

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, October 11, 2026

Between the Hearts with Fr. Craig



I'm pleased to announce that Derek Szlauer has been hired as our new full-time music minister starting next week. He is highly accomplished for his age, and I look forward to what his many gifts will bring to our Sacred Heart community. Below is his resume that I modified so as to be able to introduce him sooner than later in our bulletins:



I am a musician based in the Metro Detroit area with a lifelong dedication to piano performance. For nearly twenty years, I have studied, performed, and competed as a pianist, earning a bachelor's degree in Piano Performance. I have performed internationally in Poland, Canada, and the United States in a variety of concert halls and venues. As a classically trained pianist, I have developed a strong technical foundation that has allowed me to become well-versed in a variety of musical genres. I was trained by Dr. Robert Conway and Dr. Kazimierz Brzozowski while attending Wayne State University, and I currently con-

tinue studying piano and organ with Dr. Norah Duncan IV, Dr. Kazimierz Brzozowski, and Dr. Horst Bucholz. Throughout my education, I have participated in multiple music festivals, where I had the opportunity to work with respected faculty and perform alongside musicians from highly acclaimed institutions. My performance experience includes appearing as a featured soloist and collaborative pianist with orchestras, chamber ensembles, jazz bands, and pit orchestras for musical productions. I have also worked as an accompanist for numerous competitions and performances, allowing me to develop a strong network within the Detroit musical community.

I grew up in a Roman Catholic household, regularly attending Mass and participating in parish events. During a difficult period in my life, I questioned and eventually distanced myself from my faith. However, my experience as a camp counselor at Camp Sancta Maria during the COVID-19 pandemic became a pivotal moment in renewing my faith. With the encouragement and support of fellow counselors, many of whom were seminarians, I rediscovered my faith and developed a renewed sense of vocation and service. This experience ultimately led me to pursue church music as a way to serve others. Since then, I have served in the music ministries of several parishes throughout the archdiocese in various roles. At previous parishes, I worked to rebuild and strengthen the liturgical music programs. I had a hand in revitalizing the choir, reestablished weekly rehearsals, increased congregational participation, helped develop a children's choir and ensemble, and introduced new repertoire while respecting music familiar to the choir and congregation. With my background in piano performance, church music, and leadership, along with my deep personal commitment to the Catholic faith and liturgy, I look forward to contributing meaningfully to the worship at Sacred Heart Parish. I am especially excited about the opportunity to serve and learn from the music ministry at Sacred Heart and contribute my own experience to help further grow and enrich its liturgical music program. I see this as an opportunity to continue developing as a church musician while serving the parish community with dedication, all the while continuing to grow in my faith and relationship with God and the people I serve.

Together let us pray for Derek and do as much as possible to welcome him with open arms. I'm sure once you hear him play you will be as impressed as I was.

Just a quick note for everyone at St. Kateri. Remember we will be switching back to the Nicene Creed instead of the Apostle's Creed at the start of Advent. Even though Advent is still a bit away, it helps to get the word out early, so it is not a surprise to anyone.

In Christ,
Fr. Craig

WE ARE COLLECTING HALLOWEEN CANDY FOR THE SEMINARY.

It's that time of the year again! Halloween is just around the corner, and Sacred Heart Major Seminary needs your help. Each year the seminary community opens their doors and their hearts to over 2000 children from the surrounding Detroit neighborhood so that the kids can have a fun and safe place to play games and trick-or-treat. But they need your help to make this year a success! They are asking for donations of Halloween candy that will then be passed out to the many kids. If you are willing to participate in this important ministry by donating bags of candy please bring them to the SVDP Food boxes at the entrance of the church or to the parish office during normal business hours.



**MICHIGAN
CATHOLIC
CONFERENCE**

**Catholic voters encouraged to vote
NO on Proposal 1 this November**

Why vote NO on Proposal 1? With the nationalization of state-based politics becoming more prevalent, a constitutional convention would likely open Michigan's governing document to extensive out-of-state influence, resources, and lobbying. MCC is encouraging a NO vote on Proposal 1 to protect the state constitution from being financed and rewritten by out-of-state interests.

What to know about Proposal 2 on the ballot in Michigan

What do supporters say about Proposal 2? The proposal is needed to limit the political influence that large companies—including DTE Energy, Consumers Energy, and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan—have on public officials through their campaign contributions. The proposal will also require groups that reference a candidate or ballot issue in political ads to report their spending totals and donors to the state. Groups backing the proposal include Clean Water Action, Michigan League Of Conservation Voters, and Michigan United Action.

What do opponents say about Proposal 2? The proposal would restrict political giving and is an attack on First Amendment-protected free speech. Previous court decisions have upheld political giving as a form of free speech, including if the contributor is a business. Opponents also point out the proposal targets only the business community, and not labor unions, which also donate to political candidates. Groups such as the Michigan Chamber of Commerce are opposed to the proposal, as are individual companies such as DTE Energy, Consumers Energy, and Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Michigan.

