



The Parish Community of

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Love God, Love others and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ

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Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

June 7, 2020

Year A



“The Lord, the Lord, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity.”

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Daily Mass Live streaming at 9:00 AM. Adoration will Live Stream from 2-4 PM. Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 PM Daily.

Sunday Mass will be live streaming on our Facebook page at 9:30. Website at 10:30 AM

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/saintkaterispartanaj>

We will continue to keep you updated through our website, E-mails, Flocknotes and Facebook.

To join Flocknotes (text message app) text "stkateri" to 84576.

OFFICE HOURS - At this time please call or e-mail the parish.

8:30 am – 3:00 pm : Monday – Thursday

8:30 am – 12:00 nn : Fridays (closed during summer)

Religious Edu. / Youth Min. 973 -729-0489

9:00 am – 3:00 pm: Tue. – Thurs. and by appointment

The Inner Life of God!

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity



“**God** so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.” John 3:16

The Trinity! The inner life of God! The Greatest Mystery of our Faith!

We all are used to the idea that there is one God. And we fully accept that this one God is the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. On the surface, this seems like a contradiction. How can God be one and three at the same time? It's a mystery that is worth penetrating and contemplating.

First, we need to understand that God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are three divine Persons. Each one distinct from the other. Each Person has a perfect intellect and free will. Each one is capable of knowing and loving to a perfect degree. But it is this “perfection” of their ability to know and love that makes them one. They each share in the one divine nature and, within that divine nature, are perfectly united. This means that each one knows and loves the other perfectly. And that knowledge (an act of their perfect intellect) and love (an act of their perfect will) brings about a unity so profound and deep that they live and act as one God.

What's also inspiring to know and understand is that the unity they share by their mutual knowledge and love also offers each one of them perfect fulfillment as a Person. This shows that “personhood” is fulfilled by unity. What a wonderful lesson this is for each of us. We are not God, but we are made in God's image and likeness. Therefore, we find fulfillment in the same way that God does. Specifically, we find fulfillment in life by our love of others and our freewill choice to enter into a knowledge of each person, forming a communion with them. This will take on different forms depending upon our relationships. Of course, husband and wife are called to share in the deepest unity in imitation of the life of God. But all relationships are called to share in God's life in their own unique way.

Reflect, today, as we celebrate this Trinity Sunday, on the relationships to which God has called you. How completely do you imitate the love of the Trinity in your relationships? Certainly we will all find areas in which to grow. Make a commitment to take another step deeper and, in that step of love, allow God to give you a greater fulfillment as a result.

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, help me to know You and to love You. Help me to discover the love You share within Your own divine life. In that discovery, help me to also love others with Your heart. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I trust in You.

† MASSES FOR THE WEEK †

Fr. Vidal will pray for your loved ones at a private Mass each day.

Monday, June 8: Weekday; Tenth Weekday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Joseph Lorentz

Tuesday, June 9: Weekday; Saint Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM Eileen Reges

Wednesday, June 10: Weekday

9:00 AM Kay Brewer

Thursday, June 11: Saint Barnabas, Apostle

9:00 AM Special Intention

Friday, June 12: Weekday

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Sunday, June 14: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

9:30 AM Dawn Schworn
Evelyn Sanchez
David Perrelli

Prayers for the Sick:



We pray for Edward Wallace, MaryAnn Eifler, John Hilgart, Fr. John (Jack) Boland, Lanita Gonzales Ramos, Christopher Robak, Deacon Drew Calandriello, Margie Frazier, Al Saveriano, Henry Schubert, Lilliana

DiGangi, Tom Booth, Jason Duncan, Patrick Dillsworth, Brian Smith, Chris Auger, Margaret Brennan, Brittany Johnson.

Would you like to put someone on the prayer list? Give us a call the parish center 973-729-1682.. You must have their consent to print in the bulletin. To be added to the confidential prayer list contact Sue Weaver, Prayer Team: prayerteam@saintkateri.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16
Wed.: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26, 13:1-3; Mt 5:20-26
Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Mt 5:27-32
Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37
Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

Active Military Prayer List

Please pray for our Active Military:

Daniel Joseph (D.J.) Duguay, US Air Force; James Schoch, Infantry Second Lieutenant; Frank Cutrone, Second Lieutenant, US Army; LtCol Dan Murphy, US Marine Corps; LTJG Katherine Garza, US Navy; LTJG David Garza, US Navy; LCpl Josh Jackson US Marine Corps

May God keep them safe and protect them from all harm.

