

## St. Katerí Catholic Church

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## **JANUARY 17, 2021**

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday thru Friday: 9:00 AM - Noon and 1:00 - 4:30 PM

#### **WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 AM

#### **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Tuesday: 6:40 PM Wednesday—Friday: 9:00 AM

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday: 3:00 PM

#### **ADORATION**

Tuesday: 4:00-6:30 PM

#### **PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS**

Tuesday at 6:30 PM and Thursday at 9:00 AM

For *Marriage, Baptism* and *Confirmation* information, please call the Parish Office.

#### **BOOK & GIFT SHOP**

Open weekends before and after Masses

### **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## From the desk of Father Terry Kerner

With 2020 thankfully behind us and 2021 starting off rather miserably, one might think that the world is going you know where in that proverbial handbasket. It is so easy to point fingers blaming multiple causes and reasons for our disruptive times. It is easy to sulk and nourish anger with mean-spirited thoughts and cutting remarks. Constructive dialogue, an American tradition and coveted privilege, can easily be disregarded and banished from the public square. What a challenge we have as Christians! Our nation is better than what we have been seeing. Our nation's "Better Angels" are waiting to be enlisted to help us heal and be united as one nation still under God. Older and wiser citizens have much to offer yet we can never overlook the gifts and generosity of young people in our nation and certainly in our world-wide Church. Sometimes referred to as "future citizens" or the "church of tomorrow" we fail to recognize them as today's young citizens and the young and vibrant church of today! One such person is Carlo Acutis.

Carlo Acutis, someone you probably have never heard of, was beatified last October, 2020. Gifted with internet savvy and love of God, Carlo presents a very real and tangible connection for teens and our millennials of today. The story of his life can be found inside today's bulletin. Please take the time to read and be inspired. This Sunday's gospel talks about two of John's disciple fascinated by Jesus and wanting to know what meaning he had to offer them. Jesus simply told them: "Come and you will see". Carlo, with a wisdom far beyond his years, was fond of saying: "Sadness is looking at oneself, happiness is looking at God. Conversion is nothing but a movement of the eyes". Blessed Carlo Acutis died of leukemia in the Summer of 2006 at the age of fifteen in his hometown in northern Italy. Pope Francis said of him: "The life of Blessed Carlo Acutis provides a witness for young people's true happiness is found when one puts God first."

Recognizing the technical savvy that so many of our parishioners possess I would like to invite anyone of any age to participate in the new "Blessed Carlo Ministry" begun this month in St. Kateri parish. Primarily helping with our weekend livestreaming of the Mass, the ministry can also lead to other innovative and creative functions in the future. Pray over it and let Kevin, our organist know by calling the parish office or speaking with Kevin after Mass.

Have a good week and speak well!



#### PRAYER LIST

Tom Aloiso Norma Bak Frances Baranowski Stella Barszcz Lea Berta Gerald Blaskie Vera Ciavaglia Rachel Clark Maryann Condon Simon Croke Kara Erickson Stephen Farkas **Bob Fulkerson Bradley Golm** Gerald Goodrich Mary Hepler **Dolores Hines** Dolores Hnot Mary Hodak **Emily Hudson** Marshal Hyman Stan Kozlowicz Fran LaMacchia Linda Marcella Patricia Matazinskas Pat Mazzola **Brian Morley** Patti Nasarzewski Perla Navarro Tim Nolan **Tony Nuse** Ethel O'Day John O'Neill Jim Pazdro Maria Viramontez Michael Ward Jim Weeks

Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that you would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love! In Jesus' name, Amen!

Jeff Worrall

#### IMPORTANT

Names can be added/removed by calling the office:

#### 313-336-3227

Names will be on our prayer list for two months and then removed. If the need is still present a quick call to the office will restore the name to our list.

#### GOSPEL MEDITATION

ur faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us finetune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and



sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

he example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

he Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.



#### **Liturgy Link**

\*In today's Gospel, John said "Behold, the Lamb of God." This phrase is spoken by the priest at a particular point at Mass. When does he say it?

#### Family Challenge

\*Andrew introduced his brother, Simon Peter, to Jesus. Ask God to show you one person who doesn't know Jesus and to give you the opportunity to talk to that person. Tell that person about Jesus. Share about your experience at your next family meal.

#### Fun Facts!

\*In the Old Covenant, the Jews sacrificed a lamb and ate its roasted flesh to celebrate Passover. Passover commemorates

the time when God freed the Israelites from slavery in Egypt. Jesus established the New Covenant, when he sacrificed himself (instead of a lamb) on the cross to free us from sin. This is why we call Jesus the Lamb of God.

John was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus.





## Carlo Acutis: Millennial generation has a Blessed

A member of the Millennial generation, fifteen-year-old Carlo Acutis, was beatified in Assisi on Saturday, October 10, 2020. A brief biography recounts how his passion for the Eucharist and internet savvy have left us a tangible connection with him.

#### By Angela Mengis Palleck

He was only 15 years old when he died in a hospital in Monza, Italy, in 2006, offering all his sufferings for the Church and for the Pope.

Carlo Acutis was a normal, handsome and popular boy. A natural jokester who enjoyed making his classmates and teachers laugh.

He loved playing soccer, video games, and had a sweet tooth. Carlo couldn't say "no" to Nutella or to ice cream. Putting on weight made him understand the need for self control. It was one of the many struggles Carlo had to overcome – to learn how to master the art of self control, to master the virtue of temperance.

#### "Being originals and not photocopies"

Carlo's motto reflects the life of a normal teenager who strived to be the best version of himself, living the ordinary in an extraordinary way. He used his first savings to buy a sleeping bag for a homeless man he often saw on the way to Mass. He could have bought himself another video game for his game console collection. He loved to play video games. Instead, he chose to be generous. This was not an isolated instance. His funeral was packed with many of the city's poor residents that Carlo had helped, demonstrating that the generosity he had extended to the homeless man on his way to Mass had been offered to many other people as well.

#### Natural jokester

He was a "natural jokester" as his mother, Antonia Salzano, once commented in an interview. His classmates would burst out in laughter at his remarks, and so would the teachers. Since he realized it could annoy and disrupt others, he made an





Purity was very important in Carlo's life. "Each person reflects the light of God", was something he commonly said. Carlo saw sexuality as something very special, as it was collaborating with God's creation," his mother recalled.

Carlo also enjoyed putting on his diving goggles and playing "fetch trash from the bottom of the sea". When he took the dogs out for a walk, he always picked up whatever garbage he came across. It was his way of improving his corner of the world.

#### Passion for the Eucharist

Carlo's true passion was the Eucharist: "his highway to heaven". This led to his mother's conversion. A woman who had only gone "three times to Mass in her life" was conquered in the end by the boy's affection for Jesus. She enrolled herself in a theology course so she could answer all the questions of her young son.

At the age of 11, Carlo began to investigate the Eucharistic miracles that have occurred in history. He used all his computer knowledge and talents to create a website that traced that history (<a href="http://www.miracolieucaristici.org">http://www.miracolieucaristici.org</a>). It comprises 160 miracles and has made the rounds of more than 10,000 parishes in the world.

#### Early Death

In Summer 2006, Carlo asked his mother: "Do you think I should become a priest?" She answered: "You will see it by yourself, God will reveal it to you." At the beginning of that school year he did not feel well. It seemed like a normal flu. But when he didn't get better, his parents took him to hospital. "I'm not getting out of here," he said when he entered the building.

Shortly after, he was diagnosed with one of the worst types of leukemia – Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML or M3). His reaction was striking:

"I offer to the Lord the sufferings that I will have to undergo for the Pope and for the Church, so as not to have to be in Purgatory and be able to go directly to heaven."

He died shortly after.

"He is being a priest from heaven," says his mother.

Carlo's favorite saying:

## HAVE YOU HAD A RECENT



You are an important member of St. Kateri.

Have you changed your address, phone number, or email address? Please let us know by filling out this form. You may submit this in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office or call 313-336-3227. You may also email the information to info@stkateridearborn.org.

NAME:
ADDRESS:
CITY & ZIP:
PHONE NUMBER:
EMAIL:

#### St. Kateri Parish Gift and Book Shop

The Gift Shop is back to it's regular schedule of being open before and after the weekend Masses. Coronavirus protocols are still being followed with masks and safe distancing in the

Although the Feast of Epiphany came upon us very fast this year, the shop still carries home blessing kits. House blessings on or around Epiphany, are prayers to ask God for protection on all who live or visit there. It is an Eastern European tradition also practiced in the Orthodox churches. Incense is lit, symbols are written in chalk on the doorpost and holy water is used as a special house blessing prayer is recited. Our kits include these items along with directions and pravers.

Those of you who purchased these kits in the past may still use them. The only difference is marking the New Year of "21" on the door. The small holy water bottles are refillable in the church vestibules.

Stay safe and healthy. God, Emmanuel, is with us!

## Christ Is Anything but Ordinary

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives.

The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flat lining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory.

Are you bored yet?

Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call.

In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question.

What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing?

None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25.Remember what you are looking for. Come, and you will see.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



## Tuesday, January 19th 6:40 PM

- † Sara Stuk (by Family)
- Bob Fulkerson, Health & Healing (by Eva)

## Wednesday, January 20th

St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martvr

9:00 AM

† Joe Orlando (by Family)

## Thursday, January 21st

St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr 9:00 AM

- † Theresa Bazner (by Family)
- † Helen Wozniak (by Joanne Gallick)

## Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

9:00 AM

† Helen Wozniak (by Joanne Gallick)

## Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>

St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin;

#### 4:00 PM

- † Helen Wozniak (by Therese Terns)
- † James Uniewski (by Flora Gorman)
- † James & Michael Conroy (by Daniel Conroy)
- † Lenore Churgay (by Therese Terns)

## Sunday, January 24th

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM

- † Gladys Mackert (by Pastor Family)
- † Dr. Armando Ortiz (by Doina)

#### 11:00 AM

† For the Deceased Bishops, Priests & Deacons of the Archdiocese † George J. Bugarin

(by Fr. Kerner & Parishioners)

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

January 10 <sup>th</sup> Week 28				
		Current		Year to Date
Budget	\$	6,700.00	\$	187,600.00
Current	\$	5,846.00	\$	155,094.00
Variance	\$	(854.00)	\$	(32,506.00)

We appreciate all those who continue to support our parish. Your envelope can be mailed, put in the offertory, or dropped off at the parish office.

## Readings for the Week

**Sunday:** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

**Monday:** Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/ Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:** Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9

and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2,

3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:** Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9,

10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12,

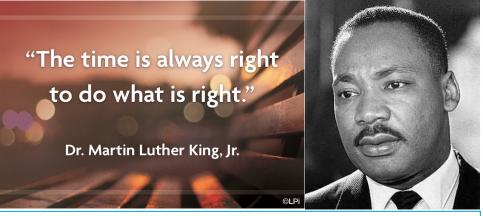
13-14 [11a]/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7,

8-9 [6]/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7,

8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20



## **Prayer for Our Country**

Good and gracious Father,
You created the human race as one human family,
yet formed a special people for Your own.
God of Abraham the Patriarch, God of King David,
watch over our nation!

May our government leaders be blessed with wisdom, counsel, and prudent discernment in creating just laws for our land.

May all service men and women be protected as they defend our freedom and way of life.

May all citizens work together for the common good and the protection of the least among us.

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, it is in Your coming kingdom that we place our trust.

Give us the grace here and now to love as you love

and to serve as you served.

Holy Spirit, inspire us to transform our communities on earth as it is in heaven.

Amen.

# PRAYER FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL

Lord, please hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless act they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen

U. S. Air Force
Diamond Knight
Kathleen Lyons
Teresa Lyons
Timothy Lyons
Raymond J. Palowski
Connor Plate



U. S. Army
Nick Calvas
Dalton Evans
Adam Schneider
U. S. Marines
Anthony P. Alfano
Louis J. Bardel
Lukas Boudreau
Connor Danaher

Mitchell Kaczmerek Haley Valentine Joseph R. Walker

U. S. Navy
Brendan Burns
Conor Burns
James Donahue
Ben LePage
James Smith



	Welcome
	No matter what your personal history, age,
	background, race, or color, and no matter what
5.00	your self-image or esteem, you are invited, welcomed, accepted,
	loved and respected at
_	St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church.
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