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What can we gain from only our work? The opening lines of the first reading today from Ecclesiastes may spark several memories, but the words are very real: "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity." Both this author and Saint Luke in the Gospel point out that vanity and the accumulation of treasures do not lead to lasting happiness. Saint Paul, in his letter to the Colossians, also discusses the need not to live as pagans and to always recognize that we have died to material things because we have been born to a new life in Christ. Today's readings do not aim to lead us to a "liturgical depression" but rather a "joyful conversion" by which we can celebrate our faith as people redeemed by Christ and willing to proclaim his message in the world. In this Year of Mercy, we entrust our lives to the Lord and ask that he may have mercy on us as we promise to come closer to him. The start of the new academic year may be a good time for all liturgical ministry leaders to set forth their goals for the new year and help their pastor prepare an annual retreat for all to attend.



¿Qué podemos ganar sólo con nuestro trabajo? Las primeras líneas de la primera lectura de hoy de Eclesiastés pueden despertar varios recuerdos, pero las palabras son muy reales: "Vanidad de vanidades, todo es vanidad". Tanto este autor como San Lucas en el Evangelio señalan que la vanidad y la acumulación de tesoros no conducen a la felicidad duradera. San Pablo, en su carta a los Colosenses, también discute la necesidad de no vivir como paganos y de reconocer siempre que hemos muerto a las cosas materiales porque hemos nacido a una nueva vida en Cristo. Las lecturas de hoy no pretenden llevarnos a una "depresión litúrgica", sino a una "conversión gozosa" mediante la cual podamos celebrar nuestra fe como personas redimidas por Cristo y dispuestas a proclamar su mensaje en el mundo. En este Año de la Misericordia, confiamos nuestras vidas al Señor y le pedimos que tenga misericordia de nosotros mientras prometemos acercarnos a Él. El comienzo del nuevo año académico puede ser un buen momento para que todos los líderes del ministerio litúrgico establezcan sus metas para el nuevo año y ayuden a su pastor a preparar un retiro anual para que todos asistan.

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



“Be intent on things above rather than on things of earth. After all, you have died! Your life is hidden now with Christ in God. When Christ our life appears, then you shall appear with Him in Glory.”

It is not difficult to realize that much of our society today is rooted in things of the earth. Money, power, beauty, and sex have been idolized by television and Hollywood. They also reveal the darker side of societies fixation with earthly things. There is a disillusionment that overwhelms us. We are awakened to the reality that everything we are running after leaves us empty and saddened. We know in our hearts there must be something else. There must be a higher meaning in life than just things. Being able to make a difference in the life of someone else leaves one with such a beautiful feeling of happiness and joy. People that embrace the Christian life will dedicate themselves to finding opportunities to help others which will make them happy. This happiness no one can take from them.

Love in Christ,
Father Kurt Farrell

MATCHING GRANT OPPORTUNITY

We're on our way to reaching our matching grant goal. We are grateful for this opportunity to help motivate giving to the Ministry Appeal. Please prayerfully consider how you can help us reach our \$1,000 matching grant goal!

2022 CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL

Goal	\$57,600.00
Amount Received (7/22/22)	\$40,312.00

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

July 11-17, 2022

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
\$17,227.79	\$1,099.55	\$225.00	\$20.00

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: 8/1	JER 28:1-17	MT 14:13-21
Tues: 8/2	JER 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22	MT 14:22-36
Wed: 8/3	JER 31:1-7	MT 15:21-28
Thu: 8/4	JER 31:31-34	Mt 16:13-23
Fri: 8/5	NA 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7	MT 16:24-28
Sat: 8/6	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14	Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
Transfiguration	2 Pt 1:16-19	Lk 9:28b-36
Sun: 8/7	Wis 18:6-9	Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22
	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19	Lk 12:32-48

SUNDAY BROADCAST SPONSORS

Date	Intention(s)
Aug 14	† Polly Schiltz by family For the living and deceased family members of Judy Popp-Anderson
Aug 21	† Phillip Joseph Luna, Felix Joe Luna II & Eachen Galeski by Mary Larson
Aug 28	† Benny Scherb by Cindy Scherb
Sept 4	Sponsors Needed
Sept 11	† Henry J. Kalis on the anniversary of his death by Violet Kalis

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues Aug 2	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary MASS † For the poor souls in purgatory	Church Church
Wed Aug 3	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary MASS † Jim Stoen by family	Church Church
Thurs Aug 4	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary MASS † Dorothy Vandersnkk by Gerry Gilbertson	Church Church
Fri Aug 5	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:30 am	Rosary MASS † Donald A Renchin by Mary Alice Renchin First Friday Confessions	Church Church Church
Sat Aug 6	4-4:30 pm 4:45 pm 5:15 pm	Reconciliation Rosary MASS † Donald and Delores Stenzel by Kim	Church Church Church
Sun Aug 7	8:30 am 9:00 am 11:00 am	MASS Polly Schiltz by family Mike Moore by Suzanne and family Hispanic Mass For those listed in the book of intentions and for all parishioners.	Church Church Church

MASS IN THE PARK

SAVE THE DATE
AUGUST 21, 2022
10:00 AM

We are once again celebrating this event at Edgewater Park at the band shell with a meal to follow at the main pavilion. Loren Lair will once again prepare his outstanding pork for sandwiches. The rest of the meal and beverages will be provided.

