

St. Theodore



Albert Lea

# St. Theodore Catholic Church

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## THE LIGHT SHINES

Today the Lord Jesus is revealed to all the nations as a babe in arms—powerful and glorious in his weakness. What a paradox! With their gold, frankincense and myrrh, the magi paid him respect, honor and praise. They found him by following a star and returned home by a detour to avoid local authorities. Jesus (God-Saves) is the Christ, the Messiah, whose work defies time and space to shine before all. Today we bask in his divine light. What mystery!

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## La luz brilla

Hoy el Señor Jesús se revela a las naciones como un niño en brazos: poderoso y glorioso en su fragilidad. ¡Qué paradoja! Los Magos de Oriente adoraron y alabaron al Niño, dándole regalos: oro, incienso y mirra. Guiados por la estrella de Oriente, lo encontraron, regresando después a su país por otro camino. Jesús (“Dios salva”) es el Cristo, el Mesías, cuya obra trasciende tiempo y espacio, brillando para todos. Hoy nos inundamos de su luz divina. ¡Qué 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

Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, which means that God is made manifest. There are traditionally three events that are associated with this feast, the arrival of the three Kings, the Baptism of our Lord, and the wedding feast of Cana. These events all reveal God being made manifest to us in the person of his Son Jesus Christ. Gift giving, baptisms, and weddings are times when we can feel love being generated and this makes us feel good and happy. God wants us to have a similar experience as we celebrate together the unconditional love for us in the Mass. The invisible power of God's love hidden in the Mass is what gives us the power to love one another unconditionally.

In this cruel world that we live in it is so difficult to imagine a God who is pure love, and yet if we allow ourselves to be embraced by the manifestation of God's love for us, we in turn can be the manifestation of God's love for others. In so many ways I witness each of you manifesting God's love for your families, and for the needs of others. You inspire me to keep the faith, and continue my own efforts to be the manifestation of love as a priest. I also want to personally thank all of you for the wonderful expression of your love for me this Christmas and for all the wonderful gifts, cards and goodies.

Love in Christ  
Father Kurt Farrell

## Mass Intentions/Schedule

Father Kurt Farrell is on Retreat .  
He will be gone this week.

Mon Jan 7	NO MASS	NO INTENTION	
Tue Jan 8	NO MASS	NO INTENTION	
Wed Jan 9	NO MASS	NO INTENTION	
Thur Jan 10	NO NURSING HOME MASS	NO INTENTION	
Fri Jan 11	NO MASS NO ADORATION NO HISPANIC PRAYER GROUP	NO INTENTION	
Sat Jan 12	4:00 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation  Rosary  <b>Mass</b> Memorial Mass Association	Church
Sun Jan 13	9:00 am  11:00 am	<b>Mass</b> For the living and deceased members of the Byron Spear families  <b>Hispanic Mass</b> † Enrique Lara Boris by Elisa Girrido	Church

## Sacrificial Giving

December 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Improvement Fund	St. James
\$8,407.15	\$744.00	\$0.00	\$60.00

Christmas \$510.00

Electronic Giving for the month of December \$4,915.00

If you are interested in increasing your electronic giving amount or would like to start giving electronically, please contact our parish bookkeeper, Dan Bodensteiner at 373-1646.

## 2018 Catholic Ministry Appeal Goal \$60,970.00

Below are the numbers found on the Diocesan website for the 2018 Campaign as of 1/2/19.

Goal: \$60,970

Pledges Received: \$56,582

Balance needed to meet goal: \$4,388.00

**GOOD NEWS!!** Since those numbers were last posted by the Diocese we have received an additional \$6,000.00! These generous donations will make it possible for us to say that we have REACHED OUR GOAL!!!

