



# St. Kateri

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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.

**AUGUST 25, 2024**

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

**PASTOR**

*Rev. Terrence D. Kerner*

**DEACON**

*Rev. Mr. Tom Leonard*

**ORGANIST**

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**OFFICE STAFF**

Mary Masley & Ellie Sajewski

**E-MAIL**

[info@stkateridearborn.org](mailto:info@stkateridearborn.org)

**OFFICE HOURS**

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

**WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE**

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

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

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

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturday: 3:00 PM

**ADORATION**

Tuesday: 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM

**PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS**

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

**BOOK & GIFT SHOP**

Open weekends before and  
after Masses

**Welcome**

**New Parishioners!**

To register, change an address,  
or if you moved, please contact  
the parish office

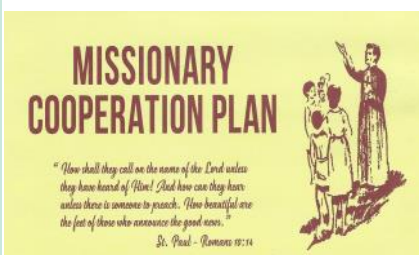
**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

*by Fr. Terry Kerner*

This weekend we are hosting Fr. Matthew Achunine, OP for our annual missionary appeal. Father is a Dominican priest of the Province of Nigeria and Ghana —the largest concentration of Catholics on the African continent. The Dominican Fathers are engaged in multiple ministries including training for priesthood and religious life, evangelization in rural areas, parish work, social justice, healthcare and education programs at all levels in their parishes. They are busy! Fr. Matthew will be seeking your prayers and financial support for their work and the people they serve each day. Contributions can be made this weekend or next and can be placed in the regular offertory receptacles or by mail to the parish office. Checks should be made to "St. Kateri - Missionary Appeal". Speaking for Father and his fellow Dominicans I want to thank everyone for their support.

It is not too early to be thinking about religious education classes for the children of St. Kateri, St. Maria Goretti, and St. Alphonso-St. Clement Parishes. Family Orientation is scheduled for September 30 at 5:30. Each family regardless of participation in past years needs to register for the program. To register your child please call the office during business hours at 313.336.3227 or email us at [info@stkateridearborn.org](mailto:info@stkateridearborn.org). **All Faith Formation classes meet on Mondays at St. Kateri from 5:30— 7:00 pm.** An Adult Formation class for folks wishing to become Catholic or receive their Sacraments is also conducted at the same time. To register also use the phone number and email address listed above.

Have a good week and enjoy what is left of summer.



**Fr. Matthew Achunine, OP**

# AUGUST

## PRAYER LIST

Harry Bacalia	Stanley Lane
Sue Bacalia	Jerry McLean
Norma Jean Bak	Anne Munir
Colleen Barston	David Munir
Kathy Brown	Sean Munir
Kevin Brown	Kevin O'Day
Irene Bruen	Victoria Porter
Carolyn Brunell	Ron Prowse
Cindy Brunell	Judy Quinlan
David Brunell	Pat Quinlan
Rusty Burrell	Fe Roland
John Cassar	Stan Sajewski, Jr
Phil Ciavaglia	Rose Mary
Bob DeSantis	Schimizzi
Sylvia Downey	Kelly Sobon
Janice Dumas	Rob Sobon
Taeko Greenwood	Janice Strimpel
Mary Hepler	Lottie Surmacz
Emily Hudson	Roy Swift
Erna Karr	Susan Swift
Fr. Terry Kerner	Joan Winslow
Stan Kozlowicz	Helen
Malerie Kubica	Yeghiazarian
Patricia Lambert	Chris Zelasko



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



## SUNDAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:**

"Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God." (Jos 24:18)

**Psalm:**

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 34)

**Second Reading:**

This is a great mystery, but I speak in reference to Christ and the church. (Eph 5:32)

**Gospel:**

Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." (Jn 6:68)

## SAINT AUGUSTINE'S STORY — FEAST DAY AUG 28

A Christian at 33, a priest at 36, a bishop at 41: Many people are familiar with the biographical sketch of Augustine of Hippo, sinner turned saint. But to get to really know the man is a rewarding experience.

There quickly surfaces the intensity with which he lived his life, whether his path led away from or toward God. The tears of his mother, the instructions of Ambrose and, most of all, God himself speaking to him in the Scriptures, redirected Augustine's love of life to a life of love.

Having been so deeply immersed in creature-pride of life in his early days and having drunk deeply of its bitter dregs, it is not surprising that Augustine should have turned, with a holy fierceness, against the many demon-thrusts rampant in his day. His times were truly decadent: politically, socially, morally. He was both feared and loved, like the Master. The perennial criticism leveled against him: a fundamental rigorism.

In his day, Augustine providentially fulfilled the office of prophet. Like Jeremiah and other greats, he was hard-pressed but could not keep quiet. "I say to myself, I will not mention him/I will speak in his name no more/But then it becomes like fire burning in my heart/imprisoned in my bones/I grow weary holding it in/I cannot endure it" (Jeremiah 20:9).



