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Can also take requests in Spanish!

Congratulations
2022
First Communicants

Christ is the bread of life, and the cup of eternal Salvation;
May you always live as a child of God!

Maddox Arnold	Valeria Lopez
Angelique Bautista	Dylan Magdaleno Garcia
Giandavi Bermudez	Jessica Magdaleno Garcia
Yoselyn Cesario Limon	August Melendez
Danna Dominguez Limon	Alexander Perez Peralta
Javier Estrada	Brian Perez-Tuxpan
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Karina López Barrios	Jean Turrubiartes
Ruby López Barrios	Jose Yebra Diaz
Yessenia López Barrios	Camila Zuñiga

MASS TIMES

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

Nursing Home Masses - 2:00 pm
1st Thursday - All St. Johns Locations
2nd Thursday - Good Samaritan
3rd Thursday - Thorne Crest

RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 4:00 pm ♦ ***Sunday***: 1/2 hour before Mass

PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHAPEL
Open all hours

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
8:00 am-4:00 pm
Closed Friday

Hispanic Office Hours

Tuesday	***Wed & Thurs***
8:00 am-noon	*1:00-3:00 pm*

Offices Close Daily
- *9:00-9:45 am for Mass (except Monday)*
- *12:00-1:00 pm for lunch*

From the Desk of Father Kurt

Traditionally the second Sunday of Easter is known as "Divine Mercy Sunday". The reason for this is because it concludes the Octave of Easter, in which we have celebrated for eight days the victory the Lord has won for us over sin, by his suffering, death and resurrection.

In the Gospel this Sunday, when Jesus appears to the apostles for the first time, the apostle Thomas is not there. When the other Apostles tell Thomas that they have seen the Lord, he does not believe them. It is not until Jesus appears to Thomas and allows Thomas to put his hand in his wounds, does Thomas finally get on his knees and says my Lord and my God.

For some people it takes more than others to come to believe and place there life in the hands of Jesus. The story of Thomas helps us realize that it does not matter so much, how long it takes us to get there, but that we get there. Jesus is very patient with us, but sooner or later, if we want to receive the mercy of God, we are going to have to get down on our knees and say my Lord and my God.

Love in Christ,
Father Kurt Farrell

Sacrificial Giving

April 11-17, 2022

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
$14,655.00	$2,368.840	$115.00	$0.00
Holy Thursday	$2,135.40	**Good Friday**	$2,283.75

2022 Catholic Ministry Appeal

Goal	$57,600.00
Amount Received (4/8/22)	$29,742.00

Sunday Broadcast Sponsors

Date	Intention(s)
May 8	In recognition of all mothers living and deceased by the KC Auxiliary
May 15	† Denis C. Flaherty by Ellen M Flaherty
May 22	† Joan Sullivan & all her the living and deceased relatives and friends by Patrick Sullivan
May 29	† Jack Bloomquist by Rosemary

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 5/2	Acts 6:8-15	Jn 6:22-29
Tues: 5/3	1 Cor 15:1-8	Jn 14:6-14
Wed: 5/4	Acts 8:1b-8	Jn 6:35-40
Thu: 5/5	Acts 8:26-40	Jn 6:44-51
Fri: 5/6	Acts 9:1-20	Jn 6:52-59
Sat: 5/7	Acts 9:31-42	Jn 6:60-69
Sun: 5/8	Acts 13:14, 43-52 Rev 7:9, 14b-17	Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 Jn 10:27-30

Two $500 KC Scholarships Available

Application must be turned in by **April 29th, 2022**
Contact Russ Nemec at 507.373.4165.

Cemetery Gravesite Prices

♦ Adult gravesite - $600.00 ♦ Cremains Wall - $1,250.00
♦ Cremains in-ground gravesite - $400.00
Contact Josh Fossum at 651-788-2058 for details.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tues **Apr 26**	**NO MASS** † Alyce McCormick by Connie Peterson family **Intention has been moved to 5/6/2022**		
Wed **Apr 27**	**8:30 am** **9:00 am**	Rosary **Mass** † Eric Stenseth by Elaine & Don Ehrich	Church Church
Thurs **Apr 28**	**8:30 am** **9:00 am**	Rosary **Mass** † Alyce McCormick by Connie Peterson family	Church Church
Fri **Apr 29**	**8:30 am** **9:00 am**	Rosary **Mass** † Darlene Nistler by Marilyn Blong	Church Church
Sat **Apr 30**	**4-4:30 pm** **4:45 pm** **5:15 pm**	Reconciliation Rosary **Mass: First Communion** † Denis Flaherty by Sean & Kristen Flaherty and family	Church Church Church
Sun **May 1**	**8:30 am** **9:00 am** **11:00 am**	Reconciliation & Rosary **Mass** † Clifford Kwapick by Marilou & Kimberly **Hispanic Mass: First Communion** For those listed in the book of intentions and for all parishioners.	Church Church Church

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What is an "Octave"?

And why are we celebrating one this week?

The Church knows that one day of rejoicing just isn't enough. Easter is the "Solemnity of Solemnities"—the biggest feast day of the year. It's so big, in fact, that the Church celebrates it for not one, but *eight full days!*

For her most important feast days, the Church assigns "octaves": eight days of rejoicing in which we celebrate each day as though it were the feast day itself.

