



The Parish Community of

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

427 Stanhope Road, Sparta, New Jersey 07871

Welcome! Bienvenidos!

Passion (Palm) Sunday

April 14, 2019

Parish Staff

Fr. Vidal Roberto Gonzales, Jr.
Pastor

Deacons and their Ministries

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Sick and Liturgy

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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)

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

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Jill Weiss, Youth Coordinator: skym@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, May 11th 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

A Note from the Pastor

“Responding to God’s Call to Love and Serve” Program

Thank you to all parishioners who have completed and submitted your Commitment Card to the church. For those parishioners who have not yet had the opportunity to submit their card, a letter will be mailed to you with a personalized Commitment Card. It is important that all parishioners complete a Commitment Card as we will be mailing out a Summary Report of the program and need all commitments accounted for in this report. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. We also encourage all parishioners to consider our electronic giving method and to setup your reoccurring offertory gifts electronically.

Prayers for the Sick: We pray for Jim Hyland, Jason Duncan, Patrick Dillsworth, Devon Carberry, MaryJane Johnston, Brian Smith, Chris Auger, Margaret Brennan, Pam Madzy, Brittney Johnson, Catherine DeStefano, Michael Wille, Dawn Devoil, James Risco, Anni Alliegro, Claudia Krynicki, Laura Ziegert, 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 Beacon

Would you like to receive the Beacon, Newspaper of the R.C. Diocese of Paterson? Contact the parish office. 973-729-1682.

CRS Operation Rice Bowl - Palm Sunday

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, and 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.

A basket will be available in the gathering space.

The second collection on April 21st will be for Catholic Campaign for Human Development.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

	Weekly	Month of March
Regular Collections		\$10,473
Week Ending 04/07/19	\$10,473	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 04/07/19		(\$39,527)

If you would like to contribute electronically visit our safe and secure website at www.saintkateri.org/electronic-giving.

We are thankful for all those parishioners who contribute to the financial support of the church and who take stewardship so seriously.

Mass Intentions



Monday, April 15: Monday of Holy Week

8:15 AM Special Intention

Tuesday, April 16: Tuesday of Holy Week

8:15 AM Virgilita Gonzales

Wednesday, April 17: Wednesday of Holy Week

8:15 AM Mary Kinnealy

Thursday, April 18: Holy Thursday

7:30 PM Teresita Gonzales

Friday, April 19: Good Friday

3:00 PM Vidal Gonzales, Sr.

Saturday, April 20: Holy Saturday

8:00 PM Manny Reis

Sunday, April 21: Easter Sunday

8:15 AM Eileen Reges

9:30 AM Peter Irolano

11:30 AM Joseph Cutrone

6:00 PM Mass will not be celebrated.

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

Chrim 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; Ex 14:15—15:1; Is 55:1-11; Rom 6:3-11

Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12



Parish News

CLEANING OUT THE RECTORY - HELP NEEDED

We are planning on having a cleanout of the rectory on Cherry Tree Lane on April 23, 24, and 25 (if nec.) and are looking for volunteers to help move furniture, provide trucks and trailers, and transport. Many of the items can be brought back to SK for donations to charities or to the church itself or for disposal.

Please contact Bob Medina at 201 841-2564 or medinakofc@gmail.com if they plan on helping. We will meet at the church on Tuesday, April 23rd at 9 am.

Ministry of the Month

SK Adult Enrichment / Book Clubs

If you would like to have a deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of your faith, join us for one of our current or future Adult Enrichment/Book Clubs. Some of the currently running groups include SK Book Clubs which meet:

- Fridays, after morning Mass,
- Fridays at 10:30am
- Monday evening (7:30pm) Wine and Divine

And SK Bible Studies which meet:

- Mondays, after morning Mass – Upcoming Sunday Gospel
- Wednesdays, 7:00pm – Gospel of Matthew

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible!

Consider joining us for an upcoming SK Bible Study, called: Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help to bring about a profound renewal in our parish as we grow closer to Christ. Saint Kateri is planning to run a session of Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible on weekdays and/or week-nights in the spring. For more information or to sign up with your time preference, contact Cheryl Wallace at 729-3021 or cherylw@saintkateri.org Also, visit AscensionPress.com to learn more about this engaging study.

Diocesan News...

Life in the Spirit Seminar Starts at Our Lady of the Lake After Easter

A dynamic and inspiring series on personal spiritual growth leading to a greater openness to the Holy Spirit and a closer personal relationship with Jesus Christ will be conducted in the parish starting Tuesday, May 7th. The 8 week seminar will be presented by a team of excellent speakers via DVD and supplemented and facilitated by members of the Diocesan Service Team for Catholic Charismatic Renewal. The seminar will run for 8 weeks and will take place in the church from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM. Please take advantage of this opportunity to experience a new life of faith through the action of the Holy Spirit in your life.

Participants will attend a special Mass on the Vigil of the Solemn Feast of Pentecost during the Seminar. The Mass will be celebrated at St. Kateri Parish here in Sparta at 7:00 PM on Saturday, June 8th.

