

whoever drinks
THE WATER I SHALL GIVE
will never thirst

JOHN 4:14

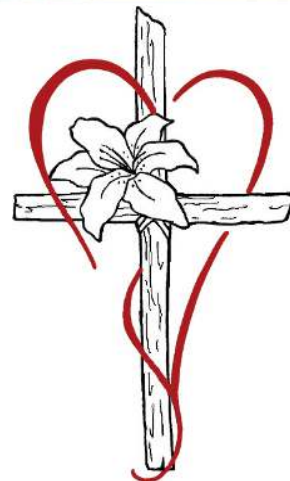
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Mission Statement
*We are an Evangelizing
Roman Catholic Community
of Christ's Disciples that
Welcomes All
Prays Joyfully
Grows In Faith
Proclaims God's Kingdom
Acts Justly:
This is our Mission.*

Church at 1803 Union Street:
Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:30am
Monday & Tuesday: 9:00am

Eucharist

2216 Rosa Road:
Sunday: 11:30am
Thursday: 6:00pm
Friday: 9:00am

Sacraments

Reconciliation: Union St.: Saturday - 4pm Rosa Rd.: Friday - following 9am Mass or by Appointment

Infant Baptism: Contact Kimberly Munks in our parish office. 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 our office at least 8 months before the wedding and before the reception plans are made.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) for those who want to be received into the Catholic Church.

*For all Sacraments, please call the parish office.

**Community Meal Service:
Schenectady City Mission**

Did you know that St Kateri, St John the Evangelist, and St Anthony parishes have a conjoined team of people who serve the community meal at the Schenectady City Mission Dining Hall twice a month?

We are looking for a few more folks to join us this **Tues, Mar 10 and/or Tues, Apr 14**. Service is from 4:30-6pm. No meal prep is involved. Individuals, couples, families with children (ages 10 and up) are all welcome.

No monthly commitment, volunteer as you are able. Contact Carolyn Adams at: stagemom8658@gmail.com to learn more or to sign up.

Baptism Class

**Our next Baptism class will be on
Mon. March 23rd at 6:30pm, in the Union St. church.**

This class is for those who would like to have their child baptized, but have never attended a class before.

Please contact Kimberly Munks in the parish office to sign up, 518-346-6137, x241

or email: kmunks@stkateriparish.org

(please enter: Baptism Class in Subject line).



**MEMORIES ST. PATRICK'S DAY
LUNCHEON**

**on TUESDAY, MARCH 17
at 11:30 A.M.**

in the ROSA ROAD COMMUNITY ROOM

All those who are grieving the loss of a spouse are invited to join us for good food, Irish music and "Brain Teasers" to get you into the "Irish mood"!

ALL ARE WELCOME!!

Reservations due by Fri., March 13th.

**Call the Parish Office
between 12:00 and 4:00
at: 518-346-6137**

(Sponsored by the Bereavement Ministry)



School Corner

Students celebrated the 100th day of school on Wednesday, February 25th. Two of our classrooms had students dress as 100 year olds complete with wigs, glasses and canes! Other classrooms celebrated by doing 100th day of school activities and artwork.

The following day, students in grades 3-5 presented their projects in honor of Black History Month. All classes were able to walk through gym and learn about people such as Michael Jordan, Simone Biles, Maya Angelou, and Martin Luther King Jr., just to name a few.

***Mass Schedule
for Holy Week***

All Holy Week services will take place in our Union Street Church.

Mon., March 30 and Tues., March 31:

9:00am - Daily Mass

Holy Thursday:

9:00am - Morning Prayer

7:00pm Mass

After mass - Adoration in the school until 11pm

11:00pm - Night Prayer

Good Friday:

9:00am - Morning Prayer

7:00pm - The Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday:

9:00am - Morning Prayer

7:55pm - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, Resurrection of the Lord:

9:30am – Union Street

11:30am – Rosa Road



Operation Rice Bowl:

Sunday, February 15 through Holy Thursday, April 2.

Collections boxes will be in the gathering spaces of each church.

Reserve your space for the

Knights of Columbus Council 8121

**St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner
on Sat., March 14th, following Mass.**

Held in the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish School

There will be corned beef, cabbage, parsley potatoes, vegetables, Irish soda bread, and cake.

Complimentary draft beer, wine or soda.

Enjoy live music from Erin Tide.

Children under 12 are free and Adult dinners are \$20.00

Doors open to the public after the Mass.

Please call Jerry Campo for reservations:

518-588-8249.

