



# St. Kateri

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**JANUARY 9, 2022**

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

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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

*From the desk of Father Terry Kerner*

I sincerely want to thank all of you for your Christmas greetings, gifts, and goodies. Your kindness helped end a most difficult year on a high note. Speaking for all of us, we can be grateful for the hard work staff and volunteers offered to make the Holidays colorful and prayerful. We probably take for granted the efforts of sacristans, musicians, live-streaming technicians, lectors, eucharistic ministers, gift shop helpers, custodial and rectory office staff. They all deserve recognition for their efforts. I especially want to thank Fr. Henry, Deacon Tom, Kevin Jakubowicz and the substituting priests who spent so many privileged hours in church leading us as a prayerful community. Thank you also to all of you who have been so generous to the Christmas collection all of which remains in the parish. To date the Christmas giving has allowed us to make up for any deficit on our Offertory income. While we reflect on the past year of your generous help, we also look forward with a prayer for everyone's health and well-being. May all of us enjoy a new year with plenty of joyful days!

In the days ahead the distinctive symbols and signs of Christmas will be coming down and packed away for another season, The Christmas season ends liturgically on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord - this weekend. On Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> we begin "Ordinary Time" which continues through March First, the day before Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. It resumes with the end of the Easter season on June 6<sup>th</sup>—the day following Pentecost. Ordinary Time does not mean it is bland or boring but rather a period when Sunday liturgies can reflect and contemplate on the extraordinary life of Jesus lived between His birth and death and resurrection. Such reflection leads us to believe as people of faith that our lives, as ordinary as we think they might be, are really moving to the extraordinary. May the new year of 2022 be a time when you realize that ever more deeply!

Have a healthy and ordinary week!



**PRAYER LIST**

Erinie Adams	Logan Hudson
Norma Bak	Stan Kozlowicz
Ana Bautista	Charlotte Lanning
Edgar Bautista	Michael Leonetti
Miguel Bautista	Gary & Pam Lewis
Lea Berta	Linda Marcella
Rose Brunetti	Judith Masley
Angela Burger	Perla Moss
Maria Caretti	Perla Navarro
Ron Caretti	Peter Nolan
Bill Carry	Timothy Nolan
Vera Ciavaglia	Kathy Ochs
Jennie Cinzori	Patricia O'Daniel
Rachel Clark	Ethel O'Day
Jerry Cunningham	Dorothy Pakron
Norb & JoAnn	Leonard Pitek
Czernia	Ryan Przysiecki
Mason Dehl	Sidney Saynor
Joseph Dziedzic, Jr.	Rose Simpson
Emilio Escobedo	Deborah Stoner
Fabian Esquivel	Dennis Tymosko
Bob Fulkerson	Cathy Vickroy
Wilmar Good	Marc Wais
Mark Grigorian	Michael Ward
Kenneth Hasper	Jeff Worrall
Dolores Hnot	Arleen Zalewski
Emily Hudson	



*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 are heavily burdened. 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.*

**Resolutions Inspired by Pope Francis**

1. Volunteer for a local charity or non-profit.
2. Stop judging others.
3. Take Scripture to heart.
4. Take one concrete step to become more environmentally conscious.
5. Pray every day. Even when it is hard.
6. Let go of a grudge or two.
7. Re-evaluate your social media use.
8. Call your loved ones regularly (and truly listen to them).

Adapted from:  
America, the Jesuit Review, December 29, 2021  
Authors: Molly Cahill and Ashley McKinless

**Parish Registration**

**Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass?**

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. At times, young adults who have moved away for years think they are still signed up under their parents. But membership requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Your registration affects the parish in many ways. How Masses, Confessions, devotions, and events are planned and scheduled.

Registration shows you belong. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.

**TO ALL OUR VISITORS 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.

**If you would like to become a member** of St. Kateri please drop this completed form in the offertory basket or call the office with your information during our normal office hours.

**NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY & ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

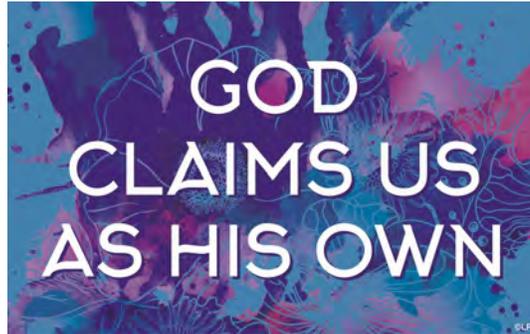
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

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

*"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."*

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.



