



The Parish Community of

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

427 Stanhope Road, Sparta, New Jersey 07871

Welcome! Bienvenidos!

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 25, 2018

Parish Staff

Fr. Thomas Fallone, J.D.
Pastor

Fr. Wilder Alexander Londono
In Residence
Director of Migrant Ministry
Diocese of Paterson

Fr. Ben Williams
Weekend Assistant

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Sick and Migrant Ministries

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Youth Minister
Phyllis Phillips

Music Director
Marc G. Dalio

Office Manager
Jeanne Hoskin

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Administrative Assistant

Cathy Pivowar
Trustee

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Trustee

Celebration of the Eucharist:

Saturday Evening: 5:00 PM
Sunday Morning: 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM and 6:00 PM

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday 8:15 AM

Holyday: Vigil 7:30 PM; Holy Day - 8:15 AM and 12:00 PM
6:00 PM Mass will not be held on holiday weekends.

Eucharistic Adoration every first Friday of the month after the 8:15 AM
Mass ending with Benediction at 3:00 PM.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Penance) - Saturdays: 4:00-4:30
PM (Reconciliation Chapel) By appointment at any other time. Communal
Celebrations are held during Advent.

Spanish Mass: 7:00 PM every 1st and 4th Mondays of the month; a hospi-
tality dinner to follow the mass on the 4th Monday of the Month.
Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated before and after Mass.

Rosary Service

We pray the Rosary every Thursday after the 8:15 AM morning Mass. It is fol-
lowed by the Novena of the Miraculous Medal. All are welcome.

Sacraments

Baptism: Baptisms will be celebrated at the 11:30 AM Mass the first
Sunday of the month or Sundays at 1:00 PM. Please call at least 8 weeks in
advance of the date of Baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangement should be made one year in
advance of the marriage date.

Friends of Bill W: Meetings held Tuesdays 7- 9 PM in the Comm. Rm.

Parish Center - 973-729-1682 - Fax: 973-729-0702

Hours: 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Thursday, Friday 8:30 AM to Noon.

Saint Kateri Web Site: www.saintkateri.org; office@saintkateri.org

Find us on  Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/saintkaterisparta for all of the latest news and happenings at Saint Kateri!

Religious Education - Grades 1-8 - 973-729-0489

Open: Monday through Thursday - 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Cheryl Wallace, DRE and Pastoral Associate: skre@saintkateri.org
Regina Saveriano, Administrative Assistant: reginas@saintkateri.org

Youth Ministry - 973-729-4722 - Open: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday.
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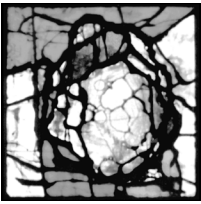
The Schools of the Catholic Academy of Sussex County

973-729-6125 Ext. 225

Rev. George A. Brown School (Pre-K to Gr. 4)

Pope John XXIII Middle School (Gr. 5 to 7)

Pope John XXIII High School (Gr. 8 to 12)



Blast from the Past(or)

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 25, 2018

St. Thomas Aquinas wrote extensively on the passions of the human condition. As we commence Holy Week, we are also confronted with the passion of God Himself. Jesus' entrance to Jerusalem puts both the human and divine natures on full display: a God Who has healed, raised and fed is now disavowed, beaten, mocked and Crucified. What happened? How did we get from *Hosanna* to *Give us Barabbas*? Who did this? What kind of people would do that? Well, there's a fine line between waving palm branches and erecting a Cross: In other words, citing the theologians Keith Richards and Mick Jagger, 'I shouted out who killed the Kennedy's. When after all, it was you and me.' (Yes, I do 'got moves like Jagger,' if anyone's asking). And there's the rub of the Passion; the bipolar capacity in the human ego capable of great love and great resentment. Pilate knew Jesus had done nothing wrong, but he gave in to his cowardice. Caiaphus was the well-respected high priest, but he gave in to his stubbornness. He wanted to be right. Judas was a disciple, a companion of Christ, but he gave in to his impatience. Morton Kelsey writes that even the maker of the Cross was probably a good and noble craftsmen 'who obviously knew what the Cross would be used for....'. But he gave in to his apathy, simply putting his head down and doing his job. The men and women who put Christ on the Cross were not extra-terrestrials. They were people like us. On Passion Sunday, to quote another theologian from Long Island, 'we're forced to recognize our inhumanity, a reason coexists with our insanity (Anyone who guesses the title of that song will win buying me a post-Lent dinner. Hint: Marc G. Dalio, our director of music is not eligible for this contest). When we look at the Cross this week, we see our ego and selfishness, but we also accept God's Greatest Gift of Mercy and Salvation. Don't be afraid to face the wood. Just be aware of that fine line in all of us.

