

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.

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Sunday, April 26, 2026



As you know, the Archdiocese of Detroit has begun a process of Archdiocesan Restructuring. I would like to take this opportunity to share some important updates with you—what has been accomplished so far, and what lies ahead. The process began in November, reflecting on the reasons restructuring is necessary. Declining Mass attendance across the archdiocese, fewer priests available for active ministry, financial strains caused in part by lower offertory contributions, and demographic shifts have all impacted our ability to sustain the care and maintenance of more than 200 church buildings as well as hundreds of other buildings, including schools, rectories, convents, and so on. In January, over 170 priests from across the archdiocese gathered for three days of prayer, discernment, and strategic discussion to develop the first round of restructuring models. Each model includes potential groupings of parishes within a particular geographic area. These groupings—called pastorates—may consist of one or more independent parishes or they may include parishes that merge into one while maintaining one or more of the church buildings from the merged parishes.

This spring, every parish will host two listening sessions where the first draft of pastorate models will be presented. Our parish listening sessions are scheduled for **Tuesday, May 26, and Thursday, May 28**, beginning each evening at **7:00 p.m.** They will take place in the church. You may RSVP for one of these sessions at restructuring.aod.org or you may scan the QR code at the end of this letter to register. These sessions will give you the opportunity to review the models developed by the priests of the archdiocese and to share your feedback on the proposed pastorates. After feedback is gathered from every parish, many of the models may be revised. Ultimately, Archbishop Weisenburger will prayerfully discern the refined models before determining the future structure of the archdiocese, which will take effect beginning in July 2027.

Every parish in the Archdiocese of Detroit will undergo some degree of change as a result of this process. As you consider these changes, I encourage you to view them as opportunities to re-envision how the church can minister to the people of the Archdiocese of Detroit. Given the upcoming structural shifts and the decreasing number of priests assigned to each pastorate, many parishes will experience adjustments to their Mass schedules. In some cases, reduction in the number of Masses offered at a particular location. These changes will help ensure that priests have adequate time to travel between sites and remain available and present to their parish communities.

Changes in Mass times, while challenging, will also present opportunities to welcome new faces, strengthen ministries, and collaborate more intentionally within each pastorate. Parish staff members may see shifts in responsibilities as new teams are formed, but they will also gain opportunities to work together in creative and innovative ways across parish boundaries.

The prospect of change can be difficult to face, especially when it touches our parish communities. Yet I trust, as you do, that through every change and challenge, God is with us. God invites us to set aside our own desires and fears so that we can receive new and hopeful opportunities to renew the Church here in southeastern Michigan. Plan to attend and participate in one of the listening sessions not ready to fight, argue, or insist that we are exempt from change. Instead, come with openness to the Holy Spirit—with an open mind and an open heart—ready to receive what the Lord desires to give, ready to serve in whatever ways we are called, and always entrusting this important work to the Holy Spirit.

Faithfully yours in Christ,
Father Terrence Kerner





PRAYER FOR ARCHDIOCESAN RESTRUCTURING

Come, Holy Spirit.
 Make your presence known as we restructure the parishes and ministries of our archdiocese.
 Be our light on the path we walk together. Help us hear your voice in the quiet of our own hearts, in the wisdom of others, and in the world around us.
 We know you are with us in every step of the process. Give us clarity, understanding, and direction. In all things, help us share the light of your love. Amen.

Ste. Anne, pray for us.
 Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us.
 Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

restructuring.aod.org

Special Collection

Landscaping and Flower Fund This Weekend!

Maintaining the beauty and serenity of our church grounds is a communal effort that reflects our shared values and devotion. By contributing, you help fund essential landscaping, and beautification projects that ensure our church remains a welcoming place for all. Even the smallest contribution makes a significant impact. Let us come together to cherish and enhance the beauty of our parish grounds.



Prayer for Vocations

Loving and Eternal God,
 You are the Good Shepherd who calls each of us by name. In Your mercy, guide the hearts of young and old alike to hear Your voice and follow Your path.

Bless Your Church with faithful priests, deacons, religious brothers and sisters, and dedicated lay ministers who will serve with joy, humility, and courage.

