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

#### **JANUARY 1, 2023**

### MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**PASTOR**Rev. Terrence D. Kerner

**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

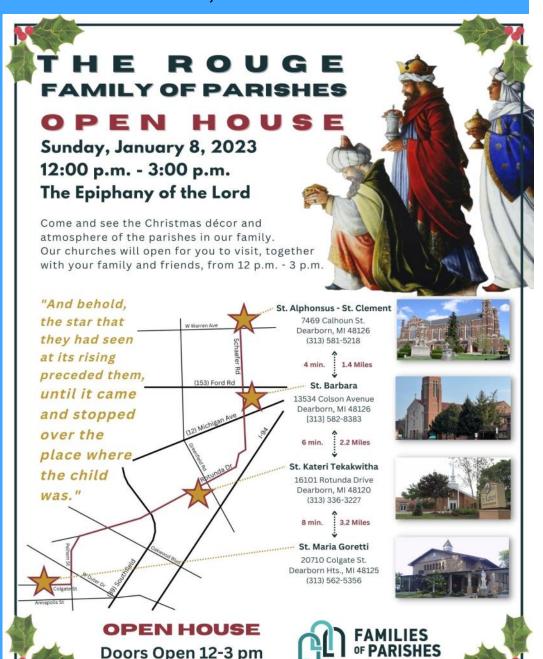
#### PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

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





#### PRAYER LIST

Norma Jean Bak Diane Bartos Fr. Jerry Bechard **Bob Bott** Katie Buffone Ron Caretti Giana Caruso Phil Ciavaglia Micki Cibor Maryann Condon Jerry Cunningham Elizabeth Fader Abby Fridman Joyce Fryc Astride Henie Thomas Horvath **Emily Hudson** Janet L. Kapetaneas Mary Ann Tucker Stan Kozlowicz Matt Kulczyk

Les Langlois Carol Macieczni Mathias Mangone Barbara Moe Kathleen Moore Mike Mountain Robin Petruska Frances Pizzini Victoria Porter Eunice Robinson Anthony Rzucidlo Arduino DeAngelis Rose Mary Schimizzi Tiffany Sims George Sipos Antoinette Sobota Christine Spurgess Ronald Taylor Theresa Taylor Helen Yeghiazarian

Through St. Kateri's powerful intercession, we confidently ask You to grant us this special favor we ask in her name for those named above. Share Your healing and peace especially with family, friends & all the sick, whom we commend to Your loving care. We ask this through Your crucified and risen Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal Word, Who lives with You forever and ever. Amen.

## PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH TO YOU GOD ENTRUSTED HIS ONLY SON: IN YOU MARY PLACED HER TRUST; WITH YOU CHRIST BECAME MAN. OBTAIN FOR US GRACE, MERCY AND COURAGE. AMEN.

### From the Pastor's Desk by Fr. Terry Kerner,

Many thanks to all of you who have sent greetings and gifts to me and the parish office. I will endeavor over the next few weeks to get a thank you note to you. And many more thanks to all of you who have been generous to the Christmas collection and the annual Giving Tree. This year's donations went again to our friends at Nativity parish with over 300 youngsters receiving your Christmas gifts. Added this year is a new soup kitchen being inaugurated at the old St. Andrew's gym on McGraw. Your kindness and desire to see the project succeed resulted in a three & half thousand dollars contribution from parishioners for its success. You will be hearing more about the soup kitchen in the weeks ahead. Who would ever think that a little Christmas tree could inspire such generous hearts!

I want to invite everyone to take advantage of the church Epiphany tour next Sunday between Noon and three. The four churches of our family of parishes will keep their doors open for you to visit and enjoy the season's decorations. Unlike the Magi who visited Jesus on the first Epiphany, you don't need to bring a gift. Just drop by, perhaps for the first time for many of you, and discover the beauty of our houses of worship and the Faith we share with one another. Maybe I will run into you at St. Alphonsus-St. Clement, St. Barbara, St. Maria Goretti or back home here at St. Kateri for some Christmas cookies after the tour!

Have a Happy, Healthy and Holy New Year!



