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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**.

JULY 6, 2025

PASTOR Rev. Terrence D. Kerner

DEACON Rev. Mr. Tom Leonard

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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.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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

I hope everyone celebrated a healthy and safe Fourth of July weekend. Summer always seems to almost disappear after this holiday and before we know it, we are looking at Labor Day. To enjoy this season, one really has to concentrate on enjoying our summer days and taking time to rest and relax. Hopefully, everyone can.

St. Alphonsus - St. Clement this past week has welcomed their new priest, Fr. Michael Nkachuwu. Father served several years on the eastside of Detroit at St. Raymond, Our Lady of Good Counsel and St. Jude parishes. He is looking forward to slowing down and enjoying serving the sacramental and spiritual needs of his new parish as well as assisting with the needs of his new Family of Parishes (St. Barbara, St. Kateri, and St. Maria Goretti). Father enjoys several years of pastoral ministry and academic achievement. Fr. Nkachuwu is perfectly comfortable being addressed as "Fr. Michael". I have been asked to continue as Administrator of St. Alphonsus - St. Clement and Moderator for the Family of Parishes.

I am happy to report that at the end of our parish's fiscal year this June we are "in the black". Thanks to our many generous parishioners we have continued our successful stewardship. St. Kateri over the past twelve months has been very supportive, not only of our own parish, but also of the Food Pantry at St. Maria Goretti and St. Vincent de Paul work at St. Alphonsus - St. Clement. I want to thank all of you for helping with all our charitable work.

For your calendar you might note the Blood Drive scheduled for Friday, August 15th. You will be hearing more about the Drive in the weeks ahead. Meanwhile, enrich your blood with plenty of fruits and veggies!

Have a great summer!

Celebrating July's Super Seniors (80 and over) Birthdays

Wishing you all the best for your special birthday ...and every day you continue to bless this parish.



/irginia Blow, Eric Brumo, Suzanne Conrad,

Mary Crumley, Elvira Ferrera, Marilyn Galante,

Willis Long, Barbara Miscavage, Arthur Murray,

Richard Sudek, Delfina Tamburro & Eugene Zafferani

Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) 2025

Please consider making a gift to this year's CSA Appeal.

Your generous support of our mission will enable us to respond to the needs of our communities, especially during these challenging times, and continue the work of Christ to bring people of Southeast Michigan hope.

Your CSA pledge card can be sent to the office or dropped off in the offertory receptacles.

> Checks can be made out to St. Kateri – CSA.

Your generous support is greatly appreciated.





Please join the Sacred Heart/Mount Kelly Community As we celebrate the installation and benediction of our new columbaria.

> Saturday, July 12, 2025 At 10:00 a.m.

On the grounds of Mt. Kelly Cemetery, 23250 Cherry Hill St., Dearborn

While at Mt. Kelly, please feel free to explore and familiarize yourselves with our cemetery. The chapel will be open for those who would like to view the inside.

> Fr. Kenneth Chase Priest in Solidum

Elena Lovelace Cemetery Manager

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Alyssa Atkinson Norma Jean Bak Aurora Balino Colleen Barston Ana Bautista Dan Bazner Connie Belzer Kathy Brown Kevin Brown Irene Bruen John Cassar Lena Castlevetere

Lora Christopher Phil Ciavaglia Michelle Ciccarelli Anthony Cinzori **Bob DeSantis** Dennis Downev Rachele Esper Esther Fonseca Delphine Gray Mary Hepler Kvm Heikkila Melanie Heikkila

Emily Hudson Melissa Kenney Fr. Terry Kerner Joan Carole Kopcik Christine Kowalski Stanley Kozlowicz John Krzyston Anthony Kuras Lorraine Kwiecinski Patricia Lambert Les Landlois Dcn Tom Leonard

Jon LePage Joan Lewandowski Marcella Linda Marie Maurees Anne Munir Cynthia Nepjuk Patricia Nowak Michael Owen Victoria Porter Charles Powell Gail Remilv Chris Renteria

Dean Rodriguez Deborah Slowik Kelly Sobon Rob Sobon Nicholas Stefan Roy Swift Susan Swift Aubrey Uhl Joseph Winslow Sr. Bernice Ziaja

Lector Schedule

WEEKEND OF JULY 12/13

Saturday, July 12th, 4:00PM **Gloria Koss**

Sunday, July 13th, 9:00 AM **Janeen Bodary**

Sunday, July 13th, 11:00 AM Teri Siaczka



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.

