

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.

Sunday, July 26, 2026

Between the Hearts with Fr. Craig



Thank you so much for my welcome reception at Sacred Heart after all the Masses. It was great to meet so many of you and learn about your personal histories and life with the parish. Sacred Heart is rich with so many stories written in people's lives. I will cherish these moments and keep them close to my heart in prayer. I look forward to my welcome reception at St. Kateri in a couple of weeks to get to know you all the more. It truly is amazing to be accepted into your lives!

We welcome Bishop Jeffery Monforton to Sacred Heart this weekend as a few parishioners will receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Monforton is a wonderful Bishop and a holy man. He was rector at the seminary during my time there and he did so much to teach us seminarians to be good pastors. If you want to know more about his vocation, and the vocation story of other priests in the archdiocese, check out my previous podcast called Men of the Hearts found wherever you get your podcasts.

Now for the new Mass times. I know this is not going to be easy for any of us. Everyone has a favorite time and place in which to attend Mass. However, I am only one priest with two parishes. I truly feel for you, and I am doing everything in my power to be as generous as possible. I chose to be with you when the Mass times change to walk with you during the transition because, as I mentioned last week, I could have had the archdiocese make the changes before my assignment began. I wanted to see you, worship with you, and get to know you before any decisions were made. For this year, the Mass changes will go into effect on the weekend of August 15th, the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. I pray that the Blessed Mother will give us peace, comfort, and understanding through this transition. I wish I could tell each of you in person, but by posting in the bulletin, everyone will receive the news at the same time. The Mass times will go as follows:

**Sacred Heart: Monday and Wednesday at 9am
Saturday at 4pm
Sunday at 8am and 10am**

**St. Kateri: Tuesday and Friday at 9am
Saturday at 4pm
Sunday at 12pm**

We can keep both Vigil Masses because a Divine Child priest will help at one parish each week. We will rotate each Saturday while I will celebrate all the Sunday Masses. With Confessions, I will hear them a half hour before every Mass both during the week and on the weekend. Whatever parish I'm at on Saturday will have Confessions an hour before Mass. Unfortunately, the Divine Child priests can't commit to Confessions before the Saturday Mass, so that will rotate every week with me as well. However, with Confession before every Mass otherwise, you have plenty of options to receive that Sacrament. Also, one can always make an appointment for a private Confession. Lastly, Baptisms will take place after the 4pm Mass at each parish. All this information will be posted in our bulletins, social media, and websites. We still have about a month before this goes into effect to allow us time to get used to the idea. Also, I know that the Tuesday evening Mass at St. Kateri is dear to some people, but it is not feasible with my schedule as most meetings take place in the evening, especially now that I'm the Moderator. I am willing to do Adoration and Perpetual Help devotions after the 9am Mass on Tuesday until noon if that is desirable.

Change is never easy and emotions will run high at times. It is OK, we all feel that way. We are allowed to have feelings and have grief over losing the comfortability of routines and familiarity. However, I know the Lord has something good in store for all of us. In a sense, the archdiocesan restructuring came to us a year early instead of next year with everyone else. I truly believe this will make us grow in Faith, Hope, and Love if we do this together with a generous heart. We can share our parishes, our lives, and our prayer for the greater good of all involved. When next year comes, we will be in a better position to form pastorates that make sense and work seamlessly between the parishes grouped together. I invite us to pray for one another, be kind to one another, give the benefit of the doubt to one another, and to be another Christ to one another. May our hearts be enveloped into the Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart of Mary, with St. Kateri giving us the model of patient humility and surrender to His Love. I will never stop praying for you. In Christ, Fr. Craig

OCIA

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 August 24th from 7:15pm - 8:45pm, culminating with the Easter Vigil Mass, March 27th, 2027.

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

JOIN US TO WELCOME OUR NEW PASTOR FR. CRAIG GIERA

A TIME TO CELEBRATE,
CONNECT AND
WELCOME OUR NEW SHEPHERD

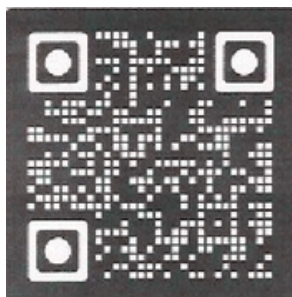
**AUGUST 8TH AND 9TH
AFTER ALL MASSES**

**Come share in this joyful and
blessed occasion.**

FROM OUR PASTOR

The archdiocese will never understand St. Kateri completely without your input and voice. I know you all are very passionate about our parish, let that guide your answers. Decisions have not been made, there is time for change to happen, but if you don't speak and share your feedback they will never know. If you have a hard time with computers, or if it feels like a lot to handle, just call the parish and we will submit that information with you while you are on the phone. St. Kateri needs to have as much participation in this as possible as nothing is set in stone. Planning areas, Mass times, and the like can all change, so it is not enough to sit this one out. Please take the time and make your voice heard!