MUSIC FOR Mar 7th & 8th



Prelude: Ah, Holy Jesus - Andrew Carter
Hymn: 724 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
317 B Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Responsorial Psalm: 1022 If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation: 195

Offertory Hymn: 584 Come to the Water

Holy, Holy: 198

Memorial Acclamation: 201

Amen: 202

Lamb of God: 204

Communion Hymn: 939 Behold the Lamb of God

9:30 **Ah, Holy Jesus** - Craig Courtney

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast Thou offended

that we to judge Thee have in hate pretended?

By foes derided, by Thine own rejected,

I most afflicted!

Who was the guilty? Who brought this upon Thee?

Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone Thee!

'Twas I < Lord Jesus, I it was denied Thee;

I crucified Thee.

For me, kind Jesus, was Thine incarnation,

Thy mortal sorrow and Thy life's oblation;

Thy death of anguish and Thy bitter passion,
for my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay Thee,

I do adore Thee and will ever pray Thee,

think on Thy pity and Thy love unswerving,
not my deserving.

Ah, holy Jesus.

Closing Hymn: 644 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Postlude: Fugue in c minor - Johann Pachelbel

Mass Intentions

Abbreviations for church locations are:

RR = Rosa Road & **US** = Union Street Church

SAT 03/07

5:00pm **US** Jose Natividad by Family

SUN 03/08 Third Sunday of Lent

9:30am **US** Deborah Kellam Keenan by Tom & Diane Bigos

Marie Farina by J. Antonio & Sandra Reyes

Mary Luidens by J. Antonio & Sandra Reyes

11:30am **RR** For the People

MON 03/09 St. Frances of Rome

9:00am RR Daily Mass is cancelled.

TUE 03/10

9:00am RR For the people

WED 03/11

9:00am **US** Mass at Saint John the Evangelist

THU 03/12

6:00pm **RR** For the people

FRI 03/13

9:00am **RR** Amy Lindemann by Family

Monsignor Jeremias Rebanal

by Tony & Joni Delgado

SAT 03/14

5:00pm **US** For the people

SUN 03/15 Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:30am **US** John Sommers by Kitty Sommers

Teresita Reyes by Reyes Family

Vivian Santiago by Reyes Family

11:30am **RR** For the people

Remember in your prayers:

Bill Dever and Betty Gail Murphy.

May they rest in peace with God.



Remember the Sick in your Prayers:

Brenda Adams, Mary Bell, George Chamberlain, Cindy Condon,
Daniel Datola, Michelle Eannello, Stephen Farina, Barbara Follain,
Carmelle Grandoit, Christopher Gribbin, Sarah Grogan & Family,
Susan Healey, Evelyn Hildenbandt, Eileen Kilrain,
Stephanie Kleindienst, Edward Kleinkauf, Barbara Kuban,
Gail Jess, Fran Leary, Mary Liz Leitch, Carol Lotano, Karen Mills,
Joe Moon, Peter Persico, Ann Pyle, Ariana Rennie, Valerie Rivera,
Celeste Rossetti, Jack Salinetti, Kenneth Schaefer, Carl Shepard,
Kel Szydagis, Robert Vedder, Tony Verno, Daniel Edward Vilardo,
Nancy Wayne, Bill Wheeler, Mary Ann Zeszutko

***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 lighting replacement project is underway
at our Union St. church.**

**Therefore, until further notice,
our regular Monday and Tuesday
daily masses will be held**

**at 9:00am in our Rosa Rd. church.
Weekend masses will not be affected.**

**Saint John the Evangelist and Saint Anthony's
Weekend Mass Schedule**

SJE: Sat. - 4:00pm

Sun. - 10:30am

STA: Sun. - 8:30am

Sun. - 11:45am (Spanish)

Sun. - 4:00pm

Adult Faith Formation & Pastoral Care

Kris Rooney, 518-346-6137, (dial ext. 239)

Kateri Kids Play Group will meet on Fridays in the Rosa Road Community Room from 10am to 11:30am, and on Sundays during Faith Formation sessions in the parish school gym. We welcome all care-takers of young children to join us for play and prayer. Please see our website for more info: <https://stkateriparish.org/kateri-kids-play-group>.

Scripture Groups:

There is a Wednesday at 3:30pm Group that meets in the Rosa Road Community Room and reflects on the upcoming Sunday readings.

There is a Thursday at 2pm Group that meets in the same space and virtually, but please see the other bulletin blurb on Dei Verbum during Lent.

No matter what your Bible experience is, you are welcome!

A Study of the Vatican II Document on Divine Revelation, *Dei Verbum*:

Pope Leo is encouraging us to understand the Vatican II teachings this year and how they can help us grow as Church. This Constitution relates largely to how we read scripture.

