

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.

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 Paragio 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 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.

TRI PARISH TEEN GROUP (D.U.C.K.S.)

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
Baking	221-2741 Lorraine Travia
Baptismal Program	226-8987 Deacon Bob
Blood Drives	221-0203 Ed Hogarty
Chapel/Church Cleaners	223-6650 Mary Covucci
Charismatic Prayer Group	440-3519 Pat Mackey
Church Decorators	227-1529 Cathy Varano
Cursillo	226-5207 Tony Martino
D.U.C.K.S.	223-5015 Dave & Kathy Bell
Ecumenical Group	223-3658 Dave Borges
Employment Support	231-2216 Tate Lacy
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
Parent-Child Connection	206-8220 Christina Gilroy bksocialcomm@yahoo.com
Parish Activities	Ed & Laura Leahy 227-1710 Msgr. Desmond siestasix@frontiernet.net Anne Whitton mamie13383@aol.com
R.C.I.A.	Marie Nazzaro
Right To Life	227-1710 Msgr. Desmond
Single Parent Support	227-7863 Carol Grafer
Spiritual Life	226-4053 Nancy Vaughn
St. Vincent de Paul	677-6496 Anthony Cirone
Sunday's Children's Liturgy	723-4361 Rose Morse
Ushers/Greeters	227-8380 Fr. Justin Cinnante
Vacation Bible School	c/o St. Columba
Young Adult Group/Underground No.	

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.

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

Second Sunday of Lent

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Tuesday	March 2
10:00AM	Parent-Child Connection Faith Formation Building
6:30PM	Confirmation Preparation Classes Beginning in the Church
7:00PM	R.C.I.T. Faith Formation Building <i>St. Nicholas Room</i>
7:00PM	Employment Support Group Faith Formation Building <i>St. Francis Room</i>
7:30PM	Charismatic Healing Mass Chapel
Wednesday	March 3
10:00AM	Bible Study Faith Formation Building <i>St. Paul Room</i>
7:00PM	Choir Practice Church
Thursday	March 4
7:00PM	R.C.I.A. Faith Formation Building <i>St. Paul Room</i>
7:00PM	Lenten Movie Church Meeting Room
6:30PM	Contemporary Ensemble Church
6:30PM	Confirmation Preparation Classes Beginning in the Chapel
Saturday	March 6
9:30AM	Life in the Spirit Seminar Chapel

PARISH INCOME REPORT

Last Week's Collection: \$ 12,132
Parish Pay February \$6,597
Last Year's Collection: \$ 10,148

PETITION OF THE WEEK

In today's Gospel the Father says to the Apostles, "This is my beloved Son, my Chosen One. Listen to Him." Let us pray that we, like the disciples, may recognize how good it is to be here in Jesus' presence. May we always listen to Him and proclaim His message of Love to those we encounter this week.

R.C.I.A.

This week we will be discussing the Commandments. These instructional sessions are open to all.

THE POWER OF PRAYER

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

Please pray for those who are ill

Olivia Gabriella Bellini, Richard DeLeo, Sr., Jameson Gerrity, Stephen Gleason, William Grafer, Sadie Hall, Alyssa Hoag, Joan Luna, Kate Madigan, Angela Maiorano, Christine Rao, Valerie Tatavitto

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	March 1
9:00AM	For All Parishioners
Tuesday	March 2
9:00AM	Alyssa Hoag By Family and Friends
Wednesday	March 3
9:00AM	For All Parishioners
Thursday	March 4
9:00AM	Arthur & Neil Maddox By The Maddox Family
Friday	March 5
9:00AM	For All Parishioners
Saturday	March 6
9:00AM	For All Parishioners
5:00PM	Carmelo Geraci By William & Mary Longfield
Sunday	March 7
9:00AM	Ray Starzman By Kevin & Christine Beisswenger
10:30AM	Thomas Lowery By Lillianne Lowery
12:15PM	Stephen Montone By Pat & Bill O'Hare
5:30PM	For All Parishioners

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This week the SVDP Society is in need of breakfast cereal, canned beans, paper towels and Raman soups. Our next meeting is March 10 at 7:00PM.

YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Please pray for all priests and seminarians and this week, especially for Rev. Brian E. McWeeney, St. Stanislaus Church, Pleasant Valley.

D.U.C.K.S.

There is a general meeting of the teen group tonight immediately following the 5:30PM Mass. The topic is human trafficking. Upcoming events include a trip to St. Patrick's Cathedral during Holy Week. All high school teens are welcome to attend.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

Mark Baaden, Kelly Finn, Angie Jablecki, Kenneth Jablecki, Zachery Kirchner, Brendan Recchia, William C. Smith, Jr., Hugh Sullivan, Jr., Matthew Walsh

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS
EACH MONDAY DURING LENT AT
7:00PM FOLLOWED BY CONFESSIONS
AT 7:30PM**

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Thank you to all the children and their families for their contributions to our "Helping Haiti" coffee cans placed in our classrooms. We collected \$225.39 to send to Catholic Relief Services.