ARCHDIOCESAN RESTRUCTURING SURVEY-LAST CHANCE



Use your phone camera to scan the above QR code. It will automatically take you to the area to begin your survey.

Give Your Feedback

The post-listening session survey provides every member of the Faithful an opportunity to share feedback on the proposed models in their own words. Your feedback will provide valuable insight that informs the next phase of the restructuring process. The survey should take you no more than 20 minutes to complete and will remain open until **July 31, 2026**. Review your planning area videos and take the survey here:

restructuring.aod.org/planning-areas

Prayer Requests

Alyssa Atkinson
Fran Bernard
Rusty Burrell
John Cassar
Phil Ciavaglia
Anthony Cinzori
Wanda Darcangelo
Bob De Santis

Rachel Esper
Esther Fonesca
Richard Fron
Laura Grant
Marie Grant
Delphine Gray
Don Holton
Emily Hudson

Fr. Terry Kerner
Gloria Koss
Stanley Kozlowicz
Hanna Kruemmer
Lorraine Kwiecinski
Jon LePage
Maryann Mountain
Anne Munir

Carol Natkowski
Cynthia Nepjuk
Lori O'Leary
Michael Owen
Bretton Pierce
Judy Pinckes
Charlie Powell
Albert Sanson

Anna Sanson
Barbara Schechter
Jennie Siwik
Richard Sudek
Joseph Winslow, Sr.
Judith York
Eugene Zafferani
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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

TO AUGUST'S SUPER SENIORS (80 AND OVER)

Judith Baran, Patricia Bill, Mario Borg,
Edward Burnock, Jim Burns, John Cassar,
Thomas Cataldo, Violet DallaVecchia,
Josephine Demps, Clelia DeSantis,
Rose Driessen, Betty Jackson,
arbara McNeil, Albert Miscavage,
Emily Nalli, Edward Pickarski, JoAnn Pickarski,
Neva Schneider, and Gloria Serazio

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

VIRTUES, EXPLAINED! – CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

Hospitality, Explained!



When three strangers came to Abraham's tent at Mamre on a sweltering day, he rushed to offer them respite from the heat (Genesis 18:2-3). When the prophet Elisha visited Shunem, a woman set aside a

special room in her house for him, so that he would return and feel comfortable (2 Kings 4:10). These Old Testament examples show people living out the law of welcoming the sojourner (Leviticus 19:33), a law that found fulfillment in the Christian mandate to "practice hospitality" (Romans 12:13) and show "brotherly love" (Hebrews 13:1-2).

The virtue of hospitality is characterized by kindness and welcome, particularly to those who are strangers. Since the stranger, by nature, has no particular claim on our affections, the love we extend to him is true Christian love – love purely for the sake of the one "who loved us first" (1 John 4:19).

Trivia Answer: St. Patrick.

SVDP FOOD PANTRY @ St. Maria Goretti

Our needs for August

CANNED/PACKAGED

- Small Soups (no Chicken Noodle or Cream of Chicken)
- Corn
- Mixed Vegetables
- Spinach
- Diced Tomatoes
- Beef Ramen Noodles

DOLLAR STORE

- Razors
- Toothbrushes
- Shampoo

CEREAL

- Small Boxes Cheerios and Honey Nut Cheerios

NEW!

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 need empty egg cartons. A parishioner with a small farm donates eggs to our pantry.

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

CALLING ALL GOLFERS AND HACKERS



The annual Fr. Patrick O'Kelley Charity Golf Outing will be taking place on Thursday, August 13th, 2026 at Fellows Creek Golf Course in Canton. In addition to the Council's charitable actions, proceeds from the outing will directly support, ARC of Dearborn, Special Olympics of Dearborn, and the Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor.

Golf and Sponsorship opportunities are available at www.EventRegisterPro.com/event/FatherPatrick.

PASTOR

Rev. Craig Giera

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

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Welcome

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



GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Around the time that the gold rushes ended in the nineteenth-century West, a curious phenomenon arose in New England known as money diggers. These were men who roamed the countryside with shovels,

divining rods, and superstitious hope, convinced that treasure lay buried beneath their feet. Surely there must be gold under our feet. But there was not. The craze of these wild goose chases caused many to lose farms, families, and sanity.

