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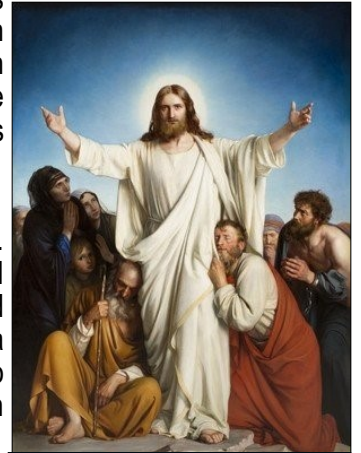
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Today is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. While the first reading from Acts emphasizes the open testimony of Peter and the Eleven before a multitude of people willing to hear them, in the second reading, a letter sent later by Peter himself offers support and encouragement to Christians suffering persecution. In both cases, Christ is the gate between the living and the dying, the center of life for all who preach the good news. Christ is the voice of the Good Shepherd who takes care of his flock, he will not allow his sheep to be misled by the voices of robbers and prophets. We need to be faithful to the Church and proclaim the good news of our risen Lord as missionaries who extend their hands and hearts to all who look for Christ. As a family of faith in our communities, we should reflect on the following questions: What religious groups, Christian and non-Christian, are in our communities? Have we thought to start fraternal dialogue with these groups, as Pope Francis, our shepherd on earth, has taught us?



*Jesus,
 "The Good Shepherd,"
 Shepherds His People.*

Hoy es conocido como el Domingo del Buen Pastor. Mientras que la primera lectura de los Hechos subraya el testimonio abierto de Pedro y los Once ante una multitud de personas dispuestas a escucharlos, en la segunda lectura, una carta enviada más tarde por el mismo Pedro ofrece apoyo y aliento a los cristianos que sufren persecución. En ambos casos, Cristo es la puerta entre los vivos y los moribundos, el centro de la vida para todos los que predicán las buenas nuevas. Cristo es la voz del Buen Pastor que cuida de su rebaño, no permitirá que sus ovejas sean engañadas por las voces de ladrones y profetas. Necesitamos ser fieles a la Iglesia y proclamar las buenas nuevas de nuestro Señor resucitado como misioneros que extienden sus manos y corazones a todos los que buscan a Cristo. Como familia de fe en nuestras comunidades, debemos reflexionar sobre las siguientes preguntas: ¿Qué grupos religiosos, cristianos y no cristianos, hay en nuestras comunidades? ¿Hemos pensado en iniciar un diálogo fraterno con estos grupos, como nos ha enseñado el Papa Francisco, nuestro pastor en la tierra?

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

PRIVATE PRAYER IN CHAPEL

Open all hours

Parish Office Hours

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

Closed Friday

Offices Close Daily

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

The Catholic Shoppe ♦ Parish Office

- 1:00-4:00 pm
- Monday-Thursday

FROM THE DESK OF FR. KURT



"I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly".

In the Gospel for this Sunday, which is also known as Good Shepherd Sunday, Jesus is telling us that He is the way for us to find true happiness. All of us through out our lives live with certain moral parameters or boundaries that guide us in our decision-making and influence our human behavior. As Catholics, we were taught from our youth a certain code of behavior which has influenced us and has helped shape the person that we are today. However, as we go through life, what we have learned about what is good and bad, right versus wrong, gets challenged and we are forced to make a decision for ourselves whether we will continue living out the beliefs that we were taught as children.

Good Shepherd Sunday reminds us that the moral truths that have guided us in our lives come from a God who loves us as his own, and only wants us to be happy and have life and have it more abundantly. Let us continue learning about the moral truths that Jesus has left us through his Church, and allow him to shepherd us into eternal happiness.

Love of Christ
Father Kurt Farrell

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues May 2	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Cookie Dowling by Gerry	Church Church
Wed May 3	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Rosalie Wolff by Evelyn Schultz	Church Church
Thurs May 4	8:30 am 9:00 pm	Rosary Mass † Ches Gilbertson by Gerry	Church Church
Fri May 5	8:30 am 9:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary First Friday Confessions Mass † Ruth Spear by Don & Sharyl Boom	Church Church
Sat May 6	8:30 am 9:00 am	Rosary Mass † Hisae Hook, Mom of Keiko Smith	Church Church
Sun May 7	8:30 am 9:00 am 11:00am	Rosary Mass † Nena Villacorta by Marilou Kwapick † Joan Sullivan by Patrick Spanish Mass	Church Church Church

2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL

Goal	\$54,208.00
Amount received (4/24/23)	\$25,845.00

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

April 17 – April 23, 2023

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Imp Fund	St. James
\$8,335.00	\$1,495.51	\$75.00	\$10.00

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: 5/1	Acts 11:1-18	Jn 10:11-18
Tues: 5/2	Acts 11:19-26	Jn 10:22-30
Wed: 5/3	1 Cor 15:1-8	Jn 14:6-14
Thu: 5/4	Acts 13:13-25	Jn 13:16-20
Fri: 5/5	Acts 13:26-33	Jn 14:6
Sat: 5/6	Acts 13:44-52	Jn 14:7-14
Sun: 5/7	Acts 6:1-7 1 Pt 2:4-9	Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 Jn 14:1-12

SUNDAY BROADCAST SPONSORS

Date	Intention
May 14	In recognition of all Mother's living & deceased by the KC Auxiliary
May 21	† Elain & Raymond Nemeč by family † Polly Schiltz by family Sponsors Needed
May 28	† Jack Bloomquist by Rosemary Bloomquist Sponsors Needed

The Holy Father's Intention for May 2023

For Church Movements and Groups

We pray that the Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world

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

- Olivia Kathy Ann and Celcia Rey Hanson daughters of Samuel & Teresa Hanson

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.