Over the 6 weeks of Lent, we will take 1 chapter at a time, connect them to related Bible passages and also reflect on that Sunday's Gospel reading. The document can be found on the Vatican website, or hard copies are available.

We will meet Thursdays at 2pm in the Rosa Road Community Room and virtually at:

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/tnb-rjac-zhg>

Or dial: (US) +1 619-880-6465 PIN: 547 420 196#

See Kris Rooney for details.

Calling all men:

Would you like to grow spiritually and share faith with other men? Please join us on Fridays at 6am in the Union Street glass foyer. This is for men of all ages who would like to meet regularly, not just to grow in faith but also be a support to one another. 6am is early, but worth it!

For more information and to RSVP, contact Shawn Bushway at bushway_consulting@icloud.com.

Adult Faith Formation & Pastoral Care
Continued

Do YOU wanna be Catholic?

Maybe you're baptized already or not? St. Kateri welcomes you! We try to tailor a process that fits your schedule. The next session is Sunday, March 15th at 10:30am in our St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish School where we will discuss Salvation and the Kingdom of God. To find out more, or to be a part of our OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) Team, go to <https://www.stkateriparish.org/ocia>.

Practicing the Presence of God is a way of praying developed by Brother Lawrence. May we experience God's peace as we explore this practice through a prayer group meeting weekly on all the Mondays of March at 9:30am in the Rosa Road library after daily Mass. We will use a modern interpretation of the book, which is \$7 and available in the parish office.

Are you homebound and/or unable to come to Mass?

We would love to reach out to you, whether it is bringing communion, a simple visit, receiving cards, some meals or a ride to an appointment.

You remain a vital part of our parish community. Please contact Kris Rooney in the parish office.

We can always use more help in this ministry. Training will be provided.

Are you in temporary need of durable medical equipment?

Parishioners have donated canes (WE COULD USE MORE!), walkers, wheelchairs, rollators and crutches that we are storing and making available for use. You may sign them out in the parish office. We have limited space, but we could always use more if you have any to donate. Inquiries may be directed to Kris Rooney.

**To make a donation,
or a pledge,
to support our parish
in meeting our obligation to our diocese.**

Please go to:

TheDiocesanAppeal.org/Donate



Visit our parish website
for a video presentation
of our Family Service Sunday program.

Poor Boxes

Have you ever noticed the poor boxes near the entrances to our churches? Have you ever donated any money to them? The funds collected from those poor boxes have been used for many years to provide emergency assistance to local individuals and families in need. This money has supported rent, utilities, food, clothing, essential household items, repairs, and medication for those in need in our community. Please consider a contribution during this Lenten season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.



Easter Flowers are a beautiful way to remember a loved one or anniversary during this most holy season.

PLEASE PRINT the names of your intentions, and place your donation in the Altar Flower Donation envelope, found at both churches.

You may place the envelope in the collection basket at mass, or mail it to the parish office at:

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish
2216 Rosa Road,
Schenectady, NY 12309.
Reg.: Flower Donation

Your remembrance will be noted in upcoming bulletin.



Thank you to the following parishioners,
who made donations for altar flowers
during the Easter Season.

In Memory of:

William Assenheimer from: Patricia Assenheimer
George & Eileen Corkey from: Patricia Assenheimer
Richard Schuler, Sr. from: Mary Schuler



St. Regis Mission Church: Our Sister Parish

by Paul O'Brien



As you enter St. Regis Mission Church in Akwesasne, New York, you see on the right of the interior entranceway a wooden plaque: "Prayer to Saint Kateri." The first stanza reads: "O Saint Kateri / Lily of the Mohawks, your love for / Jesus, so strong, so steadfast, / Grant that we may become one like you." We at St. Kateri's share with St. Regis Mission Church, our Sister Parish, this same devotion to St. Kateri Tekakwitha.

Located about 225 miles north of Niskayuna, St. Regis Mission Church on the St. Regis Mohawk Indian Reservation overlooks the junction of the St. Regis River and the St. Lawrence River. The parish was founded in 1755 by French Catholic priests during the French and Indian War, a period during which the Mohawk Indians held alliances with both the French and the British. The name St. Regis comes from the Jesuit St. Jean-Francois Regis, a zealous priest who worked with the downtrodden and exploited in France. His great dream was to travel to Canada to preach the Gospel to the natives. He died before his dream was fulfilled.

The Mohawk Indians had heard of Father Jean Francis Regis, who was canonized in 1737, from Father Pierre Billiard who arrived in Akwesasne in 1752 and would become the first pastor of St. Regis. According to historian Sister Mary Taylor, the Mohawks "were happy to pray for the protection of their new home mission" and share in honoring the Saint by naming the Church St. Regis Mission Church.

