

The Parish Community of

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

427 Stanhope Road, Sparta, New Jersey 07871

Welcome! Bienvenidos!

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 6, 2019

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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.
(including Super Bowl Sunday, Mother's Day and Father's Day)

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 - closed

www.saintkateri.org; office@saintkateri.org;  saintkaterisparta

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A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 6, 2019

“I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God you have through the imposition of my hands. For God did not give you a spirit of cowardice, but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake, but bear your share of the hardship for the gospel, with the strength that comes from God. Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.”

We all need reminders. Emails are sent about meetings, calls made about a dentist appointment, a light on the dashboard to check the oil. Each one has importance and serves a good purpose.

Paul resorts to a reminder and uses the example of a flame. We know a small spark has great potential to become a blazing inferno. Blowing gently on embers from a barbecue can create a fire. The old song ‘it only takes a spark to get a fire going’ is real.

The same image was directed to Timothy, reminding him of the hands asking for the Spirit to ordain him. The same imposition of hands occurred for us at our baptism and confirmation. Yes, we too have the gift of power, love and self control. Am I ready to stir it into a flame?

Prayers for the Sick: We pray for Liliana DiGangi, Tom Booth, Jim Hyland, Jason Duncan, Patrick Dillsworth, Brian Smith, Chris Auger, Margaret Brennan, Brittney Johnson.

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.

2019 Bishop’s Annual Appeal -“For I Was Hungry...”

One of the benefits of giving to our Bishop’s Annual Appeal is the knowledge that the funds stay in our own Diocese and only support important needs in Morris, Passaic and Sussex Counties. This local connection means that you may be helping your next-door neighbor, a former pastor now living in our priests’ retirement residence, the store owner you see each day as you shop in town – perhaps even a family member. Please help your neighbor in need and make a pledge to the Annual Appeal today! For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2019appeal.org

The Second Envelope on October 13, 2019 will be for Project Faith.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

	Weekly	Month of September
Regular Collections		\$44,300
Week Ending 09/01/19	\$8,005	
Week Ending 09/08/19	\$9,611	
Week Ending 09/15/19	\$9,176	
Week Ending 09/22/19	\$7,490	
Week Ending 09/29/19	\$10,019	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$62,500
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 09/29/19		(\$18,200)

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.

Please consider Saint Kateri in your estate planning.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 7: Our Lady of the Rosary

8:15 AM John Pappalardo

Tuesday, October 8: Weekday

8:15 AM Jan Fenton
Tony Fenton
Meredith Fenton

Wednesday, October 9: Saints Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest

8:15 AM Special Intention for Lyn McDonald

Thursday, October 10: Weekday

8:15 AM Lee Sember

Friday, October 11: Saint John XXIII, Pope

8:15 AM Carolyn Mondragon

Saturday, October 12: The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Martin & Marjorie Murphy

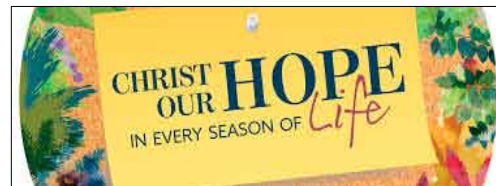
Sunday, October 13: The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM William Dwyer

9:30 AM Mary Jane Milway

11:30 AM Intention of Jeanne & Daniel Garry

*****NO 6PM Mass****



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Jon 1:1—2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 10: 38-42

Wednesday

Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday

Mal 3:13-20b; Lk 11:5-13

Friday

Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday

Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday

2 Kgs 5:14-17; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

Parish News



Save the Date

Craft & Chat

Saturday, November 23rd
anytime from 9 am to 2 pm

Bring any (portable) project you're working on
and meet new crafty friends!

Open to all ages and skill levels.

Kids crafts and supplies available for free.

Plenty of coffee, tea, water or juice,
plus coffee cakes and fruit for a small donation.

Come and See Catholic Bible Study: Moses & The Torah

Wednesday's 7 - 8:30 PM starting October 9, 2019

Feed your faith and stimulate your mind. For more information, call
Laura Entwistle (973) 726-8978.

You can register online and purchase your book at
saintkateri.org/catholic-bible-study

Our next Blood Drive is October 26th 7:45am to 1:45pm.

To schedule an appointment: Tinyurl.com/GiveBloodNJBS
Sponsor Code 15978 Walk-ins are always welcome.
Call Mary Stanek at 973-349-9191 for more information.

*Thank you to September's blood donors, and the wonderful volunteers
who helped out: we collected 59 units of blood. God Bless You~*

Diocesan News...

SILVER AND GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1969 or 1994? 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 3rd, 2019 at 3:30 pm.

Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. The deadline to register is Friday, October 11th, 2019. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

Catholic Charities

Straight & Narrow Fire

Catholic Charities CEO, Scott Milliken and the Straight and Narrow Family would like to thank Bishop Serratelli, Monsignor Mahoney and the entire Diocese of Paterson for your continued support of Straight and Narrow throughout the last several weeks following the devastating fire on August 24th. This fire destroyed the building on Straight Street in Paterson which housed a men's halfway house, a warehouse where donations were stored, a women's counseling center, and other programs. Thankfully no one was hurt during this fire, and the important services that we offer were able to continue. The support from the community throughout the last month has been immense.

Parishioners who are looking to help are encouraged to give through the Bishop's Annual Appeal, where 10% of the funds raised will support fire recovery efforts. Please keep the Straight and Narrow Family in your continued prayers.

