LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

March 13, 2022

Second Sunday of Lent

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Daily Mass at 8:15 AM
(Monday to Friday)

Saturday at 5:00 PM
Sunday at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, & 6:00 PM

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Holyday: Vigil 7:30 PM
Holy Day - 8:15 AM and 12:00 PM

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Spanish Mass at 7 PM every 1st and 4th Monday of the month

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Our live streaming of Mass and Zoom Mass will continue during weekend Masses at 9:30 AM

Confessions: Every Saturday from 4:00 PM – 4:45 PM. Please call the office or email Fr. Vidal for an appointment. Wear facemask and observe social distancing.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Held every Wednesday from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
(Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00 PM / Novena to our Mother Perpetual Help at 3:45 PM)

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Every First Friday of the month from 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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We will continue to keep you updated through our website, E-mails, Flocknote and Facebook. To join Flocknote (our text message app) text "stkateri" to 84576

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Mon. – Thurs.: 9 AM to 3 PM
Office: 973 -729 -1682
Email: office@saintkateri.org
Website: www.saintkateri.org

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE HRS:
Tues. – Thurs.: 9 AM To 3 PM, and by appointment.
All Offices are closed for Lunch, 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

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Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism will be celebrated every 1st Sunday & 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM. Please call eight weeks in advance of the date of baptism or email: jennd@saintkateri.org.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangement should be made one year in advance of the marriage date. Please call the office.

WELCOME:

New parishioners are asked to register by calling or visiting the parish office or by speaking to one of the parish staff. You can also visit our website and register.

WHY A CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN SHOULD BE A REGISTERED PARISHIONER

The precepts of the Church explain that: we need to belong to a parish (your parish is the Church in the City where you are domiciled) and to contribute to its support. (Canon 107).

Everyone should do this in order to identify with a worshipping community of faith. Salvation comes to us by God in community. Religion is not meant to be individualistic. Membership in a parish community is the norm.

To allow the priest of the parish to know you so that Letters of Recommendation can be given when needed. (Sponsorship/certificates)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. March 12, 5:00 pm	Vidal Gonzales, Sr.
Sunday, March 13, 2022	2nd Sunday of Lent
8:00 am	People of the Parish
9:30 am	Robert McGurrin
11:30 am	Tony Fiore
6:00 pm	Vincent M Augostini
Mon. Mar 14, 8:15 am	Special Intention for Virginia Pablo
Tues. Mar 15, 8:15 am	Lanita Gonzales Ramos
Wed. Mar 16, 8:15 am	Leonard Cagno
Thu. Mar 17, 8:15 am	Ruth Brown
Fri. Mar 18, 8:15 am	Irene Feyti
Sat. Mar 19, 5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, March 20, 2022	3rd Sunday of Lent
8:00 am	Pauline Engram
9:30 am	Vincent Aliano
11:30 am	Special Intention for Karen Cooper
6:00 pm	Mieczyslaw Olko

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO ARE SICK.

We Pray For: Chuck Doyle, Tom Sartain, Taylor Donnelly, Robert VanHoene, Kathy Hartwick, Brian Naccarelli, Bill McCrossan, Carol Mohr, Mary Ann Wifler, Christopher Robak, Margie Frazier, Patrick Dilsworth, Chris Auger, Brittany Johnson, Melissa Hoey Kelly, Michael Cordero, Margaret Brennan, Barbara Medina, Connie Kasilag, John Reinke.

ACTIVE MILITARY LIST

Please pray for our Active Military: Sean Schoch, Infantry Second Lieutenant; SSgt. Daniel Joseph (DJ) Duguay, US Air Force; James Schoch, Infantry Second Lieutenant; Frank Cutrone, First Lieutenant US Army; Lt Col 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.

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST
PARISH PRAYER

O Christ, present
in The Most Blessed Sacrament of the altar,
we come before You on this year dedicated
to Your presence under the appearance
of bread and wine.
May we who approach Your holy altar
always come before You
with contrite hearts and renewed spirits,
so that we may truly renew
the face of the earth.
Be with us during this Holy Year
in the Diocese of Paterson
as we give special praise to You, the
"Source and summit" of our Catholic faith.
May Your Sacred Heart,
in The Most Blessed Sacrament,
be praised, adored, and loved
with grateful affection, at every moment,
in all the tabernacles of the world,
even to the end of time.
Amen.

