



*The Parish Community of*

# ***Saint Kateri Tekakwitha***

*427 Stanhope Road, Sparta, New Jersey 07871*

***Welcome! Bienvenidos!***

**Easter Sunday**

***April 21, 2019***

## **EASTER SUNDAY** **OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**



## 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.

### **CRS Operation Rice Bowl - Encounter the Risen Christ**

We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we celebrate Easter joy! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we encounter our Risen Lord to bring the hope of Resurrection to a world in need.

Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl in the Gathering Space.

### **The second collection on April 28th will be for Parish Maintenance.**

## Mass Intentions



### **Monday, April 22: Monday of Easter Week**

8:15 AM Special Intention

### **Tuesday, April 23: Tuesday of Easter Week**

8:15 AM Kay Brewer

### **Wednesday, April 24: Wednesday of Easter Week**

8:15 AM Matthew Hammond

### **Thursday, April 25: Saint Mark, evangelist**

8:15 AM Edward Gallagher

### **Friday, April 26: Friday of Easter Week**

8:15 AM Jean Morris

### **Saturday, April 27: Second Sunday of Easter**

5:00 PM Margaret Seibert

### **Sunday, April 28: Second Sunday of Easter**

8:00 AM Douglas Milway

9:30 AM Tim Waite

11:30 AM Richard Donovan

6:00 PM Alfonso Morrone



*Jesus is Risen*



**PLANNING A LEGACY**

Please consider Saint Kateri in your estate planning.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE		
	Weekly	Month of March
Regular Collections		\$21,663
Week Ending 04/07/19	\$10,473	
Week Ending 04/14/19	\$11,190	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 04/14/19		(\$28,337)

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday**  
Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday**  
Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday**  
Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday**  
Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

**Friday**  
Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday**  
Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15

**Sunday**  
Acts 5:12-16; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19;  
Jn 20:19-31



## Parish News

### RCIA/RCIC

***Congratulations to Scott Lehmann and Savien Caicedo.***

***We welcome you into the faith community of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha.***

### 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 weeknights in the spring. For more information or to sign up with your time preference, contact Cheryl Wallace at 729-3021 or [cherylw@saintkateri.org](mailto:cherylw@saintkateri.org) Also, visit [AscensionPress.com](http://AscensionPress.com) to learn more about this engaging study.

#### 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](mailto:medinakofc@gmail.com) if they plan on helping. We will meet at the church on Tuesday, April 23rd at 9 am.

### 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.



### 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](http://www.saintkateri.org) or the Knights website at [www.saintkaterikofc.org](http://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 Information Call The Rectory At (973)398-6380  
Tickets will be available at SK April 27 & 28.



A BIG thank you to almost 100 donors and volunteers who came to April Blood Drive.

We collected 89 units of blood. You are the answer to so many prayers.

#### Our next Blood Drive is coming up on Saturday, May 11th from 7:45 am to 1:45 pm.

Sign up with a friend and Share the Experience! Ask a friend to donate at the same time. You can support each other and do twice as much good!

Appointments can be scheduled online at [Tinyurl.com/GiveBloodNJBS](http://Tinyurl.com/GiveBloodNJBS) Sponsor Code 15978 Call Mary Stanek at 973-770-0429 for more information.

#### Text/E-mail Scam

##### Sender is Fr. Vidal

Do not respond to a text or e-mail from Fr. Vidal requesting gift cards of any kind. This is a scam that several parishioners have received within the last week or so.

# Faith Formation

A Blessed Easter to all of our SK Faith Formation Families! Christ is risen!

## Family Faith Session - Divine Mercy Sunday -- Sunday, April 28th, from 2:30pm - 3:30pm

As part of our SK Faith Formation Program, our K - 10 Families will gather in the church to learn about the special Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday. We will pray the brief Divine Mercy Chaplet using our rosary beads. Please bring your rosary beads on this day! Afterwards, we will have refreshments and fellowship in the gathering space, and we will have the student books and Love Notes bracelets for each child who may have left them behind on the last day of class. Thank you for celebrating this very special feast with our parish family! +

## 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  
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**Altar Servers:**  
Fr. Vidal R. Gonzales, Jr.

