



St. Theodore Catholic Church

Inviting people to actively participate in the Life of Christ!

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WHO IS JESUS?

Jesus is Emmanuel (God-with-us), Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace, God's grace revealed, the Holy Spirit shared, a baby borne among us by the Virgin Mary. He is the Messiah, the Christ, the Anointed, God's chosen, the Savior foretold by the prophets. He is the creating word of God made flesh, dwelling among us. Because of him, we are God's holy people, the Lord's redeemed, City of the Most High and Christ's body. Now we celebrate his birth in mystery!

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¿Quién es Jesús?

Jesús es Emmanuel (Dios-con-nosotros), Consejero Admirable, Dios Poderoso, Príncipe de la Paz, Gracia de Dios revelada, Espíritu Santo derramado, Hijo nacido entre nosotros de la Virgen María. Él es el Mesías, el Cristo, el Ungido, el Elegido de Dios, el Salvador anunciado por los profetas. Él es el Verbo creador de Dios hecho carne, que habita entre nosotros. Por Él somos el pueblo santo de Dios, redimidos del Señor, Ciudad del Altísimo y Cuerpo de Cristo. Ahora celebramos su nacimiento en el misterio.

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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

Sing of Mary pure and lowly, Virgin Mother undefiled." The fourth week in Advent has been traditionally known as the week to preach on Mary. December is filled with wonderful Marian feasts and devotions. I love celebrating the feast of the Immaculate Conception, the patron feast of the United States, with all our Parish communities. I also greatly enjoy joining the Latinos in their homes to say the rosary during the novena to our Lady of Guadalupe, and then singing to her the Las Mañanitas as morning breaks.

Just as a family begins to get excited during the eighth and final month of the mother's pregnancy, so too we the faith community await in joyful expectation as Mary the Mother of God is about to give birth to our Savior. Let us never forget to thank our Mother, Mary, for such a wonderful gift.

Love in Christ
Father Kurt Farrell

Mass Intentions/Schedule

	Mon Dec 24 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm 4:00 pm 7:30 pm 9:30 pm 10:00 pm	Children's Christmas Pageant Children's Christmas Mass In memory of Eldon Boom by Don and Sharyl Boom Spanish Christmas Mass For Those in Attendance Special Christmas Music Christmas Eve Mass For deceased members of Sherburn Brossard family by their family	Church
	Tues Dec 25 9:00 am	Christmas Day Mass In memory of Eddie Staloch by Janie Staloch	Church
	Wed, Dec 26 8:45 am	No Mass	
	Thurs Dec 27 1:00 pm	Mass	New St. John's
	Fri Dec 28 8:30 am 9:00 am 9:30 am 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Rosary Mass † Tony & Francis Bok by Gerry Gilbertson Adoration Spanish Prayer Group	Church
	Sat Dec 29 4:00 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation Rosary Mass † Roger Paczkowski by Joan	Church
	Sun Dec 30 8:30 am 8:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	Reconciliation Rosary Mass For the Henry & Margaret Savelkoul families Spanish Mass	Church

Sacrificial Giving

December 15^h & 16th, 2018

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Improvement Fund	St. James
\$10,359.09	\$729.11	\$125.00	\$735.00

Our Lady of Guadalupe - \$469.26

2018 Catholic Ministry Appeal Goal \$60,970.00

Amount Pledged & Received: \$56,232.00

Please help us achieve success! We have one week to raise \$4,738.00. Any amount that doesn't meet our goal we must pay from our general fund!

Upcoming Broadcast Masses

Dec 30	For the families of Henry & Margaret Savelkoul
Jan 6	Donor Needed
Jan 13	For the living & deceased members of Byron Spear's family

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 12/24	2 SM 7:1-5,8B-12,14A,16	LK 1:67-79
Tues:12/25	IS 52:7-10 HEB 1:1-6	PS 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 JN 1:1-18 or JN 1:1-5, 9-14
Wed: 12/26	ACTS 6:8-10; 7:54-59	MT 10:17-22
Thurs:12/27	1 JN 1:1-4	JN 20:1A AND 2-8
Fri: 12/28	1 JN 1:5—2:2	MT 2:13-18
Sat: 12/29	1 JN 2:3-11	LK 2:22-35
Sun: 12/30	SIR 3:2-6, 12-14 COL 3:12-21	PS 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 LK 2:41-52

Parish Envelopes are available for pick up in the lower access area.

