

MARCH 18, 2018 • FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



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DO YOU BELIEVE THIS?

This day Jesus weeps for his dead friend Lazarus. He asks Martha, "If anyone believes in me, even though he dies, he will live. Whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" After Martha's "yes," Jesus raised Lazarus, and we are witnesses. Paul adds, "If the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies." Resurrection is the key to our witness and our faith in Jesus.

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¿Crees esto?

Jesús llora por su amigo Lázaro. Jesús le dice a Marta: "El que cree en mí aunque haya muerto vivirá; y todo aquel que está vivo y cree en mí, no morirá para siempre. ¿Crees tú esto?" Después de que Marta le contestó que sí, Jesús resucitó a Lázaro. "Si el Espíritu del Padre, que resucitó a Jesús de entre los muertos habita en ustedes, entonces el Padre, que resucitó a Jesús de entre los muertos, también les dará vida a sus cuerpos mortales, por obra de su Espíritu, que habita en ustedes". La resurrección es la clave de nuestro testimonio y de nuestra fe en Jesús.

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RECONCILIATION

Saturday.....4:00 pm

Sunday
1/2 hour before Masses

WEEKEND MASSESS

Saturday: 5:15 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am (Broadcast on KATE 1450 AM)
11:00 am (Español)

From the Desk of Father Kurt

There is something exciting going on in our parish community that many people probably don't even know about. St. Theodore's Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) has been blessed by the faith journey of four individuals who will be receiving the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil. Bu Htoo will be baptized and receive his First Communion. Keiko Smith will be baptized, receive her First Communion and be confirmed. Tyler Adix and Loren Aase will be welcomed into full communion with the Catholic Church receiving Eucharist and Confirmation. Please pray for these individuals, their Godparents and Sponsors as they enter the final weeks of preparation for receiving the sacraments. Please join in celebrating with them and welcoming them into our faith community.

I want to take this opportunity to thank our RCIA coordinator Judy Popp Anderson and all of those who have helped them this year grow in their faith and become ready to be received into the fullness of Christ's Church. I also want to encourage more people to get involved in such an up-lifting ministry.

This is the third and final week of the "Scrutinies" for those soon to enter into the Catholic Church. Jesus has been presented to them in the two previous liturgies as "Living Water" and "Light of the World". This Sunday, Jesus is presented as the "Resurrection and the Life". Those seeking an entrance into the Catholic Church and all other believers are invited to ponder what it means to follow Jesus through His death, so that we might share His resurrection. We are only two weeks away from Easter, which is the celebration of the new life that all of us have received through the sacrifice of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Through our prayers let us join our catechumens as they prepare to be anointed by the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

Love in Christ
Father Kurt Farrell

Mass Intentions/Schedule

Monday, March 19		No Mass	
Tues Mar 20	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Ruth O'Brien by friends	Church
Wed Mar 21	8:15 am 8:45 am	Rosary Mass † Ruth O'Brien by Carol Smith	Church
Thurs Mar 22	6:00 pm	Mass † Leonard & Rachel Callahan by Maureen Carlson	Church
Fri Mar 23	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † John Steffen by Leon & Laura Steffen	Church
Sat Mar 24	4:00 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation Rosary Mass † Casey Dziura by Sylvia Dziura & Children	Church
Sun Mar 25	8:30 am 8:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	Reconciliation Rosary Mass. Living & Deceased Members of the Judy Popp-Anderson Family Spanish Mass † Janet Lauer by the Mulholland's	Church

Sacrificial Giving

March 10-11, 2018

Adult	Offertory	Youth	Improvement	St. James
\$8,635.62	\$849.00	\$0.00	\$637.00	\$80.00

2018 Catholic Ministry Appeal

Goal: \$60,970.00 Amount Pledged & Received:
\$19,392.00

We are off to a FANTASTIC start!
Thank you so much to those who have given!

2018 Holy Week Services

Reconciliation

March 11th 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
March 29th 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Mass Times

Holy Thursday March 29th 7:00 pm
Good Friday March 30th 3:00 pm
7:00 pm (Spanish)
Easter Vigil March 31st 8:00 pm
Easter Sunday April 1st 7:30 am
9:00 am
11:00 am (Spanish)

Lenten Adoration

Sundays	12:00 pm-8:00 pm	Chapel
Mondays-Thursdays	9:30 am-8:30 pm	Chapel
Fridays	9:30 am-6:30 pm	Church
Spanish Prayer Group	6:30-8:00 pm	Church

Upcoming Broadcast Masses

April 1	In gratitude for the gifts, time, & talents shared by parishioners & staff of St. Theodore & St. James
April 8	Helen Rudolph by Husband & Children
April 15	Donor Needed
April 22	Ruben Anderson by Judy Popp-Anderson