For questions, contact Jeff Tucker (973) 726-9011.



Good Friday

The Knights of Columbus invite and encourage all parishioners to join us and bring your family to the Good Friday Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion on April 19 at 3:00PM.

2019 Saint Kateri Knights/Father Patrick Rice Memorial College Scholarship

-For the 10th consecutive year, our Saint Kateri Knights of Columbus council is sponsoring the annual Father Patrick Rice Memorial College Scholarship. Graduating seniors who are active parishioners are eligible to apply for this program. Students must be graduating this spring and planning to attend a university, college, or junior/community college in the fall.

The scholarship packet requires a fully type-written application, mandatory essay, 2 or more letters of recommendation, and demonstrated service record to our parish, the student's school, and the community. The application deadline is Friday, May 10th at 12 p.m. All scholarship components must be received at that time. Note: the parish office closes at 12 p.m. and applications received after that time will not be accepted.

-Application forms are available on the parish website at www.saintkateri.org or the Knights website at www.saintkaterikofc.org.

Of Possible Interest...

SEE THE DUPREES IN CONCERT

St. Jude R.C. Church. 40 Maxim Drive., Hopatcong, NJ

May 19th 6:00pm Showing
Tickets Are \$40.00 Per Person

For More Information Call The Rectory At (973)398-6380

Tickets will be available at SK April 27 & 28.

Minute Meditations

A Prayer from Pope Francis

O almighty and merciful God, Lord of the universe and of history.

All that You have created is good and your compassion for the mistakes of mankind knows no limits.

We come to You today to ask You to keep in peace the world and its people, to keep far away from it the devastating wave of terrorism, to restore friendship and instill in the hearts of your creatures the gift of trust and of readiness to forgive.

—from the book *The Hope of Lent: Daily Reflections from Pope Francis* by Diane M. Houdek

Faith Formation News

Please continue to pray for our students as they prepare for their First Holy Communion this May!

Frankie Alessio, 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, 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, Cole Zerby.

Thank you to our parishioners and families for all of your support throughout this school year. Thank you, also to those who have donated to our hospitality table in our gathering space each Sunday. We plan to continue hospitality throughout the rest of the year, so if you have healthy treats to contribute, contact Cheryl Wallace, or drop them by our hospitality tables on your way to Mass.

Thank you, and God bless you and your families!

Youth Ministry News

Donations Needed: Youth Ministry is looking for Easter donations for the Easter Egg hunt. Please make sure all items are new and unopened. Easter Candy and plastic fillable eggs are needed. Thanks so Much!



Easter Egg Hunt

Join us for the St. Kateri Parish Easter egg hunt Saturday, April 20th 10:30 on the back lawn. Please dress accordingly for weather.

Parish Events Calendar

Sunday, April 14, 2019: 5:00 PM Sheridan/Fasano -Phase II
5:00 PM Fowler - Phase 1; 7:30 PM YM Stations Rehearsal

Monday, April 15, 2019: 6:00 PM K of C; 7:30 PM Wine & Divine

Tuesday, April 16, 2019: 7:00 PM Friends of Bill W

Wednesday, April 17, 2019: 6:30 PM Food Pantry Meeting; 7:00 PM Gospel of Matthew; 7:30 PM K of C Social Meeting

Thursday, April 18, 2019: 7:30 PM Holy Thursday

Friday, April 19, 2019: 9:00 AM Morning Book Club; 10:30 AM Book Group; 3:00 PM Good Friday; 5:00 PM YM Stations Rehearsal; 7:30 PM YM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 20, 2019: 8:15 AM Morning Prayer; 10:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt; 12:00 PM Blessing of the Food Baskets; 8:00 PM Holy Saturday Vigil

Sunday April 21, 2019: 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

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Youth Coordinator (grades 9-12): Jill Weiss
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Youth Contemporary Choir Ensemble:
Art Suriano 201-841-1090



Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday: Mass at 7:30PM

Good Friday: Veneration of the Cross 3:00PM

YM Stations of the Cross 7:30PM

Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer 8:15AM

Blessing of Food Baskets 12:00PM

Easter Vigil Mass 8:00PM

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

Why do Catholics cover crucifixes and statues during Lent?

The rubric in the Sacramentary (Roman Missal) states: "The practice of covering crosses and images in the church may be observed, if the episcopal conference decides. The crosses are to be covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord's passion on Good Friday. Images are to remain covered until the beginning of the Easter vigil."

So this practice is dependent upon the decision of the bishops' conference of a given country.

However, the covering is not done throughout all of Lent. The crosses (crucifixes) are to be covered only from the Fifth Sunday of Lent until Good Friday (as the rubric states), and other images are to be covered only from the Fifth Sunday of Lent until the Easter vigil.

The purpose of covering the crosses is to emphasize it being revealed on Good Friday. The purpose of covering other images is to take the focus off the images and focus the attention of the people on the central mysteries of our faith -- the death and resurrection of Jesus.