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READINGS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1; Lk 9:28b-36
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Mt 20:17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

REFLECTION

Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." Luke 9:33

Peter was excited, perhaps beyond any excitement he had experienced before. In fact, to say he was excited is most certainly an understatement. It may be more appropriate to say that he was overwhelmed! Why was this the case? Because he had just been given a very small glimpse of the glory and splendor of God!

This is the Transfiguration. Jesus took Peter, James and John and they went up a high mountain together. These three Apostles had no idea what was coming. Most likely while on the way they were complaining interiorly, wondering why they had to go up the mountain. But the mountain is a symbol of our upward journey to Heaven. It takes focus and drive, commitment and resolve to go there, and it's an elevated place, a place away from the ordinary occurrences of life.

So they were on this difficult climb up the mountain and suddenly they stopped in shock and awe. They saw before their eyes Jesus changed in a glorious way, His clothing being whiter than any white they had ever seen. And Moses and Elijah, the great Law-giver and the great Prophet, were there before them conversing with Jesus.

And what was going on in Peter's head? What was he experiencing? He was experiencing a small glimpse of the glory and splendor of God. Jesus, who up until this moment had kept His divinity veiled, lifted the veil ever so slightly. And with the lifting of that veil, His divinity shone through brighter than anything this world could ever contain. And Peter, James and John did not know what to think. But Peter cried out that he wanted to build three tents, one for Jesus, one for Moses and one for Elijah! For within that momentary experience, he experienced the desire to remain there forever.

So why did Jesus give these Apostles this very brief experience of His glory? Because they would need that taste of His goodness for the road ahead. They would need to forever remember what their final destiny was. They would need to hold this experience close as they endured the many crosses and sufferings ahead. And they would use this experience to remind themselves that whatever they had to endure on the journey up the mountain of life is worth it. Because on the summit is a glory so great that no hardship they would have to endure would ever prove to be too big.

God wants to give that message to us through them. He wants us to ponder this experience they had and He wants us to try to enter into it so that we too can willingly press on during the journey.

Reflect, today, at the beginning of Lent, on the glory of God that makes the crosses we endure all worth it. Take advantage of this experience of Peter, James and John and try to make their experience your own. Be consoled by God's glory and never forget that this is the ultimate promise He gives to all who press on.

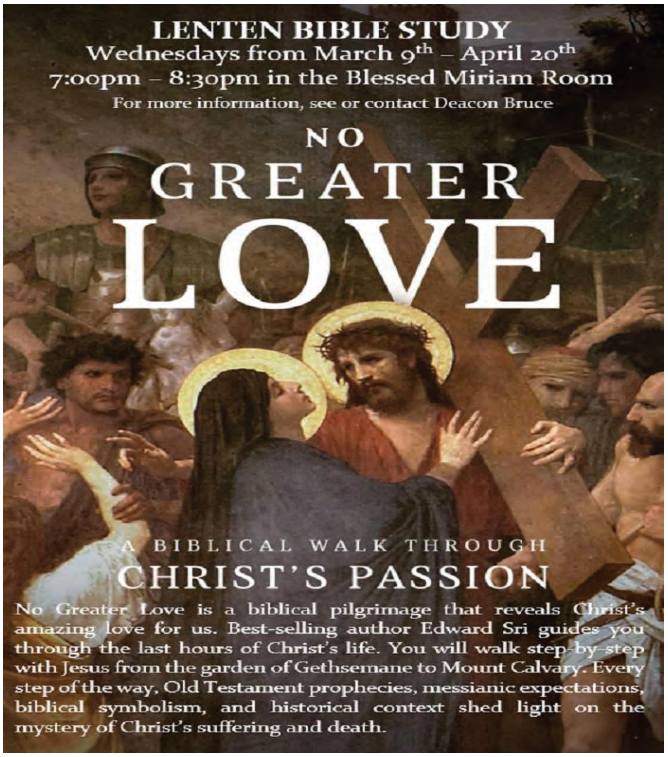
My transfigured Lord, may I be consoled by Your glory and splendor. May I believe in this glory and keep it ever in my mind as I press on through the hardships and challenges I face. You travel the road ahead of me and You will lead me on my journey if I only trust in You. Jesus, I do trust in You!

