

The Parish Community of

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

427 Stanhope Road, Sparta, New Jersey 07871

Welcome! Bienvenidos!

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 23, 2018

Parish Staff

Fr. Vidal Roberto Gonzales, Jr.
Pastor

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

Deacons and their Ministries

Drew Calandriello
Sick and Liturgy

Charles Mathias
Retreats
Adult Enrichment

Glen Murphy
Sick and Liturgy

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Music Director
Marc G. Dalio

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Administrative Assistant

Cathy Pivowar
Trustee

Robert Medina
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

Holy Day: 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 hospitality 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 followed 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 or e-mail jennd@saintkateri.org

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

Office Hours: 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Thursday.

Fridays - 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

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 & Youth Ministry - 973-729-0489

Open: Monday through Thursday - 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM and by appointment

Cheryl Wallace, DRE and Pastoral Associate: cherylw@saintkateri.org

Dawn Green, Administrative Assistant: dawng@saintkateri.org

The Schools of the Catholic Academy of Sussex County

973-729-6125 Ext. 225

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

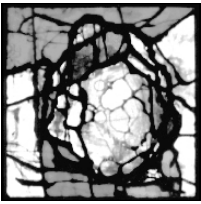
Pope John XXIII Middle School (Gr. 5 to 7)

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

Blood Drive Ministry

OUR SCHEDULE - Blood Drives are usually held on the 3rd Saturday of every month: 7:45am - 1:45pm in the Downstairs Community Room Breakfast Happily Served to All - Next drive **Saturday, October 20th** from 7:45 am to 1:45 pm.

CONTACT US To schedule an appointment at www.tinyurl.com/StKateriBloodDrives. Walk-Ins ALWAYS Welcome - Find Us on Face Book www.facebook.com/StKateriBloodDrives/ - More Information: Mary Stanek 973-349-9191



HIS WORD TODAY by

Rev. William J. Reilly

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“They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, ‘What were you arguing about on the way?’ But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, ‘If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.’”

How can I serve? The path to holiness requires that we humbly reach out to see Christ in the faces of those around us. “In this call to recognize Him in the poor and the suffering, we see revealed the very heart of Christ, His deepest feelings and choices, which every saint seeks to attain.” These are the words of Pope Saint John Paul, as quoted by Pope Francis.

These are the demands of Jesus with no ‘ifs and buts.’ Holiness cannot be understood or lived apart from these demands, for mercy is ‘the beating heart of the gospel.’ When He washed the feet of the disciples, He spoke by His action, what a true disciple is to do. It is when we serve we receive not only Jesus, but the One who sent Him.

Prayers for the Sick: We pray for Catherine DeStefano, Michael Kocylowsky, Michael Wille, Bishop Frank J. Rodimer, Dawn Devoil, James Risco, Anni Alliegro, Claudia Krynicki, David Perrelli, Tammy Pellerin, Laura Ziegert, Jean Morris, Larry Price, Candace Sullivan, Kathy Pellicani, Patricia Entwistle, Linda Ross, Thomas Eifler; James Kelly, Karen Rendina. If you would like to be placed on our prayer list please call the parish office.

2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal - Here I Am, Lord

While there are many ways to give to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, there is a particularly beneficial opportunity if you are 70 ½ or over and have an IRA. If you are in this category, the IRS requires you to take a required minimum distribution from your IRA each year. As a result, this distribution is added to your taxable income and increases the amount of taxes owed to the government. However, instead of taking your required minimum distribution, you can instruct your IRA investment manager to donate this distribution to a charity such as the Bishop's Annual Appeal and this automatically omits this amount from your adjusted gross income. This tax benefit can be realized by all qualifying individuals, whether you take the standard deduction or itemize your deductions. This can be a significant benefit to you and a great way to support the work of the Bishop's Annual Appeal. If you are considering making a charitable donation using your IRA required minimum distribution, please be sure to first discuss this with your financial or tax advisor to make sure it is right for you.

The second envelope on September 30, 2018 will be for Debt Reduction.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Regular Collections		\$24,796
Week Ending 09/02/18	\$ 7,083	
Week Ending 09/09/18	\$10,435	
Week Ending 09/16/18	\$ 7,278	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$62,500
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 09/16/18		(\$37,704)

Online Donations, Payments, and more!

Thank you to the many families and visitors that have given a one-time or recurring donation through our website! If you have not taken advantage of the convenience and simplicity of online giving, you can do so from any device by visiting www.saintkateri.org/electronic-giving.