BAPTISM

June 10, 2023 ♦ Mankato, MN

THIS IS MY BODY
EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2023
Be sure to Register before May 16!

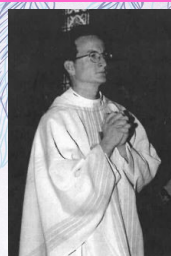


Eucharistic Congress Transportation

Space on the bus is filling fast!
Be sure to get registered and contact the parish office to be added to the passenger list.



Easter Flowers: Those donated may take their Easter Flowers home. Any flowers remaining after the 30th will be placed in the chapel access area for anyone to take home. Thank you for your donations.



All are Invited to Celebrate
Fr. Kurt's 25th Priesthood
Ordination Anniversary
Friday, June 16, 2023

The Feast of the Sacred Heart
Mass at 6:00 pm, Dinner to Follow
Please No Gifts

RSVP: Parish Office at 507-373-0603 ♦ jjt@sttheo.org



If you or someone you know would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the parish office at 373-0603.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES & REMINDERS

Mon May 1	Loaves & Fishes 4:45-5:30pm Hispanic Bible Study 6-8pm Life in the Spirit Prayer Group 6-7pm	Marian Hall Church Basement Church
Tues May 2	No Additional Activities	
Wed May 3	Morning Prayer Group 6:00-7:00am Hispanic Adoration 7-8pm	Parish Meeting Room Church
Thurs May 4	Father Teaching 4 -5 grades 8:20-8:50am Quilting Group 1-4pm Hispanic Choir Practice 6:30-8pm	School Church Basement Church Basement
Fri May 5	Adoration 9:30am-6:30pm Hispanic Retreat Set up 2-4pm Quince Practice: Cristal 5-6pm Hispanic Adoration 6:30-8pm	Chapel Gym Church Church
Sat May 6	Hispanic Retreat 8am - 4pm Last RCIA Class 10-11:30am Quinceanera: Cristal Linares 1-2pm	Marian Hall Parish Meeting Room Church
Sun May 7	No Additional Activities	

The Wellspring:

Spiritual Nourishment for Parents of Children with Disabilities

2nd Thursday of every month, Starting May 11
Saint James Coffee, 6:30pm-7:30pm

This new monthly gathering is open to all parents caring for children living with disabilities (young or adult children). Parents wishing to grow in their particular vocation of caring and advocating for their children with special needs, as we engage in faith sharing and encouragement are encourage to attend. An additional daytime gathering is planned to start in the Fall. For more information, contact Susan Windley-Daoust at swindley@dowr.org



St. Theodore Catholic Church seeking Full and Part Time Custodians

Starting wage is \$15/hours based on skill & experience. Positions may require evening & weekend work. Individuals help to ensure a clean, safe & well maintained environment. These positions are subject to a background check & VIRTUS training. Job description & application are online at www.sttheo.org or the Parish office. If interested, please submit a completed application to jjt@sttheo.org or send to the parish office at 308 E. Fountain Street, Albert Lea, MN 56007. Application deadline is May 12, 2023.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Saturday May 6, 2023	Sunday May 7, 2023	
	5:15 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Accompanist	Aaron Bartz	Ada Theusch	Please check the Hispanic bulletin for details
Cantor	Brian Zogg	Jodi Blong	
Lectors	Irene Nelson	Catherine Buboltz	
Servers	Grace Haag Lauren & Lilly Raleigh	Ethan Chrissinger Matthew Rende & Sawyer Holt	

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Summer Camp Opportunities! Sign up today!

TOTUS TUUS ("Totally Yours") A Catholic Summer Youth Program is coming to St. Theodore's July 9-14! Registration is \$15 per child (\$30 max per family). Totus Tuus is open to youth entering 1st-6th grade, & middle & high school youth entering 7th-12th grade. Informational flyers are located at both church entrances, which include a registration form and ways to volunteer. Need volunteers to provide Team lunches! **Register by May 1st!**

Stuebenville-Rochester Conference: July 14-16! St. Theo's will pay half the fee for any 9th-12th grade student & full cost for chaperones! Cost includes hotel, meals at conference, t-shirt & transportation. Contact Irene for more info/registration materials. **Hurry! Register by May 10th!**

St. Theodore Seniors! You're invited! Baccalaureate Mass and special Dinner in Marian Hall, May 13th at 5:15pm.

Please RSVP by Friday, May 5th!

Congratulations 2023 First Communicants!



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

ST. THEODORE SCHOOL NEWS

We are down to our last month of school, if you can believe it. We have a busy month of May coming up. We have a few fun field trips planned, Freeborn County Museum and the Minnesota Science Museum. Our 5th graders will be graduating on May 19th and our Pre- Kindergarteners will be graduating on May 23rd.

Our 3rd graders will have their annual Spanish class Fiesta for Cinco de Mayo on Friday, May 5th. We have gotten our students a piñata to celebrate. We are looking for some candy donations to help fill it. If you would like to donate some candy please have it dropped off to the School or Parish office no later than Thursday, May 4th.

Have a blessed weekend!
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