Lector Schedule



Weekend of October 17/18

Saturday, Oct 17, 4:00 PM
Christine Leonard

Sunday, Oct 18, 12:00 PM
Robert Ciavaglia

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,
Oct 17th, & Oct 31st at 3:00 PM
or by appointment

Prayer Requests

Alyssa Atkinson	Wanda Darcangelo	Mary Hepler	Maryann Mountain	Charlie Powell
Dan Balestrieri	Frank DeMilde	Don Holton	Anne Munir	Anna Sanson
Fran Bernard	Bob De Santis	Emily Hudson	Carol Natkowski	Barbara Schechter
Rusty Burrell	Rachel Esper	Fr. Terry Kerner	Cynthia Nepjuk	Jennie Siwik
John Cassar	Esther Fonesca	Gloria Koss	Lori O'Leary	Richard Sudek
Maria Cercone	Richard Fron	Stanley Kozlowicz	Lily O'Brien	Joseph Winslow, Sr.
Phil Ciavaglia	Laura Grant	Hanna Kruemmer	Michael Owen	Judith York
Anthony Cinzori	Marie Grant	Lorraine Kwiecinski	Bretton Pierce	Eugene Zafferani
Suzanne Conrad	Delphine Gray	Jon LePage	Judy Pinckes	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.

SVDP FOOD PANTRY

@ St. Maria Goretti

Our needs for October**CANNED/PACKAGED**

- Bagged Mashed Potatoes
- Canned Beets
- Canned Tuna
- Mac & Cheese
- Rice a Roni
- Grape Jelly
- Vegetable Oil

DOLLAR STORE

- Bar Soap

The Food Pantry also accepts monetary donations.

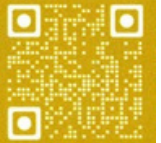
- For a cash donation, please enclose in an envelope clearly marked for the **SVDP Food Pantry**.
- For a check, make it payable to **St. Maria Goretti-SVDP** and in the memo line **FOOD PANTRY**.
- Kroger, Aldi and Dollar Tree Gift cards would be greatly appreciated.



project rachel

Peace starts here at Project Rachel Ministry

If you're struggling after an abortion (your own or someone else's) you're not alone. Project Rachel offers confidential, judgment-free support from people who truly get it. Healing is possible, and we're here to help when you're ready.

Helpline call/text: **313-237-5929**or visit **aod.org/project-rachel**email: **projectrachel@aod.org***Stewardship Report*

WEEK ENDING	Oct 4	YEAR TO DATE
OFFERTORY	\$ 4,436.00	\$ 63,192.00
ONLINE GIVING	\$ <u>1,679.80</u>	\$ <u>17,441.45</u>
ACTUAL	\$ 6,115.80	\$ 80,633.45
BUDGET	\$ <u>6,000.00</u>	\$ <u>84,000.00</u>
VARIANCE	\$ 115.80	\$ (3,366.55)

**St. Joseph's**
HELPERS

LEND A HELPING HAND!

VOLUNTEER DAY**Fall YARD 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.

MAKE A MEANINGFUL IMPACT AND STRENGTHEN YOUR TEAM THROUGH SHARED SERVICE

Volunteer opportunities are available every Saturday beginning the 1st week of October or a date of your choosing. With your help, we can ensure more homeowners receive the support they need! Thank you for considering joining us in this work!

FOR MORE INFO & TO VOLUNTEER:

800-303-5075

www.sjhelpers.org

outreach@sjhelpers.org

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

- Rake debris
- Pull Weeds
- Clean flower beds
- Pick up sticks
- Trim small bushes
- Other task

**Talk to me
before you
overthink.****-GOD-**

Trivia Answer: An alb

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**Let's worship together!**

Sacred Heart church has Adoration on Mondays after 9am Mass until 12 noon.

At present we do not have enough volunteers for Adoration at St. Kateri, so invite everyone interested to attend Sacred Heart on Monday's. (If there is a funeral mass Adoration will be canceled until the following week.)

Divine Child Church has a Perpetual Adoration chapel for those who wish to spend time with our Lord on other days.

**SCAN TO SEE
US IN ACTION!**

A note of profound thanks to each of the substitute musicians who have filled in for me over the past couple of months: Charles Miller, Roman Lizak, Deborah Frontczak, Jaden McLaury, John Orischak and Adam Morency. They are all very talented musicians. We are blessed that they are able share their talents and lead us in song and prayer.

The polka band has been extra busy this year, compared to the last few years, which is why you haven't seen me behind the St Kateri organ regularly. I am very much looking forward to my band schedule calming down a bit as the band wraps up the "festival season".

Thank you for welcoming the musicians! They all love it here and comment to me of your joyful singing and enthusiastic participation at Mass!

Blessings, Kevin Jakubowicz

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

How do I bring God into the work of my daily life?

Whatever your daily work, you have an opportunity to encounter God and to follow His commandments in love. In the New Testament, we see that most of the Apostles didn't have a previous religious position. They were fishermen, tax collectors, and political activists. St. Paul was a tentmaker. Among the saints, we have doctors, lawyers, farmers, and stay-at-home moms. No matter your daily tasks, God can be present there!

