Hall  Church Basement
Tue Oct 22	<b>School Staff Meeting</b> 3:15 - 4:15 pm <b>Aztec Dance Practice</b> 5:00 pm -6:30 pm <b>Parent/School Association Meeting</b> 6:00-7:00 pm	School Room 15  Gym  Marian Hall
Wed Oct 23	<b>Morning Prayer Group</b> 6:00 - 7:00 am <b>Bell Choir Practice</b> 6:00 - 7:00 pm <b>Faith Formation: 5th-11th Grades</b> 7:00-8:00 pm	Parish Meeting Room  Church Basement  School, Gym, Marian Hall
Thurs Oct 24	<b>Hispanic Choir Practice</b> 6:00-7:30 pm	Church Basement
Fri Oct 25	<b>No Scheduled Activities</b>	
Sat Oct 26	<b>Funeral: Gutknecht</b> 11:00 am <b>Baptism: Low</b> 5:15 Mass	Church  Church
Sun Oct 27	<b>Faith Formation: PreK-4th Grades</b> 10:05-10:55 am	School

## Liturgical Ministers

	Saturday Oct 26, 2019	Sunday Oct 27, 2019	
	<b>5:15 pm</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
Accompanist	AdaTheusch	AdaTheusch	Hispanic Choir
Cantor	Abbie Theusch w/ choir	Carrie Boyer	
Lectors	Grzybowski's	Penny Jahnke Sue Miller	
Altar Servers	Elise Grzybowski Blake Redman	Tanner Conn Dakota Jahnke	Maray Lopez Eliyana Ortiz

### St. Theodore School News

Mark your calendars to attend our Praise and Worship Mass with our students on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 5:15pm. If you haven't been to a Children's Mass on Wednesday mornings, this is a great chance to check out our kiddos. We would love to see you there.

We are participating again this year with Jack Frost's Closet. This event collects winter items from children sizes to adults. Items needed are new socks, gently used coats, hats, gloves, and boots. Donation boxes are located in the Church, Parish Office, and School Office. All donations are greatly appreciated. Please contact the School Office at 507-373-9657 if you have any questions.

We still have Cabin Coffee tumblers for sale. They are \$20.00 each, with each cup you will receive a coupon for 50% off your first cup and then 10% off every time you use it. They are available in the parish or school offices.

Check out the schools Weekly Newsletter on the St. Theodore website at [www.sttheo.org](http://www.sttheo.org) for school updates and happenings.

Have a blessed weekend!

**St. Theodore Catholic School**

**Welcome:** This weekend we welcomed the following into the Catholic faith through the sacrament of baptism.

- ◆ Ayamey Monroe Melendez-Dardenas, daughter of Esperanza Cardenas
- ◆ Julion Antonio Torres & Aniyah Lynn Adams-Torres, son and daughter of Emily Ann Torres.

We celebrate the blessing of their beautiful eternal souls and may we help them grow to be the Saints the Lord has called them to be.



### Baby Bottle Campaign:

The Baby Bottle Campaign is still going on to help the Catholic Charities' Mother and Child Assistance Fund. To help support this event, just pick up a baby bottle from the bassinet located in the church access. When you have it filled, just bring it into the parish office or place in the weekend collection. Please prayerfully consider how the Lord is calling you to help support this event.



**Congratulations** to Ray Stephenson and Shelby Alt who were united in marriage on Friday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, at St. Theodore's. May they always keep Christ at the center of this beautiful sacramental union.



## Faith Formation News

Please check the bulletin insert on ways you can help support the Trunk or Treat event

### March for Life

Register now at [dowr.org](http://dowr.org) for the Diocese of Winona-Rochester March for Life in Washington, DC. January 22-26, 2020. The cost to attend is \$375 and includes bus transportation, hotel for two nights, Life is Very Good Evening Prayer, Rally and Mass for Life, visit to DC landmarks, and some meals. Come and be a part to show your support for life as every human person is irreplaceable.



We only have a couple of months left to reach our goal of \$60,180.00. All monies given that exceed our goal come back to the parish to be used for designated projects. If we don't reach our goal, the parish will have to pay the difference from our general fund. Please give generously! Thank you!