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 24: Monday of the Twenty-fifth week in Ordinary Time

8:15 AM Kay Brewer

Tuesday, September 25: Tuesday of the Twenty-fifth week in Ordinary Time

8:15 AM Christopher Cassini

Wednesday, September 26 Wednesday of the Twenty-fifth week in Ordinary Time

8:15 AM Philip Giampi

Thursday, September 27: Saint Vincent DePaul, Priest

8:15 AM Wanda Witter

Friday, September 28: Friday of the Twenty-fifth week in Ordinary Time; Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

8:15 AM John Scalice

Saturday, September 29: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Fr. Patrick F. Rice

Martin and Marjorie Murphy

Sunday, September 30: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Special Intention

9:30 AM Harry McGuire

Colin McGuire

11:30 AM Hubert Opici

6:00 PM Charles Catalano

Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament

First Friday, October 5, 2018 - 8:30 - 3:00pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9

Friday

Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Jn

1:47-51

Sunday

Nm 11:25-29; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43,
45, 47-48



Parish News

Join The Choir For A Day. Our 1st **"OPEN SING"** Sunday will be on October 14th at the 9:30am Mass.



Arrive at 9am to warm-up with the choir and review the music. Stay after and learn more about this awesome ministry. It's fun, inspiring, a great musical opportunity, an important faith expression, and a wonderful social experience.

Rite of Christian Initiation - RCIA

RCIA Reminder - if you are interested or know of anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and are interested in becoming Catholic, please call: Pam or Ed Madzy 973-726-0789 or Chris Auger (973) 886-0830. The RCIA meetings will begin in September/October for 2018/2019. More information will follow.

Did you know that Saint Kateri has a Prayer Team?



The Prayer Team prayerfully prays for the people of our parish and any special needs. If a parishioner has a specific prayer request, an email is sent to the Prayer Team members requesting prayers.

Consider joining our Prayer Team Ministry which involves no meetings just praying whenever and wherever you can.

If you have a prayer request or you would like to join our Prayer Team Ministry, please send an email to prayerteam@saintkateri.org

Donate Blood for a Reason: let the Reason be LIFE!

DONATE BLOOD ON October 20th from 7:45 AM to 1:45 PM.

Can't donate blood? That's okay ~ be a volunteer. Pour some coffee, serve some pancakes, share a smile with our blood donors.

Draggers and Droppers (a little humor)

We are in need of help with our parish photo album. Are you creative with design and would like to help organize photos for the directory? Call the parish center 973-729-1682. It's a bit like scrap booking on-line.



**Saint Kateri and
Our Lady of the Lake
October 12 - 13, 2018**

Men's CornerStone Retreat - Come Follow Me

Contact Tom Gallagher tomgall13@yahoo.com
973-600-6095 or Jim Brocato at jbroc55@aol.com.

Of possible Interest...

Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima at Corpus Christi Parish, Chatham, NJ

You are invited to pray before an official Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima which comes from the Shrine in Portugal. She will be visiting Corpus Christi in Chatham from Oct. 11 - 15. There will be daily Mass, rosary and opportunity for silent prayer and reflection. The highlight will be a Mass to be celebrated by the Most Rev. Arthur Serratelli, DD on Oct. 13th at 5PM.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Gentlemen of Saint Kateri parish, our Knights of Columbus have stood shoulder to shoulder with our great Catholic priests for generations. We feel that especially at this time, we must, now more than ever, support those fine priests who are following the path that Christ blazed for them--those priests like our new pastor Father Vidal, who are living examples of what is good in our world. The best way for us to do that is to continue the charitable work we do in our parishes with our pastors, deacons, families, and parishioners working as one. Please pray, think, and consider becoming a Knight of Columbus. We need you and your ideas and talents, so we can continue the work we have started, grow our great Church, and share our faith with all we meet.

On Wednesday, October 10, 2018, please join us for an Admission Degree (First Degree) in the Community Room. Those who will be candidates for the degree should arrive through the upstairs church by 7:15. The degree will begin between 7:45 and 8:00. Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

Saint Kateri Youth Ministry presents

Craft & Vendor Fair

SAT | OCT 13 | 9 - 3



30+ Crafters and Vendors!

Beautiful hand-made crafts and décor,
and lots of your favorite vendors!

Lunch and Snacks available.

427 Stanhope Rd, Sparta, NJ 07871 saintkateri.org

Diocesan News...

Silver And Gold Wedding Anniversary Mass Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

Couples, were you married in 1968 or 1993? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Serratelli will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held: **Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 3:30pm.**

Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. The deadline to register is Monday, October 15, 2018. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed.

Faith Formation Corner

Antioch Announcement

This year's Antioch Retreat will be held on the weekend of March 29-31, 2019. All High School Sophomores to be confirmed in the Spring of 2019 must attend this retreat.

All High School Juniors and Seniors who have completed an Antioch retreat are eligible to be on the Youth Team that will lead this year's retreat. In order to be on the Youth Team you must attend the **Antioch Youth Team Training** to be held at the Church on Sunday, **November 4 from 1 – 6 pm** followed by Mass at 6 pm. If you were on the Youth Team for last year's Antioch retreat and have completed Youth Team Training, it is highly recommended that you attend this year's training session but it is not mandatory. Please contact Cheryl Wallace by email at cherylw@saintkateri.org or by phone at 973-729-1682 if you are interested in being on this year's Antioch Youth Team. There is a \$10 fee to attend the Antioch Youth Team Training. Antioch Team Meetings will begin in early January.

