

**PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK**

If you are sick, homebound, or in the hospital and would like to receive Holy Communion or would like a pastoral visit, please contact Deacon John by leaving a detailed message at 223-8410 or calling the Parish Office at 227-1710. If you prefer, you may email Deacon John at [JBarone49@gmail.com](mailto:JBarone49@gmail.com).

**PRAYER NETWORK**

The Prayer Network is a way to have prayers requested. Your intentions may be given to Nancy Vaughn at 226-4053 or Betty Paraggio at 223-5674, to be prayed for by our "vine" of caring people.

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

The Youth Choir practices on Wednesdays from 6pm to 7:00pm; Adult Choir practices are Wednesdays from 7:30pm to 9:30pm; Contemporary Ensemble practices are Thursdays from 7pm to 9:30pm. All practices are in the church. Please contact our Music Director, Nina Ricci, at [BKMUSICMINISTRY@gmail.com](mailto:BKMUSICMINISTRY@gmail.com) for more information.

**PARENT/CHILD CONNECTION**

The Parent-Child Connection provides a safe playgroup for young children and an opportunity for adults to share their understanding of early childhood issues in an environment that promotes Catholic values. Please visit our parish website to see a complete schedule.

**T.L.C. TRI PARISH TEEN GROUP**

The teen group is a program for all the high school students in the parishes of St. Denis, St. Columba and Blessed Kateri. The program includes fun activities such as outings and trips, service activities for the parish and greater community, and opportunities to learn more about your faith.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

New parishioners are always welcome. New Parishioner Forms are available in the church narthex, at the Parish Office, or online. If you are a regular contributor, please consider becoming a member to ensure receipt of a tax statement at each year-end.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is the world's most distinguished "Friends of the Poor". The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to those in need.

**Hotline for those in need:** 227-7863

**DIRECTORY OF COMMITTEES**

- Adopt –A-Night (feeding homeless) 223-5001 Vivian LaColla
- Adult Faith Form/Bible Study 223-3658 Julie Borges
- Altar Linens 227-2807 Geraldine Natale
- Altar Rosary Society 454-1840 Betty Perrino
- Altar Servers 227-1710 Fr. Perez  
[Fr.ronald.perez@gmail.com](mailto:Fr.ronald.perez@gmail.com)
- Baking 221-2741 Lorraine Travia
- Baptismal Program 226-8987 Deacon Bob
- Bereavement Group 221-2741 Lorraine Travia  
bktbereavement@optonline.net
- Blood Drives 221-0203 Ed Hogarty
- Chapel/Church Cleaners 223-5650 Mary Covucci
- Charismatic Prayer Group 440-3519 Pat Mackey
- Church Decorators 227-1529 Cathy Varano
- Cursillo 226-5207 Tony Martino
- Ecumenical Group 223-3658 Dave Borges
- Employment Support 896-0600 Joseph Carey
- Eucharistic Adoration 223-3658 Dave Borges
- Eucharistic Ministers 592-8088 Deacon Ted
- Fund Raising 677-6496 Anthony Cirone
- Gardening/Landscaping 489-0956 John Gunn
- Hospital/Homebound Visits 223-8410 Deacon John
- Hospitality 677-6496 Andrea Cirone
- Lectors 223-8410 Deacon John
- Junior High Club 227-8382 Larry Ryan St. Denis
- Marriage Encounter 223-5661 Anne Anderson
- Men's Group 223-3658 Dave Borges
- Pancake Breakfast 223-5951 Bob & Ellen Newhard
- Parent-Child Connection 206-8220 Christina Gilroy  
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- Parish Activities  
Ed & Laura Leahy
- Prayer Shawl Ministry 223-5001 Vivian LaColla
- R.C.I.A. 227-1710 Msgr. Desmond  
bktrcia@gmail.com
- Right To Life [siestasix@frontiernet.net](mailto:siestasix@frontiernet.net)
- Single Parent Support Anne Whitton  
[mamie13383@aol.com](mailto:mamie13383@aol.com)
- Spiritual Life Marie Nazzaro
- St. Vincent de Paul 227-1710 Msgr. Desmond
- Sunday's Children's Liturgy 227-7863 Carol Grafer
- Support for Military Families 226-4053 Nancy Vaughn
- TLC Teen Group 635-3623 John & Ruth Recchia
- Ushers/Greeters 227-1710 Msgr. Desmond
- Young Adult Group/Underground No. 677-6496 Anthony Cirone
- 227-8380 Fr. Justin Cinnante  
c/o St. Columba