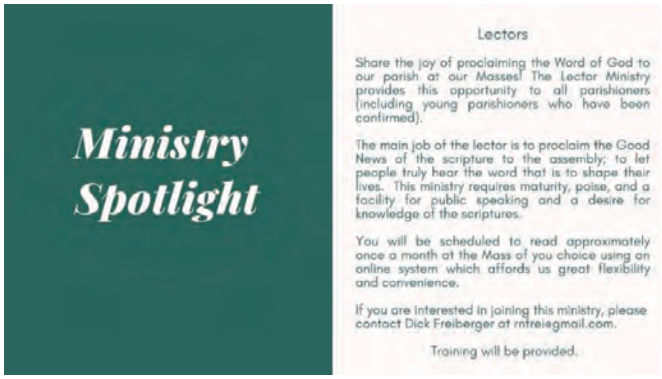
LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Mar 12 & 13	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Choir / Cantor	Ushers
Sat. 5:00 PM	Janet Murphy / Mike Murphy	Ed Madzy	Laura Entwistle	
Sun. 8:00 AM	Linda Duncan / Ed Tirpack	Joanne Miceli	Marc G. Dalio	Mark, Martin & Tommy
9:30 AM	Jim Brocato / Paul McFadden	Bob Medina	Adult Choir/Marie Knapick	Mike D.
11:30 AM	Cathy McCrossan / **	Patricia Carley	Marc G. Dalio	John, Fred, Jim
6:00 pm	Samantha LeValley / **	Susan Weaver	Youth Choir / Cassidy Pry	

Mar 19 & 20	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector	Choir / Cantor	Ushers
Sat. 5:00 PM	Ed Madzy / Pam Madzy	Nick Cutrone	Marc G. Dalio	
Sun. 8:00 AM	Linda Duncan / Louise Viegas	Bob Bodo	Marc G. Dalio	Mark, Martin & Tommy
9:30 AM	Mary Fahsbender / Kathleen Piwko	Bob Piwko	Adult Choir / Lillian Farrell	Mike D.
11:30 AM	Cathy McCrossan / **	Dorothy Armstrong	Marc G. Dalio	John, Fred, Jim
6:00 pm	Samantha LeValley / **	Richard Freiberger	Youth Choir / Taryn Pry	

Saint Kateri Happenings





Saint Kateri Faith Formation

Dear SK Faith Formation Families: Thank you for your participation in our 15-minute Family Faith Session after the 5pm, 9:30am, and 11:30am Masses **in church** today. Make sure to turn in your completed ***Lenten Family Faith Journey*** Booklet with your family's Lenten promises and commitments *(to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving)* via the yellow Faith Formation Box in the Gathering Space. As always, please make sure to "sign-in" to Mass in the Gathering Space each weekend.

- **Confirmation Families (8th Grade and Up):** Please make sure to save the date, ***Sunday, March 27th from 11:30am - 2:00pm*** for our **Candidate/Sponsor Day** in the Community Room. If you are unable to have your child's sponsor attend this retreat event, a parent may stand in for the sponsor.

- **First Communion Families**: Please stay tuned for an announcement of a First Holy Communion Parent Meeting in the next few weeks.

God bless you all and stay safe this Lent. We have so much for which to pray. Especially during this Lent, please continue to instill prayer routines in your family for all that is going on in the world.

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 valued members of our church family. The needs of our community, ministry, and families cannot be met without your help. 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.

Month of March

Regular Collections	**$12,068**
Week Ending 3/06/2022	
Regular Collection	$ 12,068
Maintenance Collection	$ 769

Next Week's 2nd Collection is for:
Parish Maintenance

Thank you for your generosity in giving to the Ukraine Relief efforts. Saint Kateri collected $2,034 which the Diocese of Paterson will distribute to *Caritas* International and to the Archeparchy of Philadelphia for their Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine. God Bless You!!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Parish Ministries/Contact Person

Abortion Alternative: 1st Way Hotline: 800-848-5683
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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE…

SUN. 3/13 MASSES AT	MON. 3/14	TUES. 3/15	WED. 3/16	THRS. 3/17	FRI. 3/18	SAT. 3/19
8 AM Mass	8:15 AM Mass	8:15 AM Mass	8:15 AM Mass	8:15 AM Mass	8:15 AM Mass	
9:30 AM Mass	6:15 PM Webels Mtg	6:00 PM Tiger Scout Mtg	2-4 PM Adoration			7:45 – 1:45 PM Blood Drive
11:30 AM Mass	7:00 PM Confession		7:00 PM No Greater Love		7:00 PM Bear Den Mtg	4:00 PM Confession
6:00 PM Mass 7:00 Kateri Connections Game Night	7:30 PM Wine & Divine		7:30 Knights of Columbus	7:00 PM - RCIA	7:00 PM Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper	5:00 PM Mass