God Bless you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Prayers for the Sick: We pray for Anna Tasco, Laura Ziegert, Melissa O'Malley, Jean Morris, Larry Price, Candace Sullivan, Kathy Pellicani, Patricia Entwistle, Linda Ross, Thomas Eifler; James Kelly, Ted Choma, Fran Palmeri, Arlene Bartolomeo, Todd Duffy, Annie Dinan, Cindy Maniscalco, Michael Palumbo, Charmaine Marie Finck, Karen Rendina, Bishop Frank J. Rodimer, Terri Mohr, Doreen McGrotty, Eileen Benedetti, Tom Heller, Joan Shaw, Eileen Regis, Deacon Gerry Leary, Katie Hoffman, Betty Walker, Karen Lisicki, Todd Copen, Stephanie Agudelo, Patty Ingram, Joseph Benik, Jim Doran, David Pope, John Regan, Joseph McNally, Marc DiCianni.

The second envelope on April 01, 2018 will be for Parish Maintenance.

Mass Intentions

Monday, March 26: Monday of Holy Week

8:15 AM Paul Giordano and Deceased members of the Giordano, Giampietro and Annucci Families

Tuesday, March 27: Tuesday of Holy Week

8:15 AM Werner Kuenzle

Wednesday, March 28: Wednesday of Holy Week

8:15AM Robert and Helen Moran

Thursday, March 29: Holy Thursday

7:30 PM Father Patrick Rice

Friday, March 30: Good Friday

3:00 PM Service

Saturday, March 31: Holy Saturday

8:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, April 1: Easter Sunday

8:00 AM Manny Reis

9:30 AM Florence Brantigan
 Frank Brantigan
 Frank L. Kane, Jr.
 Eunice Kane
 Josephine Kane

11:30AM Lawrence Boniface
 Jerry Mahon

6:00 PM NO 6 PM MASS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday

Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25

Thursday

Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;

1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15

Friday

Is 52:13—53:12; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday

Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a; Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a,

10-13, 15-18; Ex 14:15—15:1; Is 54:5-14; Is 55:1-11;

Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4; Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Rom 6:3-11; Mk 16:1-7

Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

	Weekly	Month of March
Regular Collections		\$31,218
Week Ending 03/04/18	\$ 8,214	
Week Ending 03/11/18	\$12,011	
Week Ending 03/18/18	\$10,993	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 03/18/18		(\$18,782)



Parish News



Bereavement Support Group of Saint Kateri "A Journey Toward Healing"

Sessions will be held the First Tuesday of every month;
next session April 3rd, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM

Please call Laura Entwistle at 973-726-8978 if you wish to attend.

Our Parish is turning 30 this year!
 Mass with Bishop Serratelli, Dinner/Dance, Parish Directory and Family BBQ/Picnic?
 We would love your opinion as we make plans. Give us a call, e-mail or stop by.
We are looking for volunteers to help plan our festivities.
 Anyone interested in being on our planning committee, please contact Cathy Pivowar at fenway46@gmail.com or the parish center 973-729-1682



Monday, March 26, 2018

7:00 PM Spanish Mass

Holy Thursday, March 29, 2018

8:15 AM Holy Thursday Prayer Service

4:00 PM Reconciliation

7:30 PM Holy Thursday Mass

Good Friday, March 30, 2018

3:00 PM Good Friday Prayer Service

4:00 PM Reconciliation

5:00 PM YM Stations Practice

7:30 PM YM Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday, March 31, 2018

3:00 PM Blessing of the Food Baskets

8:00 PM Holy Saturday Vigil

Easter Sunday, Sunday, April 1, 2018

Masses: 8:00AM, 9:30AM and 11:30AM

PALM SUNDAY

ENCOUNTER OUR NEIGHBORS

We encounter Jesus this week in Jerusalem, a community he knew well. We prayerfully enter our own communities too, encountering those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we meet in our daily lives? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Of Possible Interest...

