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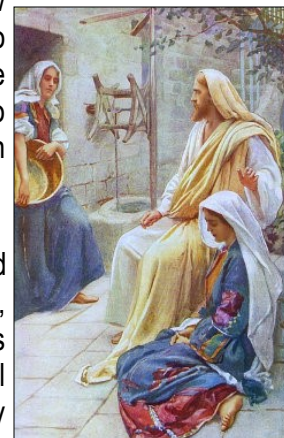
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**Today's texts** clearly point out the theme of hospitality as something pleasing to God. Abraham, in the first reading, shares this gift with God's messengers. So does Jesus when he talks with Martha and Mary at their home. Saint Paul brings out the theme in a special way when he writes to the Colossians and offers the hospitality of his heart because they are willing to hear the preaching of Christ through him. As we reflect on this theme, we should examine how open our parish ministries are to people who may want to join them as members from other cultures or races or as speakers of other languages. We should evaluate what the community can offer at this time in history when it seems that some feel their traditions are threatened by newcomers. The arrival of new members enthusiastic about the faith and the Church can lead to changes in a community. Communities should prepare for these changes with the help of the parish priest and other leaders who can advise them. Eventually, these changes can be reflected on during liturgical celebrations.



**Textos de hoy** señalan claramente el tema de la hospitalidad como algo agradable a Dios. Abraham, en la primera lectura, comparte este regalo con mensajeros de Dios. Así hace a Jesús cuando habla con Marta y María en su casa. San Pablo saca el tema de una manera especial cuando escribe a los Colosenses y ofrece la hospitalidad de su corazón, porque ellos están dispuestos a oír la predicación de Cristo a través de él. Al reflexionar sobre este tema, debemos examinar cómo abrir nuestros ministerios parroquiales son para gente que quiera unirse a ellos como miembros de otras culturas o razas o como hablantes de otras lenguas. Deberíamos evaluar lo que la comunidad puede ofrecer en este momento en la historia, cuando parece que algunos sienten que sus tradiciones se encuentran amenazadas por los recién llegados. La llegada de nuevos miembros entusiastas acerca de la fe y la iglesia puede llevar a cambios en una comunidad. Comunidades deben prepararse para estos cambios con la ayuda del párroco y otros líderes que pueden aconsejarlos. Finalmente, estos cambios pueden reflejarse durante las celebraciones litúrgicas.

**WEEKEND MASSES**

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

**RECONCILIATION**

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm  
**Sunday:** 1/2 hour before Masses

**Parish Office Summer Hours**

**Monday-Thursday**.....8:00 am-4:00pm  
**Friday**.....CLOSED  
Office closes from 9:00-9:45 am on Wednesday so staff can attend Mass and 12:00-1:00 pm for lunch Monday -Thursday.

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## From the Desk of Father Kurt

"It makes me happy to suffer for you, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that is lacking in the sufferings of Christ for the sake of his body, the Church."

These words by Saint Paul in the second reading today might remind you of a common phrase that was probably used by your parents, "just offer it up". When you told your mom or dad that you didn't understand why you had to eat your vegetables or why you had to go to bed, you might have been told to just offer it up. As adults when unexpected and unexplainable suffering come into our lives or the lives of our loved ones, we too might ask our heavenly father, why? There is no easy answer, but as we look upon the wall in the front of the Church every Sunday and see the crucifix, the words "offer it up" might once again come to mind.

As the Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us we as Christ's disciples are called to "take up our cross and follow him" for "Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example so that we should follow in his steps". Saint Rosa of Lima tells us that apart from the cross there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven". Although at first glance these words might sound harsh, for someone that is suffering they can be of great consolation. If we are able to find the strength to offer up our sufferings for others we along with Saint Paul will find meaning in our suffering, for we too will be making up what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ for the sake of his body, the Church.

