

# 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](http://www.stkateridearborn.org)

**Sunday, April 5, 2026**



HE HAS BEEN  
**RAISED!**

— MATTHEW 28:6 —

EASTER SUNDAY

©LPI

## **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](mailto:info@stkateridearborn.org)

## **Welcome**

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

*Lector Schedule*



**Weekend of April 11/12**

Saturday, Apr 11, 4:00 PM  
Christine Leonard

Sunday, Apr 12, 9:00 AM  
Janine Bodary

Sunday, Apr 12, 11:00 AM  
Bob Ryan



**GIFT SHOP GREETINGS**

A very Happy and Blessed Easter to you and your families! May the blessings of Jesus' resurrection bring peace and new life to our troubled world.

April 12th is the Feast of Divine Mercy...which is especially needed these days. Our shop carries Divine Mercy prayer cards and other items to promote this important devotion.

Thank you for your ongoing support as the shop proceeds benefit our Parish and the Red Cloud (Mahpiya Luta) Indian School. "Mitakuye oyasin"...Lakota phrase for "We are all related."

The Shop will be closed on Easter weekend so the bunnies and chicks can celebrate with their families.



**BUILD HOPE & COMMUNITY**

**SPRING LAWN CLEANUP**

**WHAT WE DO**

St. Joseph's Helpers is a faith-based nonprofit powered by volunteers who share their time and talents to help seniors, veterans, people with disabilities, and others in need live safely and comfortably in their own homes.

**HOW YOU CAN HELP**

Twice a year, we provide essential yard clean-up services for homeowners who are physically or financially unable to manage it themselves. We need more teams of volunteers, so we don't have to turn away those who continued to call us for help last year, long after all available slots were filled.

800-303-5075  
www.sjhelpers.org  
outreach@sjhelpers.org

**MAKE A MEANINGFUL IMPACT AND STRENGTHEN YOUR TEAM THROUGH SHARED SERVICE**

Volunteer opportunities are available every Saturday beginning the 2nd week of April / May 2026, or a date of your choosing. Thank you for considering joining us in this work! With your help, we can ensure more homeowners receive the support they need!

**SOMEONE CLOSE TO HOME NEEDS YOU YARD WORK THAT'S BECOME TOO MUCH TO HANDLE ALONE**

- Rake debris
- Pull
- Clean flower beds
- Pick up sticks
- Trim small bushes
- Many other tasks!



**SCAN TO SEE US IN ACTION**



**Knights of Columbus**

We are glad that so many parishioners attended the Steven Ray talk on Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup> sponsored by the Fr. Patrick O'Kelley Council of the Knights of Columbus. We are pleased to inform you that all donations for the event that were placed in the St. Kateri offertory remained with the church. This is a just a small way that our council continues to support our parishes.

The Knights of Columbus will be at St. Kateri next weekend, April 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, for our annual Tootsie Roll drive to support the mentally impaired. We continue to use funds raised from this drive to support Special Olympics of Dearborn, The ARC Dearborn, and The Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor.

On April 18<sup>th</sup>, at the 4:00 p.m. mass, we will host a special needs mass, followed by an Exemplification to the Order. Any Practical Catholic Gentleman is welcome to join the Order. Please contact Robert Ciavaglia at 248-613-6591 of more details.

**Prayer Requests**

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

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.

**VIRTUES, EXPLAINED!**

**– CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH**

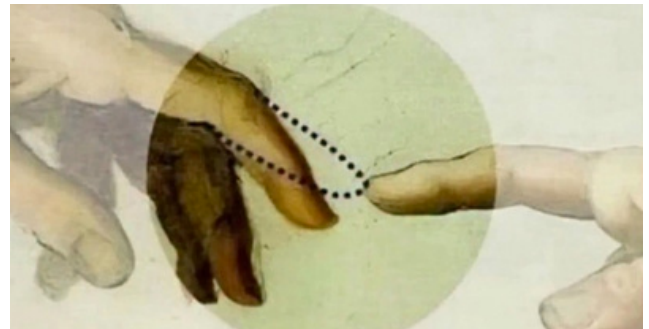
**Justice, Explained!**

“Original justice” is what the Catechism calls the state of harmony that existed between God, mankind and all creation



(CCC 376) before the fall. Though original justice perished when sin entered the world, our souls still bear its memory, and we are oriented toward this virtue like a flower is oriented to the light of the sun: “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will have their fill.” (Matthew 5:6)

The cardinal virtue of justice has to do with the fulfillment of our duty to one another and to God (religion is the justice we owe to our Creator). Justice gives us a framework for existing in the Justice is made possible by the virtue of charity (CCC 1825) because justice demands what is right for all, not just for one.