An exploration of grief, the normal, natural, and unavoidable reaction to loss

Facilitated by Cecelia Clayton, Executive Director, Karen Ann Quinlan Hospice.

Tuesdays, April 10, 17, 24th and May 1-6:30 to 8PM, in the Romano Conference Center Rm 100 at Newton Medical Center. For information contact Rev. Randy Park, Chaplain at NMC, 973-579-8625 or Randolph.Parks@atlanticehealth.org.

Catholic Pilgrimage to the Shrines of Spain

Visiting Barcelona/Madrid/Avila/Toledo/Granada/Montserrat and more!

September 10 - 21, 2018, \$3,699.00 per person including air from Newark.

Breakfast & Dinner Daily. Holy Mass daily at the Shrines.

For a Flyer or more detailed information please call Cathie or Michael Milano at 1-800-773-2660.

Diocesan News

Our Lady of the Lake Parish

"Come to the Living Water" Women's Cornerstone 2018

April 20th and 21st

Treat yourself by attending this year's Our Lady of the Lake Women's Cornerstone starting at 6:00 pm on Friday, April 20 until Saturday at 8:00 pm.

Do not miss this unique opportunity to spend 26-hours that could have a profound impact on your outlook and your life! Step out of your routine to think about those things that matter most.

Reflect, Renew, Relax and Strengthen Your Faith.
Print out, complete registration form you will find at: www.ourladyofthelake.org under Cornerstone retreat.

Faith Formation News...

There will be no Religious Ed. classes grades K-8 for the next 2 weeks. Classes will resume Wednesday, April 11th.

Have a Happy Easter!

Live Simply, Simply Live By Franciscan Media

Living in the second half of life, I no longer have to prove that I or my group is the best, that my ethnicity is superior, that my religion is the only one that God loves, or that my role and place in society deserve superior treatment. I am not preoccupied with collecting more goods and services; quite simply, my desire and effort—every day—is to pay back, to give back to the world a bit of what I have received. I now realize that I have been gratuitously given to—from the universe, from society, and from God. I try now, as Elizabeth Seton said, “to live simply so that others can simply live.”
—from the book Yes, And...: Daily Meditations by Richard Rohr

Youth Ministry News

Sunday, March 25, 7-9PM and Friday, (Good Friday) March 30th, 4:30-7:30PM.

Each year the young people of the parish offer a dramatic reading of the Stations of the cross. There is one practice (3/25/18) ahead of time and another practice right before the stations (3/30/18) from 4:30-6:30 then the Stations of the Cross will be offered at 7PM. No acting ability required, you simply have to read. You MUST be able to attend both rehearsals.

A light dinner will be served between practice and the presentation of the Stations.

Questions: Email Phyllis skym@saintkateri.org

Parish Events Calendar

Sunday, March 25, 2018: PALM SUNDAY; 10:30 AM Squire Roses Investiture

Monday, March 26, 2018: 10:00 AM Lori Malvey Filming; 6:30 PM Cub Scout Meeting; 7:00 PM Spanish Mass

Tuesday, March 27, 2018: 9:30 AM Schola Rosa; 7:00 PM Friends of Bill W; 7:30 PM The Pivotal Players

Wednesday, March 28, 2018: 7:00 PM Catholic Bible Study

Thursday, March 29, 2018: 8:15 AM Prayer Service; 4:00 PM Reconciliation; 6:30 PM Connections; 7:00 PM RCIA; 7:30 PM Holy Thursday Mass

Friday, March 30, 2018: 3:00 PM Good Friday Prayer Service; 4:00 PM Reconciliation; 5:00 PM YM Stations Practice; 7:30 PM YM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 31, 2018: 3:00 PM Blessing of the Food Baskets; 8:00 PM Holy Saturday Vigil

Sunday, April 1, 2018: 8:00 AM Easter Sunday Mass; 9:30 AM Easter Sunday Mass; 11:30 AM Easter Sunday Mass

