

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, August 23, 2026

Between the Hearts with Fr. Craig



We have successfully made it through our first week with the new schedule! I was happy to see that each Mass was filled with a good number of people. Some of you expressed your intent on seeing if the early Mass at Sacred Heart would work better for your family while others thought the 12PM Mass at St. Kateri would fit their schedule well. Let us continue to be welcoming to each other as we blend in many ways.

We thank and pray for the many priests that have been helping us out throughout the months. We will still continue to count on them to help with Mass coverage and other events when we have the need. Also, on a very good note, the “rummage” sale of Fr. Terry’s stuff has made over \$3,100. All of the money will be going to the Red Cloud School. Thank you all for your donations!

I know I have mentioned something about this in almost every bulletin or homily, but some people are now getting back from summer vacation and their travels abroad. We are already heavily in the midst of major change. It has come a year early for us while the rest of the archdiocese will catch up on July 1st. About 98 percent of all priests are moving to a new parish next year and there will be no one parish to one priest. Pastorates can have up to six parishes, if not more in some places, and they will all have to share priests. It is a total reset and change of how our parishes will run. I believe some of us are starting to accept this, some of us might not want to think about it, and I’m sure there are some of us that don’t believe this is going to happen. The fact is that the reality is before us and wherever we are at emotionally, know that Jesus has not left His Church. This will be a new way, similar to the first Apostles setting out to establish the Church. In fact, much is being written about how we once again are in an apostolic age, meaning that Christian life and morals no longer govern the world at large. The restructuring process we have set out on is so we can be like the first missionaries going out and proclaiming the Good News! While this can be a very trying time for us, it can also be a very exciting time as well, knowing we can be like those first Christians we hear about in the Acts of the Apostles. What mighty works we can perform for the glory of God if we just work together on our common mission of bringing the love of Jesus to others! Maybe a question we all can ask ourselves is, “How will God use me to change the world?” We need our prayer warriors with their rosaries, our missionaries on the front lines, our teachers introducing and supporting the faith, and the many other parts that make up the body of Christ.

Just a word about the Word. At Mass I mentioned that we need to be like cows! Well, more like how they eat, by chewing over and over on the Word, and then bringing it up again and again to keep chewing on its meaning. This way we can apply the Gospel to any moment of the day. The Word has power and so does our words too. May what we bring up be for the building up of others and not for tearing down. A careless word, a bit of gossip, and a misplaced comment can truly hurt all involved. May we always use our words for blessings and follow the example of Our Lady whose life, words, and deeds magnified the Lord.

In Christ, Fr. Craig

PASTOR

Rev. Craig Giera
giera.craig@aod.org

DEACON

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

ORGANIST

Kevin Jakubowicz

OFFICE STAFF

Mary Masley & Ellie Sajewski

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

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 12:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 9:00 AM

Friday: 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday and Friday 8:30 AM

Sunday 11:30 AM

Saturday,
Sep 5th, & Sep 19th at 3:00 PM
or by appointment

Lector Schedule



Weekend of August 29/30

Saturday, Aug 29, 4:00 PM
Theresa Jordan

Sunday, Aug 30, 12:00 PM
Nancy Coyne



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 Office at 313-336-3227. Deacon Tom



REGISTRATION IS NOW BEING TAKEN.

We invite parents from St. Kateri, St. Maria Goretti and St. Alphonsus-St. Clement parishes to enroll their children in the religious education classes sponsored by our Family of Parishes.

Classes will be on Mondays, from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM at St. Kateri, beginning September 14.
Call St. Kateri Office (313.336.3227) or email: info@stkateridearborn.org.

ST. KATERI PARISH GIFT & BOOK SHOP Open weekends before & after Masses



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.

A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE.

A community service.

YOUR LOVED ONE DESERVES A PLACE TO BE REMEMBERED.

For families who have chosen cremation but still have their loved one at home, we invite you to bring them to their final resting place.