To the native parishioners of St. Regis Mission Church, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, a Mohawk Indian, has served and continues to serve as the central unifying force bringing together the Catholic Faith and Mohawk traditions. Her presence is palpable at St. Regis in the statues, the prayers, and the devotion of the parishioners to St. Kateri. The parishioners played a major role in advocating for the canonization of St. Kateri by championing her story to the larger world. Parishioners from St. Regis were present at her canonization, with a highlight occurring when a member of the parish read the Prayer of the Faithful in the native Mohawk language.

Billie and Ed Cano and I spent a day this past fall visiting the parish of St. Regis Mission Church. We had lunch with their pastor Father Jerome Pastores and a number of parishioners. We were given a tour of the grounds, the Church, and the food pantry, and we stayed for afternoon Mass. Father Jerome and the staff are excited about sharing their Faith, infused with the Mohawk traditions and customs, with us. We too are eager to grow together in our Faith journey with the St. Regis Mission Church family, and in our understanding and appreciation of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, "Lily of the Mohawks, Pride and Glory of the New World, and Patroness of Peace and Ecology."



**Grilled Cheese*
& Soup Supper**

March 13, 2026
5:00pm - 6:30pm
Rosa Road Parish Center

Free will donations to support will be gratefully accepted
to support the Faith Formation Family Service program.

*There will be gluten-free bread and non-dairy cheese



Would you like to pray the Stations of the Cross
on a day other than Friday?

Listen to the Stations of the Cross podcast
to hear them prayed
by members of the Pastoral Center staff.

Go to: <https://www.rcda.org/stations-cross-podcast>



**Walking the Lenten Labyrinth
Friday, March 20th in the Rosa Rd. Parish Center
Stop by between 12pm and 8:30pm**

The labyrinth is a path on a large piece of cloth used for walking meditation, reflection and prayer that has ancient roots in our own faith tradition as well as other religious and spiritual traditions.

On March 20th you can stop by throughout the day or come to any of the special programs being offered. The walk takes about 30 minutes, but staying longer in the quiet space is encouraged.

At 12pm - What is the Labyrinth and how do you walk on it? - a brief introduction to the labyrinth and what it has to offer us.

2:00pm-3:00pm - Walking With Loss and Healing - making use of the labyrinth to increase our awareness of God present with us in times of loss.

4:00pm-4:45pm - Women Walking With God - take some time before the dinner rush to center your spirit and check in with God's companionship in your life.

6:30pm-7:30pm - Stations of the Cross and the Labyrinth - a time for a meditative walk while considering Jesus's journey to and through the cross.

**You don't have to attend the above programs in order. Just stop by and give yourself some time to breathe, pray and reflect on your own schedule.

The labyrinth is available throughout the day.

**RECONCILIATION EVENTS
AROUND THE VICARIATE**

Monday, March 9
St Joseph

St Madeleine Sophie, Holy Hour with
Reconciliation to follow, 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Tuesday, March 10 at 6:30pm
St Adalbert Church, Schenectady

Thursday, March 12 at 7:30pm
Corpus Christi, Round Lake

Friday, March 13
24 Hours of Reconciliation - begins with a 9
am mass and ends at 9 am Saturday morning
St Kateri Tekakwitha Rosa Rd Church,
Schenectady

Wednesday, March 18 at Noon
All Saints on the Hudson, Mechanicville

Tuesday, March 24 at 10:00am
St Paul the Apostle Church, Schenectady

March 24 at 6:30pm
St Madeleine Sophie, Guilderland
St Mary of the Assumption, Waterford

Wednesday, March 25 at 1:00pm
Corpus Christi, Round Lake

Tuesday, March 31 at 6:00pm
Immaculate Conception, Glenville



Prayer Before Mass

Lord God, You have gathered us here that we might be blessed by Your light and love.

May the Word proclaimed to us find fertile soil within our souls.

May our voices be raised in song to praise God's glory.

May the Eucharist we receive transform us into the Body of Christ.

Let our hearts be on fire for You so that Your love may be known by all.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Weekly Donations

We are only accepting items for weekly donations for local food pantries.

We are NOT accepting donations for Birth Right or the Schenectady Works of Mercy

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Do you struggle with emotions, trauma, loss, relationships, parenting, addiction or stress?

Individual, couples and family counseling are available by appointment.

Call David Dobkowski, Ph.D at: 518-859-4015.

Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons School Open House
at: 2600 Albany Street, Schenectady,
will host an Open House for prospective students & families
on Wed., March 25, from 5:30pm to 7pm,
To register go to: <https://nd-bg.org/admissions/openhouse/>
or call: 518-393-3131 ext. 107.

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