The Parish Office will be closed this Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Regular hours resume on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

#### 2022 CONTRIBUTON 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).

#### 2022 CONTRIBUTON STATEMENT REQUEST Please Print

NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
FNVFLOPE: #	PHONE:	

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

#### Mary, The Holy Mother of God

We hide ourselves and our secrets from God because we are afraid. Even Mary can seem too perfect to approach. The shepherds find the strength to speak to Mary and Joseph *at the moment they see the child in the manger*. They open their hearts and share what they've experienced. Saint Luke writes of the shepherds, **"When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child."** 

When I was a college student, I visited Rome. Beggars often approached and said, "Mangia? Mangia?" I didn't speak Italian and thought, "Why are they speaking about the Christmas nativity scene?" My friend said, "Mangia means eat. They're hungry." That's when I realized more deeply than ever before that Mary puts her baby in a place designed for hungry animals to eat.

See that baby in the manger in your heart. Imagine Mary kneeling nearby looking at you with love. She doesn't cling to God for herself. In that cave, from the beginning, she quietly offers her son to hungry souls. The manger

means vulnerable self-offering love. That's the sign. This week that same manger opens our hearts to tell Mary about our lives, too.

— Father John Muir



## REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

#### First Reading:

This priestly prayer was originally for the ancient Israelites who dedicated themselves to the Lord in the time of Moses. The prayer is filled with the hope of God's blessing, generosity, kindness, and peace. Which part of this prayer (God's blessing, generosity, kindness, or peace) do you most need this week?

#### Second Reading:

Paul teaches "the fullness of time had come" in Mary's birth of Jesus in that all believers are now "heir" (adopted sons and daughters) to God's promises made to Israel. Have you ever been "heir" to something from your family?

#### Gospel:

Luke teaches us that Mary — even as a young woman — reflected in her heart the events she was experiencing with her newborn son, Jesus. How often do you pray and reflect on events within your own life or in the life of others?

**Trivia Answer from page 5:** Only the Gospel of Matthew records the Magi visiting Jesus.

#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The shepherds returned from Bethlehem "glorifying and praising God." They were affected deeply by the sight of the infant Messiah and the message of the angels. What would the world look like, if we allowed ourselves to be likewise impacted by the word of God?



#### "The Deacon Is Speakin"

Many thanks to those who responded to the Archbishop's request that all the faithful in the Archdiocese consider fasting in some manner the first two Fridays of Advent in reparation for the grave assault on the dignity and sanctity of the unborn innocent human life posed by the "Proposal 3" amendment to Michigan's State Constitution.

Fr. Terry and I proposed through our parish bulletin that during the first two Fridays of Advent the parish fast from lunch, combined with prayer for a change of heart of those who support and would procure an abortion. Additionally, we requested that we give alms from the money saved from not eating lunch, to be given to *The Lennon Center*, which has served so well many mothers with pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting classes, diapers and other assistance, without charge, who otherwise might not choose life for their child.

I am pleased to report that this fasting, prayer and almsgiving has yielded a total of \$840.00 in contributions. Fr. Terry and I are blessed by your contributions to *The Lennon Center* and your prayers and concern for the over 100 women and families currently served each month.

### Consecration to the Holy Family

O Lord Jesus you lived in the home of Mary and Joseph in Nazareth. There you grew in age, wisdom and grace as you prepared to fulfill your mission as our Redeemer.

We entrust our family to you.

O Blessed Mary, you are the Mother of our Savior. At Nazareth you cared for Jesus and nurtured him in the peace and joy of your home.

We entrust our family to you.

O Saint Joseph, you provided a secure and loving home for Jesus and Mary and gave us a model of fatherhood while showing us the dignity of work.

We entrust our family to you.

Holy Family, we consecrate ourselves and our family to you. May we completely unite in a love that is lasting, faithful and open to the gift of new life. Help us to grow in virtue, to forgive one another from our hearts, and to live in peace all our days. Keep us strong in faith, pre-

serving in prayer, diligent in our work, and generous toward those in need. May our home, O Holy Family, truly become a domestic church where we reflect your example in our daily life. Amen.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

Prayer composed by Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, Supreme Chaplain

#### ST. KATERI PARISH GIFT SHOP

A very Blessed New Year to you and your families! We truly appreciate your support throughout the past year. We see the Shop not merely as a fundraiser, but also as a ministry.