**Saint Augustine is a Patron Saint of:**

Converts to Christianity, Printers, Theologians

**Eucharistic Ministers**

All trained and qualified Eucharistic Ministers, regardless of your parish, are welcome to serve Holy Communion.

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.

**Lector Schedule**

**WEEKEND OF AUG 31/SEP 1**

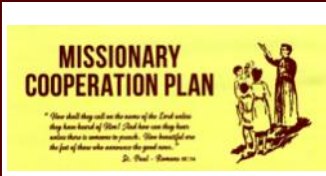
Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>, 4:00PM  
**Gloria Koss**

Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:00 AM  
**Richard Fron**

Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 11:00 AM  
**Nancy Coyne**

# All in the Family

St. Alphonsus-St. Clement, St. Barbara, St. Kateri, St. Maria Goretti



**At all Masses this weekend we will welcome a Missionary from the DOMINICAN FATHERS & BROTHERS PROVINCE OF NIGERIA, INC.**

Dominicans in Africa are currently located in some 25 countries. Our Dominican Province of Nigeria & Ghana is the largest entity on the African continent. We are engaged in a diversity of ministries. Our efforts are very much concentrated in the areas of basic formation and training for the priesthood and religious life; primary evangelization in rural parts of Africa; on-going Christian formation in the faith through parish ministries; ministry among Muslims; social justice ministries, and health care delivery; chaplaincies and education ministries at all levels. We are committed to bringing Christ in a relevant way to all the people that we minister unto. In his presentation, our representative will be making references to these ministerial engagements of ours. We would greatly appreciate your support and encouragement for a successful appeal.

**Your generosity will be a great help to the people they serve.**

## FAITH FORMATION

**Registration is now being taken. We invite parents from St. Kateri, St. Maria Goretti and St. Alphonsus-St. Clement parishes to enroll their children in the religious education classes sponsored by our Family of Parishes.**

**All classes and adult sessions will be on Mondays, from 5:30 PM—7:00 PM at St. Kateri.**

Call St. Kateri Office (313.336.3227) or email: [info@stkateridearborn.org](mailto:info@stkateridearborn.org) .

**September 30, 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM  
ALL PARENTS & STUDENTS ARE TO ATTEND**

**Regular classes begin October 7,  
Monday, 5:30 - 7:00 pm.**

## SVDP FOOD PANTRY

@St. Maria Goretti

**Our needs for August:**

**Cereals:**

- Apple Jacks
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch
- Lucky Charms
- Special K

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| Fruit Cocktail | Pears        |
| Manwich        | Pineapple    |
| Peaches        | Tomato Sauce |

**Other:**

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| Coffee             | Rice a Roni  |
| Gravy (can or jar) | Paper Towels |
| Kidney Beans       |              |

The Food Pantry also accepts monetary donations.

- For a cash donation, please enclose in an envelope clearly marked for the **SVDP Food Pantry**.
- For a check, make it payable to **St. Maria Goretti-SVDP** and in the memo line **FOOD PANTRY**.

**Trivia Answer from page 5:**

The Last Supper.

### ATTENTION LECTORS

**New Lector Workbooks are now available for pick-up in the Sacristy.**

**Outdoor Rosary-  
Monday evenings  
at 6 PM**

Come join us at the Blessed Mother's Shrine. (Behind the church)



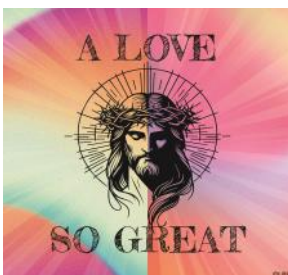
### Pancake Breakfast at St. Maria Goretti

**On Grandparent's Day, September 8th, the O'Kelley Knights of Columbus invite you to an all-you-can-eat Pancake Breakfast at St. Maria Goretti. The breakfast will begin after the 8:00 Mass and continue past the 10:00 am Mass. A Free Will Offering will be taken at the door. All are welcome. Bring a Grandchild to Mass and the breakfast and they will receive a special gift!**

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

The famous Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoyevsky said, "Love in action is a harsh and dreadful thing." In the Gospel reading this week, Jesus does something harsh and dreadful — he watches his own disciples abandon him. What could possibly be loving about that?

Well, we notice the context is Jesus' teaching about eating and drinking his body and blood. His followers hear this and say, "This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?" (John 6:60). We shouldn't imagine we'd do anything different, because not even the ones who stay, like Peter, seem to understand what Jesus is saying. Then we hear this devastating line, "Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him" (John 6:66). Besides the night of the Last Supper,



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The best way to make sense out of this is love. Jesus is God's love in action. He wants to become one with those whom He loves. He wants to love them as His own body. Yes, the oneness manifested in the Eucharist sounds harsh and dreadful because it is rooted in love which is willing to risk abandonment and separation to attain its goal: to be one body with the beloved. It is both terrifying and wonderful that Jesus will risk losing us in order to be one with us. Our response? Lord, we cannot grasp a love so great, but please help us never to abandon it, either.