Love in Christ,  
Father Kurt Farrell

## Mass Intentions & Schedule

Tue July 23	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary <b>Mass</b> † Andrew Luna Sr. by Ray Luna & Mary Larson	Church Church
Wed July 24	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary <b>Mass</b> † Daniel Stegenga	Church Church
Thurs July	9:00 am	<b>Mass</b> In Reparation for Our Sins	Church
Fri July 26	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary <b>Mass</b> † James Spear by Byron & Ruth Spear	Church Church
Sat July 27	4:00 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation Rosary <b>Mass</b> † Joan Paczkowski by Gerry Gilbertson	Church Church Church
Sun July 28	8:30 am 8:30 am 9:00 am	Reconciliation Rosary <b>Mass</b> For the Unborn <b>Hispanic Mass</b> † Lucy Ray Adame by Ray Luna & Mary Larson	Church Church Church Church

## Sacrificial Giving

July 13<sup>th</sup> & July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Improvement Fund	St James
<b>\$6,056.18</b>	<b>\$726.00</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>

## 2019 Catholic Ministry Appeal

Goal	<b>\$60,180.00</b>
Amount Received	<b>\$33,730.00</b>
Percent of Goal Received	<b>56%</b>

## Daily Scripture Readings

<b>Mon: 7/22</b>	SGS 3:1-4B	JN 20:1-2,11-18
<b>Tues: 7/23</b>	EX 14:21-15:1	MT12:46-
<b>Wed: 7/24</b>	EX 16:1-5, 9-15	MT13:1-9
<b>Thurs: 7/25</b>	2COR 4:7-15	MT 20:20-28
<b>Fri: 7/26</b>	EX 20:1-17	MT 13:18-23
<b>Sat 7/27</b>	EX 24:3-8	MT 13:24-30
<b>Sun: 7/28</b>	GN 18:20-23 COL 2:12-14	PS 138:1-2,2-3,6-7,7-8 LK 11:1-13

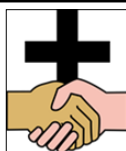
## Upcoming Broadcast Masses

July 28	Donor Needed
Aug 4	Donor Needed
Aug 11	In memory of Harold & Pat Water by the Waters Daughters
Aug 18	Donor Needed
Aug 25	In memory of Gwen Tatarak by her husband, Andy
Sept 1	Sponsors Needed
Sept 8	Sponsors Needed
Sept 15	Sponsors Needed



### Mass Intentions

All Pastors are obligated to say one weekly Sunday Mass and all Holy Day Masses "FOR ALL PARISHIONERS" as the Mass intention. As of **September 1st, 2019**, all 9:00 AM Sunday Broadcast Masses and all Holy Day Masses will be "FOR ALL PARISHIONERS" as its intention. The cost to broadcast our 9:00 AM Sunday Mass is \$240. This is a crucial ministry appreciated by many. Those who would like to help sponsor the broadcasting of our 9:00 am Mass will have their names mentioned prior to the start of the Mass. We are asking for a minimum donation of \$30, but no amount will be turned away. Your sponsorship is necessary to the continuation of this ministry and we thank all who have donated in the past.



**Home Visits:** Father would love to visit and get to know our homebound parishioners. If you or someone you know would like Father to come for a visit, please contact the parish office to set up a time at 373-0603.

- Assumption Masses: Aug 14, 5:15 PM Vigil  
Aug 15, 9:00 AM
- Mass in the Park, Aug 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 9:30 AM
- 2019 Confirmation, September 7, 2019



## This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon <b>July 22</b>	<b>Hispanic Bible Class</b> 6:00 - 7:30 pm <b>Life in the Spirit Prayer Group</b> 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Church Basement  Church
Tues <b>July 23</b>	<b>No Activities Scheduled</b>	
Wed <b>July 24</b>	<b>Morning Prayer Group</b> 6:00 - 7:00 am	Parish Meeting Room
Thurs <b>July 25</b>	<b>Parish Life Meeting</b> 5:30-6:00 pm <b>Hispanic Choir Practice</b> 6:00-7:30 pm	Parish Meeting Room Church Basement
Fri <b>July 26</b>	<b>Spanish Prayer Group</b> 6:30 -7:30 pm	Church
Sat <b>July 27</b>	<b>Hispanic Choir Practice</b> 10:00 am-11:30 am	Church Basement
Sun <b>July 28</b>	<b>No Activities Scheduled</b>	

**Litomysl Summer Festival:** All are invited to attend the 48<sup>th</sup> annual Litomysl Summer Festival at Holy Trinity Catholic Church at Litomysl on July 28, 2019. Festivities begin with a Polka Mass at 10 am with food and refreshment stands serving from 11 am to 4:30 pm. Something for everyone. Prizes Galore! Please check posters for more details and driving directions located on our parish bulletin boards.

