

St. Kateri Catholic Church

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

16101 Rotunda Dr, Dearborn, MI 48120

www.stkateridearborn.org

Sunday, September 7, 2025



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

This Monday, September 8th we begin our Faith Formation Program for children K - 8. All parishioners from St. Alphonsus - St. Clement Parish, St. Kateri and St. Maria Goretti are encouraged to participate. Non-registered or non-practicing families are also invited to attend. Classes are on Mondays 5:30 - 7:00 pm in St. Kateri Hall. New children enrolling need to have a copy of their Baptismal Certificate with them for registration. The program also offers remedial faith formation for all children who have not received sacraments normally celebrated at a younger age. An example might be a ninth grader not confirmed, and desiring to do so. Parents, please accept your privilege and responsibility for the faith formation of your child. Please remember:

ORIENTATION & REGISTRATION: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH 5:30PM AT ST. KATERI.

Classes for adults seeking Eucharist and Confirmation Sacraments, or folks who would be interested in learning about Catholicism and the possibility of Baptism will begin sessions on Monday, October 6th from 7:15 - 8:45pm. The adult program is known as the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). The program is open to all parishes and interested persons. To register call the St. Kateri Parish Office at 313.336.3227.

October 4th - 11th St. Kateri will be hosting an exhibit of Eucharistic Miracle from around the world. St. Carlo Acutis, being canonized this Sunday, September 7th, researched and compiled 150 miracles as a young boy in Italy. Look for more details in the weeks ahead. Anyone wishing to serve as a docent or guide, please let me know.

We are blessed to have another Deacon in our parish. He is married and retired and moving next door to us. With many years of ministry & experience he will be of great help for Deacon Tom and with our parish programs. I am happy to introduce Deacon Timothy Pilon. You can be most happy knowing you are now served by Tim, Tom and Terry!

Have a good September!



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Adult Catholics, are you interested in receiving the Sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation?

Or, are you interested in exploring the possibility of joining the Catholic faith, whether currently Christian, Jewish, Muslim, atheist, or whatever?

Or, are you a Catholic simply wanting to re-familiarize yourself with the faith and growing in a personal relationship with Jesus?

Then, you have found the right place! We will be meeting on Monday's beginning October 6th from 7:15 - 8:45pm, culminating with the Easter Vigil Mass, April 4, 2026.

If interested please call the Rectory at 313-336-3227. Dcn. Tom

FAITH FORMATION

Registration is now being taken. We invite parents from St. Kateri, St. Maria Goretti and St. Al-

phonsus-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.

**September 8, 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Orientation
ALL PARENTS & STUDENTS
ARE TO ATTEND**

**Regular classes begin September 15,
Monday, 5:30 - 7:00 pm.**

Lector Schedule



WEEKEND OF SEP 13/14

Saturday, September 13th, 4:00 PM
Gloria Koss

Sunday, September 14th, 9:00 AM
Robert Ciavaglia

Sunday, September 14th, 11:00 AM
Gabriel Doran

ST. KATERI PARISH GIFT AND BOOK SHOP

Rosaries, prayer cards, books, Bibles, gifts, jewelry, greeting cards, wind chimes & more...

Open before and after weekend Masses.

**Proceeds go to the Parish
and Red Cloud Indian School.**

NATIVITY of MARY

The Nativity of Mary, celebrated on September 8, marks the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is recognized as the mother of Jesus

Christ. This feast day is significant as it commemorates the fulfillment of prophecies and the beginning of the era of grace in salvation history. Mary's birth is seen as a divine plan, symbolizing the continuity of God's promise and the birth of the eternal Light, Jesus Christ. The Church honors her as a model of perfect obedience and trust in God, and her nativity is celebrated with various liturgical traditions and devotions, including prayers for protection and intercession.



Call to Holiness Conference Saturday, October 25, 2025

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at

Laurel Manor 39000 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia



Speakers: Cardinal Gerhard Mueller and Fr. Chad Ripberger

Conference includes Lunch, Vendors and the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit of Bl. Carlo Acutis.

