

The Parish Community of

SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA

427 Stanhope Road, Sparta New Jersey 07871

www.saintkateri.org; office@saintkateri.org

Parish Office: 973-729-1682 Fax: 973-729-0702

Love God, Love others and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ

Parish Staff
Fr. Vidal Roberto Gonzales, Jr.
Pastor
frvgonzales@saintkateri.org

Deacon Drew Calandriello

Deacon Glen Murphy

Jeanne Hoskin

Office Manager

office@saintkateri.org

Jennifer Dottinger

Administrative Assistant

jennnd@saintkateri.org

Tina Jurgaitis

Bookkeeper

tinaj@saintkateri.org

Cheryl Wallace

DRE and Pastoral Associate

cherylw@saintkateri.org

Dawn Green

Administrative Assistant

Youth Protection / Safe Environment

dawng@saintkateri.org

Jill Weiss

Youth Minister

skym@saintkateri.org

Marc G. Dalio

Music Director

marcd@saintkateri.org

Mike Sawey

Maintenance

Cathy Pivowar

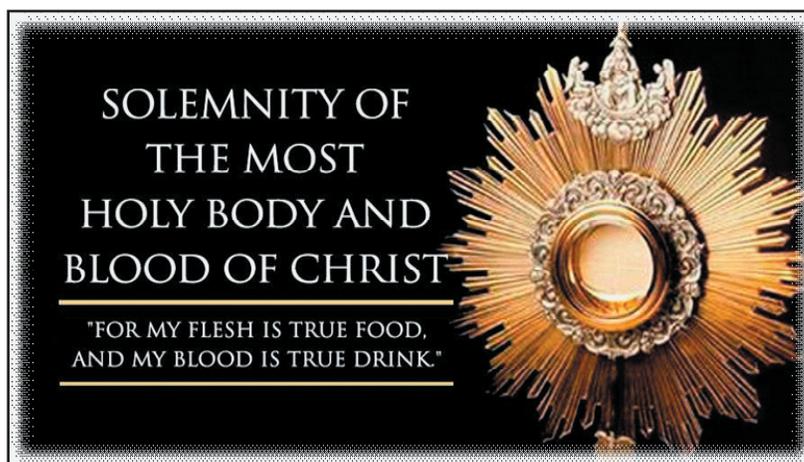
Robert Medina

Trustees

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 14, 2020

Year A



"Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many"

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.

<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.

Corpus Christi

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." John 6:51

Happy Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, our Lord and God! What a Gift we celebrate today!

The Eucharist is everything. It's all things, the fullness of life, eternal salvation, mercy, grace, happiness, etc. Why is the Eucharist all this and so much more? Simply put, the Eucharist IS God. Period. Therefore, the Eucharist is all that God is.

In his beautiful traditional hymn, *Adoro te Devote*, St. Thomas Aquinas writes, "I devoutly adore you, O hidden Deity, Truly hidden beneath these appearances. My whole heart submits to you, and in contemplating you, it surrenders itself completely. Sight, touch, taste are all deceived in their judgment of you, but hearing suffices firmly to believe..." What a glorious statement of faith in this wondrous gift.

This statement of faith reveals that when we worship before the Eucharist, we worship God Himself hidden under the appearance of bread and wine. Our senses are deceived. What we see, taste and feel do not reveal the reality before us. The Eucharist is God.

Throughout our lives, if we were raised Catholic, we were taught reverence for the Eucharist. But "reverence" is not enough. Most Catholics reverence the Eucharist, meaning, we genuflect, kneel, and treat the Sacred Host with respect. But it's important to ponder a question in your heart. Do you believe the Eucharist is God Almighty, the Savior of the world, the second Person of the Most Holy Trinity? Do you believe deeply enough to have your heart moved with love and profound devotion every time you are before our divine Lord present before us under the veil of the Eucharist? When you kneel do you fall down prostrate in your heart, loving God with your whole being?

Perhaps this sounds like it's a bit excessive. Perhaps simple reverence and respect is enough for you. But it's not. Since the Eucharist is God Almighty, we must see Him there with the eyes of faith in our soul. We must profoundly adore Him as the angels do in Heaven. We must cry out, "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty." We must be moved to the deepest of worship as we enter into His divine presence.

Ponder the depth of your faith in the Eucharist today and strive to renew it, worshiping God as one who believes with your whole being.

I devoutly adore you, O hidden Deity, Truly hidden beneath these appearances. My whole heart submits to you, and in contemplating you, it surrenders itself completely. Sight, touch, taste are all deceived in their judgment of you, but hearing suffices firmly to believe. Jesus, I trust in You. (Photo: catholiclife.com)

† MASSES FOR THE WEEK †

Monday, June 15: Weekday; Eleventh Weekday in Ordinary Time

8:15 AM Hortencia Dimzon

Tuesday, June 16: Weekday

8:15 AM Josephine Marie Balshi

Wednesday, June 17: Weekday

8:15 AM John Pappalardo

Thursday, June 18: Weekday

8:15 AM Special Intention

Friday, June 19: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

8:15 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, June 20: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Chuck D'Angelo

Sunday, June 21: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Joseph Rasimick

9:30 AM Thomas Walsh

12:00 PM Joe Lorentz; David J. Manning

6:00 PM Fred Fossett



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

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Mt 5:43-48

Wed.: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

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 May/June 2020

	Weekly	Month of May
Regular Collections		\$30,083
Week Ending 05/24/2020		
Regular Collection	\$3,622	
Maintenance	125	
Peter's Pence	20	
Week Ending 05/31/2020		
Regular Collection	\$4,020	
Maintenance	135	
Debt Reduction	65	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 05/31/2020		(\$19,917)
	Weekly	Month of June
Regular Collections		\$5,813
Week Ending 06/07/2020		
Regular Collection	\$5,813	
Maintenance	200	
Debt Reduction	100	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$50,000
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 06/07/2020		(\$44,187)

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 Communions 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.patersondiocese.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



My Dear Parish Family:

It's been month's now since we received mandate from the State Government about the temporary closing of churches. Many people, parishioners were all saddened about this news. This COVID19 pandemic, brought panic to every individual, not only here in the United States but also in other parts of the world.

Thanks be to God. The suspension of Masses is lifted beginning with Vigil Mass on Saturday, June 13, 2020, The Solemnity of The Body and Blood of Christ. However, parishioners must ensure there is appropriate social distancing (remain at least 6 feet from other people, and wearing mask, as defines by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention – CDC)

As we prepare for the reopening our church, there will be guidelines that we need to know and to be aware. Please be informed that the total number of people present cannot exceed the indoor capacity percentage which is 25%. In our Church we can only accommodate 50 people in every Mass celebration inside the church as established by the Governor of New Jersey – "Indoor gatherings would be permitted at whichever number is lower-- 25 percent capacity or 50 people."

Thank you for all your prayers and for your financial support to our church. I'm very grateful to our loving Father to be the pastor of such a compassionate, generous, faithful and amazing parish. I am looking forward seeing you all face to face celebrating the Eucharist and other sacraments inside our church. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Please visit our website for more information about the reopening of our church.

Fr. V. Gonzales, Jr.

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.



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.

A FEW 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.

