

# St. Theodore Catholic Church

A WELCOMING PARISH COMMUNITY

BIENVENIDOS

315 Clark Street, Albert Lea, MN 56007-2456

## January 14, 2018 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Reconciliation

Saturday 4 pm  
Sunday 1/2 hour before Masses

### Mass

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

### MISSION STATEMENT

St. Theodore's mission is to invite people to actively participate in the life of Jesus.

## REPENT

Repent and believe the good news! Come, follow me! Andrew, first to respond, brought along his brother Simon whom Jesus nicknamed Cephas, which means Peter, which means rock. Then came the fisher brothers, James and John. These four are the great witnesses to Jesus' public work. We hear the same call: "Come, follow me" into new life. God raises us up, too, if we follow Jesus. Time is short. The world we know is passing away. Are we ready to give witness?



## Arrepiéntanse

¡Arrepiéntanse y crean en la Buena Nueva! ¡Vengan y síganme! Andrés, el primero en responder, llevó ante Jesús a su hermano Simón. Luego vinieron los hermanos Santiago y Juan. Estos cuatro son los grandes testigos de la vida pública de Jesús. Nosotros escuchamos el mismo llamado: "Vengan y síganme", a la nueva vida. El tiempo es corto. El mundo que conocemos se va pasando. ¿Estamos listos para dar testimonio como hicieron los primeros seguidores?

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## From the Desk of Father Kurt

“Behold the Lamb of God, Behold him who takes away the sins of the world.”

In today’s Gospel, we heard these words come from the mouth of John the Baptist, and then later on in the Mass we heard these words come from the mouth of the priest as he held up the host before communion. In both situations we are called upon to make an act of faith. When we hear these words we are invited to make an act of faith to allow Jesus to come and be our savior, who takes away our sin and brings us the healing that we so desperately need.

The invitation is open to everybody, but not everyone will receive it. The knob to the door is only on our side, Christ knocks but only we can open the door to our hearts. He calls us by name because he is invested in each of us individually. He wants to redeem and heal us, but he also has a mission that only we can carry out. This mission will serve a particular need in the body of Christ, but will also lead us to become our perfect self in Christ.

Let Christ in your heart, and Christ will draw you into the perfection of who you were made to be.

## Sacrificial Giving

January 6-7, 2018

Adult	Offertory	Youth	Improvement	St. James
\$9,521.85	\$866.16	\$0.00	\$316.00	\$90.00

## Total Christmas Giving 2017

St. Theodore's	\$16,095.09
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A pregnancy and subsequent abortion may be far behind you but the memories can be painful, leaving you feeling emotionally and spiritually distressed. Project Rachel can help you to heal.

Call the Catholic Charities hotline at 800-222-5859 or our office at 507-377-3664 for confidential information and help or visit us at [www.ccsomn.org](http://www.ccsomn.org).

- ✓ Pick up offering envelopes
- ✓ Sign up for Loaves & Fishes
- ✓ Sign up for adoration
- ✓ Take home Poinsettias after Mass located in the gathering space.



## Mass Intentions/Schedule

Day	Time	Intention	Location
Mon Jan 15		No Mass	
Tues Jan 16	8:30 am	Rosary	Church
	9:00 am	Mass † Raymond Cochlin by Mary Keating	
Wed Jan 17	8:15 am	Rosary	Church
	8:45 am	Mass † Ruth O'Brien by Robert, Linda, & June Greywitt & Chcuk & Snadra Eicher	
Thurs Jan 18	2:00 pm	Nursing Home Mass † Raymond Cochlin by a friend	Thorne Crest
Fri Jan 19	8:30 am	Rosary	Church
	9:00 am	Mass † Becky Knipping by Bernie & Alice VanBorren & Family	
Sat Jan 20	4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Church
	4:45 pm	Rosary	
	5:15 pm	Mass Memorial Mass Intention	
Sun Jan 21	8:30 am	Reconciliation	Church
	8:30 am	Rosary	
	9:00 am	Mass	
	11:00 am	Spanish Mass	

## Upcoming Broadcast Masses

Jan 21	Sponsor Needed
Jan 28	Sponsor Needed
Feb 4	Sponsor Needed
Feb 11	† Marlene Tauges
Feb 18	† Troy Peterson



## Daily Scripture Readings

Mon 1/15	1 SM 15:16-23	MK 2:18-22
Tues: 1/16	1 SM 16:1-13	MK 2:23-28
Wed: 1/17	1 SM 17:32-33, 37, 40-51	MK 3:1-6
Thurs: 1/18	1 SM 18:6-9; 19:1-7	MK 3:7-12
Fri: 1/19	1 SM 24:3-21	MK 3:13-19
Sat: 1/20	2 SM 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27	MK 3:20-21
Sun: 1/21	JON 3:1-5, 10	PS 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
	1 COR 7:29-31	MK 1:14-20



## FOUND:

A Hearing Aid was found.  
Please inquire at Parish Office.