If you would like a love ones name added to the prayer list for the military, please call the parish center. 973-729-1682.

We are grateful to all those who have signed up for Electronic Giving and those who continue to mail in or drop off weekly donations.

We truly appreciate your ongoing support and want to let you know we're here for you. You are a valued member of our church family.

Thank you for all the notes we receive in with your offerings that carry messages of kindness and hope.

Your Sunday offering

Even though our church is quiet, facility utilities do not go away. Needs of our community, ministry, and families still remain as well. We can not meet such needs without your help. As we are not able to serve in large groups or in person, our gifts of prayer and treasure are ever so important, even crucial to get us through this difficult time.

If you haven't already, please consider setting up a recurring gift online. It takes two simple steps and the rest is seamless, automatic, and very flexible. Please visit our donation page at:

www.saintkateri.org/electronic-giving

You can also continue to mail your gifts and envelopes to the parish at: 427 Stanhope Rd, Sparta, NJ 07871

May God bless you and your loved ones.

Contribution Totals for the Month of May 2020

	Weekly	Month of May
Regular Collections		\$19,001
Week Ending 05/3/2020		
Regular Collection	\$5,035	
Maintenance	325	
Week Ending 05/10/2020		
Regular Collection	\$6,194	
Maintenance	125	
Human Development	45	
Holy Land	10	
Week Ending 05/17/2020		
Regular Collection	\$4,150	
Maintenance	200	
Project Faith	60	
Week Ending 05/24/2020		
Regular Collection	\$3,622	
Maintenance	125	
Peter's Pence	20	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 05/24/2020		(\$30,999)

Faith Formation Corner

Dear SK 9th Grade Confirmation Families:

You are in our hearts and prayers as we anticipate your special Confirmation Day. If you were able to view it, Father Vidal said a very special blessing over the candidates and your families at the end of last week's Sunday 9:30am Mass. Please view it here: www.facebook.com/groups/saintkaterispartanaj

Dear SK 8th Grade Confirmation Families:

You, of course, are also in our hearts and prayers as we anticipate your Confirmation Day! Father Vidal will say a very special blessing over 8th Grade Confirmation candidates and families at our Pentecost Sunday Mass today, May 31, 2020, 9:30am.
www.facebook.com/groups/saintkaterispartanaj

Saint Kateri Confirmations and accompanying retreats are suspended, but we will let you know as soon as these can be rescheduled.

Please continue to pray for each of our Confirmandi and their families!

Dear SK First Communion Families:

Families have received their children's Communion banner kits and many of the banners have been completed! These completed banners have been photographed, and appear on our Saint Kateri Facebook page. www.facebook.com/groups/saintkaterispartanaj

What a great way to ask Mary to bless us, and to show her that we are ready for our special First Communion Day as soon as we are able to reschedule it.

Saint Kateri Communion and accompanying retreats are suspended, but we will let you know as soon as these can be rescheduled.

Please continue to pray for each of our First Communicants and their families.

Please read the details about this in the Bishop's letter in this bulletin or on our website. <https://www.patersondio-cese.org/coronavirus>

Refer to the section labeled: "HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES FOR PASTORAL LIFE IN THE DIOCESE OF PATERSON".

For all other questions about Faith Formation please contact Cheryl Wallace, DRE cherylw@saintkateri.org

WE ARE EACH RESPONSIBLE FOR CARING FOR THE WORLD GOD HAS ENTRUSTED TO US:

WWW.RESPECTLIFEORG/SERENE-ATTENTIVENESS

Please pray for our young adults as they await their Confirmation

Megan Armstrong, Alexa Berry, Paul Basone, Joshua Brancy, Madison, Campisi, Charles Canzoniero, Isabelle Cardoza, Brian Carlson, Shea Cina, Abigail Coppolella, Sophia Davis, Malaya Dobbs, Lauren Duffy, Benjamin Dykstra, Andrew Grant, Jr., Rebecca Green, Gabrielle Heim, Thomas Hogan, Timothy Kelly, Jr., Emma Knape, Matthew Knapp, Elliott Layman, Nina LeValley, Jonathan McKenna, Molly McQueeney, Riley Merklinger, Declan Monaghan, Timothy Mulvaney, Meghan Murino, Milena Oberle, Kayleigh O'Brien, Anthony Pandiscia, Jake Panzer, Anthony Petrock, Cassidy Pry, Victoria Rotyliano, Raya Shefferman, Alexa Smeilus, Gavin Tate, Daniel Torres, Timothy Walsh, Brianna Weiss, Cassis Yappen, Harlow Yappen.



