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"TEACHER, WHICH COMMANDMENT IN THE LAW IS THE GREATEST?"

HE SAID TO HIM,

**"YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD, YOUR GOD, WITH ALL YOUR HEART,
WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.**

THIS IS THE GREATEST AND THE FIRST COMMANDMENT.

THE SECOND IS LIKE IT:

YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.

**THE WHOLE LAW AND THE PROPHETS DEPEND ON THESE TWO
COMMANDMENTS." MT 22: 36-40**

In the Exodus tradition, we discover the mandate to care for and to treat one's neighbor with mercy and dignity. Although many Jewish leaders would later on allow their hearts to be hardened, the prophets continue this tradition by announcing the disobedience of their kings and their lack of attention to the neediest among them. Before the insidious question of the Pharisee in today's Gospel, Jesus answers that while the first commandment is to love God, the second mandates us to love our neighbor. In his letter to the Thessalonians, Saint Paul exalts the lifestyle of the members of the community and praises how the words are hardly necessary, because they have become the living word in their works. These biblical texts, the homily, universal prayers and the musical repertoire for the liturgy should illustrate today how the word must be lived out in social settings so that its listeners may come in contact with the risen Lord and experience his transforming power; only then will they be able to translate his love and charity to all of their neighbors through the ministries of the community.

En la tradición del éxodo, descubrimos el mandato de cuidar y tratar al prójimo con misericordia y dignidad. Aunque muchos líderes judíos más tarde permitirían que sus corazones se endurecen, los profetas continúan esta tradición anunciando la desobediencia de sus reyes y su falta de atención a los más necesitados entre ellos. Ante la pregunta insidiosa del fariseo en el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús responde que mientras que el primer mandamiento es amar a Dios, el segundo nos manda amar a nuestro prójimo. En su carta a los tesalonicenses, san Pablo exalta el estilo de vida de los miembros de la comunidad y alaba cómo las palabras no son necesarias, porque se han convertido en la palabra viva en sus obras. Estos textos bíblicos, la homilía, las oraciones universales y el repertorio musical para la liturgia deben ilustrar hoy cómo la palabra debe vivirse en entornos sociales para que sus oyentes puedan entrar en contacto con el Señor resucitado y experimentar su poder transformador; sólo entonces podrán traducir su amor y caridad a todos sus vecinos a través de los ministerios de la comunidad.

MASS TIMES

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 9 & 11 am Masses

PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHURCH

Tuesday - Friday: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Prayer Chapel open all hours
(with restrictions)

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
8:00 am-4:00 pm

Closed Friday

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

Deanna Ille
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From the Desk of Father Kurt

"You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens yourselves in the land of Egypt".

This scripture passage comes to us for the book of Exodus. The book of Exodus is a retelling of the history of the Hebrew people, told in order to teach and instruct the Hebrew people how they were to live in the manner that would correspond to their God given dignity. They were to remember that they themselves were once slaves, freed by the hand of God. Therefore they were to make sure that they never mistreated the foreigner the way they were mistreated.

As Americans it is important for us to remember that we were once also immigrants that came to this country seeking freedom to practice our faith and to live a God fearing life. Therefore we must also be compassionate with the stranger and alien in our midst. We must treat them the way we would want to be treated if we were the stranger or alien. Let us remember that the golden rule applies to adults as well as it does to children. Treat others as you yourself wish to be treated.

