

The Parish Community of

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*Love God, Love others and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ*

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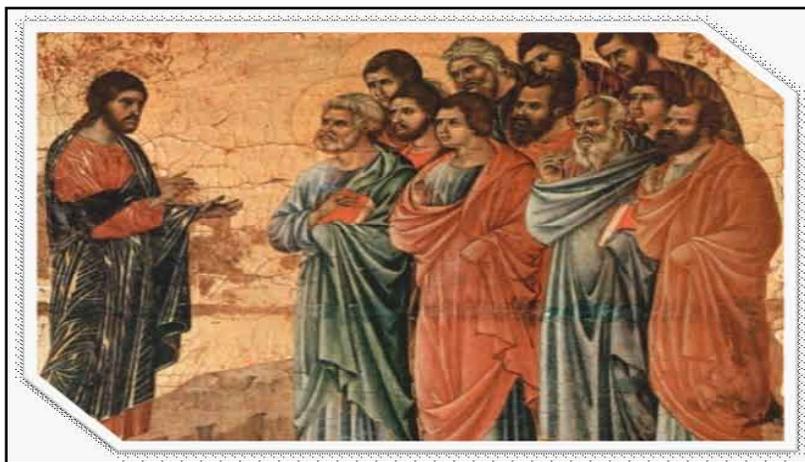
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Trustees

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 21, 2020**

**Year A**



*"What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light."  
"Have no Fear of them. Fear not!"*

#### **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Daily Mass at 8:15 AM. Adoration held Sunday, every Wednesday 2-4PM and 1st Friday of the month. Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3PM.**

**Saturday at 5:00PM**

**Sunday at 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 12 Noon and 6:00PM**

**Our live streaming of Mass will continue during weekend Masses at 9:30am.**

**Confessions: Every Saturday from 4:00pm. – 4:45pm.**

**Please call the office or email Fr. Vidal for an appointment. Wear facemask and observe social distancing.**

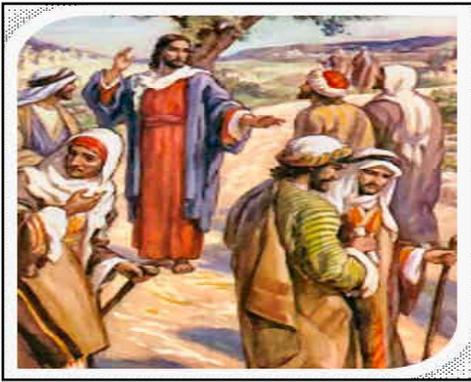
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**We will continue to keep you updated through our website, E-mails, Flocknotes and Facebook.**

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

**OFFICE HOURS - We are all working from home at this time.**

## The Perfect Love and Knowledge of God Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A



*Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows." Matthew 10:29-31*

It's comforting to know that the All-Powerful God of the Universe knows every detail about our lives and is deeply concerned about every single detail. He knows us infinitely better than we know ourselves and He loves each one of us more deeply than we could ever love ourselves. These facts should give us much peace.

Imagine the truth contained in this Scripture above. God even knows how many hairs we have on our head! This is stated as a way of emphasizing the depth of intimacy by which God knows us.

When we can come to the realization of the Father's perfect knowledge of us AND His perfect love of us, we will be in a position to put our complete trust in Him. Trust in God is only possible when we understand who we are trusting. And when we do begin to more completely understand who God is and how much He cares about every detail of our lives, we will more easily entrust to Him those details, allowing Him to take control of all.

Reflect, today, upon these basic truths of God's perfect knowledge of us and His perfect love. Sit with those truths and ponder them. As you do, allow them to become the basis of an invitation from God to let go of your own control of life in favor of His control. Try to make an act of total surrender to Him and you will begin to discover the freedom that comes with this surrender.

