



St. Theodore Catholic Church

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The vineyard appears as a symbol of the house of Israel in both the first reading and the Gospel today. The symbol represents the disobedience of a

people that was called to live a covenant relationship with God and that, despite the warnings of its prophets, abandoned it. Jesus shares a parable with his audience about messengers sent as prophets to warn the people of their wrongdoing, who were tortured and killed throughout their history. Saint Matthew emphasizes that the last messenger, the heir to the vineyard, suffers the same death and compares the subject of the parable to Jesus, who suffered and died for all. At times, we fail to appreciate the great treasure of Christ's grace and the experience of his encounter with us in the sacramental life of the Church. How can we maintain the joy of our faith and the spirit of loving in our daily lives?



La viña aparece como símbolo de la casa de Israel tanto en la primera lectura como en el Evangelio de hoy. El símbolo representa la desobediencia de

un pueblo que fue llamado a vivir una relación de alianza con Dios y que, a pesar de las advertencias de sus profetas, la abandonó. Jesús comparte una parábola con su audiencia sobre mensajeros enviados como profetas para advertir al pueblo de sus malas acciones, que fueron torturados y asesinados a lo largo de su historia. San Mateo destaca que el último mensajero, el heredero de la viña, sufre la misma muerte y compara el tema de la parábola con Jesús, que sufrió y murió por todos. A veces no logramos apreciar el gran tesoro de la gracia de Cristo y la experiencia de su encuentro con nosotros en la vida sacramental de la Iglesia. ¿Cómo podemos mantener el gozo de nuestra fe y el espíritu de amor en nuestra vida diaria?

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

Offices Close Daily

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

The Catholic Shoppe ♦ Parish Office

- 1:00-4:00 pm
- Monday-Thursday

FROM THE DESK OF FR. KURT



"Brothers and Sisters: Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

These words of Saint Paul taken from today's second reading can be words of consolation to us who are undergoing times of great unrest. Our hearts go out to those who lost love ones in the various shootings and random acts of violence around the world. The nonsensical violence can make us feel at a loss and we can become anxious at the thought that this could happen again. Those listening to the words of Saint Paul were experiencing nonsensical violence as well. They were being arrested, imprisoned and sentenced to death just for stating their belief in Jesus Christ.

Although there is not much we can do to stop the senseless violence that others do, we can place our trust in Christ Jesus and do our best to bring peace to our world, by doing good and standing up against violence. Let's not dwell on the bad, but dwell on the redemption that Christ Jesus has won for us, and then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Love of Christ

Father Kurt Farrell

2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL

Goal	\$54,208.00
Amount received (9/29/23)	\$43,948.00

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

September 26 – October 2, 2023

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Improvement Fund
\$8,270.50	\$1,243.75	\$0.00

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: 10/9	Jon 1:1-2:1-2, 11	Lk 10:25-37
Tues: 10/10	Jon 3:1-10	Lk 10:38-42
Wed: 10/11	Jon 4:1-11	Lk 11:1-4
Thu: 10/12	Mal 3:13-20b	Lk 11:5-13
Fri: 10/13	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2	Lk 11:15-26
Sat: 10/14	Jl 4:12-21	Lk 11:27-28
Sun: 10/15	Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6	Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 Mt 22:1-14

SUNDAY BROADCAST SPONSORS

Date	Intention
Oct 29	† Patricia Rynerson & Josephine English by their family
Nov 5	† Karen Nyenhuis by Harry, Elise & Brady
Nov 12	In honor of Roger & Mary Jemming's 60 th Wedding Anniversary



Funeral for Bob Lauer
October 11, 2023 ♦ 2:00pm
St. Theodore Church

Church Giving Envelopes

Please be sure to let the parish office know if you have any changes or updates to your parish giving envelopes before October 11, 2023. If you current don't receive envelopes and would like your own box, just let us know we'll be sure to add your name to the order. Thank you!



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues Oct 17	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass † Alfonso Hernandez Sandoval by Maria Lopez & family	Church Church
Wed Oct 18	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass † Fred Doyle by Dick & Marty Andersen	Church Church
Thurs Oct 19	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass † Jody Bangert, Jeff White & Tray Sternhagen by friends	Church Church
Fri Oct 20	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass † Nabor de Leon Rios by friends	Church Church Church
Sat Oct 21	4-4:30pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Confession Rosary Mass † Darlene Nistler by Robert	Church Church Church
Sun Oct 22	8:30 am 9:00 am 11:00am	Rosary Mass † Ruben Andersen by Judy Popp-Andersen Spanish Mass For all Parishioners and those listed in our book of intentions	Church Church Church



Confirmation

*Saturday
October 14, 2023
5:15 pm Mass*

Welcome: We welcome the following into the church family through the Sacrament of Baptism.

- **Mia Nadia & Max Emiliano Clark**
daughter & son of Nicholas Gordan & Angela Maria Clark
- We celebrate the blessings of these beautiful eternal souls and may we help them grow to be the saints the Lord has called them to be.