— Father John Muir

**LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Many followers of Jesus could not accept his teachings. To those that remained, he posed a simple question: "Do you also want to leave?" He asks us the same, every moment of every day. Let us answer with confidence, in all that we do: "Only you have the words of eternal life."

**REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

**First Reading:**  
Upon entering the Promised Land and remembering the Exodus from Egypt, both Joshua and all twelve tribes of Israel pledged their faithful to God alone. **What has God done in your life that you can acknowledge and celebrate?**

**Second Reading:**  
Toward the end of his letter to the Ephesians, Paul takes up the topic of husbands and wives. He speaks of the importance of mutual respect and love. **What do you add as key parts for a successful marriage?**

**Gospel:**  
John tells us that many of Jesus's disciples stopped following him because they found some of his teachings too hard to accept. **What keeps you following Jesus?**

**PRAYER OF DECLARATION**

Lord,  
**In the season when faith is hard, help me to be as bold as Peter who picked you above all others saying, "To whom shall I go? You have the words of eternal life."**  
**You're my God. I'm yours.**  
**There is nowhere else I would rather be. Amen.**

*Mass Intentions*

- Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**  
*St. Monica*  
**6:40 PM**  
† **Marc Wais** (by Family)  
- **Stan Sajewski, Jr. Health & Healing** (by Family)
- Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>**  
*St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*  
**9:00 AM**  
- **Josephine Demps, Birthday Blessings** (by The Bruens)
- Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>**  
*The Passion of St. John the Baptist*  
**9:00 AM**  
† **Anna Margaret Wahlstrom** (by Family)  
- **Anne Munir, Health & Healing** (by Gloria Koss)
- Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00 AM**  
- **Jim Uniewski** (by Carol Uniewski)  
† **Ed Wayne** (by Family)
- Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**  
**4:00 PM**  
† **Alan Konkel** (by Michael Soszynski)  
† **Linda Ptak Molek** (by Ritchey Family)  
† **Rod Rodriguez** (by Barb & John Rimmel)  
† **Nora Trevino** (by Giovannone Family)  
† **Augustine Vitale** (by Giovannone Family)
- Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**  
*22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
**9:00 AM**  
† **Pat Gatt** (by Sandy Mesara)  
† **Judith Miller** (by Daughter)  
† **Linda Ptak Molek** (by Fr. Kerner & Parishioners)
- 11:00 AM**  
† **Frank Brunetti** (by Wife & Children)  
† **Donald Kiss** (by Maria Caretti)  
† **Joseph Pulford** (by Family)



### Stewardship Report

WEEK ENDING	Aug 18	YEAR TO DATE
OFFERTORY	\$ 4,980.00	\$ 35,828.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$ 960.00	\$ 6,360.00
ACTUAL	\$ 5,940.00	\$ 42,188.00
BUDGET	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
VARIANCE	\$ (60.00)	\$ 188.00



**St. Damien de Veuster of Molokai** (1840–1889) cared for the physical, medical, and spiritual needs of those exiled to the leper colony on the Hawaiian island of Molokai. His life of service shed light on the effects of this devastating disease and allowed people to see those afflicted with it with more compassion and love.

## Welcome

**Violet DallaVecchia**

We are happy you have joined our parish family.

"What kind of flowers did St. Joseph plant for Jesus?"

## REST IN PEACE

**THOMAS WARDEN**  
Husband of Lori Warden

Eternal rest grant onto him, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.

## TRIVIA

**Question:**  
According to tradition, what event took place in the home of the apostle Mark's mother?

Answer on page 3

**"Sunflowers!"**

**FUN FACT!**  
Jesus's earthly father was a good man named Joseph. Joseph was a tradesman who loved Jesus very much and took care of Him and raised Him as his own.

"God loves each of us as if there were only one of us."  
— SAINT AUGUSTINE

### Readings for the Week

**Sunday:** Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

**Monday:** 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday:** 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

**Wednesday:** 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 6:17-29

**Friday:** 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30

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

## Pray for Our Military

Lord, hear our prayers those who are serving in military forces. Bless and protect them Lord and use their work for the good of our nation and your glory. May they know your presence with them at this time. May they know our appreciation for their valiant service.

Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

**SUPPORT OUR TROOPS**

**U. S. Air Force**  
Diamond Knight  
Kathleen Lyons  
Teresa Lyons  
Timothy Lyons  
Connor Plate

**U. S. Army**  
Nick Calvas  
Mary Beth Myers  
Rocky Myers

**U. S. Navy**  
Brendan Burns  
Conor Burns  
James Donahue  
Jacob Fader  
Ben LePage  
James Smith  
Rob Swales  
Alex West

**U. S. Marines**  
Noah Aiello  
Anthony P. Alfano  
Louis J. Bardel  
Lukas Boudreau  
Connor Danaher  
Haley Valentine  
Joseph R. Walker  
Evan West

**National Guard (Army)**  
Joey Enright