Jumping for joy

is great exercise.



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

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Thank you all for your support of the pantry. In the month of May, we served 132 households with 377 family members.

In addition to food donations, monetary and Kroger, Aldi and Dollar Tree Gift cards would be greatly appreciated.

Blessinas. David Grindstaff, St. Maria Goretti

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.

SVDP FOOD PANTRY @St. Maria Goretti

Our needs for July:

Cereal:

Plain Cheerios Captain Crunch

Food:

Boxed Mashed Potatoes Boxed Mac and Cheese

Ketchup

Knorr Bag Sides Spaghetti Sauce Beef and Chicken Gravy

CONDIMENTS:

Mayonnaise

Mustard Syrup

SIX LITTLE STORIES WITH LOTS OF MEANING

First little story: "Once all the villagers decided to pray for rain. On the day of prayer, all the people gathered, but only one boy came with an umbrella. That is faith.'

All in

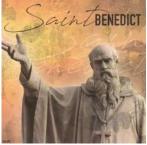
Second little story: "When you throw babies up in the air, they laugh because they know you will catch them. That is trust."

Third little story: "Every night we go to bed without any assurance of being alive the next morning, but we set alarms to wake up. That is hope."

Fourth little story: "We plan big things for tomorrow in spite of zero knowledge of the future. That is confidence."

Fifth little story: "We see the world suffering, but still we get married and have children. That is love."

And the sixth little story: "On an old man's shirt was written a sentence: 'I am not 80 years old; I am sweet 16 with 64 years of experience.' That is attitude."



Feast of St. Benedict

Have you ever wanted to change the world? 5th century Europe was a dark place. The Roman Empire had fallen, and barbarian tribes were picking over the scraps of what remained. Faith hung on, but there was no consistent, coherent Christian culture in the world around. Young Benedict began his life with education and privilege but became disillusioned by a life pursuing material success. He withdrew to a monastery and spent much time in solitude. He began attracting followers, whom he

organized over time into 12 monasteries, with a 13th established to train young monks. He wrote a rule of life including basic principles for living as Christ. His monks took three vows: conversion to Christ, obedience to the local abbot, and stability to remain with the community. Benedictine monasteries became lights in the darkness, secure centers of Christian culture enlivening the faithful beyond their walls. When the world around us seems complicated and contrary to the Gospel, how will you be a light?



Family

ROUGE FAMILY OF PARISHES DEARBORN COMMUNITY **BLOOD DRIVE**

for making that special donation for LIFE!

Friday, August 15 St. Francis Hall at St. Kateri 10 AM to 2 PM

Versiti Blood Center of Michigan is an independent, non-profit, community blood bank serving 85 Michigan hospitals, such as Henry Ford Health and Corewell Health, and is the primary supplier of blood products across our state. As a 501(c)(3) organization, we rely on volunteer donors and host groups, like St. Kateri to ensure blood is available for patients in need.

More information will be in next week's bulletin.

> Trivia Answer from page 5: The current location of St. Peter's Basilica.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Tesus' words this week says, "Rejoice not that you have

power over demons, but that your names are written in heaven" (Luke 10:20). Notice the asymmetry in where he wants our focus: on the latter, not the former. Should we confidently embrace our God-given power to over-

come evil? Absolutely. But even more so, we should emphasize the positive element of our relationship to God. It is tempting but dangerous to define ourselves by what we oppose. It is better to define ourselves by-to rejoice in-what we celebrate: in Jesus, God has written our

names in heaven. This sustains our battles.

> his week, our marching orders are: fight evil. But more deeply, rejoice that God knows and loves us personally, individually. We allow this joyful knowledge to undergird

our fight against the darkness of our day. Then we enjoy long-term stability to be cheerful warriors, who never forget the reason for the contests we are called to fight and win: love.

— Father John Muir

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

¹1st Reading Question:

Isaiah speaks of God's love and care for Jerusalem as a loving mother who feeds and comforts her child. What are some favorite memories or images you have of your mother?

