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A common theme in the Old Testament is the difference between the way God looks at his children and the way we look at one another. God looks deeply into our hearts, while we often focus on appearances. The theme appears in 1 Samuel 16:7 and today, we hear it in the Book of Ecclesiastes. The sacred scriptures assure us that God listens to the sincere voices of those with renewed hearts to obey his covenant. The contrast is also evident in the characters described in the Gospel. The prayers of the two men who pray before God are very different: While one tries to impress God through his appearances, the other admits that he is a sinner and simply submits his will to God. Saint Paul describes the latter attitude in his letter to Timothy, written at the end of his life. Although at times he had felt abandoned by many in his community, the Lord never abandoned him. It is important that we listen to others, and patiently hear their needs without judgment. How we can learn to know others better, and resist judging them by appearances?



Un tema común en el Antiguo Testamento es la diferencia entre la forma en que Dios mira a sus hijos y la forma en que nos miramos los unos a los otros. Dios mira profundamente en nuestros corazones, mientras que a menudo nos centramos en las apariencias. El tema aparece en 1 Samuel 16:7 y hoy, lo escuchamos en el Libro de Eclesiastés. Las Sagradas Escrituras nos aseguran que Dios escucha las voces sinceras de aquellos con corazones renovados para obedecer Su convenio. El contraste también es evidente en los caracteres descritos en el Evangelio. Las oraciones de los dos hombres que oran ante Dios son muy diferentes: Mientras uno trata de impresionar a Dios a través de sus apariencias, el otro admite que es un pecador y simplemente somete su voluntad a Dios. San Pablo describe esta última actitud en su carta a Timoteo, escrita al final de su vida. Aunque a veces se había sentido abandonado por muchos en su comunidad, el Señor nunca lo abandonó. Es importante que escuchemos a los demás y escuchemos pacientemente sus necesidades sin juicio. ¿Cómo podemos aprender a conocer mejor a los demás y resistirnos a juzgarlos por las apariencias?

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 this Sunday we have Jesus once again teaching us how to pray and how not to pray. First, Jesus points out the Pharisee as an example of how not to pray. He is so wrapped up in him-self that he is not aware of his status before God as a sinner. He thanks God that he is not like the humble tax collector, and yet it is the tax collector that Jesus points out as the model for prayer.

The tax collector goes away justified because his honesty before God as a sinner allows him to see God's true face of mercy. Where the pride of the Pharisee prevents him from ever truly knowing God as one who is merciful and therefore demands that he be merciful to his fellow men. If we don't have a correct understanding of God as one who has been merciful to us, we in turn will treat others with out mercy. We are all beggars before God who are always in his debt. Therefore, we are called to treat others as our equals who have been given everything from a God who is merciful.

Love in Christ,
Father Kurt Farrell

Sacrificial Giving

October 19th & 20th, 2019

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
\$8,455.43	\$848.22	\$555.00	\$10.00
2019 Catholic Ministry Appeal Received (69.12%)			\$41,599.00

Financial Statement of Activities (thru September 30, 2019)

Income	
General & Administrative Totals	\$ 150,249.42
Building & Grounds-Parish Totals	\$ 2,425.00
Liturgy & Worship Totals	\$ 2,831.92
Faith Formation Totals	\$ 3,110.00
Income Totals	\$ 158,616.34
Expense	
General & Administrative Totals	\$ 123,431.01
Building & Grounds-Parish Totals	\$ 22,308.19
Liturgy & Worship Totals	\$ 6,564.84
Faith Formation Totals	\$ 16,983.84
Expense Totals	\$ 169,287.88
Income – Expense	(\$ 10,671.54)

Special Mass Times

Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 28, 9:00 am Mass
No Mass: Friday, November 29, 2019
 Immaculate Conception, Monday, December 9, 9:00 am Mass

Holy Day of Obligation November 1st – All Saints Day 9:00 am & 5:30 pm

Even though November 2nd, All Souls Day, is not a holy day, everyone is invited to participate in a 9:00 am anointing Mass on Saturday.



Mass Intentions & Schedule

Tue Oct 29	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Ray & Donna Yost by Ron	Church Church
Wed Oct 30	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass	Church Church
Thurs Oct 31	9:00 am	NO Mass	
Fri Nov 1	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary All Saints' Day Mass † George & Amy Ludwig by Gerry Gilbertson	Church Church
	9:30-10:30 am	First Friday Confession	Church
	3:30 pm-5:30 pm	Adoration	Church
	5:30-6:30 pm	All Saints' Day Mass For All Parishioners	Church
Sat Nov 2	6:30-8:00 pm	Hispanic Holy Hour	Church
	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary All Soul's Day Anointing Mass	Church Church
	4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Church
	4:45 pm	Rosary	Church
Sun Nov 3	5:15 pm	Mass: Praise & Worship † Alice & Wayne Feuerhelm by Gerry Gilbertson	Church
	8:30 am 9:00 am	Reconciliation & Rosary Mass For All Parishioners, † Donald Roberts by Andy & Karen Cibert, and for the living & deceased family members of Judy Popp-Anderson	Church Church
	11:00 am	Hispanic Mass † David Mulholland by family	Church