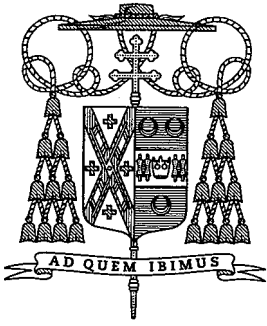
*Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha*  
Lily of the Mohawks



1656-1680  
Memorial - 14 July

*Prayer For Canonization*

*O God, who, among the many marvels of Your Grace in the New World, did cause to blossom on the banks of the Mohawk and of the St. Lawrence, the pure and tender Lily, Kateri Tekakwitha, grant we beseech You, the favor we beg through her intercession, that this Young Lover of Jesus and of His Cross may soon be counted among the Saints of Holy Mother Church, and that our hearts may be enkindled with a stronger desire to imitate her innocence and faith. Through the same Christ Our Lord, Amen*



OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP  
1011 FIRST AVENUE  
NEW YORK, NY 10022

November 15, 2010

Dear Friends in the Lord:

In the midst of this Advent season, I ask your generous support for the *annual appeal for our retired religious*.

Our retired men and women religious have dedicated their lives to serving others: nurturing the young, comforting those in need, and sharing their faith and love with all to whom they ministered. Thank the Lord, many religious continue to serve the archdiocese; yet, our older sisters and brothers are in need of our assistance in providing for their well-deserved and well-earned retirement years.

Please be as generous as you can in helping to support our retired sisters and brothers, particularly in defraying the ongoing costs of their health care, who have given so very much to all of us here in the archdiocese over the years. Your gift will be an expression of your gratitude for their dedicated service to the Lord and His Church.

With prayerful best wishes for a blessed Advent, I am,

Faithfully in Christ,

Most Reverend Timothy M. Dolan  
Archbishop of New York

## Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

## Second Sunday of Advent

### PARISH ACTIVITIES

<b>Tuesday</b> 7:15 pm	<b>December 7</b> Charismatic Prayer Group <b>Chapel</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> 10:00 am	<b>December 8</b> Bible Study <b>Faith Formation Building</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 7:00 pm	<b>December 9</b> RCIA <b>Faith Formation Building</b>
	7:00 pm Bible Study <b>Faith Formation Building</b>
<b>Sunday</b> 3-4:30 pm	<b>December 12</b> Family Catechesis: Potter Ray Boswell <b>Church and Church Meeting Room</b>
6:30 pm	TLC Meeting <b>Church Meeting Room</b>

### THE POWER OF PRAYER

If you would like to have your name or if you know someone who has given permission to have their name added to the list in the weekly bulletin, please call Nancy Vaughn at 226-4053. Names will remain on the list for two months.

#### *Please pray for those who are ill:*

*Jack Demers, Jean Edwards,  
William Grafer, Kate Madigan, Ian Pascariell,  
Patricia Todriff, Mary Trasolini*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

#### SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

**Mark Baaden, Jamie Babon,  
Michael Baibagallo, Kelly Finn,  
Angie Jablecki, Kenneth Jablecki,  
Zachery Kirchner, Brendan Recchia,  
William C. Smith, Jr., Hugh Sullivan, Jr.,  
Matthew Walsh, Ian Mackay,  
Edward Raudnael**

### PETITION OF THE WEEK

Let us pray that we never get so busy that we fail to "prepare the way of the Lord" and realize we are called to be the light of His loving presence for others.

### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

There will be a pancake breakfast this Sunday after the 9 and 10:30 am Masses. Please consider eating a great breakfast here and supporting our teens.

### RETIRED RELIGIOUS COLLECTION

The annual collection for the retired sisters and brothers of the archdiocese is scheduled for December 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

### PARISH INCOME REPORT

In-Pew Collection for November 21, 2010: \$10,143.50  
In-Pew Collection for November 22, 2009: \$13,088.00  
Last Week's In-Pew Collection: \$10,235.50  
Last Year's In-Pew Collection: \$11,539.00

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Monday</b> 9:00 am	<b>December 6</b> For All Parishioners
<b>Tuesday</b> 9:00 am	<b>December 7</b> Jason Durand By Sally Mastreani Helen Duggan By Maureen Jablecki
7:30 pm	
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 am	<b>December 8</b> <b>(Feast of the Immaculate Conception)</b> Lisa & Alberto Ruffolo By Antonia Tenuta Walter Kraus (L) By His Family
5:30 pm	
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00 am	<b>December 9</b> John & Christine Brennan By the O'Hare Family
<b>Friday</b> 9:00 am	<b>December 10</b> Thomas Galvin
<b>Saturday</b> 9:00 am	<b>December 11</b> Thomas Stinson By Joseph & Frances Mitchell Maureen Breheny By Norman & Giovina Dauerer
5:00 pm	
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 am	<b>December 12</b> Luigi Conte By Maria & Joe Rodrigues Thomas Lowery By Lillianne Lowery Stephen Kraus (L) By Mom, Dad, and Paul John Kotes By Patrick & Olga Amedeo
10:30 am	
12:15 pm	
5:30 pm	

### FAITH FORMATION

Next Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 3-4:30 pm, Ray Boswell, the "potter-theologian", will be returning for our fall Family Catechesis session. Detailed information is found elsewhere in this bulletin. Please register with our office in advance and treat your entire family to this wonderful experience! Eighth grade students wishing to help out with this event should contact Mrs. Biasotti.

Eighth grade volunteers are also needed for the semi-annual blood drive on Tuesday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2:30 – 8:30 pm. Two hour slots are available. Contact Mrs. Biasotti as soon as possible if you are interested.

Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, is a Holy Day of Obligation. All classes meeting for the B session (from 4:30-6 pm) will begin class as usual in their classrooms at 4:30 and will proceed to the church at 5:30 for the Mass. Parents should pick up their children in the church narthex at the conclusion of Mass, sometime between 6:15 and 6:30 pm.

The December Parent Newsletter is now posted on our parish website.

### R.C.I.A.

This week's topic will be on: Instructional Liturgy. All are welcome. Our website is [bit.ly/bktrcia](http://bit.ly/bktrcia).

## Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

## Second Sunday of Advent

### THE GIVING TREE

Please return gifts with their gift labels placed on them. Each gift is for a specific individual, so please return them. We ask that they be placed in the designated bins in the narthex by December 12<sup>th</sup>. If you were requested to obtain a gift card, please return that with the label in the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity in this. Several hundred gifts are provided to the needy by our parish each year.

### ADOPT A FAMILY PROGRAM – 2010

Catholic Charities Community Services serves many of the families from throughout the county who are in need. We are inviting you to “adopt” a family or individual to provide them with some basic Christmas gifts for their family that they will not be able to afford this year. If you or your family, friends or co-workers would like to Adopt-a-Family, please call the Catholic Charities office at 452-1400 x 4217 to speak with Mary Marshall or e-mail her at [mary.marshall@archny.org](mailto:mary.marshall@archny.org), or call Michelle Metelski at 452-1400 x 4905.

Gifts may be brought to the Archdiocesan Catholic Center, 218 Church Street before December 10<sup>th</sup> or, if you are unable to deliver, we will arrange for a volunteer to pick up the gifts at your convenience.