Father in Heaven, I thank You for Your perfect knowledge of every detail of my life. I thank You, also, for Your perfect love. Help me to trust in this love and to trust in Your daily invitation to surrender all. I do surrender my life to You, dear Lord. Help me to surrender more fully this day. Jesus, I trust in You. (My catholic Life / photo: catholicculture.org))

### † MASSES FOR THE WEEK †

**Monday, June 22: Weekday; Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Saints John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs**

8:15 AM Evelyn Sanchez

**Tuesday, June 23: Weekday**

8:15 AM Rocco Sgarlato, Jr.

**Wednesday, June 24: The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist**

8:15 AM Robin Carlson

**Thursday, June 25: Weekday**

8:15 AM People of the Parish

**Friday, June 26: Weekday**

8:15 AM Amanda Francisco

**Saturday, June 27: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM Anthony Cagno

**Sunday, June 28: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 AM Sister Dolores Targiano

9:30 AM Santo Polizzano

12:00 PM Raymond Mignone

6:00 PM Stella Heidenwolf



### 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, Liliana

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

Mon.: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Day: Is 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Mt 7:21-29

Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Mt 8:5-17

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt

### 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](http://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.

	Weekly	Month of June
Regular Collections		\$10,789
Week Ending 06/07/2020		
Regular Collection	\$5,813	
Maintenance	200	
Debt Reduction	100	
Week Ending 06/14/2020		
Regular Collection	4,976	
Maintenance	210	
Debt Reduction	25	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 06/14/2020		(39,211)

## 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](http://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](http://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](http://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".

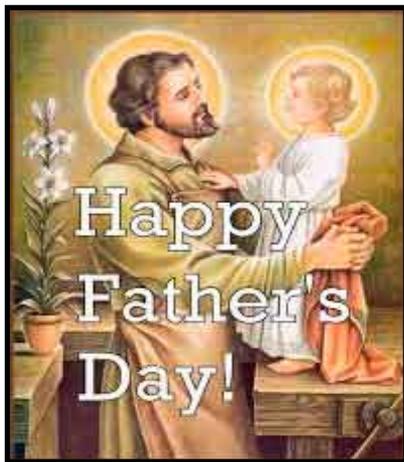
For all other questions about Faith Formation please contact Cheryl Wallace, DRE [cherylw@saintkateri.org](mailto:cherylw@saintkateri.org)

**Glad you could join us in person or virtually this past weekend.**

Masses: 5PM Saturday, 7:30AM, 9:30AM, Noon and 6PM on Sunday.

Live streaming on Facebook and Zoom at 9:30AM





*Heavenly Father, we would ask you to bless all of our fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, expectant fathers, stepfathers, adoptive fathers and foster fathers who now stand before you on this Father's Day here at St Kateri Parish. Help them through word and example to share with their children the joys and faith of the gospel through the intercession of St. Joseph, the foster father of your Son. May they always be strong role models of your love and forgiveness. As always Father we pray this prayer through Christ our Lord.*

**HAPPY FATHERS DAY!!!**

**STAY INFORMED**

**JOIN FLOCKNOTES!**

**TEXT THE WORD: stkateri  
TO 84675**



**Masses, Events, Alerts, Gatherings  
and more.....**

**Keep in touch via email and text!**



## Knights of Columbus

**You can still help with donations  
for the Samaritan Inn**

The Saint Kateri Council 13677 Knights of Columbus and Samaritan Inn want to thank you so much for the generous donations that have kept them going over these past few weeks. You are truly making a difference in Sussex County during these tough times. Please continue to donate if you can. The box, though weathered, is outside the church to the left.



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](http://www.ccpaterson.org/corpus) for more information and visit [www.yougivegoods.com/ccpaterson-food-drive2020](http://www.yougivegoods.com/ccpaterson-food-drive2020) to find our parish, and shop for our pantries in need.

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

## Guidelines for Re-opening

Going forward Masses will be offered at 5PM on Saturday, 7:30 AM, 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 50 parishioners per Mass). Our Live Streaming Mass will continue on Facebook at 9:30AM and posted to our website at 11:00AM. Daily Mass will be held at 8:15AM. Zoom is also available.

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.
- Sanitizer Dispensers are in the vestibule for you to use. But I encourage you to bring your own.
- A Welcomer will guide you on where to sit. 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 weekly.

