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For Saint John, in the Book of Revelation, there are a new heaven and a new earth in Christ. Through his death and resurrection, Christ renews all things, above all humanity, which he renews with his commandment of love. From its early stages, the Christian community preached this as the most important of all the commandments and invited followers to put it into practice through service to others. We know that the use of the word "love" has different meanings in the Greek of the New Testament. The "love" Saint John invites us to share is the unconditional love of Christ, who surrendered himself for us, forgiving his enemies. Maybe we haven't reached that profound level of "love" in our lives yet. For this reason, it would be good for community groups to talk about the other meanings of the word so that together they can explore the ways members can mature in the unconditional love of Jesus.



Para San Juan, en el libro del Apocalipsis, hay un cielo nuevo y una tierra nueva en Cristo. A través de su muerte y resurrección, Cristo renueva todas las cosas, sobre todo la humanidad, que renueva con su mandamiento de amor. Desde sus primeras etapas, la comunidad cristiana predicó esto como el más importante de todos los mandamientos e invitó a los seguidores a ponerlo en práctica a través del servicio a los demás. Sabemos que el uso de la palabra "amor" tiene diferentes significados en el griego del Nuevo Testamento. El "amor" que San Juan nos invita a compartir es el amor incondicional de Cristo, que se entregó por nosotros, perdonando a sus enemigos. Tal vez aún no hemos alcanzado ese nivel profundo de "amor" en nuestras vidas. Por esta razón, sería bueno que los grupos comunitarios hablen sobre los otros significados de la palabra para que juntos puedan explorar las formas en que los miembros pueden madurar en el amor incondicional de Jesús.

MASS TIMES

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

Nursing Home Masses - 2:00 pm

1st Thursday - All St. Johns Locations
2nd Thursday - Good Samaritan
3rd Thursday - Thorne Crest

RECONCILIATION

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

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Parish Office Hours

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

Hispanic Office Hours

Tuesday 8:00 am-noon
Wed & Thurs 1:00-3:00 pm

Offices Close Daily

- 9:00-9:45 am for Mass (except Monday)
- 12:00-1:00 pm for lunch

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER KURT



May is the Month to remember our mother.

We have just celebrated mother's day and hopefully all everyone remembered. May is also the month where We, as a Church, remember that our Savior Jesus Christ gave us His mother Mary to be our mother. She is there for us when we call upon her to give us support in our time of need. She is also a special advocate to us when we are concerned about a loved one. She is with her Son in heaven and has His listening ear.

In the second reading today, taken from the book of Revelation, Jesus is sitting on His throne and he says "Behold, I make all things new."

We can take courage in the fact that Mary is at His side and His special relationship with His Mother is also ours. Jesus makes all things new, and through Mary, we have a Mother that is willing to help in this process. When we intercede to Christ through her for others, she works things toward our advantage. Conversion of the heart is her specialty. If we are concerned about the spiritual well being of a loved one, we can be sure that she is even more concerned and is working to bring that person to conversion. Let us not forget that May is the month to remember our Mother.

Love in Christ,
Father Kurt Farrell

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

No Daily Mass

May 17-19, 2022

The Mass Intentions for this week have been moved to the following dates:

5/17 † Alfonso Hernandez Sandoval by family - **Moved to 5/5/22**

5/18 † Angel Gutierrez Bravo by Gutierrez family - **Moved to 5/27/22**

5/19 † Jim Stoen by family - **Moved to 5/16/22**

Day	Time	Mass / Intention	Location
Fri May 20	11:00 am	Mass: 5th grade graduation † Darlene Nistler by Robert Nistler	Church
Sat May 21	4-4:30 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation Rosary Mass † Denis Flaherty by Sean & Kristen Flaherty & family	
Sun May 22	8:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	Reconciliation & Rosary Mass † Joan Sullivan & her the living and deceased relatives and friends by Patrick Sullivan Hispanic Mass For those listed in the book of intentions and for all parishioners.	Church Church Church