NATIONAL
CREMATION
— PLACEMENT DAY —



SAVE THE DATE

**NATIONAL CREMATION
PLACEMENT DAY**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17
10:00 AM-MAIN MAUSOLEUM www.sthedwigcemetery.com



**SPACE IS LIMITED.
CONTACT US FOR
MORE INFORMATION**

ST. HEDWIG CEMETERY
23755 MILITARY RD.
DEARBORN HEIGHTS, MI
(313) 562-1900



A DAY OF
HEALING



SURROUNDED
BY OTHERS



A PLACE OF
MEMORY



A FUTURE OF
COMFORT



A LEGACY
THAT LIVES ON

Your loved one deserves a place to be remembered.

HONORING THEIR STORY. CELEBRATING THEIR LIFE. FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS.

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
Mary Hepler
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
Lily O'Brien
Michael Owen
Bretton Pierce
Judy Pinckes
Charlie Powell

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.

Comprehensive. Live. Expert Teachers.

**Cast Your Net into the Deep with
the Catholic Biblical School!**



Be ready for whatever life brings you with the Catholic Biblical School of Michigan's new classes starting this September at:

Learn more and meet instructors at an in-person **Info Night** on Wednesday, **August 26, from 7-8 pm at Divine Child, or Thursday, August 27, from 7-8 pm at St. Frances Cabrini.** Or, join a **Virtual Info Night** Sunday, August 23 or Tuesday September 1, from 8-9 pm online (cbsmich.org/infonights). Through donations, CBSM is accessible to all, with 100% of requests for financial aid granted.

Find out more at cbsmich.org or call/text 586-438-3085.

**We will have a representative from CBS visiting
our Masses this weekend.**

Our *Gift Shop* is open before
and after all
weekend Masses

Trivia Answer:

The First Council of Nicaea

**DISCOVER SCOUTING**

Cub Scout Pack 1127
Sunday, August 30, 2026 3:00pm-4:30pm
Sacred Heart School (22513 Garrison St.)



Join us in the Sacred Heart School Playground/Cafeteria to learn about Scouting and what Pack 1127 has in store for the year. We will have resources to register and a tentative schedule for the parents and yard games/activities for the Cub Scouts.

Please join us on **Aug. 30th** to learn about our pack!!

Cub Master: Josh Kugler (910) 850-6853

Committee Chair: Brent Richards zzplus3@yahoo.com



TEXT DISCOVERSCOUTING TO 517-997-8039

SVDP FOOD PANTRY @ St. Maria Goretti

Our needs for September

CANNED/PACKAGED

- Applesauce cups (6 packs)
- Boxed Mashed Potatoes
- Campbell's Chunky Soups
- Canned Chicken
- Spaghetti Noodles

CONDIMENTS

- Ketchup
- Mustard

CEREAL

- Cinnamon Toast Crunch
- Fruit Loops

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.

Diaconate Vocation Awareness

The Permanent Diaconate Office of the Archdiocese of Detroit will be hosting an in-person **Vocation Awareness Information Night** for all men who are discerning a call to the Diaconate. Wives are highly encouraged to attend.

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

Check-in: 6:30pm | Presentation: 7:00-8:30pm

Sacred Heart Major Seminary

2701 Chicago Blvd., Detroit, MI 48206

To register:

https://share.hsforms.com/1Fo_SzSUISrKoWod8qJmrYg48776

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FRIENDS WALK

Since 2008, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's annual Friends Walk has raised more than \$27 million to help neighbors in need across the country. All funds raised locally stay in our Rouge Family of Parishes community to provide assistance with food, utilities, rent, furniture, and other basic needs.

This year's Friends Walk will be held at Belle Isle State Park on Saturday, September 19. A group of Vincentians from the St. Alphonsus-St. Clement Conference will be there, and we hope you'll join us!

To register for the walk, or make a donation, please contact the St. Alphonsus-St. Clement parish office at 313-581-5218. Thank you for your generosity and support!

When you pray
be sure that you also
listen. You have
things you want to
say to GOD. But He
also has things He
wants to say to you.



GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

The first time I stood inside St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, its majesty overwhelmed me. The sheer beauty of Michelangelo's dome seemed to lift my soul right out of my body. Later, I joined the Scavi tour that winds below the basilica, down into the ancient pagan cemetery where Peter was buried. There, in the dim light and narrow passageways, I found myself looking at the bones of a murdered Jewish fisherman, his feet cut off so his crucified body could be taken down more easily.