Also, if you are a High School Junior or Senior and have completed an Antioch Retreat, you are eligible to be a volunteer at the **Thanksgiving Dinner for the Migrant Ministry** at the Church on Monday, November 26th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. We need volunteers and food. This is a great annual event for both our Youth and Migrant Ministries.

Sparta Ecumenical Food Pantry 7th Annual Dinner, & Auction October 11, 2018

The Sparta Ecumenical Food Pantry is holding its largest fundraising event on Thursday October 11th. This event provides much needed funds to provide food for those in need in Sparta and Sussex County.

Tickets are \$60 per person

Doors open at 6:00 pm/ Dinner served at 7:00 pm
Lake Mohawk Country Club, Sparta, NJ

Reserve your tickets by calling
Valerie Macchio @ 201-306-6148
Or Frank Cannistra @ 973-903-3800

Parish Events Calendar

Sunday, September 23, 2018: 10:30 AM Baptism Prep Class; 2:30 PM Iannacone Wedding

Monday, September 24, 2018: 7:00 PM Spanish Mass/Hospitality; 7:00 PM Baptism Prep Class; 7:30 PM Wine & Divine

Tuesday, September 25, 2018: 7:00 PM Friends of Bill W

Thursday, September 27, 2018: 9:00 AM Schola Rosa; 6:30 PM Protecting God's Children; 7:00 PM Leader Meeting

Saturday, September 29, 2018: 2:00 PM Brandon Sanchez; 4:00 PM Knights Color Corps; 5:00 PM 30th Anniversary Mass

Sunday, September 30, 2018: 10:30 AM Family Welcome and Rosary; 12:30 PM Family Welcome and Rosary; 1:00 PM Mackenzie Kelly Baptism; 2:00 PM Gabrielle Whitehouse Bapt.; 3:00 PM Dylan William Brad; 7:00 PM Family Welcome and Rosary

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

Altar Care:
Valerie Macchio
201-306-6148
valerie@cornerstonemkt.com

Altar Servers:
Jerry Scanlan 973-770-0987

Art & Environment (Church): Paige Fitzpatrick 973-219-5204

(Plant Care)
Candala Roslan 973-271-7624

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

Blood Drive
Mary Stanek 973-770-0429

Cub Scouts Pack #295
Ryan Dumpert
Cubmaster.Sparta295@gmail.com
201-317-0428

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

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
secfpl2013@gmail.com

Inter Religious and Ecumenical Dialogue:
Jim & Mary Jane Milway
973-726-6224

Knights of Columbus
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Squires Circle
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cutronekofc@gmail.com

Squire Roses
Jennifer Dottinger 862-432-0276
Nancy Scanlan 973-262-4404

Lectors:
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Liturgy of the Word with Children:
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973-729-5268

Manna House:
Michael Smith 973-534-3811
boltprep9@gmail.com

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

Hispanic Network Hotline: 1- 877-724-5112

Ministry to the Sick:
Dea. Drew Calandriello
908-813-1535
Dea. Glen Murphy 973-449-6095

Music Director:
Marc G. Dalio 973-534-5399
marcd@saintkateri.org

Prayer Shawl Ministry
Sandy Cangemi 973-726-3549

Prayer Team
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Religious Education 973-729-0489
Cheryl Wallace
cherylw@saintkateri.org
Dawn Green
dawng@saintkateri.org

Respect Life
Joe DeLuca 973-726-7392

RAINBOWS - Children's Grief Support Group:
Dale Walsh 973-729-7833

RCIA:
Ed & Pam Madzy 973-726-0789

Schola Rosa
Eileen Vandenberg
201-310-6091
stkaterischolarosa.com

Vocations to Priesthood or Religious Life:
Fr. Vidal Gonzales, Jr.
973-729-1682

Welcomers (Ushers):
Cathy Brauer -
brauer.cathy401@gmail.com

Youth Ministry (grades 9-12):
Cheryl Wallace
cherylw@saintkateri.org

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

Perona Farms has graciously extended the deadline for reservations - Join the celebration!

Rededication Mass

***Please join us to celebrate the
30th Anniversary of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Parish
Dedication of the Fr. Patrick F. Rice Stained Glass Window
Saturday, September 29, 2018***

Five O'clock Mass

Celebrants:

Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli, STD, SSL, DD.

Fr. Dan Murphy and Fr. Vidal Gonzales, Jr.

Dinner at Perona Farms - The Reserve Ballroom

350 Andover Sparta Rd. Sparta, NJ 07871

Cocktail Hour 6:30 p. m. - 7:30 p.m.

Buffet Dinner will include meat free selections.

Cash Bar

Music Provided by: DJ Alogorhythm Entertainment

Cost per Person (adults only please) - \$75.00

Seating limited to 10 people per table.

Table reservation available at time of purchase.

(Choose one guest as table representative)

Register online at:

saintkateri.org/30th-anniversary-celebration

Credit cards and Electronic Checks accepted

Contact the Parish Office if you need assistance with registration.

Spread the Word - All are Welcome