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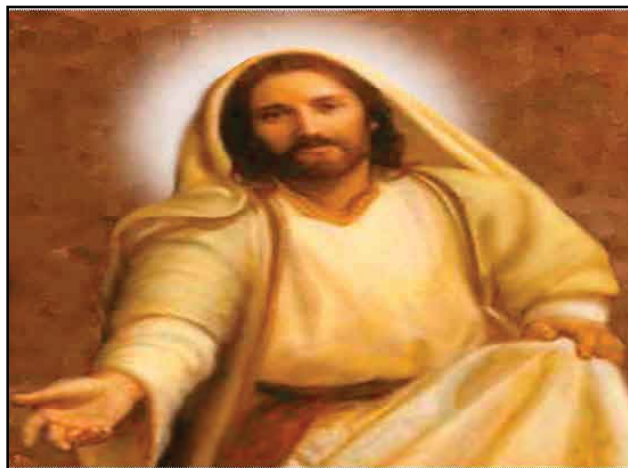
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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A - June 5, 2020



"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Daily Mass at 8:15 AM. Adoration held every Wednesday and 1st Friday of the month from 2-4PM. 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.

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

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.

Childlike Faith

Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A



"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to little ones."

Matthew 11:25

What a profound truth to understand! For many, if given the choice to be either a "little one" or "wise and learned" it can appear that being wise and learned is more attractive. The problem is that, according to Jesus, those who are little children are in fact far wiser and learned than those who simply act this way.

Those who are childlike are the ones who have the mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven revealed to them. They are given a special grace to penetrate the truths of God's inner life. This reveals, in part, the simplicity of God's inner life. God and His will are never confusing and complex. We may make Him seem confusing and, as a result, experience God's wisdom as overly complex. But in reality, the truth and beauty of God is only discernible by the simple mind who lives in a humble way.

One tendency we can all have is to spend excessive time and energy trying to "figure out God's will." We can think, and think and think, talk and talk and talk, and in the end remain in confusion about this or that. If you find yourself in this situation, of thinking too much and ending in confusion, then this is a sign that you may not be properly discerning the will of God and may not be allowing yourself to properly hear Him speak.

God speaks to us simply, clearly and only what we need to know, when we need to know. Therefore, it's important to always approach our Lord in a humble and simple way, waiting for Him to speak the simple and profound truth we need to hear in His time. Ultimately, it comes down to patience with our Lord.

Reflect, today, upon whether you find yourself spending excessive time thinking about the mysteries of life only to be left confused. If so, seek to grow in humility so as to allow the Lord to reveal the simple yet profound truths He desires to reveal. Strive to be childlike in God's eyes and you will become wiser and more learned than you could ever become on your own.

Dear Lord, help me to have a simple and childlike faith in You and, through this simple faith, come to know the beautiful mysteries You desire to reveal to me. Give me wisdom and knowledge, dear Lord, beyond what I could ever obtain by myself. Jesus, I trust in You. (My Catholic Life /Photo: DioceseofWichita)

† MASSES FOR THE WEEK †

Monday, July 6: Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

8:15 AM Reverend Frank W. Weber

Tuesday, July 7: Weekday

8:15 AM Special Intention

Wednesday, July 8: Weekday

8:15 AM Dorothy Corby

Thursday, July 9: Weekday; Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

8:15 AM William Schmidt

Friday, July 10: Weekday

8:15 AM Marie DePalma

Saturday, July 11: Saint Benedict, Abbot

5:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, July 12: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Manny Reis

9:30 AM Joseph Lorentz

12:00 PM Jackie Macaluso

6:00 PM Rick Zackman



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.: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9; Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33

Sunday: Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

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 loved one's 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.

	Weekly	Month of June
Regular Collections		\$27,905
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	
Week Ending 06/21/2020		
Regular Collection	5,506	
Maintenance	120	
SA / LA Missions & CRS	68	
Week Ending 06/28/2020		
Regular Collection	8,095	
Maintenance	470	
SA / LA Missions & CRS	30	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 06/28/2020		(\$22,095)

Faith Formation Corner

SK First Communion Families: Communion banners have been completed! These completed banners have been photographed, and appear on our Saint Kateri Facebook page. www.facebook.com/groups/saintkaterispartanj

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.

SK 9th Grade Confirmation Families: You are in our hearts and prayers as we anticipate your special Confirmation Day.

SK 8th Grade Confirmation Families: You, of course, are also in our hearts and prayers as we anticipate your Confirmation Day!

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!

Please read the details about this in the Bishop's letter in this bulletin or on our website. <https://www.paterondiocese.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

"Always forward, never back"

Saint Junipero Serra

Of Possible interest...

THE CENTER
FOR PARENTS & CHILDREN

BOOK READ & DISCUSSION

SAVING ERIC

Mary Burns

Mary Burns, author of *Saving Eric*, will be sharing an excerpt from her book based on her son's journey through addiction & her experience as a parent.

Join us alongside Mary for an evening of learning & meaningful discussion!

To register, go to: <https://tinyurl.com/savingeric>

Tuesday - July 14, 2020 - 7:00 PM



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.



Prayer for the Nation

Almighty God, You have given us this good land for our heritage. We humbly ask You that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of Your favor and glad to do Your will. Bless our land with honorable endeavor, sound learning and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties and fashion into one united people the multitude brought here out of many nations and tongues. Endow with the Spirit of wisdom those to whom in Your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that through obedience to Your law we may show forth Your praise among the nations on earth. In time of prosperity fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble do not allow our trust in You to fail. Amen.

~~ by Thomas Jefferson, taken from "Prayers for Today," published by Leaflet Missal Company

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

Keep in touch via email and text!

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.

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