In this week's Gospel, Jesus inaugurates a new era of spiritual money digging. He announces, "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field." He invites us to become treasure seekers who search in the right place. What is of greatest value is not money beneath our feet, but the infinite treasure hidden deep in the humanity of Jesus himself, God's own blessed life. The glory of heaven lies veiled in his ordinary life, his teaching, his suffering, his Church.

This teaching about the Kingdom changes things. Now we see the Church's doctrinal and moral teachings are not arbitrary rules. They are a treasure map. Follow them, and we will uncover divine happiness. Ignore them, and we will wander aimlessly, spade in hand, digging in empty fields, discouraged.

Where have we wasted energy seeking treasure in the wrong places? How have we given up on seeking the treasure of truly finding God's love for us? If so, let us repent of both. Then let us dust off our shovels and get back to digging deep into the field of Christ Jesus and his Church. After all, He never ceases seeking his treasure in us. — Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Christ compares the kingdom of Heaven to buried treasure — the find of a lifetime, one you would risk everything to keep. Are we doing all we can to hold onto this treasure that we have been lucky enough to discover? What is Heaven worth to us?

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading Question

The Lord grants Solomon's request to give him a wise and discerning heart so he can rule justly over the people of Israel. **Have you ever had a wish come true?**

2nd Reading Question

Paul speaks of God working with believers according to his purposes. **How would you describe your purpose or passion in life?**

Gospel Question

Jesus often speaks in parables about the kingdom of Heaven that invite you to imagine how God works in the world. **Where do you see God at work in your family?**

Blessing for Our Parish

Dear God,
Pour Your blessing upon our parish,
in need of Your renewal and
inspiration.
Prune the places that need pruning,
and pour fresh grace and courage
into our midst.
Help us to find You and, with great
joy, follow You wholeheartedly.
Amen.

Lector Schedule



Weekend of August 1/2

Saturday, Aug 1, 4:00 PM
Therese Terns

Sunday, Aug 2, 9:00 AM
Margaret Skora

Sunday, Aug 2, 11:00 AM
Teri Siaczka

Mass INTENTIONS

Tuesday, July 28th

6:40 PM

Jacob Watts (by Irene Watts)

Wednesday, July 29th

Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

9:00 AM

Joseph Pulford (by Family)

Deceased Members of the Syrian
Family (by Family)

Thursday, July 30th

*St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church*

9:00 AM

William Johns (by Family)

Mary Lajza (by Family)

Friday, July 31st

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

9:00 AM

Bessie Zuzga (by Family)

Saturday, August 1st

*St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church*

4:00 PM

Juan & Maria Benitez

(by Mary Meyer)

Benjamin & Maria Esquivel

(by Family)

Jim Uniewski (by Carol Uniewski)

Fr. Ed Zemelko

(by Esquivel Family)

Sunday, August 2nd

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM

Phil Isgro (by Family)

Paul Sullivan (by Kathy)

Angelo Sultana

(by Joe & Thao Attard)

Mary Suter (by Zell Family)

11:00 AM

Nancy & Ronald Caretti

(by Maria Caretti)

Vera Ciavaglia (by Family)

Arduino DeAngelis (by Family)



Stewardship Report

WEEK ENDING	Jul 19	YEAR TO DATE
OFFERTORY	\$ 5,526.00	\$ 15,807.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$ <u>1,231.65</u>	\$ <u>3,918.40</u>
ACTUAL	\$ 6,757.65	\$ 19,725.40
BUDGET	\$ <u>6,000.00</u>	\$ <u>18,000.00</u>
VARIANCE	\$ 757.65	\$ 1,725.40



ST. KATERI PARISH GIFT & BOOK SHOP

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

Open before and after
weekend Masses.
Come in and browse.

Proceeds go to the Parish
and Red Cloud Indian School.



DO NOT
PRAY FOR
EASY
LIVES;
PRAY TO BE
STRONGER
PEOPLE

Blessed Fr. Solanus Casey

Pray for us!



I Am Thankful For:

- The mess to clean up after a party because it means I have been surrounded by friends.
- The taxes I pay because it means I am employed.
- The lawn that needs mowing, windows that need washing, and gutters that need cleaning because it means I have a home.
- Complaining about the government because it means we have freedom of speech.
- My large heating bill because it means I am warm.
- The lady in church who sings off key because it means that I can hear.
- The alarm that goes off in the morning because it means I am alive.
- The spot at the end of the parking lot because it means I can walk.
- Weariness and aching muscles at the end of the day because it means I have been productive

TRIVIA JUST FOR FUN!

Question: Who is considered the founding father of the Catholic Church in Ireland?

Answer on Page 3

Readings for the Week

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



TO BECOME A MEMBER OF OUR PARISH FAMILY

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



NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY & ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

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