



# St. Kateri Catholic Church

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**SEPTEMBER 19, 2021**

**TWENTY-FIVE SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**PASTOR**

*Rev. Terrence D. Kerner*

**WEEKEND ASSOCIATE**

*Rev. Gary Morelli*

**DEACON**

*Rev. Mr. Thomas Leonard*

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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

## Morelli's Musing . . .

Forty years ago on September 19, 1981 Cardinal Szoka ordained me to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Detroit. I am extremely grateful to God who has given me the privilege of celebrating my 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the priesthood this September 19, 2021. This year it even falls on a Sunday.

The parish family at St. Kateri has played a very large part in the last 10 years of my ministry and I feel very grateful for your support and prayers during these years as well as grateful to God for his grace and fidelity to me.

**Father Gary**



# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*Dear Father Gary,*

*May God's goodness and kindness be with you on your special day and all the days of your life. God bless you and may He keep you safe in the palm of His hand. Congratulations and best wishes on your 40th Anniversary of Priesthood.*

*Congratulations on this special anniversary as a Priest.*

*Your parish family of St. Kateri*

# September

## PRAYER LIST

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|---------------------|-------------------|
| Erinie Adams        | Emily Hudson      |
| Norma Bak           | Logan Hudson      |
| Ana Bautista        | Stan Kozlowicz    |
| Edgar Bautista      | Fran LaMacchia    |
| Miguel Bautista     | Luvisminda Lim    |
| Lea Berta           | Linda Marcella    |
| Rose Brunetti       | Judith Masley     |
| Angela Burger       | Pat Mazzola       |
| Vera Ciavaglia      | Sergio Mazzola    |
| Micki Cibor         | Perla Moss        |
| Rachel Clark        | Perla Navarro     |
| Tiffany Curtis      | Peter Nolan       |
| Mason Dehl          | Timothy Nolan     |
| Joseph Dziedzic, JR | Kathy Ochs        |
| Fabian Esquivel     | Patricia O'Daniel |
| Bob Fulkerson       | Dorothy Pakron    |
| Wilmar Good         | Sidney Saynor     |
| Mark Grigorian      | Deborah Stoner    |
| Kenneth Hasper      | Dennis Tymosko    |
| Dolores Hnot        | Marc Wais         |
| Mary Hodak          | Michael Ward      |



*O 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 CATHOLIC JOURNEY

Do you have a desire for a deeper relationship with Christ but have not completed the reception of the Sacraments? Are you curious about the Catholic Church and the Catholic faith? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is an exploration & journey through the elements of The Sacred Word/Scripture, Worship & Liturgy, Community and Service. Weekly sessions of formation are beginning this Fall through a joint parish collaborated program. Contact Grace Lakatos, our Faith Formation Director, for more information.



## Quinceañeras September 5th

L-R Diego Vallejo, Francisco Vallejo, Lorena Serratos-Vallejo, Isabel Vallejo  
Lesley Garcia, Elvira Garcia, Heleodoro Garcia  
Father Henry Sands and Deacon Thomas Leonard



## American Red Cross

Mark your calendars:

Upcoming Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Kateri on October 20, 2021 (Wednesday) from 11am – 5pm. To register please call

1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org).



### LITURGY LINK

Who comes in during the procession at the beginning of Mass? Who is first and who is last?

### FAMILY CHALLENGE

Look for as many opportunities as possible this week to put someone else's needs before your own.

### FUN FACTS!

In ancient society, children were viewed as nonpersons who had no legal rights or status of their own. To receive a little one is to accept, lovingly serve, and care for those who need it and cannot repay it.

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

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?



If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

Trivia answer from page 5: a

**REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

**First Reading:**

The Wisdom writer reveals the mentality of the wicked, characterized by revenge and treachery. **How best should people of faith respond to such behavior?**

**Second Reading:**

James offers insight into the human condition as it relates to how often our ambitions and passions can lead us astray. **How do you keep yourself grounded in holy intentions?**

**Gospel:**

We hear today how the disciples were afraid to ask Jesus questions and reluctant to share with him some of their tensions. **Why do you sometimes hold back from opening up to the Lord?**



"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting

his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:35b-37a



**INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

What does it mean to be God's servant? In essence, it means being willing to call the world back to its childlike innocence, showing all that a joy-filled playfulness has a place in life. The servant of God serves to foster the Kingdom of God. God's kingdom is not a sterile, unhappy, strict, and rigid reality. It is quite the opposite. It is a kingdom devoid of jealousy and selfish ambition where peace, gentleness, mercy, and good works abound. To be a servant of this kingdom means that selfish ambition must be set aside so that others can be first, and justice pursued at all cost. The prayer of this kind of servant is not focused on self-advancement or need. Rather, the servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. In this way, we who are servants can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led by God. We can then be used to lay the cornerstones of the kingdom: faith, hope, and love. It is upon these that God's firm dwelling is built. Accepting this call may place us last in the world's eyes but first in God's.

