

The Parish Community of

# Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

427 Stanhope Road, Sparta, New Jersey 07871

Welcome! Bienvenidos!

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2019

## Parish Staff

Fr. Vidal Roberto Gonzales, Jr.  
Pastor

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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](mailto: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](http://www.saintkateri.org); [office@saintkateri.org](mailto:office@saintkateri.org)

Find us on  Follow us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/saintkaterisparta](https://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  
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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)

## 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](http://www.tinyurl.com/StKateriBloodDrives). Walk-Ins ALWAYS Welcome - Find Us on Face Book [www.facebook.com/StKateriBloodDrives/](https://www.facebook.com/StKateriBloodDrives/) - More Information: Mary Stanek 973-349-9191

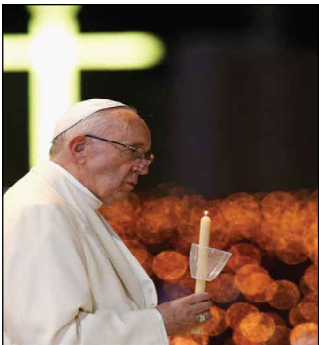
# A Note from the Pastor

## “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. As a reminder, all commitments need to be submitted to the church no later than Sunday, May 12 in order to be accounted for in the final Summary Report. Please complete and submit your card to the church even if you are unable to make a change to your current level of giving. For those registered parishioners not currently supporting the church with regular offertory gifts, please consider a monthly gift to support the needs of our parish.

**Prayers for the Sick:** We pray for Juan Sanchez, Tom Booth, 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.

Prayers for all those who are ill or in need of prayers and not listed. If you would like to be placed on our prayer list please call the parish office.



Next week, we will take up the **Peter’s Pence Collection**, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).



Please consider Saint Kateri in your estate planning.

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

	Weekly	Month of March
Regular Collections		\$14,003
Week Ending 05/05/19	\$14,003	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 05/05/19		(\$35,997)

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.

# Mass Intentions



## Monday, May 13: Easter Weekday; Our Lady of Fatima

8:15 AM Linda Bartolomeo

## Tuesday, May 14: St. Matthew, Apostle, Feast

8:15 AM Marion Cove

## Wednesday, May 15: Easter Weekday; Saint Isadore

8:15 AM Lee Sember

## Thursday, May 16: Easter Weekday

8:15 AM People of the Parish

## Friday, May 17: Easter Weekday;

8:15 AM Rev. Patrick F. Rice

## Saturday, May 18: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5:00 PM Elaine Capobianco  
Teresita Gonzales  
Anthony Cagno

## Sunday, May 19: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 AM Thomas Justin  
9:30 AM Lucy and Paul Cottone  
11:30 AM Mary Edith McCall  
6:00PM Louis Augustini  
David Perrelli

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday

Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

### Tuesday

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

### Wednesday

Acts 12:24—13:5a; Jn 12:44-50

### Thursday

Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

### Friday

Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

### Saturday

Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

### Sunday

Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35



## Parish News

### Children's Summer Lunch Program

**HUNGER:** uneasy or painful sensation caused by the lack of food.

**Next weekend** bags will be provided for the Children's Summer Lunch Program. List of items needed includes Meal-in-a-can ( ravioli, stew etc...); Pasta Sauce; Tuna- 2 cans per bag OR chicken in a can; Can of soup; Milk- Shelf Stable ( box); Breakfast cereal or oatmeal; Mac & Cheese- preferably boxes; Can of fruit ( or applesauce ); Pasta; Crackers, chips, snack food; Juice boxes, Capri sun ( Pouches); Ramen Noodle package; Jello or Snack Pack Puddings; Pop tarts; Granola bars and Cookies.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

In NJ, food pantries, soup kitchens, and other non-profit organizations provide food assistance to over 500,000 people every month. (Americas Second Harvest)

The number of families with children requesting emergency food assistance has increased by 40% (US Conference of Mayors)

CAUSES OF HUNGER...

