



St. Theodore Catholic Church

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CONGRATULATIONS

We are so proud of the following youth who were Confirmed this past Wednesday
by Bishop Robert E. Barron.

As their parish family we pray they continue on this chosen path to Christ and His
Church with confidence and conviction to be the Saint they have been call to be.

*Christopher Ambríz
Gutierrez*
(St. John the Apostle)

Jennifer Ambríz Parra
(St. Teresa of Avila)

Anthony Castillo Lazaro
(St. Jude the Apostle)

María Clarey
(St. Sebastian)

Brooklyn Drescher
(St. Teresa of Avila)

Daniel Flores
(St. Christopher)

Basilia García Rodríguez
(Our Lady of Mount Carmel)

Marelyn Grande López
(St. Jude the Apostle)

Ethan Hajek
(St. Theodore)

Sawyer Holt
(St. Cecilia)

Braydín Kirsch
(St. Michael the Archangel)

*Fernando Merino
Martínez*
(Blessed Virgin Mary)

Joel Palma Hernández
(St. John Paul II)

Connor Pirsig
(St. Sebastian)

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(St. Teresa of Calcutta)

Kyle Steffl
(St. Anthony of Padua)

Alexander Teran Lazaro
(St. Gregory III)

Avery White
(St. Gabriel)

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



In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus cures a man that had been deaf and was unable to speak clearly.

Often in our lives we find that although we desire to hear and understand the people closest to us, we don't, and it is not always because we need hearing aides. We hear what we want to hear and not what is being communicated to us. Because of this, the people closest to us might not feel that we know them or appreciate them for who they are.

Jesus was always giving people a second chance at life, either through healing them of a debilitating illness, or forgiving them of a past sinful life style. As Christians we are called to live as Jesus lived, forgiving the past, and reassuring others of our unconditional love and forgiveness. Although, it is never helpful to overlook or accept sinful and destructive behavior, it is our duty to be kind and loving towards the people that God has put into our lives. Listening with compassion and understanding is a gift of God that all of us could be more open to receiving.

Love of Christ
Father Kurt Farrell

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues Sept 10	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass † Ray Keating by family	Church Church
Wed Sept 11	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass † Bob Perreault by family	Church Church
Thurs Sept 12	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass † Darlene Trease	Church Church
Fri Sept 13	8:30am 9:00am	Rosary Mass † Dave Mullenbach	Church Church
Sat Sept 14	4:00pm 5:15pm	Confessions & Rosary Mass Memorial Mass Association	Church Church
Sun Sept 15	8:30am 9:00am 11:00am	Rosary Mass In honor of Terr & Peggy Vandersnick 55th Wedding Anniversary Spanish Mass For all Parishioners and those listed in our book of intentions	Church Church Church

2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL

Goal	\$55,629.00
Amount received 8/30/24)	\$30,414.00

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

August 26-September 1, 2024

Adult Envelopes	Offertory	Improvement Fund
\$8,620.50	\$1,327.97	\$25.00

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon: 9/9	1 COR 5:1-8	Lk 6:6-11
Tues: 9/10	1 Cor 6:1-11	Lk 6:12-19
Wed: 9/11	1 Cor 7:25-31	Lk 6:20-26
Thu: 9/12	1 COR 8:1B-7, 11-13	LK 6:27-38
Fri: 9/13	1 COR 9:16-19, 22B-27	Lk 6:39-42
Sat: 9/14	NM 21:4B-9, PHIL 2:6-11	PS 78:1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 JN 3:13-17
Sun: 9/15	Is 50:5-9a Jas 2:14-18	Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Mk 8:27-35

SUNDAY BROADCAST SPONSORS

Date	Intention
Sept 22	Sponsors Needed
Sept 29	† Charles Kermes by Mary & family Additional Sponsors Needed
Oct 6	Sponsors Needed



We want to give a shout out to Bill & Mary Daly, who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary! God Bless you both with many more years to come!

The Holy Father's Intention for September 2024 FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth, victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

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



- **Mateo Martillano & Graciela Devina Puente** children of Fidel & Maria Isabel Puente Trevino
- We celebrate the blessing of their beautiful eternal souls and may we help them grow to be the saints the Lord has called them to be.

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

- **Richard Dean Walker** (died August 30, 2024)
- We pray the Lord will bring her soul peace, mercy and eternal rest and comfort for her family during this difficult time.*



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YOU TO BELIEVE!

Paul Koleske - Igniting the Light of Christ Within You Catholic Concert & Reflection



6:00 PM ♦ Sunday, September 22, 2024 ♦ St. Theodore Church
Paul Koleske offers a scripturally sound way to increase your spiritual awareness and growth allowing you to feel an increased presence of the Holy Spirit within you!

Hope to see you there!