Love in Christ,
Father Kurt Farrell

2020 Catholic Ministry Appeal (10/15/2020)

Goal	Amount Received	% Goal Received
\$61,725.00	\$34,042.00	55.15%

Sacrificial Giving

October 12th- October 19th, 2020

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
\$7174.41	\$834.25	\$85.00	\$0.00

Sunday Broadcast Sponsors

Date	Intention(s)
Nov 8	† Elaine & Raymond Nemecek by family, Intention of Judy Jaquette † Betty Cashin by Don Cashin, family & friends Additional Sponsors Needed
Nov 15	For the living & deceased members of Roger & Mary Jemming family by Roger & Mary Jemming
Nov 22	† Ernie Green by Rollie Green & family † Betty Cashin by Don Cashin, family & friends Additional Sponsors Needed
Nov 29	Sponsors Needed



Special Election Day

Eucharistic Adoration, Tuesday, Nov 3, 2020
9:30 am - 7:30 pm
The Intention is to have a Fair and Safe Election.
Watch for the sign-up sheet to be available.

Special Election Day

Adoración eucarística, martes 3 de noviembre de 2020
9:30 am - 7:30 pm
La intención es tener una elección justa y segura.
Esté atento a que la hoja de registro esté disponible.



Mass Intentions & Schedule

The dispensation from the obligation to attend and participate at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains in effect until further notice for all who may be hesitant at this time to be in larger gatherings. St. Theodore will continue to provide the opportunity to listen to Mass on 1450 AM, KATE radio.

**St. Theodore's Church will be closed
October 26th - 30th
No Daily Mass
No Adoration Oct 30**

Sat Oct 31	4:00 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation Rosary Mass † Adeline James, David & Glenn Sonnek by the Sonnek Family	Church Church Church
Sun Nov 1	8:30 am 9:00 am	Reconciliation & Rosary Mass For the living & deceased members of Judy Popp-Anderson's family	Church Church
All Souls Day	11:00 am	Hispanic Mass † Senora Angela Arenas by Angela Lazaro	Church

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 10/26	Eph 4: 32 - 5: 8	Lk 13: 10-17
Tues: 10/27	Eph 5: 21-33	Lk 13: 18-21
Wed: 10/28	Eph 2: 19-22	Lk 6: 12-16
Thurs: 10/29	Eph 6: 10-20	Lk 13: 31-35
Fri: 10/30	Phil 1: 1-11	Lk 14: 1-6
Sat: 10/31	Phil 1:18B-26	Lk 14: 1, 7-11
Sun: 11/1	Rv 7: 2-4, 9-14 1 Jn 3:1-3	PS 24: 1BC-2, 3-4AB, 5-6 Mt 5:1-12A



Hearing Impaired Devices

All of St. Theodore's devices for the hearing impaired have been serviced and are in wonderful condition.

Please use with care.

We pray for the following families who mourn the loss of the following this week:

- John Nyenhuis, whose funeral was held Friday, October 16th.
- Isabel "Chavela" Guerra-Avelar whose funeral was held Monday, October 19th at 2:00 pm.

We pray that the love, mercy and compassion of our Lord bring their families peace and comfort during this difficult time.




The Roman Catholic Diocese of Winona-Rochester is accepting applications for a full-time Employee Benefits Coordinator. Qualified candidates are encouraged to view their website at www.dowr.org. Please send resume, cover letter, references and salary requirements by November 9, 2020 to:

Office of Human Resources or e-mail to: hr@dowr.org
Diocese of Winona
55 W. Sanborn Street
Winona, MN 55987

This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon Oct 26	Loaves & Fishes 5-6:30 pm Life in the Spirit Prayer Group 6:00-7:00 pm	Marian Hall Church Basement
Tues Oct 27	No Parish Activities	
Wed Oct 28	Faith Formation Classes 10th & 11th Grades Only 7:00-8:00 pm	Marian Hall
Thurs Oct 29	No Parish Activities	
Fri Oct 30	No Parish Activities	
Sat Oct 31	 Happy Halloween  No Parish Activities Daylight Savings Time Ends	
Sun Nov 1	All Souls Day KC Auxiliary Coffee and Rolls 10:00 am - 11:00 am Faith Formation First Communion Only 10:05-10:55 am	Marian Hall School

Liturgical Ministers

	Saturday October 31, 2020	Sunday Nov 1, 2020	
	5:15 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am
Accompanist	AdaTheusch	AdaTheusch	
Cantor	Abbie Theusch	Betsy Schultz	
Lectors	Leon Axtman	Nick Schiltz	Picked by Carmon
Eucharistic Ministers	3 from October schedule	5 from November schedule	3 needed from schedule
No Altar Servers until further notice			

St. Theodore School News

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Our students are excited to see the new playground going up. We hope to have it completed on the 24th/25th of this month. Thank you to all who donated to make this possible. The playground area will be a little larger than our previous one, so you may see some missing parking stalls in the lot.