Straight & Narrow Collection Drive

The Paterson Diocese Catholic Charities, Straight & Narrow experienced a devastating fire on Saturday, August 24, 2019. Now more than ever, Catholic Charities needs our help. Donations of new men and women's casual clothes; cosmetics; toiletries; undergarments; shoes; belts; maternity clothing and baby items are needed. The St. Kateri Knights will have a donation box in the church lobby from September 28 – October 31, 2019. Thank you for your continued support of those in need.

Saint Kateri Church

Trunk or Treat

October 26th 10^{AM}
427 Stanhope Rd. Sparta



Candy donation welcome in gathering space.

Want to host a trunk? -RSVP Jill skym@saintkateri.org

Happy Halloween!

Of Possible Interest...

National Life Chain Oct. 6, 2019 from 2pm to 3:30pm

Today is National Life Chain Sunday. Life Chain is the largest, peaceful, prayerful, pro-life public witness in the world. Life Chains will be held throughout the US and Canada. Local pro-life people will be lining up around the Newton Green for the Sussex County Life Chain. Please join us in standing up for the sanctity of life.

Mommy and Me

Come take a peak at Reverend Brown while you enjoy art class for children under 3!

Oct. 23rd at 9AM. RSVP 729-6125 Ext. 1

Faith Formation Corner...

K-10 & Confirmation Classes

Our Faith Formation school year has begun! Pray with our Faith Formation families 15 minutes before each Sunday Mass for a beautiful new year!

Please note: There are no classes on **October 13th** (Columbus Day) and **October 20th** (Antioch Weekend). Classes will resume on October 27.

Help!

We are in dire need of catechists for 7:45am, 11:15am, and 5:45pm classes. Contact Dawn at the Faith Formation Office: dawng@saintkateri.org, 973-729-0489.

PGC Training - Thursday, Oct. 24th. at 7:00PM in the Community Room

All parents and SK volunteers are advised to attend—this is a very necessary and informative parenting session for the times in which we live. You may register online with the diocese, contact dawng@saintkateri.org, or just come that evening.



Youth Ministry

[saint_kateri_ym](https://www.instagram.com/saint_kateri_ym)

Youth Ministry is looking for teen volunteers for the trunk or treat Oct. 26th. Two+ hours of service can be obtained. Please email jill-skym@saintkateri.org for more information.



Baked Goods Wanted

Youth Ministry is happily accepting donations of homemade baked items to help support the 10th grade confirmation retreat on the weekend of October 18th-20th. Let's help make the teens feel at home with some comforting treats while they finish the Confirmation process. In addition please keep all of the candidates in your prayers.

Events Calendar

Sunday, October 6, 2019

9:00 AM Squires Monthly Meeting
10:30 AM Pack 295 Candy Sale
1:00 PM Adela Rose Jaffe Baptism
1:00 PM Natalie Morgan Anzelone Baptism
1:00 PM Emery Pugliese Baptism

Monday, October 7, 2019

7:00 PM Spanish Mass
7:00 PM Antioch Meeting
7:30 PM Wine & Divine

Tuesday, October 8, 2019

7:00 PM Friends of Bill W.

Wednesday, October 9, 2019

7:00 PM Gospel Study Group

Thursday, October 10, 2019

6:00 PM Wolf Den

Friday, October 11, 2019

9:00 AM Morning Book Club
9:30 AM Homeschool Co-op
10:30 AM Book Club
5:30 PM Boyle/Wroblewski Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, October 12, 2019

2:30 PM Boyle/Wroblewski Wedding

Sunday, October 13, 2019

Columbus Day Weekend
No Faith Formation Classes

Monday, October 14, 2019

Parish Office will be closed

Parish Ministries/Contact Persons:

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

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Celebrate RESPECT LIFE MONTH



From the time we are knit together in our mothers' wombs until we take our final breaths, each moment of our lives is a gift from God. While every season of life brings its own challenges and trials, each season also gives us new opportunities to grow in our relationship with God.

Today the gift of life is threatened in countless ways. Those who are most vulnerable, rather than receiving the protection they deserve, are all too often seen as a burden and as expendable. As new attacks on human life continue to emerge, we can be tempted to despair, but Christ instead offers us unfailing hope.

*"Hold fast to the hope that lies before us. This we have as an anchor of the soul, sure and firm."
Hebrews 6:18-19*

Hope is not false optimism or empty positivity. Christian hope is something much more profound and goes to the very depths of our identity as followers of Christ.

Hope is the virtue "by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit" (CCC, 1817).

Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, "God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who has loved us to the end" (Spe salvi 31).

Christians know "they have a future: it is not that they know the details of what awaits them, but they know in general terms that their life will not end in emptiness" (SS 2).

For this reason, a woman experiencing a difficult pregnancy can find the strength to welcome her precious child into the world. A man facing a terminal diagnosis can see that the end of his earthly life is only the beginning of eternal life with Christ.

The Church teaches us that "the one who has hope lives differently" (SS 2). Christ's promise of salvation does not mean that we will be spared from suffering. Rather, the promise of salvation ensures that even in the darkest moments of our lives, we will be given the strength to persevere. By virtue of this Christian hope, we can face any challenge or trial. When the seas of life swell and we are battered by the waves, hope allows us to remain anchored in the heart of God. May we hold fast to Christ our hope, from the beginning of life to its very end.

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