It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to

those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core

Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

**REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

**First Reading:**

The prophet Isaiah was called to bring words of comfort and good news to the beleaguered Israelites held captive in Babylon. **How do you minister to those in your life struggling to find God's presence?**

**Second Reading:**

Paul taught Titus that baptized believers are called "to live temperately, justly, and devoutly." **How well do you think you live by this moral and ethical standard?**

**Gospel:**

We hear today the account of the baptism of Jesus and God's words from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." **What do you imagine Jesus did (prior to the start of his public ministry) that was so pleasing to God?**

**INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.



*"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc*



Answer from Page 5: Filippo Brunelleschi

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

I Hope I Am Like Him

*“Who is this Christ? Is he like you?”*

Perhaps you’ve heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

“He is nothing like me,” the saint is said to have answered. “But I hope I am like him.”

Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the way. All his accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. “One worthier than I is coming,” he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God’s will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

Let’s examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God’s plan?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

**2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT REQUEST**

Charitable deductions, as donations to the Church, are legitimate items to be considered when doing your taxes. The parish is happy to provide a written copy of your generosity which would NOT include donations to the CSA. Please fill out the form below.

Return it with your offertory envelope, by mail or a request by calling the office at (313-336-3227).



**2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT REQUEST**

**PLEASE PRINT**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

ENVELOPE: # \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE : \_\_\_\_\_



Tuesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>

6:40 PM

- Health of Cynthia Smith  
(by Carol Uniewski)

Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM

† Marie Darcangelo  
(by Wanda Darcangelo & Family)

Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup>

St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM

† Gerald Blaskie  
(by Carmen & Joe Mallia)

Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>

9:00 AM

- Karen Roland, Birthday Blessing (by Family)  
† Michael Wiggins  
(by Joan & Brian)

Saturday, January 15<sup>h</sup>

4:00 PM

† Maria & Juan Benitez  
(by Family)  
† Carmen & Paul Saliba  
(by Family)  
† Greg Schimizzi  
(by Mr. & Mrs. Nello Coco)  
† Jim Uniewski (by Carol)

Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM

-/† Living & Deceased  
Members of the Schneider Family  
(by Ev Schneider)  
† Jane Roberts  
(by Barbara Schlaff)  
† Larry Slaton  
(by Fr. Kerner & Parishioners)

11:00 AM

- Health of Lucy Kruso  
(by Lakatos Family)  
† Julia Armaza  
(by Family)  
† Joseph Pulford  
(by Family)

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

December 26 <sup>th</sup>		Week 26
	Current	Year to Date
Budget \$	6,700.00	\$ 174,200.00
Current \$	2,032.00	\$ 153,387.00
Variance \$	(4,668.00)	\$ (20,813.00)

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

Jan 1, 2022  
**\$1,563.00**

**WEEKLY OFFERING**

January 2 <sup>nd</sup>		Week 27
	Current	Year to Date
Budget \$	6,700.00	\$ 180,900.00
Current \$	2,552.00	\$ 155,939.00
Variance \$	(4,148.00)	\$ (24,961.00)

*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.*

When worry is knocking at the door,



Let FAITH answer.

*Readings for the Week*

**Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/ Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

**Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

**Next Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11



**READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!**

**ST. KATERI PARISH GIFT AND BOOK SHOP NEWS**

Our Parish Gift Shop is holding a "historic" After Christmas Sale through the month of January! All Advent and Christmas items will be 20% off! This includes nativity sets, Advent wreaths, boxed Christmas cards, and ornaments. Stock is limited, so stop in soon before the items you have been wanting are sold out.

Proceeds from our sales go to our Parish and Native American ministries such as the Red Cloud School.



*Food Pantry*

**St. Maria Goretti Food Pantry**

- ◆ Syrup
- ◆ Pancake Mix
- ◆ Strawberry Jelly
- ◆ Chili Beans (no kidney beans)
- ◆ Spaghetti and Sauce
- ◆ Pears
- ◆ Pineapple
- ◆ Fruit Cocktail
- ◆ Progresso and Chunky Soup
- ◆ Cereal: Please NO Rice Crispies or Frosted Flakes; NEED Fruit Loops and Capn. Crunch



We have begun a new year. We ended last year with servicing 29 families within 4 hours. The need is out there, and we are there to serve our neighbors in need.

Thank you for those who reached out to us volunteering to help at the pantry. Currently we are all set. May we all have a better year than last year. Thank you once again for all of your help. May God will send His blessings to all this year.

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

**WEEKEND OF Jan 15 –16**

**Saturday, Jan 15, 4:00PM**

Alina Uicker

**Sunday, Jan 16, 9:00AM**

Anna Granch

**Sunday, Jan 16, 11:00 AM**

Therese Terns



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.



**JUST FOR FUN**

**Question:** Who designed the dome of the cathedral of Florence?

Answer on Page 3

**DOWNRIVER PARKINSON'S DISEASE SUPPORT GROUP**

Just a reminder that the group currently meets the **first Tuesday of every month from 1 pm to 2 pm** at the Allen Park Presbyterian Church at 7101 Park Ave. Allen Park, MI. We encourage Care Partners (spouse, family, friend, neighbor, etc.) to also attend. Additional information please contact:

Steve Femminino (313 318-9795)  
 Looking forward to seeing you there!