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon 3/19	2 SM 7:4-5A, 12-14A, 16	MT 1:16, 18-21, 24A
Tues: 3/20	NM 21:4-9	JN 8: 21-30
Wed: 3/21	DN 3:14-20, 91-92, 95	JN 8:31-42
Thurs: 3/22	GN 17:3-9	JN 8:51-59
Fri: 3/23	JER 20:10-13	JN 10:31-42
Sat: 3/24	EZ 37:21-28	JN 11:45-56
Sun: 3/25	MK 11:1-10	PS 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24.
	PHIL 2:6-11	MK 14:1-15:47

This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon Mar 19	Loaves & Fishes 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Marian Hall
	Life in the Spirit Seminar 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Church
Tues, Mar 20	School Board Meeting 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Parish Conference Room
Wed Mar 21	Men's Prayer Group 6:00 am - 7:00 am	Parish Conference Room
	Station of the Cross 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Church
	Soup Supper 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Marian Hall
	Hand Bells Practice 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Church Basement
Thurs Mar 22	Parish Life Meeting 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Parish Conference Room
	Parish Council Prayer 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Church
	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Parish Conference Room
Fri Mar 23	Fish Fry Set Up 6:00 am - 5:00 pm	Marian Hall
	Stations of the Cross 1:15 pm - 1:45 pm	Church
	Fish Fry 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Marian Hall
Sat Mar 24	Church Decorating 9:00 am - 11:00 am	Church
Sun Mar 25	Shadow Drama Practice for 11 th Gr. 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Marian Hall

Future Events

March 28, 2018	Shadow Drama 7-8 pm
April 26, 2018	Red Cross Blood Drive
May 14, 2018	West Bend Grotto Trip
March 18-29, 2019	12 Day Holy Land Pilgrimage


The parish office will close at 4:00 pm on Monday, March 26th, 2018 so staff can attend the Chrism Mass in Winona.

Easter Flowers: If you would like to donate flowers for Easter, please contact Addie's Floral & Gifts at 507-337-2081. Prices range from \$11-\$28. Thank You!



Our next Fish Fry will be Friday, March 23rd., from 5-7pm in Marian Hall. Be sure to mark your calendars and invite a few friends. This is a wonderful time to build community and enjoy a wonderful fish dinner with ice cream sundaes for dessert!

Liturgical Ministers

	Saturday, March 24, 2018	Sunday, March 25, 2018	
	5:15 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am Español
 Accompanist	Needed	Ada Theusch	Hispanic Choir
Cantor + Choir	CANTOR NEEDED to join the Adult Choir	Michael Blong	
Lectors	Deb Schatz Lois Ahern (help w/ Passion)	Eisenbraun's	
Altar Servers	Michael Minear Marisa Halback	Katelyn Holt Sawyer Holt	Maray Lopez Anthony Ceronio

Masquerade Ball: Be sure to mark you calendars for this years St. Theodore PSA **Auction Extravaganza: Masquerade Ball**. This fundraising event is Saturday, April 21st, 2018, starting ay 5:00 pm held in the school gym and Marian Hall. Tickets available at the school and parish offices.



Donations are needed for our silent and live auctions. We are asking for donations to be in new condition as we are not able to accept used items. We are also collecting Wine for our cork pull and \$5 to \$50 SCRIP card donations for our raffle. Please drop items off at the parish or school offices. Questions or need an item picked up, please call Melissa Wittmer at 507-383-3099.

St. Theodore School News

St. Theodore's **registration** for the 2018-2019 school year is still open so if you have a child or know someone with a child that is ready for Pre-k or Kindergarten this fall. Our Early Bird Special registration fee of \$25 per child is still available for anyone who registers before March 31st. All registration fees after March 31st will be \$50 per student. Registration forms are available in the school office. Please don't hesitate to call the School Office at 507-373-9657 for more information.

Since school resumes on Monday, March 19th, the students will once again be presenting the **Stations of the Cross** on Fridays during Lent at 1:15 pm, in the church. Come join us if you are able.


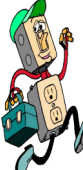



•Have a great weekend! • St. Theodore Catholic School•





Mark your calendars!! All are invited to attend **Stations of the Cross** performed by our 5 & 6th graders on March 21st @ 5:30 pm, immediately following will be our **soup supper**. On March 28th some of our 11th grade Confirmation Students will be performing the **Shadow Drama @ 7:00 pm**.

High School Seniors, we have **Scholarship applications** available in the parish and education office or online at www.sttheo.org. The deadline is April 13, 2018.

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