The Catholic Community of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Parish

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Deacon Thomas Sharrow

Parish Church at Union Street:
1803 Union Street
Schenectady, NY 12309

Parish School
1801 Union Street
Schenectady, NY 12309
Mrs. Tosha Grimmer, Principal

Mr. Lawrence Grimmer
Parish Manager
Mrs. Kimberly Conway
Music Ministry
Mrs. Lisa Kuban
Youth Ministry
Mrs. Michelle Schulmerich
Faith Formation, K-5

Parish Church at Rosa Road:
2216 Rosa Road
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Mrs. Kristine Rooney
Pastoral Care/
Adult Faith Formation
Mrs. Patricia Ford
Bookkeeper
Mr. Kim Kaiser
Maintenance

Mission Statement
We are an Evangelizing Roman Catholic Community of Christ’s Disciples that Welcomes All
Prays Joyfully
Grows in Faith
Proclaims God’s Kingdom
Acts Justly:
This is our Mission.

Church at 1803 Union Street:
Saturday: 4:30pm Facebook Live Stream with Communion in parking lot 5:30pm-5:45pm
Sunday: 9:30am Pre-Registration Required
Tuesday: 9:00am No registration needed

Church at 2216 Rosa Road:
Sunday: 11:30am Pre-Registration Required
Thursday: 6:00pm No registration needed
Friday: 9:00am No registration needed

Eucharist

Sacraments
Penance & Reconciliation (Confessions):
Rosa Road: Saturday • 3:30PM or by Appointment
Infant Baptism: See the priest or deacon after any Mass to make arrangements. Parents who have not taken a pre-baptism class, must attend one before the ceremony.
First Eucharist, First Reconciliation or Confirmation: Contact the Faith Formation/Youth Ministry extensions
Matrimony: contact office at least 8 months before the wedding (before the reception plans are made).
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for those who want to be received into the Catholic Church.
*For all Sacraments, please call the parish office.

“Again, [amen] I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.”
Matthew 18:19
Congratulations to 2 members of our parish family
- Deacon Charles Onyeneke who will be ordained a priest
  and Nathaniel Resila who will be one of 13 newly ordained
deacons on September 5th at 10am in the Cathedral of the
Immaculate Conception. Attendance is only by invitation
only, due to current restrictions, but the event will be
livestreamed at www.rcda.org/livestream.

The celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation
for Fall 2020 will be Friday, November 20th at 6:30pm
in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Albany.
Due to the current guidelines for social distancing, we are
unable to accommodate the candidates, sponsors and
immediate family members in the Union Street church. More
information will be sent to families as it becomes available.

COVID-19 Travel Advisory:
If you have recently returned to NYS from any state listed
as a quarantine state, & are required by Executive Order
205, issued June 25, 2020, to remain quarantined, we invite
you to join us for our FB Live mass on Saturday at 4:30pm.

Visitors to the parish offices, parish meetings, or
masses are asked to perform a self-screen
before coming to any parish facility.
Anyone that has tested positive in the last 14 days, or who
is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should remain at
home. Thank you.

St. Kateri Parish School has openings in its
After School Program for K-5 students in the
Niskayuna School District.
Children are bussed to our school where we joyfully nurture
them with small group activities, snack, & outdoor/gym time.
Please contact Jenny Kraus
to register your child:: jkraus@stkaterischool.org
or 518-382-8225

Electronic Giving Helps the Parish:
Please consider making your Offertory contributions
through our convenient electronic giving options on our parish
website. Automatic electronic donations by electronic
funds transfer or by credit or debit card ensure that the parish
receives your donation on a regular weekly or monthly
basis even when you are away or are unable to get to mass.
This is very helpful in our efforts to meet all of our
financial obligations in a timely manner. If you need help or
would like more information, call Larry at the office.

We have gathered together safely since June and have
received many compliments regarding St. Kateri Tekakwitha
masses, thank you! The registration process allows us to
seat as many people as possible including those with
special accommodations. In order to continue this &
minimize the chance of denying anyone a reservation, we
ask that you please register only those you know will be
able to attend mass. We know that at times life gets in
the way of keeping plans, so if you need to change or
cancel your mass registration, please email Michelle at:
mschulmerich@stkateriparish.org.

Sunday Mass Schedule
St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish is happy to invite you to mass,
we miss you. **Attendance at mass requires pre-registration
via our website.** You can register online by completing
the form on our website: stkateriparish.org or by calling the

We are now able to offer both
9:30am at Union St. Church & 11:30am at Rosa Rd. Church
**Please select one of the masses when you register.**

Registration for the following Sunday mass opens on
Sunday at Noon until Wednesday night at 11:59pm.
Although selection is random, we cannot guarantee that
everyone who registers will be able to attend. You will be
notified on Friday either by email or phone if you are
selected to join us for Sunday's mass. But don’t worry!
Those who are not selected to attend will get priority
seating for the following week’s liturgy.