**THE VIEW FROM THE BACK OF THE LINE**

Have you known that person? The one who leaves every person they encounter feeling a little more blessed for having met them? They're the friend you can count on when nothing is going well. They're the one who's always "doing" for others. They're never gossiping or sniping or complaining.

We wonder how they do it, how they have it in them. We're a little envious, even if we don't let ourselves acknowledge it.

That, folks, is what the view is like from the front of the line, gazing at those suckers in the way back and wondering why they're smiling so much.

We've all been at the front of a line and felt no shame about it. We show up early, we put in the time and the legwork, and we "earn" whatever it is we came for — sports tickets, the latest Apple product, whatever. That's how it works here on Earth, where the fastest win the race, the fittest survive and the first shall be first, always.

It's exactly why stewardship is such a tall order. Stewardship calls us to play by the rules of another kingdom — one where the richest have the least amount in their bank accounts and the happiest don't seem to have anything to show for it, at least materially.

If you have a person in your life who always seems happy "doing" for others, it's because by a boatload of God's grace, they play by the rules of the other place.

Watch and take notes — and don't be afraid to join them at the back of the line.  
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**WHY ARE CATHOLICS REQUIRED TO FAST BEFORE COMMUNION?**

How we prepare for an important event helps us with the intentionality of our actions and raises our awareness. We prepare our house for guests. We wash our car before an important trip. We create a nursery for a newborn child. All of these actions heighten our senses for what is



The fast required by Communion has its practices. We fast for demonstrate our reli- used to fast for much but it was Pope Paul VI time at one hour in an people to receive the frequently. That one-hour observance allows us to pause and reflect on what we will participate in in the very near future. We deny our bodies so that we can focus more clearly on the Body of Christ that we will consume.

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**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**WEEKEND OF SEP 25 – SEP 26**

**Saturday, September 25, 4:00PM**

Frank DeMilde

**Sunday, September 26, 9:00AM**

Janeen Bodary

**Sunday, September 26, 11:00AM**

Nina Cataldo



All trained and 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, September 21<sup>st</sup>**

*St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist*

**6:40 PM**

† Laura Jansen (by Nick Lutz)

**Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**9:00 AM**

† Jim Uniewski (by Carol & Family)

**Thursday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

*St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*

**9:00 AM**

- Nick Lutz, Birthday Blessing (by Auntie)

**Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 AM**

Communion Service

**Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

**4:00 PM**

- † Georgia Clark (by Mary & Matt Masley)
- † Victoria Krajcz (by Judith Masley)
- † Donald Mouchet (by Margarita Mouchet)
- † Greg Schimizzi (by Mr. & Mrs. Tony DeMarco)

**Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time,

**9:00 AM**

- Mary & Greg Leonetti-Dean & Family, Special Intention (by Michael Leonetti)
- † Pat Ayland (by Barbara Cataldo)
- † Daniel Skora (by Family)
- † Sara Stuk (by Family)

**11:00 AM**

- † Frank Brunetti (by Wife)
- † Maria Calabrese (by Rose Brunetti)
- † Greg Schimizzi (by Stan Toporowski)



WEEKLY OFFERING

September 12<sup>th</sup> Week 11

	Current	Year to Date
Budget	\$ 6,700.00	\$ 73,700.00
Current	\$ 6,475.00	\$ 70,128.00
Variance	\$ (225.00)	\$ (3,572.00)

*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.*



Food Pantry

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.



**SHERRY BALOG**  
& daughter Monica

**DAVID & BARBARA NABINGER**  
& daughters Josephine & Antonia

We are happy to have you join our parish family



Pray for our Military

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. S. Army**

- Nick Calvas
- Dalton Evans
- Adam Schneider

**U. S. Marines**

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

**U. S. Navy**

- Brendan Burns
- Conor Burns
- James Donahue
- Ben LePage
- James Smith
- Rob Swales

Readings for the Week

**Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

**Monday:** Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13

**Wednesday:** Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4b-fghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6

**Thursday:** Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9

**Friday:** Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday:** Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45

**Next Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

ST. KATERI GIFT AND BOOK SHOP

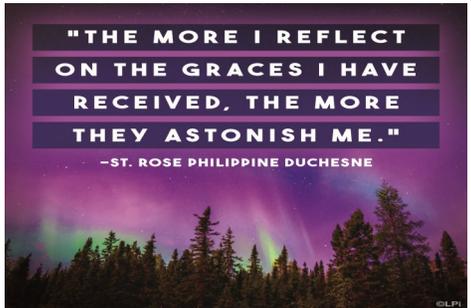
We are open before and after weekend Masses this summer.

We have a large assortment of greeting cards, statues, medals, rosaries, and many books for your devotional time.

Feel free to stop by and browse.

**There's no charge to explore!**

**Thank you for your ongoing support.**



TRIVIA

— JUST FOR FUN

Which sacraments can only be received once?

- a) Confirmation, Holy Orders & Baptism
- b) Baptism and Matrimony
- c) Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders
- d) Matrimony, Reconciliation and the Eucharist

Answer on page 3



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 #

Email Address

Address

City, State, Zip