What a paradox. Above me, the most glorious church ever built. Beneath me, the remains of a backwater fisherman. But this man dared to answer Jesus' question, "**Who do you say that I am?**" And crowning that immense dome above his tomb are the words from today's Gospel, "**You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.**"

Within you and me is the drama of the lowest and the highest. Every time we confess Christ, humbly, imperfectly, maybe even trembling, we enter that same mystery. The dust of our humanity, touched by the splendor of heaven. God's presence and our dry bones together. Humility and glory. May our lives embrace both the lowest and the highest, like that great basilica, as we profess Jesus.

— Father John Muir

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Who do you say that I am?" Jesus asks his apostles. Peter is the first to answer. He knows who Jesus is. Do we? In everything we do and everything we are, let us say together with Peter: "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading Question

For disobeying the Lord, Shebna, the master of King Hezekiah's palace, is stripped of his authority and honor, and it is given to Eliakim. **Are there people in your life or family that you honor and revere?**

2nd Reading Question

Reflecting on the unimaginable depth of God's wisdom and knowledge, Paul asks, "Who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor?" **What question do you have for the Lord?**

Gospel Question

Jesus establishes Peter as the rock upon whom he will build his church. **In what ways do you help build your church community?**

A father was approached by his small son who said, "I know the Bible!" The father replied, "What do you mean when you say you know the Bible?" The son replied, "I know what the Bible stands for!" The father said, "So what does the Bible stand for?" The son replied, "It stands for Basic Information Before Leaving Earth."



Mass INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 25th

St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

9:00 AM

William Johns (by Family)
Mary Lajza (by Family)

Friday, August 28th

St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM

Deceased Members of the
Syrian Family (by Family)
Marc Wais (by Family)
Jacob Watts (by Irene Watts)

Saturday, August 29th

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

4:00 PM

Katie Lucas
(by Sandy George)
Paul & Carmen Saliba
(by Paula & John Uicker)
For the Soul Nearest to
Heaven (by Grace Kirwan)
Jim Uniewski
(by Carol Uniewski)

Sunday, August 30th

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

12:00 PM

Edmund Wayne (by Family)

Prayer for the Pope

Dear God,

Be with Our Holy

Father in his ministry.

*Bless, anoint, and
protect him in his
comings and goings.*

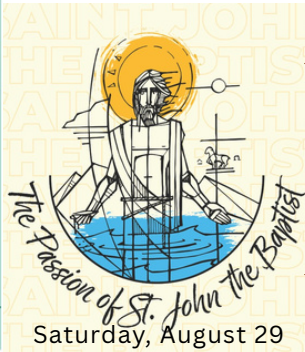
*Inspire his words,
direct his interactions,
guide his prayer.*

Amen.

Stewardship Report

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WEEK ENDING	Aug 16	YEAR TO DATE
OFFERTORY	\$ 3,690.00	\$ 33,121.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$ 1,457.10	\$ 9,068.80
ACTUAL	\$ 5,147.10	\$ 42,189.85
BUDGET	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 42,000.00
VARIANCE	\$ (852.90)	\$ 189.85
Collection for the ASSUMPTION		\$ 1,248.00



Rest In Peace

ANTHONY KURAS

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

VIRTUES, EXPLAINED! CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

VALOR

Though valor itself is not a cardinal or theological virtue, as a Latin-based word that means "strength," we associate it with the gift of fortitude. It conjures an image of fortitude on the battlefield — of fidelity to the good fight, regardless of the coming attack.



CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN



Question:

What is the name of the very first ecumenical council of the Catholic Church, held in 325 AD?

Answer: Page 3

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

Monday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday: 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mk 6:17-29

Next Sunday: Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Grandparents Day Pancake Breakfast



**Knights of
Columbus**



Hosted by: Fr. Patrick O'Kelley, Council 3860

When: Sunday, September 13, 2026

Where: St. Anselm Café Moloney
17650 W Outer Dr Dearborn Heights, MI 48127

Cost: A Free Will Offering will be collected at the door
Times: Following the 10:00 am Mass and continuing
past the 12:00 pm Mass

Menu

All you can eat Pancakes, Sausage & a Coffee, Juice, Milk & Tea

ALL are welcome!

* Bring a Grandchild to Mass, AND breakfast,
and they will receive a special gift!

Why is it so important to 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 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: _____

EMAIL: _____