

## 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.

## 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 <a href="mailto:Fr.ronald.perez@gmail.com">Fr.ronald.perez@gmail.com</a>
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
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
Parish Activities	<a href="mailto:bksocialcomm@yahoo.com">bksocialcomm@yahoo.com</a> Ed & Laura Leahy
R.C.I.A.	227-1710 Msgr. Desmond
Right To Life	<a href="mailto:siestasix@frontiernet.net">siestasix@frontiernet.net</a> Anne Whitton
Single Parent Support	<a href="mailto:mamie13383@aol.com">mamie13383@aol.com</a> Marie Nazzaro
Spiritual Life	227-1710 Msgr. Desmond
St. Vincent de Paul	227-7863 Carol Grafer
Sunday's Children's Liturgy	226-4053 Nancy Vaughn
Ushers/Greeters	677-6496 Anthony Cirone
Vacation Bible School	723-4361 Rose Morse
Young Adult Group/Underground No.	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.*

## Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

### PARISH ACTIVITIES

**Tuesday** April 27  
10:00AM Parent-Child Connection  
**Faith Formation Building**  
7:00PM R.C.I.T.  
**Faith Formation Building**  
*St. Nicholas Room*  
7:00PM Employment Support Group  
**Faith Formation Building**  
*St. Francis Room*

**Wednesday** April 28  
10:00AM Bible Study  
**Faith Formation Building**  
*St. Paul Room*  
7:00PM Choir Practice  
**Church**

**Thursday** April 29  
6:30PM Contemporary Ensemble  
**Church**  
7:00PM R.C.I.A.  
**Faith Formation Building**  
*St. Paul Room*  
7:00PM Bereavement Group  
**Chapel**  
7:00PM Special Activities Committee  
**Faith Formation Building**  
*St. Patrick Room*

### PARISH INCOME REPORT

Last Week's Collection: \$ 9,771  
Parish Pay for April \$12,621

### PETITION OF THE WEEK

Jesus says in today's Gospel: "My sheep hear my voice. I know them and they follow me." Let us pray that all of us, especially those recently received into our church and our young people preparing for Confirmation, may always be attentive to the voice of Jesus and Follow Him. We also pray for those who have wandered away and feel that Jesus doesn't love them anymore.

### 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, Patrick Benizio,  
William Grafer, Sadie Hall, Alyssa Hoag, Joan Luna,  
Kate Madigan, Christine Rao*

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This week the SVDP Society is in need of canned fruit, mustard and crackers. The next meeting is May 12<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM in the St. Columba Convent Meeting Room. If you need to reach us, or would like to volunteer, call 227-7863.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday** **April 26**  
9:00AM For All Parishioners

**Tuesday** **April 27**  
9:00AM Donato Traditi, Sr. &  
Donato Traditi, Jr.  
By The Traditi Family

**Wednesday** **April 28**  
9:00AM Christine & John Brennan  
By The O'Hare Family

**Thursday** **April 29**  
9:00AM Andrew Bartoes  
Deacon Bob & Judy Horton

**Friday** **April 30**  
9:00AM Robert Yohe  
Annmarie Baker

**Saturday** **May 1**  
9:00AM  
11:00AM First Communion  
1:00PM First Communion  
5:00PM Kathleen Lugo  
By Mary G. & Leonard Ackley

**Sunday** **May 2**  
9:00AM Joseph Spor  
By Terri & Don Bissonette & Family  
10:30AM Theresa & Frederick Searles  
By Lillianne Lowery  
12:15PM Michael J. Amedeo  
By The Kotes Family  
5:30PM

### D.U.C.K.S.

The teen group will hold a general meeting, **today**, April 25th. Come see why this group is growing each month. Activities to discuss and plan: the 8th grade BBQ, a teen retreat, and the second annual camping trip.

### 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**

### YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Please pray for all priests and seminarians and this week, especially for Rev. Vincent Paul, St. John the Evangelist Church, Pawling.