In *The Creation of Adam*, the most famous detail isn't the contact, but the **deliberate gap** between the fingers. If you look closely at their hands, God's index finger is strained and stretched to its absolute limit, reaching out with power and determination. In contrast, Adam's finger is limp and **bent at the last joint**. This wasn't an accident by Michelangelo; it was a profound theological statement on **free will**. The painting suggests that God is always reaching out, but He will not force the connection. Adam, representing all of humanity, is already alive but appears **inert and passive**. To bridge that final inch and receive the "divine spark," Adam must make the conscious effort to **straighten his finger**. It illustrates that while the divine is always present, it is up to the individual to take the final step toward purpose and enlightenment. Your potential is right in front of you—but you have to reach for it.

**WHY DO WE DO THAT?**

**- CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED**

**Easter**

**Question:**

Why is the Easter season so long? And should we be doing something special for it?

**Answer:**

You've probably noticed the priest continuing to wear white vestments at the Sunday liturgy. While we celebrated Christ's resurrection several weeks ago, the Easter season extends fifty days — just over seven weeks — from Easter Sunday to Pentecost. For most of that time — about six weeks — Jesus is still with the disciples, teaching and encouraging them. The Easter season isn't just a celebration of when Jesus is with us. At the Last Supper, Jesus promised to send an “advocate” or “counselor” when he left. At the Ascension, he directs the disciples to await “power from on high” — the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Ascension completes the Paschal Mystery, beginning with Jesus' suffering and death and continuing in the resurrection. But the Holy Spirit ushers in a new era for the Church.

After spending weeks in prayer, fasting, and service during Lent, it may seem odd that we don't widely have similar practices for Easter. That doesn't mean you can't embrace the season! Commit to taking moments of little joy throughout the weeks, like random acts of kindness towards others. Consider reading the Acts of the Apostles to learn more about the early Church or picking up an Easter devotional to pray with. He is still risen indeed!

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

**Our needs for April**

**CANNED/PACKAGED**

**CEREAL**

- Beef & Chicken Broth
- Beef Stew Large Can
- Chicken Large Can
- Mixed Fruit
- Hamburger Helper
- Kool Aid
- Honey Bunches of Oats
- Raisin Bran



**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 are starting a new **Meijer's Simply Give** Program on March 29<sup>th</sup> and running through June 27<sup>th</sup> with a doubler day on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

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

**Trivia Answer:**

St. Anthony of Padua





**GOSPEL MEDITATION  
ENCOURAGE DEEPER  
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

Zander Price was the fastest kid at my grade school. He won every race on Field Day. To me, his swiftness meant he was the greatest. Zander was the best.

It's the same with the speediest Apostle on Easter morning. John tells us he "ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first." (John 20:4) But only after Peter entered did John go in, see the burial cloths, and believe. Here is a symbol of two dimensions of the Church. John, the beloved disciple, represents the contemplative, mystical life: affection, prayer, intimacy. Peter, the rock, represents the Church's institutional life: steady, authoritative, structured...but slower.

Of course, John runs faster! Love is the heartbeat of Christian faith, so love will always arrive first. Peter's role is, in a sense, secondary. He arrives later, but is still very much needed. John waits for him. The Church must be built, balanced, protected, and led. Love without structure can vanish; structure without love becomes lifeless.

This dynamic is not just historical — it is personal. In you, there is a John who longs to run to the tomb in love. Let him run! Pray, sing, love Jesus. There is also a Peter, who eventually gets to the tomb and takes charge. The Risen Christ wants both. Remember: if you want to get to the mystery of Jesus' resurrection fast...love him, for love is best.  
— Father John Muir

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

The disciples didn't understand, at first, what happened at the tomb. Often, we can't fathom the purpose of God's plan. We only see a stone in the wrong place. When we pause and look deeper, we see it: God has moved the stone. So, we must ask ourselves: why?

**REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE**

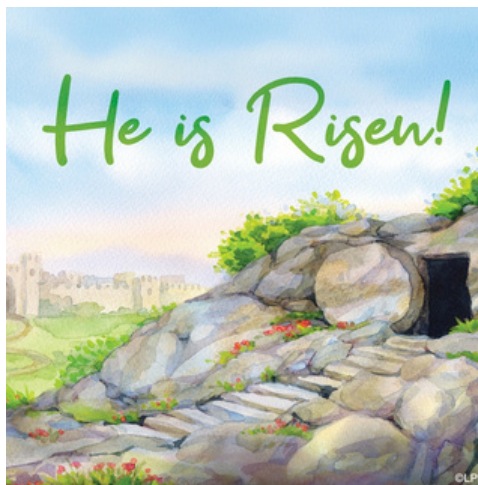
1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
Peter testifies to others about what the Apostles witnessed with the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. **Do you ever share your faith with friends or family?**

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading  
Paul encourages the Colossians to see themselves as already risen with Christ, anticipating his return in glory. **Does anticipating Christ's return impact any of your daily decision-making?**

Gospel Reading  
Both the angel of the Lord and the risen Jesus greet Mary Magdalene and the other Mary with these words of comfort: "Do not be afraid." **Who in your circle of friends or family needs to be comforted this week?**

**Easter Blessing**

Dear Lord,  
Where there has been death, bring new life! Renew and redeem the sorrow in our stories with Your goodness and grace. Bless our hearts and homes this Easter and always. Amen.



