

APRIL 25, 2021 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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## Congratulations

2021

## First Communion Class

*Emmanuel Ambríz*

*Parker Lund*

*Jimena Ambríz*

*Miah Ortega Chavez*

*Sarah Andrade Turrubiartes*

*America Ortega Lopez*

*Aubri Avelar*

*Denise Palma Hernandez*

*Evyana Bartelt*

*Giovanni Perez Garcia*

*Airyk Bautista*

*Arist Puga Campos*

*Lindy Bergdale*

*Jaret Puga Campos*

*Guillermo Fuentes-Perez*

*Gloria Ramirez*

*Irvin Fuentes-Perez*

*Carter Rodriguez*

*Jesus Fuentes-Perez*

*Sophia Troster*

*Isaiah Gutierrez Chavez*

*Franaheskalee Vazquez*

*Daneila Lazaro*

*Johnetzy Vazquez*

*Matthew Vazquez Chavez*

### 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

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## From the Desk of Father Kurt

The scriptures this Sunday focus on Jesus as being our Good Shepherd who leads us from the dark valley of death to new green and verdant pastures. As I reflect upon my life as a Priest, I can't help but recall the hundreds of times that God chose to reveal his presence to me through answered prayers. I am so accustomed to God's Divine Intervention that I no longer get surprised, but instead am grateful for having such a loving and caring God. I realize how easily I can go astray, like a sheep which gets separated from the flock, and therefore need to stay connected to the Good Shepherd by being faithful to daily prayer and the teachings of the Church. Let's trust in the voice of the Good Shepherd speaking through our Pope, Bishops, Priests and yes, even the laity, to help us live a life that will be pleasing to Him.

Love in Christ,  
**Father Kurt Farrell**

## Sacrificial Giving

April 12-18, 2021

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
\$8,397.99	\$845.75	\$425.00	\$0.00

## 2021 Catholic Ministry Appeal

Goal	55,605.00
Amount Received (416.21)	\$24,737.00

## Sunday Broadcast Sponsors

Date	Intention(s)
May 9	In recognition of all mothers living & deceased by the KC Auxiliary
May 16	For the living & deceased family members of Judy Popp-Anderson
May 23	† Jim Broskoff by family
May 30	† Art & Helen Rudolph For all those listening on the radio

**Additional Sponsors Needed**

## Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 4/26	Acts 11:1-18	Jn 10:1-10
Tues: 4/27	Acts 11:19-26	Jn 10:22-30
Wed: 4/28	Acts 12:24—13:5a	Jn 12:44-50
Thu: 4/29	Acts 13:13-25	Jn 13:16-20
Fri: 4/30	Acts 13:26-33	Jn 14:1-6
Sat: 5/1	Acts 13:44-52	Jn 14:7-14
Sun: 5/2	Acts 9:26-31	PS 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32
	1 Jn 3:18-24	Jn 15:1-8



**A New Voice:** We are so excited to welcome Maria Lopez as our new parish office assistant. Maria's duties include assisting our Office Administrator, Joanne, with various office duties, especially helping to ensure better communication and records with our Hispanic brothers and sisters. Her office hours below will start May 4, 2021:

Tuesday 9am-noon  
 Wednesday 1:00-2:30pm  
 Thursday 1:00-2:30 pm

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tues Apr 27	8:30 am	Rosary	Church
	9:00 am	<b>Mass</b> † Angela Arenas by family	
Wed Apr 28	8:30 am	Rosary	Church
	9:00 am	<b>Mass</b> † Author & Petronia Hench by Dick	
Thurs Apr 29	8:30 am	Rosary	Church
	9:00 am	<b>Mass</b> † Jack Bloomquist by the Hench kids	
Fri Apr 30	8:30 am	Rosary	Church
	9:00 am	<b>Mass</b> † Mary Claassen	
Sat May 1	4:45 pm	Rosary	Church
	5:15 pm	<b>Mass</b> † Dorrene Walker by her sister, Pat Powers	
Sun May 2	8:30 am	Reconciliation & Rosary	Church
	9:00 am	<b>Mass</b> † Pat Johndro by Bob & Marilyn Blong & family	
	11:00 am	<b>Hispanic Mass</b> † Margarito Costillo by family	Church

**Welcome:** We welcome the following into the church family through the Sacrament of Baptism.

- Liam Ivan Ortega-Chavez (4/25/2021) son of Ivan Michel Ortega-Garcia & Viviana Chavez-Lopez

We celebrate the blessings of his beautiful eternal soul and may we help him grow to be the Saints the Lord has called him to become.



## NOW HIRING

**St. Theodore is accepting applications for the following positions:**

- Director of Faith Formation:** Please contact Leon Axtman, our Parish Administrator, at 507-473-4635 for position description and details.
- Licensed Elementary Teacher:** Letters of application, credentials and recommendations should be sent to the information listed below. April 30, 2021 deadline
- Pre-K Para:** Letters of application, credentials and recommendations should be sent to the information listed below.