2nd Reading Question:

Paul ends his letter to the Galatians emphasizing that believers are part of God's "new creation," no longer defined by circumcision and uncircumcision. How does your faith community encourage or energize you to think differently?

Gospel Question:

The 72 followers of Jesus succeeded in their work to preach the kingdom of God and heal the sick and demon possessed. What does a successful parish look like todav?

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

As he sends his disciples into the world to proclaim his name, Jesus tells them to be bold. He tells them to be flexible. To be forgiving. To be faithful. As we enter this week, let's remember these instructions. It's good advice, in any century.

Prayer for Evangelization

As You reach out to the world, Lord, let us be Your hands! As You answer those crying, send us.

Let us be Your people, answer to prayers prayed, comfort to the afflicted.

May we be laborers in Your harvest.

- Now Living

Amen.

- **+** Nancy & Ronald Caretti (by Maria Caretti) + Vera Ciavaglia & Arduino
- **DeAngelis** (by Family)
- **†** Mary, Feliks & Robert Turek (by Son/Brother)

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 8th 6:40 PM

- + Duncan Doran
- (by Zell Family)
- **+** Frank Suter (by Zell Family)

Wednesday, July 9th

St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs 9:00 AM

- **+** Maria Medrano (by Family)
- **†** Consuelo Petersen
- (by Family)
- **+** Rod Rodriguez (by Family)

Thursday, July 10th 9:00 AM

- **†** Michael Galante (by Family)
- **†** Ben Koss (by Gloria Koss)

Friday, July 11th

St. Benedict, Abbot

9:00 AM

- + George Dressler (by Wife)
- **†** For the Most Abandoned, Neglected, Forgotten & Last to Depart from Purgatory (by Tom Korte)

Saturday, July 12th

- 4:00 PM
 - **+** Maria & Juan Benitez (by Mary Meyer)
 - **†** Geralyn Forster (by James Forster)
 - **†** Pina Gabbeart (by Friends)
 - **†** Emily Meyer (by Tony Meyer)
 - **†** John Uicker, Jr. (by Family)
 - Emily Nalli, Health & Healing (by Carol Uniewski)

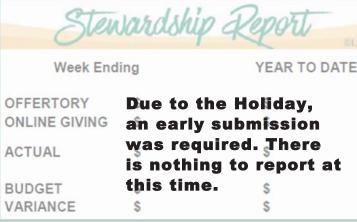
Sunday, July 13th

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM

- **†** Tom Durfy (by Gloria Koss) **†** Stanley Sajewski, Jr.
- (by Debbie & Doug Woniewski)
- For the Bishops, Priests and **Deacons of the Archdiocese**
- 11:00 AM

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"What day is ice cream day?"



"Sundae!"



Of course Sunday is a special day set aside for rest and worship of God. Since we celebrate every Sunday as a "little Easter," some festivity is a good idea... like, maybe a little ice cream!

Readings for the Week Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9 Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26 Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15/Mt 9:32-38 Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7 Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15 Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23 Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/ Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33 Next Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14,

17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 (see 33)/Col

1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Carry Your Cross

Question:

As Catholics, we talk a lot about "redemptive suffering" and "carrying your cross." What does that mean practically in daily life?

Answer:

When Jesus spoke these words, they would have sounded quite intense to his hearers. *"Pick up your cross daily and follow me."* At the time, Jesus hadn't yet been cruci-

fied. A cross was a Roman torture instrument. "Pick up the thing that tortures you the most," Jesus seemed to say. Unfortunately, most of us have no real shortage of these in our life. To take up the cross isn't to seek out new sufferings in our life. It's to accept the life we have.

Of course, unjust or unhealthy circumstances should be rectified when possible. But there are always circumstances that remain out of our immediate control. It could be pain management, the defiance of our teenage child, or an unhealthy work environment ... but you need the paycheck to pay the bills. In difficult circumstances, it can be easier to blame, complain, or daydream our way out of it. None of these are real solutions, since none of them accept the reality of the situation at hand. Those options only add to our suffering, since they damage relationships, fixate on the problem, or set up unrealistic expectations.

Instead, Jesus invites us to take up our cross — to look at the uncomfortable situation square in the eyes, take a deep breath, and do our best to be present to God's grace in the moment. To love those in our path. To take things one step at a time.