Young Adult Singles: All young adult singles are invited to a Young Adult Singles Gathering on January 18, 2019. The evening is an opportunity to get to know the other single adults in our parish. The evening will begin in St. Theodore Church with Praise & Worship at 8:00 pm with a social gathering to follow! Hope to see you there!




PRAYER CHAIN

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<i>This Week's Activities & Reminders</i>		
Mon Dec 24	Christmas Eve Parish Office Closed	
Tues Dec 25	Christmas Day Parish Office Closed	
Wed, Dec 26	Parish Office Closed	
Thurs Dec 27	Parish Office Open 8:00 am - 5:00 pm	
Fri Dec 28	Parish Office Open 8:00 am - 12:00 noon No Parish Activities	
Sat Dec 29	No Parish Activities	
Sun Dec 30	No Parish Activities No Faith Formation	
Mon Dec 31	New Years Eve Parish Office Closed	

<i>Liturgical Ministers</i>			
	Saturday, Dec 29, 2018	Sunday, Dec 30, 2018	
	5:15 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Accompanist	Ryan Hulshizer	Mike Szymanski	Hispanic Choir
Cantor	Cantor Needed w/Choir	Michael Blong	
Lectors	Deb Schatz	Dennis Dierer Pegi Sorenson	
Altar Servers	Diego & Mario Guerra	Lillian Crissinger Dominica Eckstrom	Matthew Ramirez Anthony Ceronio

<i>Christmas Masses</i>				
	Mon Dec 24 4:00 PM	Mon Dec 24 7:30 PM	Mon Dec 24 10:00 PM	Tues Dec 25 9:00 AM
				
Accompanist	Grace Chalmers	Hispanic Choir	Grace Chalmers	Mike Szymanski
Cantor	Michael		Brian Zogg	Molly
Lectors	Faith Formation students		Kim Otten	Kathleen Bleckeberg & Dennis Dierer
Altar Servers	Tim & Danny Chalmers	Miguel Palma & Marlyn Grande	Evan Blankenship Server Needed	Elizabeth & Patrick Holcomb

Faith Formation News

For our Sunday Faith Formation kids we will be having our Christmas Party on December 23rd, during class time.
 No Sunday Faith Formation on December 30th.
 No Wednesday Faith Formation on December 26 & January 2nd 2019.

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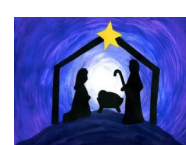
Gloria the Christmas Angel

Please join us as our St. Theodore children
 put on this fun Christmas Pageant,
 "Gloria the Christmas Angel."
 4:00 pm Mass.



Catholics at the Capitol 2019 – St. Paul, MN 2.19.19

Now is the time to begin to transform politics in Minnesota. Join your local bishop and 2,000+ Catholics in St. Paul on Tuesday, February 19th to learn how you can build relationships with your newly elected officials and advocate for life and human dignity. Get your tickets, register for transportation, and find more details about this inspiring day of prayer, education, and advocacy by visiting: www.CatholicsAtTheCapitol.org



Funds raised from our very first Parish Bake Sale purchased a new nativity scene for all to enjoy. Thank you bakers and buyers!

St. Theodore School News

We would like to wish everyone a **VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS** and a **HAPPY NEW YEAR**. We hope the New Year brings even more joy and happiness for you all.

We invite you all to the St. Theodore's children performance of, "Gloria the Christmas Angel", on December 24th at 4:00pm Mass. We hope to see you all here.

Below is a photo taken as the students practiced for the concert.



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