Have a blessed weekend!

St. Theodore Catholic School

MCCL Annual Christmas Wreath Orders

Each weekend in October, the MCCL will be taking orders for Christmas Wreaths after the 5:15 pm and 9:00 am Masses. Those not attending Mass at the Church can also call Susan Kruse to place their order at 507-383-3469. Your purchase will not only help with your holiday decorating but also support the MCCL. Win! Win!



Loaves & Fishes Volunteer Clean Up Crew

St. Theodores is grateful for being able to serve the poor through our Loaves and Fishes Program. Now that the weather is getting colder we would like to once again allow those that come for a warm meal to be able to eat inside if they so choose. Before we can make this a reality, we need to put together a crew of 5-6 volunteers willing to help us meet the necessary COVID19 cleaning mandates. Duties would include disinfecting and cleaning of tables, mopping of floors, taking out garbage and tidying up bathrooms. This crew would need to commit to a basic training with parish custodial staff prior. If the Lord is calling you to help serve the poor, this could be that opportunity to fill that calling. Please call Bill or Mary Daly at 507-318-7178.



CCW
Council of Catholic Women

All women are invited to the Quarterly Council of Catholic Women meeting on Tuesday, October 27 at St. John's in Johnsbury, MN starting at 6 pm. We are celebrating the 100th birthday of the CCW. A light meal and meeting will follow. Hope you can come help us celebrate.

5th Annual Bake Sale

Due to Covid this year, we are unable to have baked goods brought in. All items must to be prepared in a commercial kitchen. We have volunteers to help with baking but we need your help with donations of baking supplies, such as the following, but not limited to: Sugars, flours, mixes, kits, frostings, melting chocolate, chips (any flavor), butter, eggs, dates, edible holiday sugar/decorations, etc. We will also take cash donations to purchase items that would be needed but not donated.

All donations can be brought to the parish office or kitchen on or before November 14, 2020.

CIVILIZE IT
DIGNITY BEYOND THE DEBATE

A divided country. Fights at the dinner table. Political vitriol. What does it mean to love our neighbors in the midst of such a climate?

As Catholics, we have a long tradition of engagement in the political process as a means of putting our faith into action. We are called to bring the best of ourselves and our faith to the public square—and yet today, many shy away from such involvement because our national and local conversations are filled with vitriol and harsh language, often directed at people themselves.

When personal attacks replace honest debate, no one wins. This kind of attack, no matter the reason, only serves to further divide our communities. As Catholics, we must model a better way. We invite you to join the *Civilize It* campaign as a way to promote civility, love our neighbors, and build community. Go to CivilizeIt.org to do your part!

Experience the power of faith and prayer at Northwoods Cinema 10 in Owatonna beginning **Friday, November 6** with **PRAY: THE STORY OF PATRICK PEYTON**, the true story of the man behind the famous phrase, **“The Family That Prays Together Stays Together.”** He was a poor Irish immigrant whose plan to become a millionaire was derailed when, through Our Lady’s intercession, he narrowly avoided death. He became a priest on a mission to promote the Rosary and all family prayer, whether through mass media in Hollywood or with huge Rosary rallies around the world. This film will amaze and inspire you! **The movie will play starting that weekend and for the next 7 days. However, the more people who see it that opening Friday, Saturday or Sunday, the more likely it will be that the movie will continue to play longer in that theater.**



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