

The Parish Community of

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

427 Stanhope Road, Sparta, New Jersey 07871

Welcome! Bienvenidos!

Second Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2018

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Diocese of Paterson

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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

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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every 1st Friday of the month at 3:00 pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament / Divine Mercy Chaplet Prayer. Evening prayer and Benediction 8:00 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 the first and third Sunday of the month 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: *Mondays* 12:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Tuesday - 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

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, December 15th 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

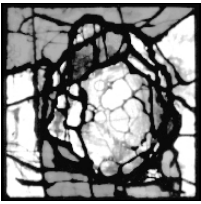
The Schools of the Catholic Academy of Sussex County

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)



**HIS WORD TODAY by
Rev. William J. Reilly**

**Second Sunday of Advent
December 9, 2018**

“In every prayer I utter, I rejoice as I plead on your behalf at the way you all have continually helped promote the gospel from the very first day. I am sure of this much, that he who has begun the good work in you will carry it through to completion, right up to the day of Christ Jesus....My prayer is that your love may more and more abound...that you may learn to value the things that really matter up to the very day of Christ.”

How many are busy writing greeting cards to relatives, friends and acquaintances. The thoughts expressed, speak of a deep, deep concern for the joy of Christ's presence to touch their lives. At times we might not think twice about the reason for sending a card.

Consider the reasons St. Paul referred to as he wrote the Philippians. He wrote about his prayer for this new Christian community. He offered encouragement for them to grow in their lives as disciples of the Lord. That prayer motivates us as we begin this second week of Advent. Advent reminds of the past coming, but directs us to today and tomorrow where the Lord is leading us. May we find a quiet moment to reflect upon Paul's wish for us today as we anticipate the coming of Christ with His grace and peace. May we seek out the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of our advent.

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

The second envelope on December 16, 2018 will be for Retirement Fund for Religious.

Support the Retirement Fund for Religious. A donor writes, “Your flyer touched my heart—seeing the retired religious, such memories surfaced.” Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give to next week's second collection

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP
OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE**

Regular Collections Week Ending 12/02/18	\$8,601	\$8,601
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)	\$62,500	
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 12/02/18	(\$53,899)	

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, December 10: Monday of the
Second week of Advent**

8:15 AM David Perrelli

**Tuesday, December 11: Tuesday of the
Second week of Advent; Saint Damasus I, pope**

8:15 AM Eileen Reges

**Wednesday, December 12: Wednesday of
the Second week of Advent; Our Lady of
Guadalupe - Feast**

8:15 AM Serene Murphy

**Thursday, December 13: Saint Lucy,
virgin and martyr**

8:15 AM Ruth Blessing

**Friday, December 14: Saint John of the
Cross, priest and doctor**

8:15 AM People of the Parish

**Saturday, December 15: Third Sunday of
Advent**

5:00 PM Don LaTorre
Kate Hennion

**Sunday, December 16: Third Sunday of
Advent**

8:00 AM Laura Anne Buro

9:30 AM Special Intention
Deacon Joe Cote

11:30 AM David Joseph Manning

6:00 PM Louis P. Augustini

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday

Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a,
10ab;

Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Thursday

Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15

Friday

Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday

Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18



Parish News

Ministry of the Month

Altar Servers

Girls and boys who have received First Communion, why should you become an altar server? 1) You learn why we do what we do during mass, and you have a front-row seat; 2) You get more fully involved in Holy Mass; 3) You can meet and make new friends; 4) You will have a greater appreciation for our priests and deacons; 5) You show responsibility by serving and giving back to your faith community; 6) Ringing the bells is pretty cool, also. So please consider becoming an altar server.

Music Ministry

The Saint Kateri Music Ministry supports music at our Saturday and Sunday Masses, as well as our special events and holidays. Whether it be singing in our adult choir, working with our youth group or sharing your talents as an instrumentalist or cantor, we would love to welcome you into our family of musical service. Share your talents. Sing with others in worship and prayer. Make friends as you unite in musical service.

Contact: Marc G. Dalio Email: marcd@saintkateri.org

Choir is family and friends to me.... Simply put it makes me happy...The Joy I get from singing to Jesus...I share a special bond with my Choir family... Love to sing, love the camaraderie... A learning experience...Through Music I pray... Excellent seating on Sunday and holidays. Find your reason to be a part of this extraordinary ministry

St. Kateri Christmas Blood Drive ~ It's a gift that has no season...it's the gift of life.

Join us on Saturday, December 15th from 7:45 am to 1:30 pm.

To schedule an appointment: tinyurl.com/GiveBloodNJBS. Sponsor Code 15978. Call Mary Stanek at 973-770-0429 for more information. WALK-INS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Many blessings ~ to the 60 donors and our volunteers who made the November Drive a great success.

Diocesan News...

Give Witness to the Beauty of Life

**March for Life Bus Trip, Washington, DC
Friday, January 18, 2019
Our Lady Queen of Peace, Branchville
973-948-3185**

Mass will be held at 6AM - Bus leaves at 6:30AM and returns at 9:30PM - Cost \$10.00

Call for more information and to sign up.

Best Advent Ever - Dynamic Catholic

Rediscover the joy of Christmas and BEST ADVENT EVER, a free e-mail program that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during the busy holiday season.