The tradition of octaves goes back to the 4th century and is possibly connected to one or both of two events.

During the week after Easter and Pentecost, the newly-baptized neophytes would continue to wear the white garments they received at their baptism, rejoicing for eight days in the joyful celebration of their new life in Christ. In the older calendar, the Sunday after Easter is called "Dominica in Albis"—the "Sunday in White"—to commemorate the laying aside of the white garments.

The other event is the dedication of the churches of Tyre and Jerusalem by the Emperor Constantine. This was the first "octave" properly-speaking that we know of, and was done in emulation of the Jewish custom of an eight-day feast in dedicating the Temple.

Octaves underwent many other additions, deletions, and developments over the course of history. Today we celebrate two of them: one for Easter and one for Christmas. The older calendar of the Church also retains the octave of Pentecost.

So, rejoice! As St. Paul would say: "Again, I say, rejoice!" (Philippians 4:4). Remind yourself of the joy that is ours this Easter week and all year long!

This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon **Apr 25**	**Loaves & Fishes** 4:45-5:30 pm **Life in the Spirit Prayer Group** 6-7:00 pm **Hispanic Bible Study** 6-8:00 pm	Marian Hall Church Church Basement
Tues **Apr 26**	**No Additional Parish Activities**	
Wed **Apr 27**	**Morning Prayer Group** 6:00-7:00 am **5th-11th gr. LAST Faith Formation Classes** 7:00-8:00 pm	Parish Meeting Room Church
Thurs **Apr 28**	**Parish Council Prayer & Meeting** 6:00 Prayer ♦ 6:30-7:30 pm Meeting **Hispanic Choir Practice** 6:30-8:00 pm	Church/ Parish Meeting Room Church Basement
Fri **Apr 29**	**Adoration** 9:30am-6:30 pm **Hispanic Adoration** 6:30-8:00 pm	Chapel Chapel
Sat **Apr 30**	**No Additional Parish Activities**	
Sun **May 1**	**No Additional Parish Activities**	

We pray for the following family who mourn the loss of their loved one:

- *Ray Luna (died April 19, 2022)*

We pray the Lord's love, mercy & compassion bring his family peace & comfort during this difficult time. We pray the Lord will grant his soul peace, mercy and eternal rest.

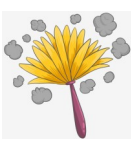
Welcome: This weekend we welcome the following into the church family through the Sacrament of Baptism.

- Greta Elaine Yost, daughter of Marissa Elaine Yost

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

Updating Parish Records

Just contact the parish office at 373-0603 or send us a quick email to ensure that we have the most current information. Thank You!



Volunteers are needed to join our fun group to help with light dusting in the church. This joyful group dusts the third Tuesday of each month from 9:30-10:30 am. Please call the parish office letting us know you want to join our team of church dusters!

Liturgical Ministers

	April 30, 2022	May 1, 2022	
	5:15 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Accompanist	Ada Theusch	Ada Theusch	Please check the Hispanic bulletin for details
Cantor	TBD	Jodi Blong	
Lectors	Lois Ahern	Penny Jahnke	
Servers	Blake Redman, Kyle or Jenna Steffl	Eliyana Huerta-Ortiz Eva Montero-Ortiz	

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Summer Camp Opportunities

For more info go to sttheo.org or contact Irene Nelson at 507-373-5254.

Totus Tuus

("Totally Yours")

A Catholic Summer Youth Program
Coming to St. Theodore's,
July 17-22, 2022

TOTUS TUUS combines catechesis and having FUN! The youthfulness & energy of the leaders is contagious. Registration is $15 per child ($30 max/ family). Totus Tuus is open to youth 1st-6th grade, as well as middle & high school youth 7th-12th grade. Informational flyers, which include a registration form and ways for all parishioners to volunteer, are located in both church entrances. **Please register by May 1st!**

We need more students to sign up in order for us to hold this program.

Camp Summit

July 25-28, near Lanesboro, MN. Register by June 1st.

Steubenville Conference:

July 15-17, 2022 in Rochester. Register by April 27th.

Monetary assistance is still needed to help lighten the financial cost for an individual's fee to attend camp. Envelopes located in back access.

Irene Nelson, Faith Formation Director - ian@sttheo.org

ST. THEODORE SCHOOL NEWS

We hope everyone had an amazing Easter. It's hard to believe that we will be done with this school year in a short 4 weeks. We would like to thank our amazing teachers for another great year. You all go far above and beyond for our students. A special thank you to all of our family volunteers, you all help us keep our school running smoothly. Have a great weekend and let the end of the year countdown begin!

We are accepting registration for our 2022/2023 Pre-K program. If you have any questions please contact the school at 507-373-9657.

Have a blessed weekend,
St. Theodore Catholic School

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend *renews the promises you made to each other on your wedding day.* Experience an enrichment for your marriage that will make your good marriage great! The next available Weekends are Nov 18-20, 2022 in WINDOM, MN and May 6-8, 2022 in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: **southmnwwme.org** or contact Miki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.

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