Please help us prepare by praying for beautiful weather.
Come celebrate Mass followed with lunch and fellowship with our St. Theodore Parish families.

We look forward to seeing you there!

We pray for the following family who mourn the loss of their loved one:

- *Balentin Val" Maldonado Madrigal (died July 19 2022)*



We pray the Lord will bring his soul peace, mercy and eternal rest and comfort for his family during this difficult time.



Save the Dates

October 3 & 4, 2022

Pilgrimage to two Marian Shrines in Wisconsin
Check the bulletin next week for more details.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES & REMINDERS

Mon Aug 1	Life in the Spirit Prayer Group 6-7:00 pm	Church
Tues Aug 2	Fair Lane Food Fundraiser	Fairgrounds
Wed Aug 3	Fair Lane Food Fundraiser Morning Prayer Group 6:00-7:00 am	Fairgrounds Parish Meeting Room
Thurs Aug 4	Fair Lane Food Fundraiser Hispanic Choir Practice 6:30-8:00 pm	Fairgrounds Church Basement
Fri Aug 5	Fair Lane Food Fundraiser Adoration 9:30am -6:30 pm Hispanic Adoration 6:30-8:00 pm	Fairgrounds Church Church
Sat Aug 6	Fair Lane Food Fundraiser Quinceanera: Grande 1:00-2:00 pm Baptism: Memige 3:00 pm	Fairgrounds Church Church
Sun Aug 7	Fair Lane Food Fundraiser	Fairgrounds

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Aug 6, 2022	Aug 7, 2022	
	5:15 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Accompanist	Ada Theusch	Ada Theusch	Please check the Hispanic bulletin for details
Cantor	Stephanie Redman	Betsy Schultz	
Lectors	Grzybowski's	Kelly Gosekson	
Servers	Blake Redman & Keagan Winslow	Needing additional volunteers	

Calling St. Theodore Youth!
We need you to step forward as altar servers. This is a wonderful way to serve the Lord, your parish and your parish family. This is also a great opportunity for those seeking service hours. Please contact the parish office to volunteer!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Registration Save the Dates
It's that time again to start thinking about getting registered for fall Faith Formation classes. Our upcoming registration dates are as follows:
Wednesday, August 24, 2022:

- 5th-9th grade families meet at 5:00 pm in Marian Hall
- 10th-11th grade families meet at 7:00 pm in Marian Hall

Saturday, August 27, 2022:

- Prek-1st & 3rd-4th grade families meet at 9:00 am in Marian Hall
- First Communion families meet at 10:00 am in Marian Hall

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

RCIA There are many needs in our world that are challenging. We may find ourselves reviewing our relationship with God, the Universe, and others. We invite you to notice who in your life may be wanting more in terms of spiritual growth or a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and more connectedness to a faith community. The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is a process that may be helpful for some who are searching. It provides an opportunity to explore the Catholic faith. Please invite anyone who has who has asked you about why you are Catholic or has expressed an interest in the faith. Participants do not need to commit to joining the Church – just a desire to seek God and explore. If you are interested or want more information, please call the parish office (507 373 0603). Father Kurt, Gina Montero and Judy Popp-

Are you looking for a perfect weekend? A weekend to get closer? Do you want to learn a communication technique that allows each partner to explore important areas of their relationships in a spirite 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: southmnwme.org or contact Miki at



August 19-21, 2022 at the DECC
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Get tickets and more info at VaticanUnveiled.com
This historic and cultural event will feature over 200 rare artifacts and relics from notable Saints, Popes and Swiss Guard. This is the closest most people will ever get to the Vatican or a Pope.



Welcome Lucy
Once again, God has smiled down upon us and sent us our new parish secretary. We are over joyed to introduce to everyone our new parish secretary, Lucina Martinez (Lucy), Lucy is a resident of Albert Lea and is excited to be part of our parish staff team. She brings a wealth of experience and is able to communicate effectively in both English and Spanish. After a period of transition and training, Lucy will be available Monday-Thursday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. Please be sure to welcome and introduce yourself to this newest member of our parish staff. We also want to thank Maria Lopez for her dedicated and loyal service. She will be greatly missed.

12 Day Holy Land Pilgrimage
March 13-24, 2023
Cost \$3,790.00 per person from Minneapolis
We need 20 total to register by August 7th, 2022 or the trip will be cancelled. Contact the parish office to get more info!

Volunteer opportunities for St. Theodore School Fair Restaurant

- We have two or four hour shifts available.
- Work Pass provided for free admission.
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