Grant families the grace to nurture vocations with love, and give all Your people the courage to say “yes” to Your call.

May our lives reflect Your compassion, our words speak Your truth, and our actions bring others closer to You.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

This is "Good Shepherd Sunday" and also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "**Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest**" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life.

Prayer Requests

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| Alyssa Atkinson | Wanda Darcangelo | Fr. Terry Kerner | Maryann Mountain | Charlie Powell |
| Norma Jean Bak | Bob De Santis | Gloria Koss | Anne Munir | Barbara Schechter |
| Fran Bernard | Rachel Esper | Stanley Kozlowicz | Carol Natkowski | Jennie Siwik |
| John Cassar | Esther Fonesca | Lorraine Kwiecinski | Cynthia Nepjuk | Joseph Winslow, Sr. |
| Phil Ciavaglia | Delphine Gray | Jon LePage | Lori O’Leary | Eugene Zafferani |
| Anthony Cinzori | Emily Hudson | Katie Lucas | Michael Owen | Bernice Ziaja |
| | Ahmed Kadim | Angie Mack | | |

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.

Dearborn Seniors Thunderbird Club

is a social club for seniors that meets every Thursday from 11 AM to 3 PM at St. Kateri Catholic Church.

The club members socialize, have lunch, have a short meeting and sometimes play cards. All seniors, 55 years of age and over, are welcome.

For more information, call St. Kateri's office at 313-336-3227.

SVDP FOOD PANTRY @ St. Maria Goretti

Our needs for May

CANNED/PACKAGED

- Kool Aid
- 6 Pack Applesauce Cups
- All Chef Boyardee pastas
- Ketchup
- Salad Dressing

HYGIENE

- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Men's/Women's razors
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes



CEREAL

- Cocoa Puffs Cereal

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**.
- Kroger, Aldi and Dollar Tree Gift cards would be greatly appreciated.

We have started a new **Meijer's Simply Give** Program that runs through June 27th with a doubler day on June 20th.

We appreciate all the support we receive for our Neighbors in Need.

Lector Schedule 

Weekend of May 2/3

Saturday, May 2, 4:00 PM
Frank Bonfiglio

Sunday, May 3, 9:00 AM
Michael Magnone

Sunday, May 3, 11:00 AM
Gabriel Doran

Trivia Answer: Halo



St. Kateri Parish Gift & 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.

TO SEE THE IMPACT FROM YOUR PURCHASES AT THE GIFT SHOP

Check out this video on YOUTUBE:

<https://youtube.com/watch?v=JVjp5OPUGIM&si=GKD6sAbfOBLXT7tz>

PASTOR

Rev. Terrence D. Kerner

DEACON

Rev. Mr. Tom Leonard
Rev. Mr. Tim Pilon (Ret.)

ORGANIST

Kevin Jakubowicz

OFFICE STAFF

Mary Masley & Ellie Sajewski

BOOK & GIFT SHOP

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**

“I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.” John 10:11

My most boring job was working at an insurance company as a college student. My main task? Filing. Now imagine if I had told my supervisor, “I just want you to know, I’m willing to die for these files.” She would have called a psychiatrist – or at least security.

There is something absurd in Jesus’ words in today’s Gospel: “I am the good shepherd... I lay down my life for the sheep.” (John 10:11) It sounds noble, until you think about it. No one dies for sheep. Not a hired hand. Not even a good shepherd. Sheep are important, sure, but not worth a human life. And yet, Jesus insists: I will die for them. The crowd understandably responds: “He is out of his mind.”

C.S. Lewis once said that Jesus does not leave us the option of calling him merely a good teacher. If someone speaks like him, he is either lying, crazy, or telling the truth. John’s Gospel won’t let us stay sentimental. Jesus means it. He reveals a love that surpasses logic – a love that measures worth not by strength or success, but by the willingness to suffer unto death.

The Good Shepherd’s madness is mercy. His cross makes no earthly sense and yet it makes divine sense. He lays down his life not for kings or saints but for sheep – for the ordinary, the unworthy, for you and me. Think of someone who may feel unworthy of love. Do something simple and generous for them, not because they deserve it, but because Jesus did the same for you.
– Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

“The sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice,” Jesus says. Do we know the voice of Jesus when he speaks to us? Have we spent time in conversation with him? This week, listen for the voice of Jesus in your life, and follow where it leads.