Sunday Broadcast Sponsors

Date	Intention(s)
Nov 10	† Donald Roberts by Andres & Karen Cibert † Don & Darlene Sullivan's parents by Don & Darlene Additional Sponsors Needed
Nov 17	For the deceased & living members of Roger & Mary Jemming by Roger & Mary
Nov 24	† Henry Kalis in celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary by Violet Kalis
Dec 1	† Donald Roberts by Andres & Karen Cibert Additional Sponsors Needed

This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon Oct 28	Loaves & Fishes 5:00 - 6:30 pm Hispanic Bible Class & Rosary 6:00 - 7:30 pm Life in the Spirit Prayer Group 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Marian Hall Church Basement Church
Tue Oct 29	Aztec Dance Practice 5:00 - 6:30 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Rosary 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Gym Church
Wed Oct 30	Morning Prayer Group 6:00 - 7:00 am U of M Hispanic Finance Meeting 12:00 - 2:30 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Rosary 5:30 - 6:30 pm Faith Formation: 5th-11th Grades 7:00 - 8:00 pm	Parish Meeting Room Parish Meeting Room Church School, Gym, Marian Hall
Thurs Oct 31	Hispanic Choir Practice 6:00 - 7:30 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Rosary 6:00 - 7:00 pm	Church Basement Church
Fri Nov 1	Our Lady of Guadalupe Rosary 6:00 - 7:00 pm Taco Fundraiser 6:30 - 8:00 pm	Church Marian Hall
Sat Nov 2	No Scheduled Activities	
Sun Nov 3	KC Auxiliary Coffee and Rolls 10:00 am - 11:00 am Faith Formation: PreK-4th Grades 10:05 - 10:55 am	Marian Hall School

Current Events Please prayerfully consider how the Lord is calling you to help support these events.



- **Baby Bottle Campaign:**
Collecting your change through October.



- **MCLL Annual Christmas Wreath Orders:**
Taking orders through October.



- **Catholic Ministries Appeal**
We need your help to reach our goal!

Diocesan Charismatic Prayer Group Gathering Saturday, November 9th, 2019

St. Theodore Catholic Church

8:30 AM Charismatic Mass with Fr. Kurt Farrell
Prayer & Worship, Prayer Group Sharing, & Teaching.
All are invited and encouraged to attend.

Liturgical Ministers

	Saturday Nov 2, 2019	Sunday Nov 3, 2019	
	5:15 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Accompanist	Elisha Marin	AdaTheusch	Hispanic Choir
Cantor	St. Theodore Children's choir	Betsy Schultz	
Lectors	St. Theodore School Children	Pegi Sorenson Carol Thompson	
Altar Servers	Diego Guerra Brayden Kirsch	Katelyn & Sawyer Holt	Jesus Boites Miguel Palma

St. Theodore School News

Mark your calendars to attend our Parise and Worship Mass with our students on Saturday, November 2nd, at 5:15pm. If you haven't been to a Children's Mass on Wednesday mornings, this is a great chance to check out our kiddos. We would love to see you there.

Tickets are available for our Spaghetti Supper scheduled for Saturday, November 9th, from 5:00pm to 7:30pm. Cost is \$9.00 for adults, \$6.00 for children, and children under 3 years old are free. Tickets are available from our students, the school office, or the parish office.

We are again collecting winter items, sizes children to adult for Jack Frost's Closet. Items needed are new socks, gently used coats, hats, gloves, and boots. Donation boxes are located in the Church, Parish and School Offices. All donations are appreciated. If you have any questions contact the School Office at 507-373-9657.

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

Have a blessed weekend!
St. Theodore Catholic School

Faith Formation News

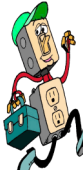




Trunk or Treat is October 31st, 5-7pm in our east parking lot.
Reminder: date change for Candidate/Sponsor Retreat is now
November 10th 2-4pm Marian Hall.

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 10/28	EPH 2:19-22	LK 6:12-16
Tues: 10/29	ROM 8:18-25	LK 13:18-21
Wed: 10/30	ROM 8:26-30	LK 13:22-30
Thurs: 10/31	ROM 8:31B-39	LK 13:31-35
Fri: 11/1	RV 7:2-4, 9-14	PS 24:1BC-2, 3-4AB, 5-6
	1JN 3:1-3	MT 5:1-12A
Sat 11/2	WIS 3:1-9	JN 6:37-40
Sun: 11/3	WIS 11:22-12:2	PS 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14
	2THES 1:11-2:2	LK 19:1-10

● **Welcome:** This weekend we welcome Drew Daniel Low, son of Thomas and Brittany Low into the Catholic faith through the sacrament of baptism. We celebrate the blessing of his beautiful eternal soul and may we help him grow to be the Saint the Lord has called him to be.



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