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

May 2-8, 2022

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
\$6,086.50	\$1,049.00	\$805.00	\$0.00

2022 CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL

Goal	\$57,600.00
Amount Received (5/6/22)	\$31,597.00

SUNDAY BROADCAST SPONSORS

Date	Intention(s)
May 29	† Jack Bloomquist by Rosemary
June 5	† Jeanne Johnson by Lloyd Johnson
June 12	Sponsors Needed
June 19	† Mike Moore by Suzanne & family
June 26	† Denis C Flaherty by Ellen M. Flaherty

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Day	Acts	Jn
Mon: 5/16	Acts 14:5-18	Jn 14:21-26
Tues: 5/17	Acts 14:19-28	Jn 14:27-31a
Wed: 5/18	Acts 15:1-6	Jn 15:1-8
Thu: 5/19	Acts 15:7-21	Jn 15:9-11
Fri: 5/20	Acts 15:22-31	Jn 15:12-17
Sat: 5/21	Acts 16:1-10	Jn 15:18-21
Sun: 5/22	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Rev 21:10-14, 22-23	Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Jn 14:23-29



A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** renews the promises you made to each other on your wedding day. Experience an enrichment for your marriage that will make your good marriage great! The next available Weekends are Nov 18-20, 2022 in WINDOM, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at 507-227-8229.



Donation to the Salvation Army from January-April:

62 Lbs

Giving Sacramentals a Proper Farewell

Disposing of sacramental is not as simple as throwing them in the trash...

All sacramentals share a dignity that commands us as Catholics to be vigilant and responsible by treating them with great reverence and respect.



Physical sacramentals are not playthings, fashion accoutrements, or ordinary decoration for our homes. A child handling rosary beads may be harmless but caution must be taken to ensure that the beads and crucifix are not broken carelessly, thrown, chewed and swallowed, or tossed in the trash. Although it might be popular, adults should maintain reverence by not dangling a rosary from the neck, tossing holy water in the kitchen junk drawer, or allowing blessed medals to be scattered around like loose change. All sacramentals must be handled with care and a sense of purpose.

We must also be conscious of our behavior and intentions with the non-physical sacramentals of blessing and exorcism. The sign of the cross must clearly be made intentionally, prayerfully, and uniformly, as a true sign of faith and piety rather than quickly, sloppily, or chaotically. Blessings at mealtime should be sincere. Genuflections and bows, also raised to the dignity of being sacramentals, should be made with the same inner sense of reverence.

These are the basics to handling and using sacramentals in a dignified way. The preference of the Church is to bless sacramentals, ordinarily through a cleric and should be promoted and welcomed. Truly, the primary reason for blessing any sacramental is to set it aside for holy purposes, but to also ensure that it is freed from any demonic possession and can remove the effects of profane use. No matter what, **blessed** sacramental should never be sold or purchased. Sacramentals that are useful but no longer desirable should be given away to a parish, person, or place where they may be returned to use.

Eventually, sacramentals wear down. Crucifixes break, as do rosaries. Candles burn out, and scapulars tear. If a sacramental reaches a state where it is beyond repair or its effective use, the object should be disposed of properly. Even in a tattered state, the object has been blessed by the Church and should be treated correctly, even in private possession. The proper way to dispose of a sacramental is to burn it or bury it. Not only do these methods of disposal show the correct reverence, but they prevent the sacramental from falling into the wrong hands and from desecration.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES & REMINDERS