Save with Early Bird Registration before September 8:

CalltoHoliness2025.eventbrite.com or mail registration with check to Call to Holiness, P.O. Box 212, Eastpointe, MI 48021-0212; Calltoholinessdetroit@gmail.com; 313-451-4659, www.CalltoHoliness.com



Downriver Focus Life Dinner



Thursday
September 18

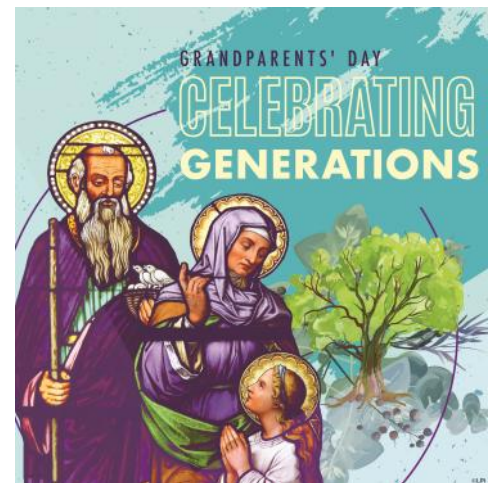


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within the Family



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Prayer Requests

Alyssa Atkinson	Jim Burns	Toby Edgell	Jennifer Kozlo	Cynthia Nepjuk
Vicky Attard	John Cassar	Rachele Esper	Stanley Kozlowski	Michael Owen
Norma Jean Bak	Lena Castlevetere	Ester Fonseca	John Krzyston	Victoria Porter
Andrew Balestrieri	Phil Ciavaglia	Delphine Gray	Patricia Lambert	Diana Short
Aurora Balino	Anthony Cinzori	Emily Hudson	Dcn Tom Leonard	Deborah Slowik
Connie Belzer	Bob DeSantis	Fr. Terry Kerner	Jon LePage	Joseph Winslow Sr.
Irene Bruen	Dennis Downey	Larry Kosiba	Anne Munir	Bernice Ziaja

In order to keep this list current, names will be kept on the list for two months only. Please call the office (313.336.3227) to add, remove, or keep a loved one's name on the list.

All in the Family

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

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**SVDP FOOD PANTRY
@ St. Maria Goretti**

**OUR NEEDS FOR
SEPTEMBER**

CANNED

Beets	Mixed Vegetables	
Carrots	Peas	DOLLAR STORE
Chicken	Spinach	Deodorant
Chili	Large Soups:	Shampoo
Manwich	(Chunky Campbells or Progresso)	
Salad Dressings		

**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.



Loving Father, we pause to remember the great losses and courageous acts of September 11. Surround us with Your protection and instill in us the courage to answer Your call for peace and love among all nations.

Before you start to panic,
why not stop to pray?

Trivia answer from page 5:

A dalmatic is the outer vestment worn by a deacon.

DAY OF REFLECTION

In the spirit of the Season of Creation, join us for a day of reflection and prayer as we explore the sacred gift of water – source of life, symbol of renewal, and reflection of God's sustaining presence. **September 13, 2025, 10 am to 3 pm at St. Suzanne Cody Rouge Community Center**, near Evergreen / I-96. Keynote speakers : Water experts **Peter Hammer, JD and Tony Spaniola**. For more information and to register go to www.dominicancenter.org.

PASTOR

Rev. Terrence D. Kerner

DEACON

Rev. Mr. Tom Leonard

ORGANIST

Kevin Jakubowicz

OFFICE STAFF

Mary Masley & Ellie Sajewski

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Open weekends before
and after Masses

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

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY THRU THURSDAY:
9:00 AM-NOON & 1:00-4:00 PM
FRIDAY 9:00 AM-NOON

PHONE NUMBER

313.336.3227

E-MAIL

info@stkateridearborn.org

Welcome

New Parishioners!

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

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

One hot Arizona summer afternoon my car ran out of gas. I phoned the parish office and begged for help. My secretary came and helped me fill the gas tank. She chided me, "If you can't manage getting your car from A to B, how can we expect you to guide the parish where it needs to go?" Point taken, Julie. I vowed to always make sure I have plenty of gas in my car.

The Lord Jesus chides us in this week's Gospel, too. He uses the two images of a man building a tower and a king marching soldiers into war to make this single point: acquire what is needed to follow him or look ridiculous. We rightly mock the builder who lacks money for his tower and the king with a short-

handed army. But our mocking boomerangs back on us. How do we expect to follow Jesus to the end with insufficient detachment from our possessions and divided hearts?