*Mass*  
**INTENTIONS**

**Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**  
*Tuesday within the Octave of Easter*  
**6:40 PM**

- Emma Escobedo (by Maria Cunningham)
- Orade Farrugia (by Richard & Rose Sudek)
- Linda Zarb (by Richard & Rose Sudek)

**Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>**  
*Wednesday within the Octave of Easter*  
**9:00 AM**

- Victoria Porter (by Eva Lutz)
- Fr. Kerner, Health & Healing (by Carol Uniewski)

**Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup>**  
*Thursday within the Octave of Easter*  
**9:00 AM**

- For the Souls Nearest to Heaven (by Grace Kirwan)
- Bob Fisher, Health & Healing (by Carol Uniewski)

**Friday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**  
*Friday within the Octave of Easter*  
**9:00 AM**

- Sara Stuk (by Family)
- Judy Masley, Health & Healing (by Carol Uniewski)

**Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
*Saturday within the Octave of Easter*  
**4:00 PM**

- Barbara Sue Bacalia (by Family)
- Juan & Maria Benitez (by Mary Meyer)
- Lina Herring (by Family)
- Bessie Zuzga (by Family)
- Gloria Koss, Special Intention (by Carol Uniewski)

**Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)*  
**9:00 AM**

- Connie Belzer (by Joe & Thao Attard)
- Dave Boik (by Zell Family)
- Dorothy Harrington (by Wiggins Family)
- Paul Sullivan (by Kathy)
- Angelo Sultana (by Joe & Thao Attard)

**11:00 AM**  
Alejandra Armaza (by Family)  
Ramona Armaza (by Family)  
Elda Signori (by Family)  
Irene Trepat (by Family)

# Trivia

## CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

**Question:** What is the name of the patron saint of travelers and lost items?

Answer on Page 3



There are many easy ways for you to give to support St. Kateri Church: One-time gifts, recurring online giving, and of course, at Mass.

Thank you for your financial support of our parish community and its ministries. Our online giving system will allow you to safely contribute to the parish directly from your bank account or via a credit card.

Creating an account will enable you to:

- Save/manage your preferred method of giving.
- Make one-time or recurring contributions.
- Manage your recurring gifts.
- View your online giving history.

It is even easier to do now to set up an account:

<https://osvhub.com/stkateridearborn/giving/funds>

### *Readings for the Week*

**Sunday:** Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 Or Lk 24:13-35

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18

**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

**Next Sunday:** Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

## St. Maria Goretti Parish, Dartmouth & Merrick, Dearborn Hts.

### 2026 SPRING GARAGE SALE

In the Parish Activity Center

**Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup>** - 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

**Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>** - 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

**Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>** - 9:00 PM-3:00 PM



Drop Offs: April 7, 8, 9, 10 and 13

9:00 AM - 12:00 noon and 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

~No clothing donations accepted~

### Upcoming 2026 Prayer Pilgrimages

You are welcome to join Prayer Pilgrimages on any of these upcoming deluxe motorcoach pilgrimages which all include daily Mass. June 1-9: Nineteen Historic Churches & Shrines encompassing Ten Southern & Midwest States including EWTN & Mother Angelica's Most Blessed Sacrament Shrines; July 1-2: Five Pittsburgh Historic Churches & Shrines/Opus Angelorum Day Retreat with the Canons of the Holy Cross; August 1: Carey, Ohio's Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation; October 6-10: Twelve Upper Michigan & Wisconsin Historic Churches & Shrines/ National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion on Feast Day; November 2: All Souls Day Eight Archdiocese of Detroit Historic Churches & Shrines; December 28-30: Christmas Octave in Chicago Fifteen Historic Churches & Shrines. Complete information for each of these pilgrimages, including planned sites to visit, cost, local pickup - return locations/times, & downloadable registration forms can be found at [www.prayerpilgrimages.com](http://www.prayerpilgrimages.com) and/or telephoning Michael Semaan at (248) 250-6005.

### Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass?

Membership requires formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining sponsor certificates, and getting donation statements for taxes. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish. You will be included in our Guide Book and Directory if you want to be added.

### TO BECOME A MEMBER OF ST. KATERI PARISH

Please fill out this form below and submit it in the offertory, to the office, by mail, or simply call 313-336-3227.

#### NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