In an effort to maintain a safe and healthy environment,
here are some protocols for attending mass...
• Registration form submitted by Wednesday at midnight.
• Maintain 6 foot social distancing during the Communion
line
• Your entire party must be present when you arrive at Church
• Use hand sanitizer as you enter church & before Communion
• Wear a face mask or covering for the duration of mass
• Wait by your vehicle for the Final Blessing (which will be
announced outside) after receiving Communion.

Our livestream Vigil mass at 4:30pm on our St. Kateri
Tekakwitha Parish Facebook page will continue.
Communion is available directly afterwards in the Rosa Rd.
parking lot until 5:45pm! If you are unable to stand in line for
Communion, wait by your vehicle, a Eucharistic Minister will
bring it to you. This mass will continue to be available on
our parish FB page/website after the livestream recording.

Mass Intention Scheduling:
If you would like to schedule a mass intention for a specific
date, please call the office. Suggested mass donations are
$15.00. Please know that mass intentions, **especially on
the weekend,** fill up quickly. Also, when a funeral is
scheduled, the intentions from that day are rescheduled.
So, for the best possibility of obtaining a date, call us as
early as possible. Thank you for understanding.
Remember the Sick in your Prayers:

*Please note: If someone on our prayer list is back to good health, please let the office know, so we can remove their name from the list. Thank you!
The Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday
9am-12pm - by appointment
12pm-4pm - no appointment needed

Phone: 518-346-6137
For the mass schedule - Press 3

The following are phone extensions & emails for the staff:

Father Bob ext. 230 frbob@stkateriparish.org
Deacon Tom ext. 236 deacontom@stkateriparish.org
Larry Grimmer ext. 235 lgrimmer@stkateriparish.org
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Reception ext. 230
Kim Kaiser kkaiser@stkateriparish.org
Bulletin bulletin@stkateriparish.org

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Principal, Tosha Grimmer principal@stkaterischool.org

Congratulations
to the families of:
Sofia Gabriella Dodge & Roman Jay Hanna, on their recent Baptism.

Faith Formation
On-Line Registration for Grades 1 - 10
opens on Tuesday, September 8.
Please see the parish website
for more details for virtual and in-person
learning opportunities!

Our Thursday night mass at 6pm
at the Rosa Road Church
has resumed and is open to anyone
who wishes to come.

Season of Creation
Unite with Christians everywhere
and celebrate #SeasonOfCreation.
A time of restoration and hope, a jubilee for our Earth!
Participate with the global Christian family
and me in prayer and action for our common home.
Discover more at: www.SeasonOfCreation.org.

RCDA Diocesan Appeal for 2020-2021
The diocese has restructured how they conduct the annual Bishop's Appeal, and it will now be known as The Diocesan Appeal. If you have not yet received a mailing from the diocese, you should be receiving one shortly. Similar to a parish's Offertory collection, this is the diocese's main way to raise the funds needed to run diocesan programs throughout the year. Although, at some point, the parish will be talking about the appeal & the many worthy programs it supports, all pledges & donations will now go directly to the diocesan Stewardship & Development Office. This is a change from asking parishioners to fill out a pledge envelope during mass. Please be as generous in supporting the good works of the diocese as your family's financial circumstances allow.

RIOF pledge reminders delayed, due to a format change.
If you participated in the campaign, please know that the diocese is expediting the pledge reminders as quickly as possible. Most important - pledge reminders are not required in order for donors to make a payment on their pledge. Payment Options are:
1. Personal Check made payable to Re-Igniting Our Faith with parish name & town in memo. Address envelope to: RIOF, 40 N. Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203.
2. Online donors can make their gift via credit card at: https://re-ignitingourfaith.org/donate/ then make a one-time payment or set up a recurring payment.
3. Recurring Payments via your bank – setting up a bill-pay process with your bank through a checking account. The check goes from the bank to the diocese using a level of frequency determined by the donor.
CENSUS 2020:
Reminder from the Social Justice Ministry
Everybody counts, so let’s get everybody counted! Help spread the word & explain the importance of the census to those who may be reluctant to participate.
“Census results shape the future of communities, as census data informs how billions of dollars in federal funds are distributed for health clinics, school lunch programs, disaster recovery initiatives, and other critical programs and services for the next 10 years. The Census Bureau is challenging everyone to help ensure a complete and accurate count in 2020.” You can respond by phone, online, or mail. For more, go to: 2020census.gov.

Niskayuna Senior Center Events Upcoming Events:
9/1 - Boxed lunch provided by Centers Health Care; must pre-register; Titanic trivia
9/3 - Birthday celebration w cupcakes; Frank Sinatra Day
9/8 - Baptist Health Blood Pressure Screening; Star Trek TV premiere; 1p collage hour w Brookdale
9/10 - The Carol Burnett Show trivia
9/15 - Agatha Christie Trivia; Alz Assoc. - research updates & discussion
9/17 - Boxed lunch provided by Sch’dy Cty Sr & Long Term Care - discussion; must pre-register
9/22 - Rosh Hashana discussion
9/24 - Bullwinkle & Rocky Day - trivia
9/29 - Yom Kippur discussion
For more information please call, 518-372-4969

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Individual, couples & family counseling are available by appointment to meet at the Union Street Parish Center. Call David Dobkowski, Ph.D., phone: 518-859-4015.

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