## This Week's Activities & Reminders

Jan 15	Loaves & Fishes 5:00 pm-6:30 pm	Marian Hall
Jan 16	P.A.K.E.T. Day 12:00 pm-1:00pm	Marian Hall
	School Board Meeting 7:00 pm-9:00 pm	Parish Conference Room
Jan 17	Men's Prayer Group 6:00 am-7:00 am	Parish Conference Room
	Liturgy Committee Meeting 6:30 pm-7:30 pm	Parish Conference Room
	Faith Formation 7:00 pm-8:10 pm	Marian Hall, Church, School & Gym
	Bell Choir Practice 7:30 pm-8:30 pm	Church Basement
Jan 18	Quilting Group 9:00 am-12:00 pm	Church Basement
	Finance Council Meeting 6:30 pm-7:30 pm	Parish Conference Room
	RCIA 7:00 pm-8:30 pm	Rectory Dining Room
Jan 19		
Jan 20		
Jan 21	Faith Formation 10:05-10:55 am	Marian Hall, Church, School & Gym
	KC Auxiliary Coffee & Rolls 10:30 am-11:30 am	Marian Hall

## Liturgical Ministers

	Saturday, January 20, 2018	Sunday, January 21, 2018	
	5:15 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am Español
<b>Accompanist</b>	Ann Ogg	Ann Ogg	Hispanic Choir
<b>Cantor/Choir</b>	Deb Wessling + Adult Choir	Jodi Blong	
<b>Lectors</b>	Sue Amundson	Gigi Otten Kim Otten	
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Emery Brouwers Michael Minear	Alexander & Dominica Eckstrom	Melissa Palma Miguel Palma

**Mystery Dinner Theater:** Reserve your seats for an evening of "Who dun it?" The fun begins at 6pm on Saturday, February 17th, in Marian Hall. Your \$60 reservation fee entitles you to a hand carved Prime Rib Dinner along with Chicken Marsala, salad, potato, vegetable supreme, dinner roll and dessert bar and the opportunity to sharpen your sleuthing skills to figure out what happened and who was the villain! A full cash bar will also be available. Seating is limited so be sure to contact the school or parish office to make your reservation before February 1st. After the 1st the cost is \$75 a person!



Volunteers are needed to help with the Mystery Dinner Theater, Saturday, February 17, 2018. This school fundraiser needs volunteers 16 years or older to help in many ways. We need actors, an MC, help with food prep, food service and clean up. If you would be willing to help out please contact Melissa Wittmer at 507-383-3099.

### St. Theodore School News

What a busy start of the year we have been having. We hope everyone was safe and sound during the storm. We just finished 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester parent/teacher conferences. It is so great to see how much the students have learned since the beginning of the year.

On Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, we started selling the Catholic United Raffle tickets. This is a great fundraiser for the school because it doesn't cost us anything to participate and **all** proceeds from the ticket sales come back to the school. The grand prize is a chance to win a 2018 Chevy Trax or \$20,000. If you would like a full list of prizes you can go to their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/CatholicSchoolsRaffle](http://www.facebook.com/CatholicSchoolsRaffle). The tickets are \$5.00 each. You can purchase raffle tickets from any student, the school office, and the parish office. You may see some families selling raffle tickets after mass or when you are out doing some grocery shopping. If you can, please stop and purchase a ticket to help support our school.

We still have some wish pets available to purchase. Please contact the school if you would like to pick one up.

Have a great weekend! •St. Theodore Catholic School•



**Prayer Partners:** Members of our Parish are invited to become prayer partners for our 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation students. Envelopes are located in the back of the church for parishioners to take. Inside each envelope is the name of the candidate and any special intention they would like their new prayer partner to lift in prayer. A Prayer Drop Box will be located in the church access area for those who wish to leave notes for the candidates. Thank you for taking the time to help all our candidates in the special way!

Please remember to help support our **service project** by donating the following hygiene products:

- Toothbrushes & toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Hand towels & Washcloths
- Razors
- 2 in 1 Shampoo and/or shampoo & conditioner

Please drop off your donations by 11:00 am on February 4<sup>th</sup>. Drop off boxes are located in the church access, school office and the church office.

**Mark your calendars:** Confirmation/Sponsor Retreat is February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 2:00-4:00 pm in Marian Hall.

•Thank You •St. Theodore Faith Formation•