Mon May 16	<p style="text-align: center;">Loaves & Fishes 4:45-5:30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Life in the Spirit Prayer Group 6-7:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hispanic Bible Study 6-8:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Marian Hall</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Church Basement</p>
Tues May 17	<p style="text-align: center;">School Board Meeting 6:00-8:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Music Selection Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Marian Hall</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Parish Meeting Room</p>
Wed May 18	<p style="text-align: center;">Morning Prayer Group 6:00-7:00 am</p>	Parish Meeting Room
Thurs May 19	<p style="text-align: center;">Quilting Group 1:00-4:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">KC Auxiliary Meeting 6:00-7:30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hispanic Choir Practice 6:30-8:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Church Basement</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Marian Hall</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Church Basement</p>
Fri May 20	<p style="text-align: center;">Adoration 9:30am-6:30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">5th Grade Graduation 11:00 am-12:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hispanic Adoration 6:30-8:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Chapel</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chapel</p>
Sat May 21	<p style="text-align: center;">Baptism: Pineda Reyes 3:00-4:00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">KC Tootsie Roll Drive 6:15-6:45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Church</p>
Sun May 22	<p style="text-align: center;">KC Tootsie Roll Drive 10:30-11 am & 12-12:30 pm</p>	Church

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	May 14, 2022	May 15, 2022	
	 5:15 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Accompanist	Ryan Hulschizer	Ada Theusch	
Cantor	TBD	Alex Amundson	
Lectors	Mary Larscheid	Judy Pop-Anderson	
Servers	Kyle & Matthew Ramirez	Volunteers needed	

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Summer Camp Opportunities

For more info go to sttheo.org or contact Irene Nelson at 507-373-5254.

Totus Tuus
("Totally Yours")
A Catholic Summer Youth Program
Coming to St. Theodore's,
July 17-22, 2022

Be sure to get registered for this event that combines catechesis and having FUN! The youthfulness & energy of the leaders is contagious. Registration is \$15 per child (\$30 max/family). Totus Tuus is open to youth 1st-6th grade, as well as middle & high school youth 7th-12th grade. Informational flyers and registration forms are located in both church entrances.

Camp Summit

- ◆ July 25-28, near Lanesboro, MN. Register by June 1st.
- ◆ **NEEDED one to two volunteer chaperones.** Must be at least 18 years old. Please contact Irene on how you can help.
- ◆ We have 3 spots yet to be filled for 6th-8th grade! Come on St. Theo Kids... let's represent and fill those spots!!!

"SAVE THE DATE"
At Home Mission Trip

We are currently in the process of planning our At Home Mission Trip! Please be sure to check future bulletins for the date and ways you can help this necessary mission!

Irene Nelson, Faith Formation Director - ian@sttheo.org

KC Tootsie Roll Drive
At All Masses, May 21—22

Your support will help our family, friends, & neighbors with intellectual disabilities. Ninety percent of the net funds go to Life Center of Freeborn County (formerly ARC). The remaining 10% goes to MN Special Olympics.

Thank You for your Support.

ST. THEODORE SCHOOL NEWS

We are accepting registration for our 2022/2023 Pre-K program. If you have any questions please contact the school at 507-373-9657.

End of the year count down: 7 School days left!

We will have **St. Theodore Restaurant** set up during the Freeborn County Fair at the fairgrounds. There are opportunities to volunteer for this event. **To volunteer for this event, please sign up at the following link: volunteersignup.org/9F7XC.** Just type this link into your internet search bar and follow the instructions for signing up. If you have any questions please call the school at 507-373-9657.

We are also hosting a **Gulf Fundraiser** on August 28, so start thinking about your teams.

Have a blessed weekend!

CONGRATULATIONS

Emma Johnson

Emma is the recipient of the 2022 K/C Scholarship. She is attending the U of W Lacrosse and majoring in Occupational Therapy. Emma is the daughter of Brian & Christi Johnson.

Retirement Planning in a Changing Landscape

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Free Virtual Webinar featuring Ed Slott, America's IRA Expert, who specializes in the latest retirement planning strategies and opportunities for 2022. Register today to reserve your spot.

May 24: 6:30 pm CDT
<https://tinyurl.com/SlottMay24>
June 14: 6:30 PM CDT
<https://tinyurl.com/SlottJune14>

Fr. Gobbi Cenacale

Seeking individuals willing to join a Prayer Group that includes the Rosary and messages from Mary to Fr. Gobbi. The group meets Thursdays at 7:00 pm at the home of Kay Pectorious!

If you would like more about this Marian Movement or interested in joining, please contact Kay at 507-279-1090.

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