Unemployment: Many of those who have lost their jobs are now running out of unemployment benefits

Low wage work & fixed incomes: 20% of the workforce (26 million people in America) earn \$8.23 an hour or less. Most of them are adults supporting families.

If you would like help out at the Food Pantry or have questions contact Valerie Macchio by e-mail at [valerie@cornerstonemkt.com](mailto:valerie@cornerstonemkt.com)

## Diocesan News...

**Diocesan May Crowning:** The Diocese will honor the Mother of God at the annual May Crowning at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist on Sunday, May 19th at 3:30 PM.

**Life in the Spirit Seminar Starts at Our Lady of the Lake on May 7th.** 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. The seminar will run for 8 weeks and will take place in the church from 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM. 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.

**Vocations Discernment for young men 15-25. "Quo Vadis** – Where are you going?" Where is the Spirit acting in your life? Where is the Lord encouraging you to go? Quo Vadis Days is a time of recreation, fellowship, and prayer to help you explore the Lord's call in your life. Activities will include prayer, Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Liturgy of the Hours, Rosary, games, sports, talks, great food, and discussions. It is a time to share our faith and meet other young men seeking God's will. Quo Vadis Days will be held **June 26- 28, 2019** at the Saint Mary's Abbey Retreat Center in Morristown, New Jersey. There is no cost. For more information and/or registration, contact the coordinators Fr. Edgar Rivera and David Monteleone in the Vocations Office at (973) 777-8818, ext. #711

## minute meditations



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### Mary Was Always With Her People

Victory is for those who continually arise without being discouraged. If we imitate Mary, we cannot keep our arms folded, only complaining, or perhaps dodging the hard work that others do and which is our responsibility. This is not about doing great things, but about doing everything with tenderness and mercy. Mary was always with her people supporting the least. She knew loneliness, poverty and exile, and she learned to create fraternity and to make her home in any place where goodness took root. Let us beseech her to give us a poor spirit which is not proud, a pure heart that sees God in the face of the neediest, and great patience that we may not shrink when confronted with life's difficulties.

—from Mother Mary: Inspiring Words from Pope Francis

## Of Possible Interest...

### Women's Weekend Retreat at Sacred Heart Spirituality Center May 31st - June 2nd.

The theme for this Retreat is "Compassion". The Retreat begins at 5:00 PM on Friday, May 31st and finishes at 1:30 PM on Sunday, June 2nd. There is also an option to attend for the day on Saturday, June 1st. Registration forms are available on our website.

For further information, visit our web site: [sacredheartspiritualitycenter.org](http://sacredheartspiritualitycenter.org), e-mail us at [shretreatcenter@gmail.com](mailto:shretreatcenter@gmail.com). or call 973-383-2620.

### Camp Auxilium

Open House May 19th (1 – 3 PM) at Camp Auxilium, Newton, NJ ~ A place where every young person feels loved! We are accepting 2019 registrations NOW. Also accepting counselor applications. Call 973-383-2621 for more info or visit [www.campauxilium.org](http://www.campauxilium.org).

### Fishing Derby Our Lady Queen of Peace

Saturday, May 18th - 10:00am - 1:00pm

Ages 0 - 14 years old

Rain or Shine

Bring your own Bait and Tackle

Hamburgers, Hotdogs, French Fries will be available.

More Information call 973-948-3185



# Faith Formation



A sincere Thank You to all who attended the Mother Daughter Retreat last week-end. It was a time of prayer and reflection, laughter, tears and fellowship. Saint Kateri Youth Ministry and the Squire Roses look forward to hosting more events like this one, to deepen our faith and our friendships.

## Confirmation - Sponsor/Candidate Day

As Phase II of the Confirmation Program draws to a close, we are quickly approaching Sponsor/Candidate Day for the our 10th Grade Confirmation students. The dates are as follows:

- Saturday, May 18th - 1pm -3:30pm: Duffy/Engle; Foley/Apostolico; Wright/Young.
- Sunday, May 19th - 1pm -3:30pm: Hartranft/LeValley; Sheridan/Fasano.

