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**Twenty-Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time**



August 30, 2020

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

**Daily Mass at 8:15 AM. Adoration held every
Wednesday from 2-4PM. Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3PM.
First Friday of the month from 2 - 8 PM.**

**Saturday at 5:00PM - Mass on the Grass - Bring a lawn chair
Sunday at 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 12 Noon.**

**Our live streaming of Mass and Zoom Mass will con-
tinue during weekend Masses at 9:30am.**

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

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

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

**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.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time August 30, 2020

"I say to myself, I will not mention him, I will speak in his name no more. But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones; I grow weary holding it in. I cannot endure it... Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good, pleasing and perfect."

Recently some friends told me that they have an agreement, to speak with others about Jesus and their relationship with Him. One person found it exciting, as the person was so receptive to learn of her joy in revealing her story. The second, found it more difficult, as the person resisted, but she was convinced something good had happened.

Like excited children, we want to tell our story, the Jesus story. Others are ready to hear it but someone must bring it to them. If I hesitate, the story will never be known. As the story transformed my life, I look for a way to discern God's will for me to do what is good, pleasing and perfect.

We all have a Jesus story, are you willing to tell it?

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

In this particularly poetic passage, Jeremiah complains that while teaching the Lord's word, he is subjected to insults and derision. He determines to remain silent, but he cannot because the desire to speak the Lord's name is "like a fire burning in my heart."

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Paul tells the Christians to make sacrifices to avoid the trappings of the times, and to do God's will.

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27

Jesus tries to make his disciples realize that by following him, they will endure suffering, degradation, and death. He tells them that they must deny themselves and take up the cross in order to be his disciples.

Be transformed

renew your mind

† MASSES FOR THE WEEK †

Monday, August 31: Weekday

8:15 AM Cagney Moog

Tuesday, September 1: Weekday

8:15 AM Mary Jane Johnston

Wednesday, September 2: Weekday

8:15 AM Hortencia Dimzon

Thursday, September 3: Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:15 AM Father Patrick Rice

Friday, September 4: Weekday

8:15 AM Helen Wallace

Saturday, September 5: Saint Teresa of Calcutta

5:00 PM People of the Parish

Sunday, September 6: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM James Doran, Jr.

9:30 AM David Perrelli

12:00 PM Amanda Francisco



Prayers for the Sick:

We pray for Kathy Hartwick, Carol Mohr, Monica Murphy, Graydon McVicker, Edward Wallace, MaryAnn Eifler, Christopher Robak, Margie Frazier, Al Saveriano, Henry Schubert, Tom Booth, Patrick Dillsworth, Chris Auger, Margaret Brennan, Brittany Johnson.

To be added to the confidential prayer list contact Sue Weaver, Prayer Team: prayerteam@saintkateri.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Mon: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30

Tues: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37

Wed: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44

Thurs: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11

First Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39

First Sat: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

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, First 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:

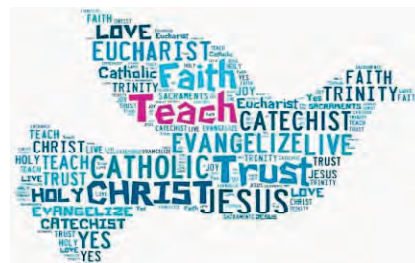
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You can also continue to mail your gifts and envelopes to the parish at: 427 stanhope Rd, Sparta, NJ 07871

May God bless you and your loved ones.

	Weekly	Mo. of Aug.
Regular Collections		\$26,407
Week Ending 08/02/2020		
Regular Collection	5,066	
Maintenance	625	
Debt Reduction	25	
Week Ending 08/09/2020		
Regular Collection	9,156	
Maintenance	250	
Project Faith	165	
Week Ending 08/16/20		
Regular Collection	5,798	
Maintenance	95	
Mission Cooperation	30	
Week Ending 08/23/2020		
Regular Collection	6,387	
Maintenance	195	
Debt Reduction	515	
Budget Monthly Expenses (including Loan Payments)		\$62,500
Month Net Income/(Expense) as of 08/23/2020		(\$36,093)

Faith Formation Corner...



Congratulations to all of our SK families celebrating First Holy Communion and Confirmation this summer!!!

Please keep all of our families in your prayers!

We are so excited to connect with all of our Faith Formation Families for this new year.

Stay tuned for upcoming emails and website information on SK Faith Formation!!

BROTHER JUNIPER



The 6PM Mass will not be held during the summer months. We invite you to attend "Mass on the Grass" at 5PM on Saturday, 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM or 12:00 pm Mass on Sunday.

Live streaming Mass will be held on Facebook and Zoom at 9:30 AM Sunday.
Zoom Meeting ID: 895 3912 3642
Password: 770614. Visit our website www.saintkateri.org

News from the Diocese...

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1995? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25th wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Sweeney will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held:

Sunday, November 8th, 2020 at 3:30pm.

Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. The deadline to register is Thursday, October 1st, 2020. The Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson. Due to safety concerns and physical distancing requirements, the Mass will be limited to Silver Anniversary (25 years) Jubilarians only.

You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

The Gold Anniversary Mass has been rescheduled for April 25, 2021. Registration will be at a later date.

Of Possible Interest...

International Overdose Awareness Day

08.31.20 6-8 pm
The Newton Green

The Sussex County Recovery Community welcomes the public to a walk through memorial to honor loved ones lost to overdose. This event will be in compliance with NJ's COVID 19 guidelines.



You are invited to send pictures of loved ones to be included in the memorial. For more information and to submit photos, call or email: 973-940-2966
abigail@centerforprevention.org



Knights of Columbus

2020 Saint Kateri Knights/Father Patrick Rice Scholarship Winners

-Congratulations again to the 2020 winners of the Saint Kateri Knights/Father Patrick Rice Memorial Scholarship. The winners include Michele Scaglione (Clemson), Greg Puszcz (Villanova), Margaret Piwko (Syracuse), Michael Piwko (Holy Cross), and Douglas Fowler (Fordham).



Winner Greg Puszcz at his family's home in Sparta.



Winners celebrate at church. From left: Father Vidal, Michael Piwko, Margaret Piwko, Michele Scaglione, Douglas Fowler, and Grand Knight Greg Risco.

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today | 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mt 16:21-27

The Bible tells us when we live for Jesus on earth, eternal life awaits us in Heaven.

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THE CROSS ROOM



The young man was at the end of his rope. Seeing no way out, he dropped to his knees in prayer.

"Lord, I can't go on," he said. "I have too heavy a cross to bear."

The Lord replied, "My son, if you can't bear it's weight, just place your cross inside this room. Then open another door and pick any cross you wish."

The man was filled with relief. "Thank you, Lord," he sighed, and did as he was told.

As he looked around the room he saw many different crosses; some so large the tops were not visible. Then he spotted a tiny cross leaning against a far wall. "I'd like that one, Lord," he whispered.

And the Lord replied, "My son, that's the cross you brought in." -Unknown

- Draw your own Cross Room pictures -

Taking up a cross doesn't mean we carry a real cross like Jesus did, it means "follow Jesus". We are told doing so is sometimes hard work or great labor, but it is a labor of love for Jesus, with great rewards.

IN THE CROSS ROOM STORY THE MAN THOUGHT HIS LABOR WAS TOO GREAT. WHAT DID HE LEARN?

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28



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