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

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

**Bible Study**  
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**Blood Drive**  
Mary Stanek 973-770-0429

**Cub Scouts Pack #295**  
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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: 201-819-5105

**Everyone Shops**  
Tina Jurgaitis 973-729-1682  
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**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**  
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**Inter Religious and Ecumenical Dialogue:**  
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**Ministry to the Sick:**  
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**Respect Life**  
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**RAINBOWS - Children's Grief Support Group:**  
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Ed & Pam Madzy 973-726-0789

**Schola Rosa**  
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201-310-6091  
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**Vocations to Priesthood or Religious Life:**  
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973-729-1682

**Welcomers (Ushers):**  
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**Wedding Coordinators**  
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**Wine & Divine**  
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**Youth Coordinator (grades 9-12):** Jill Weiss  
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**Youth Contemporary Choir Ensemble:**  
Art Suriano 201-841-1090



*Mother Daughter Retreat*  
For Mothers, Aunts and Grandmothers  
with a teen girl in grade 6-12  
Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> 9:30-12:30  
Saint Kateri Church, 427 Stanhope Road Sparta  
Hosted by SK Youth Ministry and The Squire Roses

Are you looking to reconnect with your daughter?

**Cost: Free**  
Please consider bringing feminine hygiene products for donation to

**The Weekend Bag Program**  
which is based locally in Newton

Join us for Mass followed by great discussion, food and fun! Don't miss out, it only comes around once a year.

**R.S.V.P: Jill Weiss**  
[skym@saintkateri.org](mailto:skym@saintkateri.org)  
by April 28, 2019

## Parish Events Calendar

**Sunday, April 21, 2019:** Easter Sunday Masses: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM ~ There will be no 6 PM Mass today.

**Monday, April 22, 2019:** 7:00 PM Spanish Mass; 7:30 PM Wine & Divine

**Tuesday, April 23, 2019:** 7:00 PM Friends of Bill W

**Wednesday, April 24, 2019:** 7:00 PM Gospel of Matthew

**Thursday, April 25, 2019:** 9:00 AM Schola Rosa

**Friday, April 26, 2019:** 9:00 AM Morning Book Club; 10:30 AM Book Group; 6:15 PM Cub Scouts -Tigers Meeting

**Saturday, April 27, 2019:** 6:00 PM, following 5 PM Mass - ticket sales to concert event, The Duprees

**Sunday, April 28, 2019:** Divine Mercy Sunday; 1:30 AM Conor Courtney Baptism; 2:30 PM Faith Formation Family Session



*“The tomb was empty. In the early morning darkness of that first Easter, there was only confusion for Mary Magdalene and the other disciples. But as the daylight spread, they saw the dawning of a new creation.”*

Sister and brothers, Jesus Christ is risen! Love has triumphed over hatred, life has conquered death, and light has dispelled the darkness! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

After weeks of preparation, we now rejoice because Christ is Risen. “He is Risen indeed!” That is not a casual hello. It is proclamation of the Good News, as our lives must be. As St. Augustine said, “we are an Easter people and ‘Alleluia’ is our song.” Jubilant Alleluias ringing out in our assemblies should echo in our lives. The joy we find in today’s Gospel must show itself in mission. This is the day that the Lord has made, the day our Lord Jesus entered human history and changed its path and destiny.

Today, we are called to follow Mary’s example; we too are asked to go and tell, to go and share the good news of our faith with others. Mary did not keep the good news of the resurrections to herself and neither can we. Just as Jesus called Mary by her name, he calls each of us today by our name today. Like her, we too are called to be missionary disciples who share and proclaim the good news of the resurrection with all those we meet. We do this in countless ordinary ways through the quality of our daily lives and how we treat others. To follow Jesus in self-giving service to others out of love, in a world of self-serving and hatred.

May our celebration of Easter deepen our faith, hope and love, and help each one of us to experience resurrection in our lives each day.

HAPPY EASTER TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

Fr. Vidal



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