This day is a great opportunity for Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors to share thoughts on their relationships with God and their Faith journeys. It is also the beginning of a mentoring relationship that we hope will blossom and bear fruit for many years to come. If your 10th Grader would like to request the alternate day (for example: May 18th instead of May 19th) please let us know as soon as possible so that we may plan appropriately (cherylw@saintkateri.org). Please pray for our Confirmation Students as they approach their Confirmation Day - Monday, June 3rd!

## Parish Events Calendar

**Sunday, May 12, 2019:** 10:30 AM Baptism Prep Class

**Monday, May 13, 2019:** 7:00 PM Finance Mtg.; 7:30 PM Wine & Divine

**Tuesday, May 14, 2019:** 7:00 PM Friends of Bill W.

**Wednesday, May 15, 2019:** 7:30 PM K of C Social Meeting

**Friday, May 17, 2019:** 9:00 AM Morning Book Club; 10:30 AM Book Group; 7:00 PM Pack Meeting

**Saturday, May 18, 2019:** 1:00 PM Sponsor Candidate Day; 7:00 PM OLL - Friends of Bill W

**Sunday, May 19, 2019;** 10:30 AM Baptism Prep Class; 1:00 PM Sloane Germano Baptism; 1:00 PM Sponsor Candidate Day; 2:00 PM Audrey Grace Hammond Bapt; 3:00 PM Hunter Prisco Baptism

## Parish Ministries/Contact Persons:

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

**Adopt a Family**  
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**Antioch**  
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Dick Freiburger 973-729-8178

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**(Plant Care)**  
Candala Roslan 973-271-7624

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**Blood Drive**  
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**Ecumenical Prayer Service Knoll View**  
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**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
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**Everyone Shops**  
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**Family Promise of SC**  
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**Feed the Working Poor**  
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**RCIA:**  
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**Schola Rosa**  
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973-729-1682

**Welcomers (Ushers):**  
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Kathy McCrossin  
catmack24@yahoo.com

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



This Sunday, we are celebrating Mothers' Day and also the crowning of our Blessed Mother. What a beautiful celebration honoring our heavenly Mother and our earthly mothers.

Pope Francis extended a special greeting to all those around the world who are celebrating Mother's Day. "We remember all mothers with gratitude and affection," the Pope said to the crowds gathered in Saint Peter's Square under the hot sun for the recitation of the Regina Caeli prayer. He added, "society without mothers would be dehumanized society, for mothers are always, even in the worst moments, witnesses of tenderness, dedication and moral strength. Mothers often pass on the deepest sense of religious practice: In a human being's life, the value of faith is inscribed in the first prayer, the first act of devotion that a child learns." It is our mothers here on earth who first

taught us to smile, to love, to be kind. It was the same for Jesus here on earth, and then He gave us His mother to be our own. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home" (John 19: 26-27).

Through Mary, we come to her Son more easily," said St. Pope John Paul II. "Mary is held up as a model for the believer and for the whole Church called to respond to the Lord with her own 'yes.' She is the Mother who intercedes for all: for souls thirsting for God and for those who are groping in the darkness of doubt and disbelief, for those who are suffering in body or tried in spirit, for those who yield to the attraction of sin and for those who are struggling to escape its clutches. Her motherly concern overlooks no one" (L'Osservatore Romano, May 8,)

Deacon Fournier, on his column encourages us all by saying; for those whose mothers and grandmothers are still alive - cherish them today. Hug and kiss them. Honor them. Thank them. For those whose mothers have gone home to the Lord, remember them." Let us also honor the Mother of the Lord today. Her maternal care for Jesus still embraces all those who are joined to Him, as members of His Body, by that great new birth of Baptism. Finally, let us ask the Lord to open our eyes, and our hearts, to come to more fully understand the great mystery and gift of the Church as our Mother. Let us live our lives as Christians, by living in the heart of Mother Church, for the sake of the world into which we are sent to bear the Good News.

Dearest mothers, thank you, thank you, for what you are in your family and for what you give to the Church and the world. And to you our Beloved Mother Mary, Mother of God, thank you for letting us see Jesus.

**HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY**