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# AUGUST 29, 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

# TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# The Deacon Is "Speakin"

What is a Deacon? Well, he is neither a glorified layman nor a "junior priest". Neither is the diaconate a part-time job (there is no salary). The deacon is "a cleric living a lay life". The deacon is ordained to minister "in the person of Christ the Servant." By the grace of this sacrament, it is Christ present in him whom serves those he ministers to and, if/when everything is in good order, it is Christ whom those he ministers to encounter. The deacon's main job is to remain close to Christ, to be in constant communication, as far as possible, with the Lord.

Ideally, the deacon loves the Church and appreciates the symmetry between Jesus' saving mission and the work of the Church. He believes that the Church speaks authoritatively for Christ through her Scriptures, the inspired Word of God, and through her authoritative teaching in her ecumenical councils and infallible statements concerning what we are to believe and how we are to live to be happy, complete and fulfilled human beings.

A deacon believes that the Trinity works personally in the faithful through the sacraments, through His Word, through the clergy and through so many other individuals and circumstances dedicated to imitate, to please, and to glorify Him. It is the Church that saves, by the grace won for her on the Cross and can make the difference between eternity in heaven or in hell.

A deacon embarks upon a life-long journey being transformed and conformed to God's Word. He constantly seeks to surrender his will to God's manifest will in Scripture and Church teaching, and seeks to make his will docile and subservient to the movement and direction of the Holy Spirit within him. He finds himself a pauper in constant need of God's multifaceted help.

After a deacon takes most of the seminary courses required of a priest and does four years of summer ministry and weekly retreats/meetings, he is finally fit with the concurrence of his spouse, the formation team and the bishop, to receive the sacrament of Holy Orders. In ordination, the deacon is given the sacramental character of Christ who made himself the "deacon" or servant of all.

The deacon is ordained to serve the Church, in the hierarchy of service Christ established. Deacons are servants of the bishop in his service of the people of God, while collaborating with their parish pastors. His principal ministries as servant are first to his family and marriage, if married, then to the larger church proclaiming the Gospel at Mass, to preach and teach, to assist at Mass, to pray the morning and evening Liturgy of the Hours, act as an Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist, perform baptisms, witness marriages, and perform works of charity, such as wake services, devotions, visiting the sick, and various outreaches and ministries. Most of the deacon's time is spent serving outside the Church building.

Being a deacon is a calling. In my six years, I am so grateful to be a Deacon. There is a Diaconate Vocation Awareness Night being held at Sacred Heart Major Seminary on September 14, 2021 at 7pm.

# Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

AUGUST

# PRAYER LIST

Norma Bak Ana Bautista Edgar Bautista **Miguel Bautista** Lea Berta Rose Brunetti Angela Burger Micki Cibor **Rachel Clark** Mason Dehl Fabian Esquivel **Bob Fulkerson** Fran Galer Wilmar Good Mark Grigorian Kenneth Hasper **Dolores Hnot** Mary Hodak **Emily Hudson** Logan Hudson

Austin Johnson Fran LaMacchia Luvisminda Lim Linda Marcella Frank Mattis Pat Mazzola Sergio Mazzola Perla Moss Perla Navarro Peter Nolan **Timothy Nolan** Kathy Ochs Patricia O'Daniel **Dorothy Pakron** Sidney Saynor **Deborah Stoner** Dennis Tymosko Marc Wais Michael Ward



Great Lily of the Mohawks, we ask that you take our intentions to the foot of the cross. Ask Jesus to bring healing to those who we remember here.

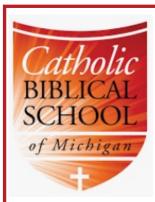
Through your intercession, may this favor be granted if it is according to the will of God. By your prayer, help us always to remain faithful to Jesus and to his Holy Church. St. Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us. Amen. Jack Wintz, OFM The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages Mass-goers, regardless of vaccination status, to wear face-coverings and to practice social distancing to reduce exposure to COVID-19.

Thank you



**Faith Formation** registration is now being taken for children from 4 years of age through 8th grade. **Sacramental Preparation** registration for Reconciliation and First Eucharist (2nd grade and older) and Confirmation (7th & 8th grade) is also being taken. Registration forms are available on the parish website or can be requested from the parish office.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** provides an opportunity for anyone interested in the Catholic faith and for those who have been baptized but have not received 1st Eucharist or Confirmation to explore the history, beliefs and practices in a weekly session of discussion and reflection. Contact our Faith Formation Director, Grace Lakatos at the parish office for additional information.



# CATHOLIC BIBLICAL SCHOOL OF MICHIGAN

If you're interested in joining the weekly Catholic Biblical School of Michigan classes starting on Thursdays 7 pm at St. Sabina in Dearborn Heights, Wednesdays 1 pm at Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak, or Online, sign up by September 7th. All are welcome, from beginner to experienced. Visit CBSMich.org or check the bulletins at these parishes to register. **All are welcome.** 



## LITURGY LINK

The Desert Fathers spent a lot of time with God in silence. During Mass, when are you able to spend time with God in silence? **FAMILY CHALLENGE** 

St. Moses the Black is known as an apostle of non-violence. This week, focus on being a peacemaker in your family and in your friend group. Withhold negative comments and judgements and be a good listener.

#### FUN FACTS!

The title "Desert Fathers" refer to Christian ascetics, hermits, and monks who lived in Egypt in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century. There were also Desert Mothers.

# **GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

lbert Einstein said that the "true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination." Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God's children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

or Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and timehonored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God's compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the

#### **INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

What makes a person wise and intelligent? Certainly it is not the ability to memorize facts or minute details about a situation. What makes a person wise and intelligent is when their words and actions harmoniously unite and produce virtue. A person can know many facts and even do the right actions but still have a grave flaw in their character. We sometimes want to delude ourselves into thinking that as long as we are "doing" everything correctly, we are automatically in right relationship with all. Such is sadly not the case in the kingdom of God. We are called not to be just hearers of the Word, but doers as well. That means getting to the heart of what laws and rituals are meant to signify and nurture. If we do not bring the actions home, where they belong, and allow them to speak of the goodness, mercy, compassion, and love of God, then they are simply empty worthless gestures. Welcome the Word that has been planted within you so that you can be a truly wise and intelligent disciple of Jesus Christ.

Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

ere enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God's word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn't just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That's why people like St. Francis



of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It's risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That's why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling.

## REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

#### First Reading:

As Moses prepared the Israelites to settle and live in the Promised Land he urged them to stay close to God's commandments and statutes in order to become a "great nation." Why do you think so many nations stray from this idea?

#### Second Reading:

In the opening verses of his letter, James urges his readers to be "doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves." Why do you think this is wise advice?

#### Gospel:

In returning to the Gospel of Mark, we hear today how the religious leaders from Jerusalem questioned Jesus about keeping "the tradition of the elders." Jesus responded with the importance of being clean of heart. Why is this such a challenging spiritual exercise?

Always pray to have eyes that see the best in people,a heart that forgives the worst,a mind that forgets the bad,and a soul that in ever loses faith in God.....

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# JOB OPPORTUNITY

The American Red Cross currently has several job openings supporting blood programs in our local communities. Perhaps you know someone who may be interested in joining

our team. Visit us at **<u>RedCross.org/</u> jobs** to learn more today. To find blood drive-related positions, click the Apply Now button on the website and filter on Collections and Donor Recruitment in the

Job Family drop down menu. Thank you so much for your continued support - we couldn't fulfill our essential

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ach more than **4.5 million** people life-saving skills Provide more than **513,000** services to military members, veterans and their families

# GIVE IT ALL BACK

Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. This worldview tends to make mincemeat of our Catholic social teachings. Seeking the good of the poor, a call to community and participation, solidarity — on the face of it, in a society where everything must be earned and we are encouraged to hoard for ourselves whatever success we can achieve, these principles look a lot like highway robbery.

But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, all-loving and all-merciful God, it turns our gunslinging sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive?

Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls.

Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense?

The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs?

Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it — that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you — that's justice.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

# LECTOR SCHEDULE

# WEEKEND OF SEP 4 – SEP 5

Saturday, September 4, 4:00PM Frank Bonfiglio Sunday, September 5, 9:00AM Nancy Coyne Sunday, September 5, 11:00AM Michael Magnone



All trained & qualified Eucharistic Ministers, regardless of your parish, are welcome to serve Holy Communion at St. Kateri. Father needs three EMs at each Mass for the Precious Body.

Please come forward during the greeting of peace if you wish to serve. Your generosity in this ministry is much appreciated.



Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> 6:40 PM † James Uniewski (by Family)

Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> 9:00 AM

> Wilmar Good, Health & Healing (by Karen Roland)

Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:00 AM

+ Robert Janulis (by Janulis Family)

#### Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>

St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church 9:00 AM

+ Thomas Atkinson
 (by Eunice Robinson)

#### Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> 4:00 PM

- Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
- + Pat & Art Ayland (by Family)
- + Maria Natividad Benitez (by Family)
- + Donald Mouchet (by Margarita Mouchet)
- † Greg Schimizzi
- (by Mr. & Mrs. Don Rzepecki)

## Sunday, September 5<sup>th</sup>

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM

- + Mark & Mike Brotherton (by Family)
- + Charla Bynum & Shelly Zub (by Family)
- + Joe Orlando (Family)
- + Paul Sullivan (by Kathy Sullivan)
- + Sylvester Zell (by Zell Family)

#### 11:00 AM

- Health of Fr. Kerner
- (by Michael Leonetti)
- † Deacon Roger O'Donnell
- (by Fr. Kerner & St. Kateri Parishioners)
- + Thomas Yeip
  - (by Kathryn & Blake Angove)

# Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

WEEKLY OFFERING

Aug 22 <sup>nd</sup>		Week 8
	Current	Year to Date
Budget	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 53,600.00
Current	\$ 5,263.00	\$ 51,355.00
Variance	\$ (1,437.00)	\$ (2,245.00)

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.



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A saint was asked-what is anger. He gave a beautiful answer. It is a punishment we give to our self, for somebody else's mistake.

# Readings for the Week

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**Monday:** 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/ Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5 -6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

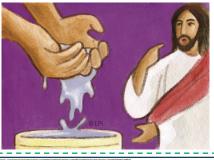
Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37



## St. Maria Goretti Food Pantry

- Canned Northern Beans
- Saltine Crackers
- ♦ Jelly: Grape and Strawberry
- Mixed Vegetables
- Small Tomato Soup
- Hormel Chili: with & without beans
- Spinach
- Frosting
- Kool Aid Pouches
- Complete Pancake Mix
- Feminine Hygiene Products

We would all like to send out a very special *Thank You* to all of the wonderful regulars who have been bringing us cases of food. It's just amazing and most appreciated. Please, if you know of a family in need, send them to us. God bless.







#### SAMANTHA FERRIER KATHRYN TAKACH

We are happy you have joined our parish family



Lord, hear our prayers for those who are serving in our military. Bless and protect them. May they know your presence and our appreciation for their valiant service. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

U. S. Air Force
Diamond Knight
Kathleen Lyons
Teresa Lyons
Timothy Lyons
Connor Plate
<u>U. S. Navy</u>
Brendan Burns
Conor Burns
James Donahue
James Domanae
Ben LePage
Ben LePage

#### <u>U. S. Army</u>

Nick Calvas Dalton Evans Adam Schneider

#### U.S. Marines

Anthony P. Alfano Louis J. Bardel Lukas Boudreau Connor Danaher Haley Valentine Joseph R. Walker

"Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written:

This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me." - Mk 7:5b-6

# Thank you for joining us at Mass today No matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color, and no matter what your self-image or esteem, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church. Yes, I am interested in joining St. Kateri Parish. Name Phone #

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