Knights of Columbus
You can still help with donations for the Samaritan Inn.

Join the Knights of Columbus

If you are Catholic man 18 or older and wish to join the Knights of Columbus, it's easier than ever before. The K of C is holding virtual Charity, Unity, and Fraternity degrees that will bring you to full Knighthood in one 35-minute ceremony. Please contact GK Greg Risco for an invitation to one of the upcoming ceremonies. risco.g@gmail.com or 908 619-1263.

Fr. Patrick F. Rice Memorial Trades Scholarship

Our council continues to offer the Fr. Patrick F. Rice Scholarship to parishioners or members of the parish 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 may be submitted on a continuing basis since trade school entry can occur throughout the year.



The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted those living in poverty the most and Catholic Charities, Diocese of Paterson's 3 Food Pantries (Father English Center, Paterson; Hope House, Dover; and Partnership for Social Services, Franklin) are giving out more food than ever before.

Most months, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Paterson gives out food to 5,000 - 7,000 people at their 3 food pantries. In April of 2020, this number practically doubled, as they helped over 11,000 individuals who are feeling the direct economic impact of COVID-19.

Bishop Serratelli has authorized a Catholic Charities Diocesan-wide food collection in all parishes. This year, the drive has gone virtual, and you can shop online and have items directly shipped to Catholic Charities Food Pantries.

Visit www.ccpaterson.org/corpus for more information and visit www.yougivegoods.com/ccpaterson-food-drive2020 to find our parish, and shop for our pantries in need.

You may also email: Info@ccpaterson.org or call (973) 737-2077 ext.403 with any questions or to donate food directly to Catholic Charities Food Pantries.

7th Annual Corpus Christi FOOD DRIVE
Creating hope in a Crisis
Supporting Catholic Charities Food Pantries
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SALESIAN SISTERS CAMP

VIRTUAL SUMMER CAMP 2020
"SALESIAN EXPLORERS: SEEING THE WORLD WITH NEW EYES"

Join us for an online experience like no other!
1st - 8th grade Boys & Girls
June 29 - July 24, 2020

LIVE daily Zoom meetings to sing, play and pray!
Lots of great resources accessible on our website including arts & crafts, dance classes, juggling, recipes, STREAM activities and much more!!

Visit www.salesiansisterscamp.org to register!
Email: salesiansisterscamp@gmail.com for more information

A FEW Guidelines for Re-opening

AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE NOT HEARD FROM THE DIOCESE REGARDING A DATE FOR RE-OPENING THE CHURCH.

WE WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED ON OUR WEBSITE, FACEBOOK AND FLOCKNOTES.

Going forward Masses will be offered at 5PM on Saturday, 9:30AM, Noon and 6:00PM on Sunday. We are expecting to open with limitation on the number of people allowed in the church; 25% of the total seating capacity (approximately 80 parishioners per Mass). Our Live Streaming Mass will continue on Facebook at 9:30AM and posted to our website at 10:30AM. Daily Mass will be held at 8:15AM.

The following are some very important points to remember as we reopen the church to help curb the spread of the virus, most especially during weekend Masses:

- There will be one entrance once you enter the church. That door will be open for you to avoid touching the door knob or the handle.
- Please bring your own mask and wear it as you enter the church at all times (ages 2 and over require a mask). If by chance you forget, disposable masks are available in the vestibule for you. Please, ask our ushers. They are happy to assist you. They will be there to greet you and to guide you.
- Before stepping out of your car, put on the facemask and apply your own hand sanitizer.
- There will be signs on the floor for you to follow.
- Touch-free Sanitizer Dispensers are in the vestibule for you to use. But I encourage you to bring your own.
- As you enter the main church, you will find all pews marked for you to sit and maintain social distancing. For a family, you can sit together.
- Please, always maintain social distancing.
- Restroom use will be for emergencies only. Touch-free Sanitizer Dispensers and Touch-Free paper towel dispensers are available in every restroom of the church.
- Those who are particularly vulnerable to the coronavirus, i.e. those sixty (60) years of age and over, and especially those with one or several underlying medical conditions (a high temperature, for example), should follow Mass at home via live stream or television until all restrictions are removed.
- A person with cough or fever of any kind, or other symptoms of illness, should stay at home to protect the health of others.
- The church will be open from 8:15 am until 7:00 pm.