Get Ready for the best Christmas of your life!
Visit: BestAdventEver.com/AlmostChristmas



Fr. Patrick F. Rice Memorial Trades Scholarship

To expand the scope of our Council's scholarship program to encompass other parishioners or members whose goal is not solely academic/collegial in nature

To apply on line simply copy the link into your browser. saintkateri.org/fr-patrick-rice-memorial-trade-scholarship. Applications are due by January 15, 2019. Or visit our website under the Events tab.



Advent Reflections

Bishop Barron's Advent Reflection can be found on our home page www.saintkateri.org.



Get the gifts you want to give and raise funds for Saint Kateri.

Buy gift cards at face value from over 750 top brands and find something for everyone on your list, from the techies to the adventure seekers to the DIY-ers. Whether you buy the gift cards to give as presents or use them to buy your gifts, your order immediately raises funds for St. Kateri Parish. Thank you!

Start Today - It's Easy!

1. Go to www.ShopWithScrip.com and select **Join a Program** from the top menu.
2. Enter enrollment code **DC327F9524237** and register.
3. You can link your bank account to enroll in online payments - or elect to pay by check - and place your first order.
4. Orders paid by check can either be brought to the Parish Office or left in the white mailbox by the clock in the Gathering Space.

Orders (both paid on-line or paid by check) generally ship on the next business day and arrive here at Saint Kateri 3 business days later. Cards can be picked up at weekend Masses or the Parish Office.

Questions?

Contact Tina: tinaj@saintkateri.org or 973-729-1682.

Faith Formation News

Family Advent Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, December 11, 7:30pm Experience Jesus' love and forgiveness this Advent.

We encourage all Saint Kateri Parishioners and Faith Formation Families to attend. This is a required component for all Phase I students, as they prepare for their Confirmation.

First Reconciliation

Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 11am

Please pray for our First Penitents as they prepare for their First Reconciliation on Saturday, December 15!



Ryan Barling, Shawn Carmody, Reagan Cina, Angelo Consolazio, Jenna DiPasquale, Francesco Francica, Jenna Gilmartin, Lily Grano, Nicholas Grano, Cameron Grant, Madison Guardia, Simon Joshi, Grace Jurgaitis, Molly Jurgaitis, Joseph Killen, Georgia Layman, Brielle Lessard, Bella Luciano, Caleb Mallet, Brianna Mesias, Anthony Palleschi, Nicholas Panas, Jade Pryor, Alexandra Purdue, Santino Randina, William Reilly, Niko Rendina, Grace Skorupa, Sofia Trentacoste, Julia VanLaar, Sebastian Velasquez, Donovan Vergano, Lila Villavicencio, Bryn Wagner, Eve Wilkinson, Alex Yamamoto

Parish Events Calendar

Sunday, December 9, 2018: 8:00 AM Adopt-A-Family Collection; 1:00 PM Arlo Bolognini Baptism; 4:00 PM Youth Choir Ensemble

Monday, December 10, 2018: 7:00 PM Finance Meeting; 7:30 PM Wine & Divine

Tuesday, December 11, 2018: 7:00 PM Friends of Bill W; 7:30 PM Family Advent Reconciliation Service

Wednesday, December 12, 2018: 6:00 PM Cub Scouts - Wolf Den; 7:00 PM Gospel of Matthew

Thursday, December 13, 2018: 7:00 PM RCIA

Friday, December 14, 2018: 7:00 PM Pack 295 Meeting

Saturday, December 15, 2018: 7:45 AM Saint Kateri Blood Drive; 11:00 AM First Reconciliation

Sunday, December 16, 2018: 4:00 PM Youth Choir Ensemble; 7:00 PM St. Bingabe - Filipino Hospitality

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:
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valerie@cornerstonemkt.com

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Dick Freiburger 973-

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(Plant Care)
Candala Roslan 973-271-7624

Bereavement Ministry:
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Grace Davis 973-697-3853

Bible Study
Sue Garatino 973-271-2711

Blood Drive
Mary Stanek 973-770-0429

Cub Scouts Pack #295
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201-317-0428

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Ecumenical Prayer Service Knoll View
Steve and Martha Wille
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Pat Kane: 201-819-5105

Everyone Shops
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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 Ecumenical Dialogue:
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Squire Roses
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Ed & Pam Madzy 973-726-0789
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Ministry to the Sick:
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RAINBOWS - Children's Grief Support Group:
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RCIA:
Ed & Pam Madzy 973-726-0789

Schola Rosa
Eileen Vandenberg
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stkaterischolarosa.com

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

Welcomers (Ushers):
Cathy Brauer -
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Wine & Divine
Laura Tirpack
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LTirpack@gmail.com

Youth Ministry (grades 9-12):
Cheryl Wallace (973) 729-3021
cherylw@saintkateri.org

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



Parish Reconciliation Service
Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 7:30PM

Christmas Eve Masses

*4:00PM, 6:30PM,
8:30PM (Youth Ensemble) and *10:30PM (Choir and Strings)*
Christmas Music and singing from 10:00 to 10:30PM

** Please note the time change for Midnight Mass **

Christmas Day Masses

9:00AM and 11:00AM

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Vigil Monday, December 31st at 7:30PM

Tuesday, January 1st 8:15AM and Noon



*A Second Collection will be taken on Christmas Eve
and Christmas Day for Snow Removal Expenses*