The good news is, there is still time. Jesus is building a great tower to heaven—his own body. So we renounce all and give ourselves to him as his precious stones. Jesus is waging a battle against our enemy. So we forsake all and swear allegiance and march under his banner. In this way, we will finish what has begun in our discipleship. Or better put, our Lord will have the stones and soldiers required to see his great work through.

— *Father John Muir*

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Today, Jesus tells us the cost of true discipleship - and it turns out, it's everything. We must reject the world in order to love God. What attachments are holding us back from the relationship we could have - we *should* have - with our Lord?

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading Question:

The author of Wisdom teaches us that our limited understanding can be overcome by the gift of wisdom from God's Holy Spirit. **Have you ever prayed for the gift of wisdom in discerning a difficult course of action?**

2nd Reading Question:

Paul is asking Philemon to welcome back his runaway slave, Onesimus, as a brother in Christ. **Who do you consult when making difficult life decisions?**

Gospel Question:

Jesus challenges the crowds to weigh carefully the high cost of discipleship. **What have you given up following Jesus?**

**TODAY IS NATIONAL
GRANDPARENTS
Day**



Loving God,

We thank You for the gift of our grandparents, whose wisdom and love enrich our lives.

Bless them with health, joy, and peace. May they continue to be a source of strength and guidance, sharing their faith and values with their family.

Grant them the grace to embrace each day with hope, and may they feel Your presence in their hearts. Help us to cherish and honor them always, showing gratitude for their sacrifices and care. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Mass INTENTIONS

Tuesday, September 9th

St. Peter Claver, Priest

9:00 AM

George Dressler (by Wife)
Jim Uniewski
(by Carol Uniewski)

Wednesday, September 10th

9:00 AM

Joe Pulford (by Family)
Eleanor Ulfig
(by Christine Kowalski & Richard Fron)

Thursday, September 11th

Patriot Day

9:00 AM

Dan Bazner (by Gloria Koss)
Joe Orlando (by Family)

Friday, September 12th

The Most Holy Name of Mary

9:00 AM

Deceased Smutek Family
Members in Need of God's
Mercy (by Family)

Saturday, September 13th

St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

4:00 PM

Rosa Bear (by Mary Meyer)
Maria & Juan Benitez
(by Mary Meyer)
Josephine DeFilippi
(by Family)
Joe Gasidlo (by Family)
Carmen & Paul Saliba
(by Family)
Daniel Winey (by Gloria Koss)

Sunday, September 14th

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9:00 AM

Alan Konkel (by Family)
Tom Powaser (by Family)
For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
(by Paula Goodrich)

11:00 AM

Nancy & Ronald Caretti
(by Maria Caretti)

There is no Stewardship Report this week due to the early submission of this bulletin to the printer because of the Labor Day holiday.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FRIENDS WALK FUNDRAISER

Since 2008, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's annual Friends Walk has raised more than \$27 million to help those in need in communities across the country. Each year, SVdP Conferences and Councils host the Walk to raise funds and awareness for the Society's work serving the impoverished and vulnerable. All funds raised locally benefit neighbors right here in our Rouge Family of Parishes community. We provide assistance with food, utilities, rent, furniture and other needs.

You can support the mission of the Society by contributing to Friends Walk, which will take place at Belle Isle State Park on Saturday, September 20. You may register to walk online at <https://tinyurl.com/2exdath1> or contact the St. Alphonsus-St. Clement parish office at 313-581-5218.

To contribute, please complete the form below and **return it with your weekly donation**. You can also donate online at

<https://www.justgiving.com/team/stal-stclement-1>. Thank you for your generosity and support!. Your donation will make a difference to those living in poverty.

Memorial Mass for
RICHARD WYGONIK
September 13 at 11:00 AM

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

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St. Vincent de Paul Friends Walk Donation

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

**** Please make checks payable to St. Alphonsus-St. Clement SVDP, with "Friends Walk" in the memo line.**

I am interested in learning about the St. Vincent de Paul Society and exploring ways to volunteer in service to those in need. ☐

Question: What does the word "dalmatic" mean?

Answer: Page 3

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 (1)/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Monday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Pray for 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
Adam Schneider



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



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

Lord hear our prayers for those who are serving in our 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. Amen



National Guard
Joey Enright