Please help us bring the hope and joy of Christmas to others in our communities.

### OPLATKI HAS ARRIVED

Polish, Slovak and Lithuanian background families have a Christmas tradition of breaking off a piece of *oplatek* (wafer) and sharing it with family and friends as an expression of blessing and forgiveness. We now have the *oplatki* available at the Blessed Kateri Parish Office. A donation to cover the cost of the *oplatki* would be greatly appreciated.

### BLOOD DRIVE

The BKT Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday, December 28<sup>th</sup> in the Church Meeting Room from 2:30-8:30 pm. Sign-ups will be held after Masses on December 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> and December 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>. Walk-ins are also welcome.

*Please Join Us for 9 am Daily Mass*

### TLC (TEENS LOVING CHRIST) GROUP

Teens are needed for serving at the pancake breakfast this weekend. The next TLC meeting will be next week, after the 5:30 Mass. The forms for the TLC Annual NYC Trip need to be returned by December 12<sup>th</sup>.

TLC will be going to the homeless shelter in Poughkeepsie on December 8<sup>th</sup> right after the 5:30 pm Mass to bring them some Christmas cheer. The teens are asking for your help in the way of donations for new wool hats, scarves, gloves, pajamas and toiletries for both men and women. We are also in need of new Christmas decorations: lights, ornaments, etc. Any donations will be greatly appreciated. Please bring your donation to church by Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> and place them in the box in the lobby marked "Hillcrest House".

Thank you for your kind generosity and spirit in helping us to bring a little cheer to those less fortunate.

### A BLESSED KATERI CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Adult Choir with organist Peter Krauss will perform a Christmas Concert in the church on Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. Admission is free! Please join us for this wonderful event. Refreshments will be served in the meeting room following the concert.

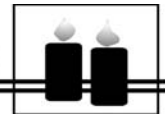
### LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC CD'S AND BROCHURES

Please don't miss out on these inspiring talks. Pick up your selections to feed your souls and answer Pope John Paul II's call for a new evangelization. We have five new titles this week. If you have any questions, contact Dusty Maiolo at (845) 590-1601.

### HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation. Masses will be at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, and 9:00 am and 5:30 pm on Wednesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Prepare the way  
of the Lord



### December 12, 2010 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
<b>5:00pm Sat</b> <b>Msgr. Desmond</b>	Kathryn Sharp	Anne Anderson, Beverly Austin, Joan Crowe	Emma Berry, Samantha Campos, Zachary Reale
<b>9:00am</b> <b>Fr. Perez</b>	Diana Schopen	Cathy Anderson, Rosealice D'Avanzo, Christopher Filachek, Virginia Fisher, Betty Paraggio	Stephen Newhard, Clare Whitton
<b>10:30am</b> <b>Msgr. Desmond</b>	Sam Varano	Andrea Ceonzo, Kathleen Jastrzembki, Debra Ann Outman, Carol Reilly, Lorraine Travia	Stephen Jastrzembki, Taylor Hickey, Ashley Miller
<b>12:15pm</b> <b>Fr. Perez</b>	Walter Kraus	Rosemary Archer, David Borges, Rita Rogers	Lauren Kirchner, Brian Kusior, Julie Sheridan
<b>5:30pm Sun</b> <b>Msgr. Desmond</b>	Bernie Zervas	Maura Lee-Byrne, Tara Izzo	Mia Foucek, Olivia Gomez

## Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

### DECORATE YOUR LIFE THIS CHRISTMAS

Clear your calendar on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, from 3-4:30 pm. and bring the whole family to a Ray Boswell's "Potter's Retreat". Ray returns to illuminate the power of God's love in our lives through the fascinating analogy of ourselves as God's clay. Watch spellbound as young and old alike begin to feel the power of God "shape us" for love and service to Him, anointing us for success. Credit will be given for Family Catechesis in grades 1-8. In addition to the weaving of Scripture into his artform, Ray will take questions, a free-will offering will be made, and a reception will follow in the church meeting room. Please call the Faith Formation Office at 845-227-1710 ext. 3 to reserve your spot; we may fill the church with this one! Also, let us know if you would like to donate juice or a baked goods toward the reception. Childcare is available, but please call ahead if needed. Bring friends and neighbors - all are welcome!