Family Catechesis Registration Forms (yellow) are being distributed to all students. Each Faith Formation Family is expected to attend one session. Please return the forms directly to the office or e-mail or phone in the information requested. Our topics for the spring sessions are the Sacraments of Healing and the Sacraments of Service.

Re-registration for current families takes place in March. The forms will be ready on Monday, March 1st after 4 pm. All families wishing to switch their days or carpool with other families should obtain their forms as soon as possible and return them directly to the office with full payment.

Confirmation Prep classes continue despite the snow cancellations! All students enrolled in the Tuesday Prep classes should plan on attending for the next 4 weeks. Information regarding make-up classes for both Tuesday and Thursday students will be available this week.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday occurs this week. We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 9:00AM Mass, with benediction at 4:30PM. There is a sign-up sheet in the chapel for those who can commit to a specific hour. Also feel free to drop in even for a brief time of prayer before our Lord.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

On Tuesday, March 2nd, 7:30–9:30 PM, please join the Spirit Wind Charismatic Prayer Group in the Chapel for a Charismatic Healing Mass. We welcome you to this special time of praise and healing prayer. Come to the Lord with the belief that He wants you healed and whole in every way. For more information please call Pat or Joe @ 440-3519, or Julie or Dave @ 223-3658, or visit our link at www.blessedkateriparish.com.

LENTEN MOVIE NIGHTS

The Adult Faith Formation Team for Blessed Kateri Parish will be featuring Thursday night movies during Lent to encourage prayerful reflection on this special season of preparation for Easter. We will show **Jesus of Nazareth** in two sessions February 25th and March 4th; **Molokai** on March 11; and **The Passion of The Christ** on March 18th. We will begin at 7:00PM in the Church meeting room. Refreshments will be served.

RULES OF FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

During the penitential season of Lent, it is important to know the traditional rules of fasting and abstinence.

Fasting means eating only one full meal. Two smaller meals may be taken. Snacking is not allowed. This obliges persons 18-59. **The two major days for fasting are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Abstinence means that you do not eat meat. All the Fridays of Lent are days when we do not eat meat.** This obligation begins at age 14 and has no upper limit.

24 HOURS OF CONFESSION

Friday, March 5th through Saturday, March 6th Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Parish will participate in "24 Hours of Confession" sponsored by the Cathedral of Saint Patrick Young Adults.

CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD FROM 6:00PM to 12:00AM.



March 7, 2010 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:00pm Sat Msgr. Desmond	Kathryn Sharp	Anthony Cirone, Betty Paraggio, Jim Werber	Richard Coffin, Olivia Gomez, Mary Ellen Smyth
9:00am Fr. Perez	Frank Bergman	Sarah Filachek, Diane Maddock, Stephen Ren, Christine Ryan, Shirley Sullivan	Kristen Cain, Stephen Newhard, Clare Whitton
10:30am Msgr. Desmond	Girl Scout Sunday Marguerite Stein	Virginia Fisher, Maryanne Johnson, Debra Ann Outman, John McCormack, Robert Young	Lauren Kirchner, Charlie Serino, Adel Santa Teresa
12:15pm Msgr. Desmond	Mary Ellen McCue	Keith McCartney, Carol Reilly, Beverly Austin	Damiano Alessandro, Ciaran Bruen, Emily Silva
5:30pm Sun Fr. Perez	Carl Garofolo	Lisa Davis, Cathy Anderson	Brianna Bayreuther, Brian Kusior, Courtney Meester

BLESSED KATERI BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a blood drive on March 10th in the Church Meeting Room from 2:30-8:30PM. Sign-ups will take place after Masses on February 27th & 28th and March 6th & 7th.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION MEETING

There is a Eucharistic Adoration Core Group Meeting on March 10th at 8:30PM in the Faith Formation Building, St. Paul's room. If you would like to be a member of this group to expand on the hours of Adoration and enhance knowledge of the Blessed Sacrament, please attend this meeting. For further information please call Dave @ 223-3658.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

Are you looking for a preschool for your 3- or 4-year-old? St. Joseph School in Millbrook has an Open House scheduled for Sunday, March 7th from 11:00AM-2:00PM. We offer flexible schedules and reasonable rates. Call 677-3670 for further information.