One way concerns behavior. Start with an examination of conscience. Look at areas where you tend to struggle to imitate Christ at work. Do you gossip? Does brimming frustration become impatience at home? Pick one sin you struggle with, then choose a virtue to strengthen that area. If you tend to speak poorly of your co-workers, resolve to stop and to say one kind thing a day instead.

Another way relates to perspective, particularly your perspective of others. Jesus' incarnation reminds us of the value of every human being. Jesus is God, and each of us is created in God's image. When you encounter another person, you have an opportunity to see God in a new place and a new way — in that person in front of you. Genuinely listen to them and be present to their concerns. Loving your neighbor is loving God! Our relationship with God and the love He inspires in our hearts shouldn't remain only at church on Sunday. We can — and should — let our faith animate our lives!

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: _____

Mass INTENTIONS

Tuesday, October 13th

9:00 AM

Alan Konkel (by Family)

Joseph Pulford (by Family)

Friday, October 16th

St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

9:00 AM

For the Soul Nearest to Heaven
(by Grace Kirwan)

Dennis Stuk (by Family)

Saturday, October 17th

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

4:00 PM

Juan & Maria Benitez

(by Mary Meyer)

Chris Haddad

(by Joe & Thao Attard)

Paul & Carmen Saliba

(by Paula & John Uicker)

Deceased Friends of the Sudek

Family (by Richard & Rose Sudek)

Health & Healing for David

Symanow (by Anne Munir)

Sunday October 18th

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

12:00 PM

Sam & Connie Belzer

(by Daughter, Kim)

Ronald & Nancy Caretti

(by Maria Caretti)

Mary, Feliks & Robert Turek

(by Son/Brother)

Dorothy Zielinski (by Family)

Blessing for Our Common Home

*God, bless and protect
this beautiful earth
You have created,
the place we call home.*

*Grow Your compassion
in us, as we share
our lives in this
world, together.*

Amen.

ARCHDIOCESE OF DETROIT

Archdiocesan Restructuring



What Happens Next? Parish Modeling Refinement

Throughout August and September, all of the feedback and data received was reviewed, organized, and analyzed. The restructuring team, consultative bodies, and the Catholic Leadership Institute are now working together to evaluate that input and prepare for the next phase of the process: the refinement of the parish models.

Round 2: Parishes SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER 2026

Round one draft models will be refined with input from consultative bodies, priests, deacons, lay ministers, and the lay faithful. The refined Round two draft models will be released in October 2026 at **RESTRUCTURING.AOD.ORG**. Pastors and Key Parish Leaders will then be invited to give additional feedback. After further refinement, the final recommended models will be presented to the Archdiocesan Restructuring Commission and then to Archbishop Weisenburger for his discernment as he considers the future configuration of parishes across the Archdiocese.

Model Refinement FAQs WHAT HAPPENS IN REFINEMENT?

Once all of the feedback has been read, the Modeling Team, together with a select group of priests and lay leaders from each planning area, will gather to review the feedback for their planning area and refine the models. The work done in the refinement workshops will result in a set of Round two draft models for each planning area. In some cases, one or both models may remain the same as the Round one draft models that were shared at parish listening sessions. In other cases, one or both models may be new or revised in some way. At that time, Key Parish Leaders (KPLs) and priests at each parish will gather to review the models and share their feedback. The Round two draft models will also be published to the restructuring website at this time. We anticipate that Round two draft models will be published in October 2026.



Archbishop Weisenburger

Archbishop Weisenburger will enter a time of prayerful discernment, carefully considering the proposed parish models and the feedback received from clergy, parish leaders, and the lay faithful. After completing this discernment, he will announce the final restructuring models and priest assignments during the weekend of April 17-18, 2027.

Final Announcement APRIL 17-18, 2027

Detroit Catholic: www.detroitcatholic.com/subscribe

For additional information: restructuring.aod.org

Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours.

Yours are the eyes with which he
looks compassion on this world . . .

St. Teresa of Avila, Oct. 15th

Trivia - JUST FOR FUN

Question: What is the name of the body-length white liturgical robe priests wear during Mass?

Answer: Page 3

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54

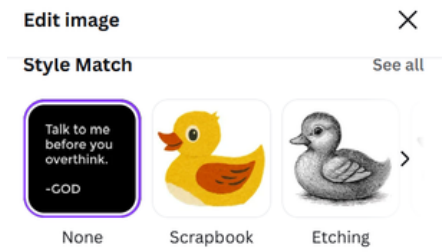
Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12

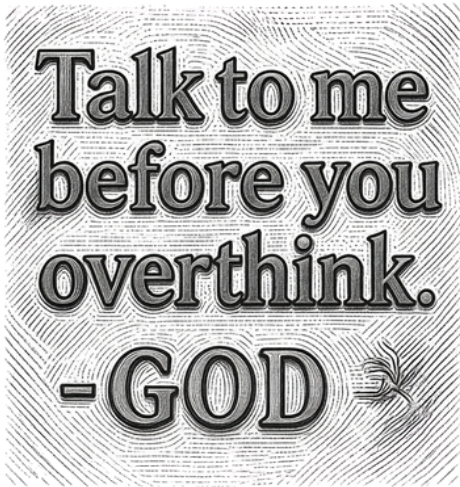
Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21



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Etching



Scrapbook