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

- **Frederick Eugene Doyle** (died September 20, 2023)
- **Arthur Alders** (died September 27, 2023)

We pray the Lord will bring their souls peace, mercy and eternal rest and comfort during this difficult time.



Women's Retreat Weekend!
November 3-5, 2023

Good Earth Village, Spring Valley, MN

This weekend offers a great opportunity to set aside other obligations, meet other women of faith, and focus on your relationship with Christ.

For more information, contact Beth Kosta, 507-696-9082, beth.kosta@gmail.com or Teresa Farley-Severson, 507-259-8455, tfarleyseverson@gmail.com.

Box of Joy!


We still have a few boxes left to be to fill and return by November 1st! Just put your name, phone number and box number on the sign out sheet provided. Thank you!



THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES & REMINDERS

Monday Oct 9	Loaves & Fishes 4:45-5:30pm Hispanic Bible Study 6-8pm Life in the Spirit Prayer Group 6-7pm	Marian Hall Church Basement Church
Tues Oct 10	Parent/Teacher Conferences & Scholastic Book Fair 3:30-7:00pm Endowment Board Meeting 5:15-7:15pm	School Marian Hall Parish Meeting Room
Wed Oct 11	Morning Prayer Group 6-7am Funeral: Lauer 2-3pm Faith Formation Class: 5-11 grade 6:30-8pm Faith Formation Adoration 7-8pm	Parish Meeting Room Church School, Gym/ Marian Hall Church
Thurs Oct 12	Father Teaches 2-3 grade 8:25-8:45am Parent/Teacher Conferences & Scholastic Book Fair 3:30-7:00pm Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30-8pm Hispanic Choir Practice 6:30-8pm	School School Marian Hall Basement Church Church
Fri Oct 13	Parent/Teacher Conferences Scholastic Book Fair 8am-12:00pm Adoration 9:30am-6:30pm Hispanic Adoration 6:30-8pm	School Marian Hall Church/Chapel Church
Sat Oct 14	RCIA 9am-12pm Rosary for our Nation 12-1pm	Parish Meeting Room W. Parking Lot
Sun Oct 15	Faith Formation Class: PreK-4th grade 10-10:55 am Mass: First Reconciliation Welcoming Blessing 9-10am Spanish Mass: First Reconciliation Welcoming Blessing ♦ 11am-12pm	School Church Church

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Saturday October 14, 2023	Sunday October 15, 2023
	5:15 PM	9:00 AM
Accompanist	Aaron Bartz	TBD
Cantor	TBD	Betsy Schultz
Lectors	Deb Schatz	Catherine Buboltz
Servers	Grace Redman & Keagan Winslow	Emilie & Sophia Troster

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Classes Have Started!



Please be sure to check the Faith Formation Calendar & future bulletins to verify class dates, times, & locations

Registration will be closing Oct. 15th!

Registration Form Locations:

- ♦ Parish Newsletter
- ♦ Parish and School Offices
- ♦ Faith Formation Info Station
- ♦ Church entrance by the Chapel

Forms can also be downloaded from our website: www.sttheo.org under the Faith Formation tab or can be filled out online by scanning this QR Code:



Attention 12th grade Confirmation Candidates!

Reminder, this Sunday, Oct. 8th, **Rehearsal Mass: 5-6pm** in the Church. Complimentary supper in Marian Hall immediately following.

Please Note: Special Faith Formation Family Supper on Wed, Oct. 11th at 6:30pm has been POSTPONED until November!

10th & 11th gr. Confirmation Students!.. There are several opportunities available for you to obtain your required service hours!

Irene Nelson, Faith Formation Director - ian@sttheo.org 507-373-5254

ST. THEODORE SCHOOL NEWS

Scholastic Book Fair Starts Sunday, Oct. 8-13 in Marian Hall.

Fair hours:



Sunday, Oct. 8: 10:00am-12:00pm
Tuesday, Oct. 10: 3:30pm-7:00pm
Thursday, Oct. 12: 3:30pm-7:00pm
Friday, Oct. 13: 8:00am-12:00pm



Purse Bingo tickets for Nov. 4th are now available in the School and Parish offices. Each ticket is \$35 each. We will have Pulled Pork Sandwiches w/side for purchase and a Cash Bar available. If you would like to sponsor a purse or an accessory contact Bri McKinney (507-402-7404) or Tammy Kesler (507-391-3115)

Have a blessed weekend,
St. Theodore Catholic School

Rosary for Our Nation
Saturday, October 14, 2023
12:00 Noon
St. Theo West Parking Lot

Red Cross Blood Drive Volunteers Needed!

If you would be interested in helping with the Blood Drives that are held at St. Theodores, please contact the following to get signed up!

Lenore Frieze

Blood Drive Volunteer Coordinator for St. Theodore
(507) 373-3211

Our next blood drive is October 19, 2023



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