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading
The crowds believed Peter’s proclamation that in raising the crucified Jesus from the dead, God made Jesus both Lord and Christ. **Why do you believe that Jesus is our Lord and Savior?**

2nd Reading
Peter speaks of Jesus’ wounds healing us. **Can you think of a time when you have felt healed by God?**

Gospel Reading
Jesus speaks of himself as the gate through which his followers pass and have abundant life. **How has believing in Jesus enriched your life?**


**Spring Cleanup
Volunteers needed**

Twice a year, we provide essential yard clean-up services for home-owners who are physically or financially unable to manage it themselves.
We need volunteers to help with this. Please consider donating some of your time to help with this project.

Call 800-305-5075 for more information www.sjhelpers.org

Mass
INTENTIONS

Tuesday, April 28th
*St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr;
St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest*
6:40 PM
Jacob Watts (by Irene Watts)

Wednesday, April 29th
*St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and
Doctor of the Church*
9:00 AM
Deacon Patrick Bruen
(by Wife, Irene)

Thursday, April 30th
St. Pius V, Pope
9:00 AM
Deceased Smutek Family Members
most in need of God’s Mercy
(by Family)

Friday, May 1st
*St. Joseph the Worker; National Day
of Prayer*
9:00 AM
Deacon Bob Dreyer
(by Fr. Kerner & Parishioners)

Saturday, May 2nd
*St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor
of the Church*
4:00 PM
Juan & Maria Benitez
(by Mary Meyer)
Joe Gasidlo (by Family)
Madelyn Sholund (by Grace Nino)
Mary Suter (by Zell Family)
Anthony Zarb
(by Richard & Rose Sudek)

Sunday, May 3rd
5th Sunday of Easter
9:00 AM
Phil & Louise Isgro (by Family)
Ken Kuzava (by Family)
Paul Sullivan (by Kathy)
Angelo Sultana
(by Joe & Thao Attard)

11:00 AM
Barbara Sue Bacalia (by Family)
Frank Brunetti (by Wife, Rose)



Stewardship Report

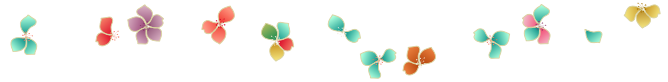
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WEEK ENDING	Apr 19	YEAR TO DATE
OFFERTORY	\$ 5,149.00	\$ 214,557.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$ <u>1,247.10</u>	\$ <u>47,614.61</u>
ACTUAL	\$ 6,396.10	\$ 262,171.61
BUDGET	\$ <u>6,000.00</u>	\$ <u>246,000.00</u>
VARIANCE	\$ 396.10	\$ 16,171.61

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

**ERNEST & NATALIE SHANER
NICHOLAS & XOCHIL WILSON**

We are happy you have joined our parish family.



Trivia

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: In religious art, it is common to use a circle of light above Jesus or another holy person’s head to set them apart. What is this “circle of light” called?

Answer on Page 3

“The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day.” St. Gianna Molla

VIRTUES, EXPLAINED!

CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

Humility, Explained!

“If anyone wishes to be first,” Christ told the Apostles in the Gospel of Mark, “he must become the last of all and the servant of all.” (Mark 9:35).



True humility does not require us to ignore, underestimate or hide our gifts – it merely demands that we use these gifts rightly, with the knowledge that they are from our Creator and meant for His glory, not our own. “Man is a beggar before God,” said St. Augustine.

The Blessed Mother is the perfect model of this, and her Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55) is a blueprint for a life lived in joyful humility.

Humility, says the Catechism, is also the key to a fruitful prayer life: “Humility is the foundation of prayer. Only when we humbly acknowledge that ‘we do not know how to pray as we ought,’ are we ready to receive freely the gift of prayer.” (CCC 2559)

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER



MAY 1ST

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS



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



U. S. Army
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
James Smith
Rob Swales
Alex West

Lord, hear our prayer 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. Amen.



National Guard
Joey Enright