### Seeking Part-Time Custodian

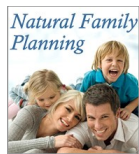
The Parish is seeking a part-time custodian to work about 4 hours/day. This person will work with the Maintenance Director to ensure a clean, safe and well maintained environment. This position is subject to a background check and VIRTUS training as part of St. Theodore's ongoing commitment to provide a safe worship and learning space for all. Interested applicants can acquire a job description and application either online at [www.sttheo.org](http://www.sttheo.org) or from the Parish office. If interested, submittal of a letter of interest and the completed application can be emailed to [administration@sttheo.org](mailto:administration@sttheo.org) or by mail to the Parish office at 308 E. Fountain Street, Albert Lea.



**The Trustees of St. James Parish** have requested Bishop Quinn's approval for the sale of the vacant lot in Twin Lakes where the church once stood. If there is interest in the purchase of this lot, please email [administration@sttheo.org](mailto:administration@sttheo.org) by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Respect Life

**Natural Family Planning Awareness Week** is July 21-27. The theme is "Love, Naturally." "The Church teaches that the sacrament of marriage symbolizes Christ's relationship with His Church. What is this relationship but one of total, faithful, permanent, and fruitful love! When couples live their vocation according to Church teachings, especially with regard to the transmission of life, many benefits can be reaped. Indeed, married couples who use Natural Family Planning (NFP) report that among these benefits is their mutual growth in holiness and consequent deepening of their respect and awe of God's gifts of human sexuality, marriage and family. These are gifts that call for praise!" - United States Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)



## Liturgical Ministers

	<b>Saturday July 27, 2019</b>	<b>Sunday July 28, 2019</b>	<b>Sunday July 28, 2019</b>
	<b>5:15 pm</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
Accompanist	Grace Chalmers	Grace Chalmers	Hispanic Choir
Cantor	Mollie Mickelson	Alex Amundson	
Lectors	Pat Hartmann	Sue Amundson Catherine Buboltz	
Altar Servers	Diego Guerra Mario Guerra	Tanner Conn Elizabeth Holcomb	Raul Ramirez Melissa Palma

## Faith Formation News

*Every Catholic has the responsibility to know and serve God. Totus Tuus is an excellent tool for the spiritual growth of Catholic youth. This past week has been an exciting opportunity to experience our faith for us teachers, the students and community. As a team, we've received tremendous hospitality and support from parishioners, for which we are eternally grateful. It's wonderful to see the Holy Spirit at work in each and everyone of our lives! Thank you so much for this wonderful week; we hope to see you next summer. Please keep us in your prayers as we continue Jesus' ministry on earth.*

**Totus Tuus Team**

### Unbound: Freedom in Christ

conference with Neal Lozano: Sept 27-28, at St John Vianney Church in Fairmont, MN.



Do you feel spiritually stuck? Everyone is fighting an invisible battle against negative thoughts, secret sins, destructive habits, and lack of forgiveness. Unbound is a prayer ministry that releases the power of Jesus Christ into wounded hearts, helping people live out the freedom they have been given through Christ. This powerful conference of music, worship, sacrament, talks, and prayer is sponsored by the Office of Missionary Discipleship in the diocese, and all are welcome and encouraged to come. More about Unbound at [www.heartoftheFather.com](http://www.heartoftheFather.com). **Register before August 8 for an early bird discount:** [www.dowr.org/unbound.html](http://www.dowr.org/unbound.html).



**This Music Box** was borrowed for the women's conference held last February. We are hoping the owner will recognize it and come pick it up at the parish office. We are thankful for being allowed to use it but we want to be sure it gets back to its owner! Please call the parish office at 373-0603.

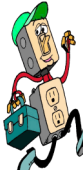




## St. Theodore School News

We are in search of a **Physical Education Teacher**. Hours would be two days a week, Mondays & Fridays from 8:15am-11:00am. If you, or someone you know, would like to apply for this position, send a letter of intent and resume to [samundson@sttheoschool.org](mailto:samundson@sttheoschool.org). This position does not require a Minnesota teaching license. However, we are looking for someone with experience in either coaching, training, or physical health education.

There is still time to **register your child** for the 2019-2020 school year. Please contact the school at 507-373-9657 or email Kristina (our school secretary) at [kgarcia@sttheoschool.org](mailto:kgarcia@sttheoschool.org), we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Have a blessed summer!

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