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

If you would like to donate a holiday basket for our less fortunate families, and help put a smile on their faces, please call 227-7863 and Linda will call you back. If you cannot donate a whole basket, please feel free to donate a basket with another family or a friend, or donate one or more items from the list and bring it in the day the baskets are distributed. Items that need to go into the baskets are: turkey or ham, milk, eggs, fresh vegetables, salad mix and salad dressing, sweet potatoes, white potatoes, butter, fruit, and stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, gravy, rolls, beverages, desserts, tea and coffee, and aluminum pans. Baskets must be dropped off December 19<sup>th</sup> between 10 am – 12 pm, and dispersed at 1:30 pm, after the blessing. Thank you for your generosity.

**Alternative suggestion:** If you did not receive a gift label from the Giving Tree you can assist St. Vincent DePaul Society by donating money toward *Target* gift cards already purchased. Place the money in envelopes marked St. Vincent DePaul Society, and return them to the St. Vincent DePaul basket in the narthex.

Thank you for your continued prayers and generous support. If you need to reach us or would like to become a member of SVDP, call 227-7863. The next meeting will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the Convent Meeting Room at St. Columba.

### MT. ALVERNIA RETREAT ENTER

Come join us in monthly retreat days, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 9 am to 3 pm. Donation is \$25.00 which includes breakfast and lunch. No registration is required. Call Joanna (845) 478-2055 if you have any questions. The theme is Jesus of Nazareth, "If you have seen me, you see the Father and know Him." Is the Incarnation central in my Catholic spirituality? The next monthly retreat day is scheduled for January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

## Second Sunday of Advent

### 2010 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Confessions:

Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>

4:00 pm – 4:45 pm

Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am and 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>

7:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:30 am and 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm

MASSES CHRISTMAS EVE

Friday, 4:00 pm, 6:00pm, 12:00 am

MASSES CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, and 12:15 pm

**Note: There will not be a 5 pm Saturday night Mass to satisfy the December 26<sup>th</sup> obligation.**

MASSES NEW YEAR'S DAY

Saturday, 10:00 am

**Note: When January 1<sup>st</sup> falls on a Saturday, the obligation to attend Mass is waived.**

MASSES FOR THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Saturday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00 am 10:30 am, 12:15 pm and 5:30 pm

### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

The St. Denis/St. Columba School's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Class is hosting a "Breakfast with Santa" on December 12<sup>th</sup> in the school gym. Pancakes with fresh fruit toppings, bacon, sausages, coffee, tea and orangejuice will be served from 8:00 - 11:30 am. The cost is \$5 per person or \$25 per family. Hope you will join us.

### MARY, MOTHER OF GOD AND EPIPHANY, JANUARY 1-2, 2011

Saturday, January 1, 2011 marks the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, which in 2011 is not a holy day of obligation because it falls on a Saturday. The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord follows on Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Although both are ranked at number 3 in the Table of Liturgical Days, as a Solemnity of the Lord, the Epiphany outranks the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (a Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary). Just as the Mother of God points the way and leads us to her Son, her Solemnity gives way to the Epiphany. Therefore, Mass on the evening of January 1<sup>st</sup> is the Vigil of the Epiphany, and Evening Prayer I of the Epiphany is prayed..

### ST. DENIS' ADVENT CONCERT

The "Treasure House Chorale" will be on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. Tickets are \$10.00. For more information, please call 227-8382 or stop in St. Denis rectory. Tickets are available at the doors which open at 2:30 pm.