**Susan Amundson, Principal**  
 323 East Clark Street  
 Albert Lea, MN 56007  
 507-373-9657

[samundson@sttheoschool.org](mailto:samundson@sttheoschool.org)

**Deadline for applications is Friday, April 30, 2021**



**All are welcome!** The Austin Area Council of Catholic Women Quarterly meeting will be on Tuesday, April 27 in Austin at Queen of Angels beginning at 9:30 am followed with Mass and lunch.

## This Week's Activities & Reminders

Mon Apr 26	<b>Loaves &amp; Fishes</b> 4:45-5:30 pm  <b>Life in the Spirit Prayer Group</b> 6:00-7:00pm	Marian Hall  Church
Tues Apr 27	<b>No Additional Parish Activities</b>	
Wed Apr 28	<b>Morning Prayer Group</b> 6:00-7:00 am <b>Farewell Open House for Kristy</b> 6:00-8:00 pm	Parish Meeting Room Marian Hall
Thurs Apr 29	<b>No Additional Parish Activities</b>	
Fri Apr 30	<b>Parish Office Closed</b> <b>Adoration</b> 9:30am-6:30pm <b>Hispanic Adoration</b> 6:30-8:00 pm	Church  Church
Sat May 1	<b>Funeral: Richard Ferrie</b> 10-11:00 am <b>KC Pork Sandwich Drive Thru Fundraiser</b> 5:30-7:00 pm	Church  Marian Hall
Sun May 2	<b>Baptism: Castiel Teran Lazaro</b> 11:00 am Mass	Church

**On May 18-20, 2021, Father will be gone and there will be no Mass on the following date. Below are the intentions and the dates they have been moved:**  
**May 18 - In Reparation for our sins - Moved to July 6<sup>th</sup>.**  
**May 19 - † Delores Sternhagen - Is not moved as Fr. Pete will celebrate the 9am Mass with the school children.**  
**May 20 - † Leon Steffen by family & friends - moved to July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Funeral Kitchen Volunteers Needed**  
 We are need of volunteers to help with funerals as setup/servers and dishwashers. Please contact the parish office at 507-373-0603 or Jolene our kitchen coordinator at 373-1545. Thank you!


**United In Christ**

We have received the next United In Christ books that will start May 30th! Please stop in the parish office to pick up a copy!

**SCAM ALERT**

Recently individuals in our area have received emails that look to be from Father Kurt asking for assistance or help. This is a SCAM. As soon as possible please contact **Police Officer Ben Mortenson at 507-377-5200, ext. 5** to report the call, email, or text. Please have available the time, date, and number or email that contacted you and any other information regarding what you were asked. Father Kurt would never use an email to ask for help or assistance. Please do not ever give your private information over the phone, email or text.  
**Thank You!**

## Liturgical Ministers

	<b>Saturday</b> <b>May 1, 2021</b>	<b>Sunday</b> <b>May 2, 2021</b>	
	<b>5:15 pm</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
<b>Accompanist</b>	AdaTheusch	AdaTheusch	
<b>Cantor</b>	TBD	Jodi & Michael Blong	
<b>Lectors</b>	Axtmans	Dennis Dieser	
<b>Alter Servers</b>	Schedule is pending due to a small number of volunteers. <b>Please contact the parish office if your child can be a server or would like to be trained.</b>		

## St. Theodore School News

Our **School Marathon** is Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. Our students are once again asking for pledges/donations. If you would like to donate/sponsor a student, you may drop your donation or pledge off at the school or parish offices. Please indicate if it is a donation or pledge for a specific student. Our goal for this year is to raise \$15,000.

Our **2021/2022 school year, registration** forms are still available in the School Office or on our website: [www.sttheo.org](http://www.sttheo.org). For more information or if you know someone who would like to set up a tour, contact the school office at 507-373-9657 or email the school secretary at [kgarcia@sttheoschool.org](mailto:kgarcia@sttheoschool.org).

We hope everyone has a blessed weekend!  
**St. Theodore Catholic School**

**Save the Dates**

**Knights of Columbus**  
**Pork Sandwich Drive Thru Fundraiser**  
 May 1, 2021 ♦ 5:30-7:00 PM  
 Serving from Marian Hall

**Spring Fling (Ladies Tea)**  
 May 8, 2021 ♦ 1:00-3:00pm  
 Contact parish office to sign up!

**Baccalaureate For Graduating Seniors**  
 May 15, 2021 ♦ 5:15 Mass

**Shinefest Week of Caring, May 24-27**  
 Please check in at 5:00 pm at Valley Park, 602 Giles Place

**Memorial Day Mass**  
 May 31, 2021 ♦ 9:00 am  
 St. Theodore Cemetery  
 A special blessing will be done for all those died from COVID

**Amazing Movie Coming To Our Parish!**  
**Power in my Hands**  
 May 23, 2021 at 1:00 PM  
 Marian Hall

**At Home Mission Trip**  
 June 11, 2021 ♦ 8:00am - 1:00 pm  
 Volunteers need to help with landscaping, cleaning and maintenance here at St. Theodores.

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