

St. Theodore



Albert Lea

St. Theodore Catholic Church

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Often we may ask ourselves if God is the one who approaches us, or if we are the ones who approach God in prayer. In fact, God was the first to approach us in the sacrament of Baptism, so that, with our lives committed to his covenant in the Church, we may always have access to his word and life in the sacraments. Today's readings remind us to give glory to God with lives that are simple, authentic, and honest. When we understand Jesus Christ as the "mediator of the new covenant" (Letter to the Hebrews), and approach him without fear, we become living signs of the kingdom. From such a relationship, we gather together at our Sunday banquet never seeking the best places at the table, but we always welcome those who seek out a merciful God and who search for meaning in their lives through our service. Thus, this Sunday's Gospel invites ordained and lay ministers to identify Jesus' true call to service in their lives.

A menudo podemos

preguntarnos si Dios es el que se acerca a nosotros, o si somos nosotros los que nos acercamos a Dios en oración. De hecho, Dios fue el primero en acercarse a nosotros en el sacramento del bautismo, para que, con nuestra vida comprometida con su convenio en la Iglesia, siempre tengamos acceso a su palabra y a su vida en los sacramentos. Las lecturas de hoy nos recuerdan dar gloria a Dios con vidas sencillas, auténticas y honestas. Cuando entendemos a Jesucristo como el "mediador del nuevo convenio" (Carta a los hebreos), y nos acercamos a él sin temor, nos convertimos en signos vivientes del reino. Desde tal relación, nos reunimos en nuestro banquete dominical sin buscar los mejores lugares en la mesa, pero siempre damos la bienvenida a aquellos que buscan un Dios misericordioso y que buscan sentido en sus vidas a través de nuestro servicio. Así, el Evangelio de este domingo invita a los ministros ordenados y laicos a identificar la verdadera llamada de Jesús al servicio en sus vidas.

Humility

is not thinking less of yourself
but thinking of yourself less

- CS Lewis

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 Hours

Monday-Thursday.....8:00 am-5:00 pm

Friday.....8:00 am -12:00 pm

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.

PRAYER CHAIN

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From the Desk of Father Kurt

In the Gospel for this Sunday, Jesus teaches his disciples the importance of humility. Humility is often misunderstood as thinking less of oneself. The truth is that humility is the virtue of seeing ourselves for who we truly are before God. All of us are beggars before God, and that is why, true Christian discipleship demands that we put others before ourselves. A person who is truly humble is not going to think less of himself, but not think of himself at all. The humble person is too concerned about his or her brothers and sisters in need to worry about himself. Here is a great prayer for those that would like to acquire the gift of humility in their life.

Litany of Humility

Written by Cardinal Merry del Val. He was accustomed to recite this prayer daily after the celebration of Holy Mass.

O Jesus meek and humble of heart, *Hear me.*

From the desire of being esteemed,
 From the desire of being loved,
 From the desire of being extolled,
 From the desire of being honored,
 From the desire of being praised,
 From the desire of being preferred to others,
 From the desire of being consulted,
 From the desire of being approved,
Deliver me, Jesus.

From the fear of being humiliated,
 From the fear of being despised,
 From the fear of suffering rebukes,
 From the fear of being calumniated,
 From the fear of being forgotten,
 From the fear of being ridiculed,
 From the fear of being wronged,
 From the fear of being suspected,
Deliver me, Jesus.

That others may be loved more than I,
 That others may be esteemed more than I,
 That in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease,
 That others may be chosen and I set aside,
 That others may be praised and I unnoticed,
 That others may be preferred to me in everything,
 That others may become holier than I, provided that I become as holy as I should,
Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. Amen.

Love in Christ,
 Father Kurt Farrell

Sacrificial Giving

August 24th & 25th, 2019

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Improvement Fund	St James
\$5,345.96	\$524.80	\$0.00	\$50.00

2019 Catholic Ministry Appeal

Goal	\$60,180.00	% of Goal Received
Amount Received	\$37,050.00	61.57%

Mass Intentions & Schedule

Tue Sept 3	Labor Day	No Rosary No Mass	
Wed Sept 4	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Irene Rodon	Church Church
Thurs Sept 5	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass For Those In Attendance	Church Church
Fri Sept 6	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:30 am 9:30 am-6:30 pm 6:30 pm-8:00 pm	Rosary Mass For All Parishioners First Friday Confession Adoration Hispanic Holy Hour	Church Church Church Church
Sat Sept 7	4:00 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation Rosary Confirmation Mass For our Confirmandi	Church Church Church
Sun Sept 8	8:30 am 9:00 am	Reconciliation & Rosary Mass For All Parishioners † Dale Peters by Pat Hispanic Mass For Those in Attendance	Church Church Church