Thank you to all those that gave. This is a huge testament to the great generosity of those who give back to the Lord. When you give to the Lord, He will "open for you the floodgates of heaven, to pour down blessing upon you without measure!" (Mal 3:10)

## Upcoming Broadcast Masses

Jan 20	Donor Needed
Jan 27	Donor Needed
Feb 3	Donor Needed
Feb 10	In Memory of Ryan Moore by Mike & Suzanne Moore
Feb 17	In Memory of Troy Peterson by the Corald Peterson family.
Feb 24	Donor Needed


**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!



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<i>This Week's Activities &amp; Reminders</i>			<i>Liturgical Ministers</i>			
Mon Jan 7	Loaves & Fishes 5:00 – 6:30 pm	Marian Hall		Saturday, Jan 12, 2019	Sunday, Jan 13, 2019	
	Life In the Spirit Prayer Group 6:30 - 8:00 pm	Church Access		5:15 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Tues Jan 8	Endowment Board Meeting 6:00 - 7 :00 pm	Parish Meeting Room	Accompanist	Ryan Hulshizer	Grace Chalmers	Hispanic Choir
Wed Jan 9	No Morning Prayer Group Building & Grounds Meeting 8:00 - 9:00 am	Parish Meeting Room	Cantor	Cantor Needed w/Choir	Betsy Schultz	
	Faith Formation Class: 5th -11th 7:00 - 8:00 pm	School, Gym, Marian Hall, Church	Lectors	Pat Hartmann	Eisenbrauns	
	Handbell Choir Practice 7:30 – 8:30pm	Church Basement	Altar Servers	Elizabeth & Patrick Holcomb	Jenny Mulholland Erick Saindon	Anthony Cernio Miguel Palma
	Knights Meeting 8:00 - 9:00 pm	KC Club	 <b>St. Theodore School News</b>			
Thurs Jan 10	Diocesan Evangelization Day 7:30am – 4:30pm	Marian Hall	<p>We hope everyone had an amazing start to the New Year!  <b>Next week we kick off our Catholic United Financial Raffle.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raffle tickets will be \$5.00 each.</li> <li>Grand prize is a 2019 Chevy Trax SUV or \$20,000.</li> <li>For the full list of prizes visit <a href="https://www.catholicunitedfinancial.org/raffle/prizes/">https://www.catholicunitedfinancial.org/raffle/prizes/</a> or check out their Facebook page (Catholic Schools Raffle).</li> <li>Raffle tickets go on sale starting Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>All proceeds from the raffle tickets sold comes back to the school.</li> <li>Tickets will be sold by students and will be available in the School and Parish Offices.</li> </ul> <p><b>Reminder there will be no school on Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, for Parent/Teacher Conferences.</b>            Conferences are from 8:00am-12:00pm.            District 241 students will have school this day.  <b>We will also have no school on January 21<sup>st</sup>, for Martin Luther King Jr Day.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Have a great weekend.            • St. Theodore Catholic School •</p>			
	Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 – 7:30pm	School				
	RCIA 6:15 pm - 7:45 pm	Parish Meeting Room				
Fri Jan 11	<b>NO SCHOOL</b> Parent / Teacher Conferences 8:00 am - 12:00 pm	School				
	<b>No Spanish Prayer Group</b>					
Sat Jan 12	Knights of Columbus Steak Fry 6:15 – 9:00 pm	KC Hall				
Sun Jan 13	Faith Formation Class PreK-4th 10:05 – 10:55 am	Marian Hall, Gym, School				

## Faith Formation News



Thank you to all who participated in our Children's Liturgy for Christmas Eve!

### Taco Night Fundraiser


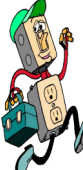
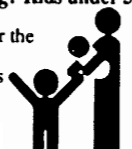


**January 18, 2019**  
**5:00 - 7:00 pm**  
**Marian Hall**

Tickets go on sale after Saturday and Sunday Masses.  
 You may also get your tickets in the Parish or School office.







Adults - \$8.00  
 Child - \$5.00  
 Child 3 and under free



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