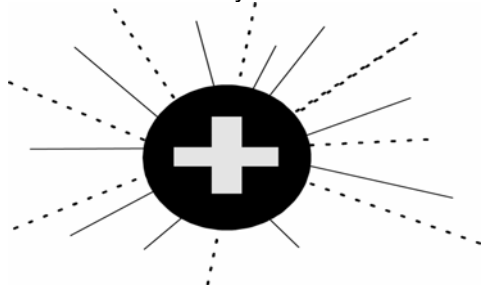
YOUTH CHOIR PIE FUNDRAISER

The Blessed Kateri Youth Choir is having an Easter pie fundraiser. Please support our Youth Choir by ordering a delicious pie. They are a bargain at just \$10 each and will be delivered frozen on Friday, March 26th for pick up at the Church Meeting Room. You will have them just in time for Easter! They are sure to please your holiday guests! Please use the order form and return it to the parish offices via the collection basket with your payment enclosed. Deadline for orders is March 17th.

<i>Blessed Kateri Youth Choir - Pie Fundraiser</i>	
Name: _____	Phone: _____
Pumpkin Cream: _____ Coconut	
Cream: _____ Apple: _____ KeyLime: _____ Blueberry Lattice: _____	
<i>Please enter # of pies ordering next to choice and enclose your payment of \$10 per pie.</i>	
<i>Make checks payable to Blessed Kateri Church</i>	

CURSILLO

There will be two Cursillo Retreat weekends at Mt. Alvernia, March 11th-14th for men and April 8th-11th for women. For more information contact Terry Fisher @ 297-4711.



EASTER FOOD BASKET APPEAL

Easter is approaching and it is time once again to ask for Easter baskets for our less fortunate families.

If you can't donate a complete basket, please consider donating one or more of the following items: milk, eggs, fresh vegetables, salad mix, salad dressing, cranberry sauce, gravy, or a ham or turkey. If you can help, please call Linda @ 227-7863. Easter candy is also requested. It can be dropped off in the room on the left in the St. Columba Church vestibule. Jelly beans, peeps, chocolate bunnies and eggs are all appreciated! Basket drop off is on Palm Sunday between 10:00AM and noon at St. Columba Church. Baskets will be distributed at 1:30PM following the blessing.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

A Catholic Men's Conference hosted by the Archdiocese of Newark and the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal is being held on Saturday, March 13th from 8:00AM-5:00PM at Seton Hall University, South Orange, New Jersey. With dynamic presentations by Fr. Benedict Groeschel, and others, and music by the Catholic Underground, it promises to be a life-changing event. Tickets (includes breakfast and lunch) are \$20 for men (ages 24-64), \$15 (ages 14-23 and 65+). Any men interested in attending can reserve a seat @ www.rcan.org/menscommission. For car pooling information call Rick Nuzzo at 876-0663.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

ARE YOU THIRSTY FOR MORE? Consider a rich new life in the Holy Spirit in this Lenten Season. On Saturday, March 6th (Part 1) and 13th (Part 2), 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM, please join the Spirit Wind Charismatic Prayer Group in the Chapel and Meeting Room (Faith Formation Building on March 13) for music, worship, fellowship, and exploration of holiness toward a deeper spirituality as we journey toward Easter. There is no fee. Please register no later than March 1, 2010 by completing a registration form available in the church narthex. For more information, please call Pat or Joe @440-3519, or Dave or Julie @223-3658. Visit our link on www.blessedkateriparish.com.

THANK YOU FROM ADOPT-A-NIGHT

Our parish participated in the Adopt-A-Night program on January 30th. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to make an evening of feeding the homeless a huge success. Special thanks to Girl Scout Troop 426 for desserts, and to Fr. Perez for his culinary talents serving 52 homeless adults. Our next scheduled night is Saturday, May 29th. If you would like to help contact Vivian LaColla @223-5001 or LACOLLA@FRONTIERNET.NET.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS
HIS WORD TODAY *by Rev. William J. Reilly*

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
February 28, 2010

“Join with others in being imitators of me, brothers and sisters, and observe those who conduct themselves according to the model you have in us... But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ... Therefore my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and my crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord.”

We are not alone as we make our Lenten walk; we are joined by countless others. Just as the three apostles ascended Tabor with the Lord, so Paul and those I see in church, accompany me during these special, holy days. We know that any arduous task is eased when we have others to lead us, accompany us or even cheer us on. (A friend used this expression as her mother closed her eyes in death and she gave her over to the Lord.)

When Paul wrote to the Philippians today, he invited us to walk with him. He offered himself as a model. Every year cars or appliances make some change as a new model is produced. Today is our day to use Paul as the model, walking, and learning, proclaiming and learning. We might hesitate, but remember where and when he encountered the Lord. He certainly was not looking for Him, or expecting to discover Him. Following his meeting on the road, he was totally changed, except that his zeal and enthusiasm was directed to the Lord and not against him.

May we respond to his invitation and with the same fervor, walk with him fully aware, to discover our Savior in this new week of lent. May we live as to invite others to allow us to be models for them. Remember that Paul's letter was meant to cheer them on.

God
is my Light