Parish Ministries/Contact Persons:

**Abortion Alternative: 1st
Way Hotline:** 800-848-5683

Adopt a Family
Mary Beth Dowd 973-945-3355

Adoration Society
Jim Brocato 973-729-6485

Adult Enrichment:
Deacon Chuck Mathias
973-786-6811

Altar Care:
Bernadette Bizzarro 973-726-0849

Altar Servers:
Jerry Scanlan 973-770-0987

**Art & Environment
(Church):** Paige Fitzpatrick
973-219-5204
(Plant Care)
Candala Roslan 973-271-7624
(Art Committee)

Baptism Preparation:
(Please call Parish Center first)

Bell Choir:
Mary Jo Mathias 973-786-6811

Bereavement Ministry:
Laura Entwistle 973-726-8978;
Grace Davis 973-697-3853

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Cursillo
John Belvidere 973-729-6462

**Ecumenical Prayer
Service Knoll View**
Steve and Martha Wille
973-729-7668

Eucharistic Ministers:
Pat Kane: 973-726-0197

Evangelization

Everyone Shops
Tina Jurgaitis 973-729-1682
tinaj@saintkateri.org

Family Promise of SC
Patrick Dunn 201-835-0571

Feed the Working Poor
Janet and Stephen Goodwin
973-729-0446

**Focolare Movement
(The Work of Mary)**
Jim & Mary Jane Milway
973-726-6224

Food Pantry - SEC
Valerie Macchio 973-729-6197x15
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**Inter Religious and
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Knights of Columbus
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Liturgy Committee:
Mary Jo Mathias 973-786-6811

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Migrant Ministries:
Ed & Pam Madzy 973-726-0789

**Hispanic Network
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Ministry to the Sick:

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908-813-1535
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Music Director:
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**RAINBOWS - Children's
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Dale Walsh 973-729-7833

RCIA:
Ed & Pam Madzy 973-726-0789

Scholar Rosa
Eileen Vandenberg
stkaterischolarosa.com

**Vocations to Priesthood
or Religious Life:**
973-729-1682

Vocations Committee:
973-729-1682

Welcomers (Ushers):
Cathy Brauer -

Brauer.cathy401@gmail.com
Youth Ministry (grades 9-12):
Phyllis Phillips - 973-729-4722
skym@saintkateri.org

**Youth Contemporary
Choir Ensemble:**
Art Suriano 201-841-1090



Parish Survey Results

Last Fall, the Parish Renew Committee initiated a 11 question parish survey over a period of 22 days through email, parish website, Facebook and paper. The objective of the survey was to gain information by addressing three critical questions: 1) what are the demographics of the Parish?; 2) what is important to our Parishioners?; and 3) how can we continue to grow our faith and reach out and grow our Parish? 622 Parishioners provided us feedback and the results are summarized in the following five key areas:

- **Increase awareness and communication:** Improve communications to create better awareness of our services and ministries for our Parishioners and to the greater Sparta community; leverage technology, social media, and other means to increase awareness and participation for the community
- **Focus on the family:** Focusing on the family, in particular the youth will help grow the Parish. The youth needs more opportunities for involvement in all church functions and social activities to bring the family together and to broaden our reach to the greater Sparta community
- **Continue to be a warm and inviting parish:** Make everyone feel welcomed and valued before, during and after Mass and through social- family events and offerings
- **Preach and teach the gospel:** Continue to enrich our homilies, programs and ministries that invite us to a deeper and more spirit filled life by rediscovering the beautiful possibilities God places before us daily
- **Evolve and invest in music liturgy:** Incorporate more contemporary music and other offering to increase parishioner participation to enhance our worship experience

As a result of your feedback, we are forming action committees and through our ministries to address each of the five key areas with specific action items (i.e., programs, services, and capabilities) in 2018. Have you seen some of the updates already? We are the parish and should God's spirit move you after participating in the survey or seeing the results, we could use your enthusiasm, talent and love for the parish by volunteering for one of the committees. Please contact the Parish office at 973-729-1682 or Philip Villavicencio at 973-726-7070 if you are interested in volunteering or have any questions on the survey results.

Thank you.