Sunday Broadcast Sponsors

Date	Sponsor(s)	Intention
Sept 8	Pat Peters	In memory of Dale Peters
Sept 15	Anonymous Donation	Anonymous Intention
Sept 22	Patty Christopherson Harold Kermes	† Duane, Elyea, Leo & Martha Krisch † Loretta Kermes
Sept 29	SPONSORS NEEDED	
Oct 6	SPONSORS NEEDED	

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 9/2	1 THES 4:13-18	LK 4:16-30
Tues: 9/3	1 THES 5:1-6, 9-11	LK 4:31-37
Wed: 9/4	COL 1:1-8	LK 4:38-44
Thurs: 9/5	COL 1:9-14	LK 5:1-11
Fri: 9/6	COL 1:15-20	LK 5:33-39
Sat 9/7	COL 1:21-23	LK 6:1-5
Sun: 9/8	WIS 9:13-18B PHMN 9-10, 12-17	PS 90:3-4,5-6, 12-13, 14 & 17 LK 14:25-33



Celebrate Grandparents Day

September 8, 2019

Grandparents bestow upon their grandchildren the strength and wisdom that time and experience have given them.

Grandchildren bless their grandparents with a youth, vitality and innocence that help them stay young at heart forever!

This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon Sept 2	Labor Day Parish Office Closed No Parish Activities	
Tue Sept 3	Teacher Staff Meeting 3:15 - 4:15 pm	School Room 15
Wed Sept 4	Morning Prayer Group 6:00 - 7:00 am Hispanic Ministry Training 6:00 - 7:30 pm Confirmation Meeting and Mass 6:30 - 7:30 pm	Parish Meeting Room Church Basement Church
Thurs Sept 5	Quilting Group 9:00 am - 12:00 noon Hispanic Choir Practice 6:00 - 7:30 pm	Church Basement Church Basement
Fri Sept 6	Single Ministry Gathering 8:00 - 9:00 pm	Church
Sat Sept 7	Quinceaneras 12:30 pm and 2:00 pm	Church
Sun Sept 8	Hispanic Apologetics Class 12:00-1:30 pm	Church Basement


Total Consecration to Mary

Sunday, September 8, 2019, on the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Bishop Quinn will renew the consecration of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The Diocese was first consecrated to the Immaculate Heart in 2008, and it is our diocesan tradition that we make this renewal every year on the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, as an act of love and devotion to Our Lady. We surrender the diocese completely to God and His service, giving the same yes that Mary gave when she bore Jesus in her womb. The act of consecration dedicated the diocese and all of the good works that come from it to Our Lady and her desires, in order to more fully complete the will of her Son.


As done in the past, Bishop Quinn requests the renewal of the consecration of each parish. St. Theodore's will renew our consecration at all the Masses September 7/8, 2019.

Please see the brochures at each of the entrances to learn more about parish and personal consecrations.



A HUGE Thank You to all involved in making **Mass in the Park** a moving, spiritual celebration. What a blessing to be able to celebrate the Lord's love for us in His beautiful creation. Special thanks to the Lair and Zogg families for their wonderful generosity in feeding so many. As in today's gospel, you are blessed indeed!

Liturgical Ministers

	Saturday Sept 7, 2019	Sunday Sept 8, 2019	
	5:15 pm	9:30 am	11:00 am
Accompanist	Ryan Hulshizer	AdaTheusch	Hispanic Choir
Cantor	Mollie Schwarts	Jodi Blong	
Lectors	Confirmation Candidates	Catherine Buboltz Judy Popp Anderson	
Altar Servers	Confirmation Mass Jenna & Kyle Steffl	Katelyn & Sawyer Holt	Francisco Lopez Miguel Palma

St. Theodore School News

Pre-K started this week. Boy, were those kiddos excited for their first week of school. We all need to remember to let ourselves get as excited about things as a preschooler does.

We are still looking for some recess help (Wednesdays from 12:30-1:00pm) and lunchroom help (Thursdays from 11:35-12:45pm). If you are interested in helping please contact the school at 507-373-9657. Please remember you will need to go through Virtus training.

In September, we will be having our Annual School Marathon, please consider donating to some of our students. You may see some students collecting donations after Mass starting the first week of September.

Check out the schools Weekly Newsletter on the St. Theodore website at www.sttheo.org for school updates and happenings.

Have a blessed long weekend!
St. Theodore Catholic School

Faith Formation News

Please turn in your Faith Formation registration forms and fee! If you didn't received on or need a new one, please contact Kristy Minear at 373-2987.

CONFIRMATION MASS

Saturday, September 7th, 2019
5:15 PM Mass

Volunteers are needed to assist with Faith Formation Classes.
Contact Kristy Minear at 373-2987



VIRTUS Training Session:
September 12, 2019
Marian Hall

Register at virtus.org or contact the parish office at 507-373-0603.


Young Adult Singles: All young adult singles are invited to a Young Adult Singles Gathering on September 6, 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



NO 9:00 AM Mass
Tuesday, September 3rd, 2019

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