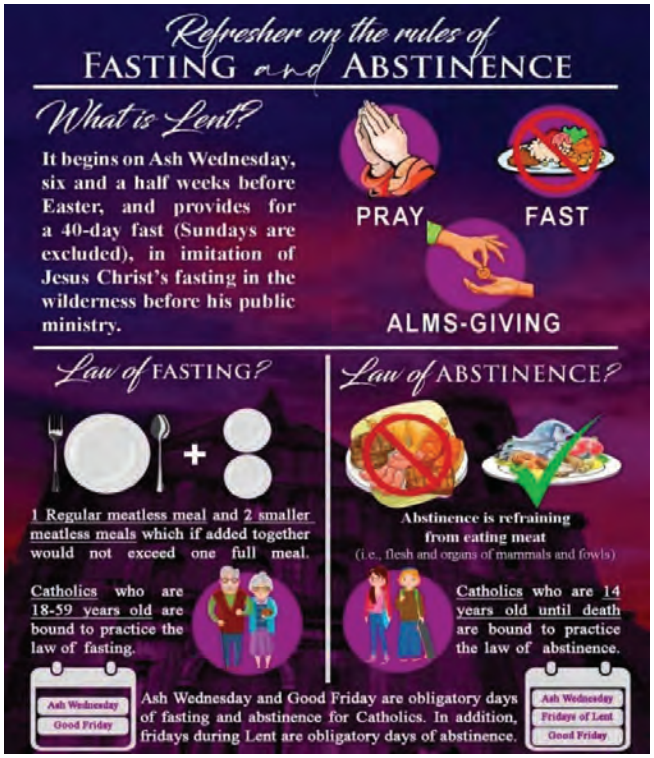
Free Membership Extended

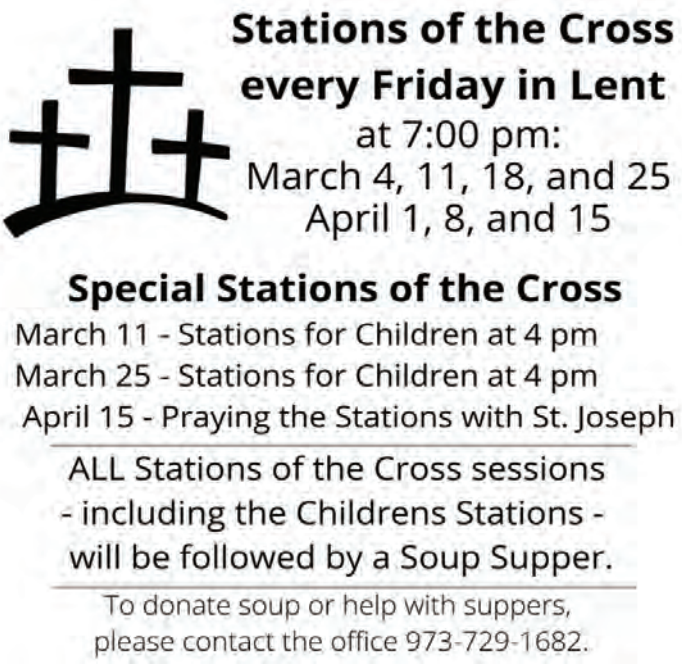
The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world. The founder of the Knights, Blessed Father Michael J. McGivney was beatified on October 31, 2020. To honor Father McGivney's dream of growing the Knights of Columbus, the Knights are offering FREE online membership now through the end of June. If you would like to join today, simply go to KofC.org/join us and enter promo code MCGIVNEY2020 and Council #13677. On Sunday, March 27, our council will be hosting the Charity, Unity & Fraternity degree in the church which upon completion will make the new member a full-fledged 3rd degree Knight. New members sign in time is 12:45 PM. Degree start time is 1:15 PM. Kindly contact Grand Knight Greg Risco at 908-619-1263 with any questions and/or to confirm your attendance on March 27.

March 29 – Rosary Prayer Service

On Tuesday, March 29, 2022, the Knights of Columbus will celebrate Founder's Day, marking the 140th anniversary of the reception of its charter from the state of Connecticut. Knights of Columbus councils throughout the world will be joining in this commemoration of 140 years of service, faith and fraternity.

In celebration of Founder's Day, St. Kateri Council is sponsoring the Blessed Michael McGivney Prayer Hour at 7:00PM in the church. We will pray the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary while reflecting on the life and example of Blessed Michael McGivney. We invite all parishioners to join us in prayer that evening.





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