NOTICE: There will be roadwork done at St. Theodore Cemetery in the upcoming weeks resulting in road closures.

Season of Creation Sept 1-Oct 4

Everything is related, and we human beings are woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures and mother earth. Peace, justice and the preservation of creation are interconnected.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES & REMINDERS

Mon Sept 9	Loaves & Fishes 4:45-5:30pm Hispanic Bible Study 6-8pm Life in the Spirit Group 6-7pm School Fundraising Committee 6:30-8pm	Marian Hall Church Basement Church Marian Hall
Tues Sept 10	Eucharistic Revival Meeting 10am-12pm Hispanic Holy Spirit Group 6-8pm	Parish Meeting Room Church
Wed Sept 11	Morning Prayer Group 6-7am Faith Formation Class grades 5-11 6:30-8pm Faith Formation Adoration 7-8pm	Parish Meeting Room School Church
Thurs Sept 12	Father Teaches 2-3 Grade 8:25-8:45am Hispanic Choir Practice/training 6:30-8pm Knights of Columbus Meeting 6:30-8pm	School Church Church Basement
Fri Sept 13	Adoration 9:30am-6:30pm Hispanic Adoration 6:30-8pm Overnight Vigil 8pm-8am	Church Church Church
Sat Sept 14	Overnight Vigil 8am Baptism Class 10-11am Baptism 3pm Mums Sale 3:30-7:30pm	Church Rectory Room Church Front of School
Sun Sept 15	Faith Formation Class PreK-4th Grade 10-11am KC Roundtable Meeting 12-1pm	School/Church Church Basement

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Saturday September 14, 2024 5:15pm	Sunday September 15, 2024 9:00am
Accompanist	Diane Heaney	Diane Heaney
Cantor	Jodi Blong	Betsy Schultz
Lectors	Mary Larscheid	Carol Thompson
Servers	Kyle Steffl & Keagan Winslow	Evalyn & Elizabeth Holcomb

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Faith Formation classes will be starting soon!

- 5th-11th grade: Wednesday, September 11th, 6:30-8pm
- PreK-4th grade and ALL First Reconciliation/First Communion: Sunday, September 15th, 10:05-10:55am

Please Register Before Classes Start!

Registration Forms are available...

- ◆ in the August Parish Newsletter
- ◆ online: www.sttheo.org or <https://forms.gle/qQQBHCwBjYX34Zxr7>
- ◆ in both the Parish & School Offices
- ◆ the Faith Formation Information Station
- ◆ the front church entrance area

Congratulations

to our youth who were anointed with the Sacred Chrism in the Sacrament of Confirmation this past Wednesday. May they daily continue to seek true life in Christ and grow deeper in their love for Him and His Church.

Confirmands: Please pick up your envelopes with your certificates and pictures in the Faith Formation Info Station.

Irene Nelson, Faith Formation Director - ian@sttheo.org 507-373-5254

ST. THEODORE SCHOOL NEWS

Don't forget to mark your calendars for our **Mum Sale** on Saturday, Sept. 14, from 4:00pm-7:00pm in front of St. Theodore School. Each Mum will be \$20.

Knights of Columbus School Marathon ♦ September 27

Students will be collecting pledges so please be generous.

St. Theodore Catholic School



KC Meeting

Thursday, September 12, 2024
6:30-8:00pm ♦ Church Basement

KC Roundtable Meeting

Sunday, September 15, 2024
Noon After Spanish Mass - Church Basement



WELCOME & THANK YOU

We welcome the following who were selected by the council members as our new parish council members:

Kathleen Bleckeberg ♦ Jodi Blong ♦ Diane Moore
Jake Price ♦ Robert Steffle.

We are grateful to all those who submitted a nomination and were willing to serve St. Theodore Parish.

Thank you to those who served on the council for the past year. We appreciated your service to the parish and its council.



Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, becoming Catholic or returning to the faith?

As we look forward to starting a new group, we ask all parishioners to pray for the process and invite anyone who might be wanting to know more about the Catholic faith or considering returning to the Catholic Church, to check out RCIA. No commitment is necessary. We are please to announce that Lucy Villagomez will be joining Erick Mickelson, Judy Popp-Anderson and Fr. Kurt Farrell on our team this year. We are grateful for the time Gina Montero served on our team and wish her all the best. Please call Judy Popp-Anderson, 507 at 507-383-0955 or the parish office at 507-373-0603 with referrals.

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<p>The Catholic Shoppe Located in St. Theodore Parish Office Open Monday-Thursday ♦ 8:00AM-12:00pm then 1:00 PM-4:00PM Come and check out our selection!</p>			<p>Are you or a loved one experiencing same sex attraction and looking for answers?</p> <p>DOW-R Office of Life, Marriage & Family Scan the QR code, 507-858-1273 or Email: courage@dowr.org Contact us for more information!</p> 