We regularly hear stories from customers who report how helpful their gifts have been for families, friends...and even strangers. The gifts have comforted the sick and dying, brought hope to those in despair, and encouraged spiritual growth. The thoughtfulness of our parishioners is remarkable! There are customers who gift prayer coins to cancer patients, make rosaries for the homeless, give comfort crosses to the dying, and send cards of encouragement, sympathy and celebration. Your thoughtfulness and purchases **do** bear fruit.

Sunday, January 8th is the Feast of the Epiphany or the Three Wise Men. We have updated our house blessing kits and they are available in the Gift Shop. It is a very beautiful tradition for the entire family as we ask for God's blessing on our homes, families and visitors in 2023.

The Gift Shop is closed for this New Year weekend,

but will re-open before and after weekend Masses on January 7th.

God continue to bless us, each and every one!



Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>
The Most Holy Name of Jesus
6:40 PM

- Bob Bott, Health & Healing (by Family)
- + Josephine DeFilippi (by Family)

Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious
9:00 AM

**+ Laurence Jordan** (by Susan & Stephen Pass)

Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup>
St. John Neumann, Bishop
9:00 AM

 Jenna Lutz, Health & Healing (by Lutz Family)

Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>
St. André Bessette, Religious
9:00 AM

- + Theresa Bazner (by Family)
- **+ Jim Uniewski** (by Wife, Carol)

Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>
St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest
4:00 PM

- + Maria & Juan Benitez (by Benitez Family)
- + Dolores Hnot (by Family)
- Gloria Koss, Special Intention (by Carol Uniewski)
- Emily Nalli, Special Intention (by Gloria Koss)

Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> The Epiphany of the Lord 9:00 AM

- + Sam Belzer (by Fran Mellen)
- -/+ Living & Deceased Members of the Schneider Family (by Ev Schneider)
- + Paul Sullivan (by Kathy)

#### 11:00 AM

- + Gerry Blaskie (by Sally Blaskie & Family)
- **+ Mark Mallia** (by Sally Blaskie)
- + Joseph Pulford (by Family)

# Stewardship Rep

#### Week Ending Dec 18, 2022 YEAR TO DATE

OFFERTORY	\$ 3,977.00	\$ 159,088.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$ <u>655.00</u>	\$ <u>12,240.00</u>
ACTUAL	\$ 4,632.00	\$ 171,328.00
BUDGET	\$ <u>6,700.00</u> (2.068.00)	\$ <u>167,500.00</u>
VARIANCE	\$	\$ 3.828.00



## Rest in Peace

#### **ROSE BELLOMO**

Eternal rest grant unto her. O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of all the faithful departed. through the mercy of God. rest in peace. Amen

### TRIVIA



#### Question:

What is the only New Testament book that includes the Magi visiting Jesus?

Answer on page 3



Lector Schedule

#### **WEEKEND OF JANUARY 7/8**

Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 4:00PM Therese Terns

Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM **Kathy Ochs** 

Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM Pam Lewis



When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. - Lk 2:17-19



Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:2-3ab,

3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1,

3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-

8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2,

3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14 -15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3

-4, 5 and 6a, and 9b/Jn 2:1-11

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a,

5-6/Mt 2:1-12



### **Food Pantry**

- ✓ Jelly Grape & Strawberry
- √ Boil a Bag Rice
- ✓ Peaches
- ✓ Pineapple
- √ Mixed Fruit
- √ Brownie Mix
- ✓ Jiffy Mix
- √Cereal: Kids & Adult

#### (still need badly)

- ✓ Dollar Store Deodorant & Razors
- √ Female Feminine Products

By the time this is printed it will already be 2023. What will this new year bring us? We don't know but pray things continue to go well for us all. We have returned after a badly needed break from the pantry which will reopen January 4th with our hours remaining at 11:30 till 1:30 on Mondays and Wednesdays. We have fed once again nearly 120 families in the month of December. This cannot be done without your help. I am amazed at the wonderful people continuing to bring us needed items to the pantry and the amount of food we still receive from our parishes involved with us. I do ask for your continued support and prayers and thank you all ahead of time. Wishing you and yours a Happy and healthy New Year.