### MARRIAGE BANNS

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*Chrystal Venendia & Leonard Fugaro  
Genny Azcona & Victor Paolo*

## Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

### FAITH FORMATION NEWS

We are so grateful to all the presenters, escorts, visiting priests and bakers who helped with our Confirmation Retreat last Monday, when 103 of our candidates learned about the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Please keep all of these young adults in your prayers as they make final preparations for this last Sacrament of Initiation.

Let's also pray for our 150 children who will be receiving First Holy Communion on Saturday, May 1st and at weekend Masses during the first few weeks of May. Rehearsal for the Saturday, May 1st, 11 am Mass will be on Monday, April 26th 4:30-6 pm. Rehearsal for the Saturday, May 1st, 1 pm Mass will be on Wednesday, April 28th, 4:30-6 pm. Children receiving First Holy Communion during weekend Masses should not attend rehearsals, but, instead, should arrive 30 minutes early for the Mass they selected.

Faith Formation at our parish begins in first grade. Parishioners who have children entering first grade, along with families new to the area and just joining our parish, should register their children in our program on Wednesday, May 26th, 10 am-1 pm and 5-7 pm. Parents are asked to bring with them copies of their children's Baptismal Certificates and proof of prior religious education, if applicable.

### SEPARATED/DIVORCED

#### ROMAN CATHOLIC SUPPORT GROUP

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Mill St., Poughkeepsie hosts a support group for those who have experienced a loss of rejection through separation or divorce. This is an evening dedicated for friends sharing with friends, not a professional therapy group. Next meeting: May 5<sup>th</sup>. Call Cathy @ 546-0268 for more information.

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

### ST. DENIS/ST. COLUMBA CARD PARTY

The Card Party is an evening of raffles that is attended by over 400 guests. Mike Bennett of WHUD will be back again this year as our Master of Ceremonies. This year's event will take place on Friday May 14<sup>th</sup>. The theme is "A Salute to American Moms". Doors will open at 6:30PM. Tickets are \$12 each and include soda, coffee, tea and dessert. You are welcome to bring snacks and drinks to share with your table. If you would like to contribute to the event – your gift of goods, services, gift cards or monetary donations would be greatly appreciated as it ensures the success of this event. To purchase tickets or to make a donation, please contact Gina Pennacchio at 592-2375 or you can mail your check to: St. Denis-St. Columba School, attn: Card Party Tickets, PO Box 368, Hopewell Jct. NY 12533. Please include a phone number where you can be reached. It is a good idea if one person can order for a large group.

### OLL BUTTERFLY RELEASE

Our Lady of Lourdes High School is planning a butterfly release in conjunction with a Mass and Communion Breakfast which will be held at the school on May 2nd. If you are interested in purchasing a butterfly in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please contact Mary Ellen Byrne of the Parent Organization at 337-3860 or check the parent section of the school website @ ollchs.org. The cost of a butterfly is \$10. If you are interested in attending the Communion Breakfast, please contact Christine Kolosky at 463-0440 to make reservations.

### REGISTRATION FOR VBS

Registration for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Vacation Bible School will be held May 2<sup>nd</sup> through May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please be sure to get your form in the Narthex. This year's theme is: *Parachute with the Angels*.

### May 2, 2010 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
<b>5:00pm Sat</b> <b>Msgr. Desmond</b>	Mary Ellen Coleman	Roseanne Desjardins, Patricia Dunn, James Werber	Vaughn Feighan, Timmy Desjardins, Olivia Gomez
<b>9:00am</b> <b>Fr. Perez</b>	Frank Bergman	Christopher Filachek, John McCormack, Betty Paraggio, Peggy Ren, Stephen Ren	Lauren Kirchner, Adel Santa Teresa, Clare Whitton
<b>10:30am</b> <b>Msgr. Desmond</b>	Carl Garofolo	Andrea Ceonzo, Virginia Fisher, Maryanne Johnson, Kathleen Jastrzembki, Geraldine Natale	Emma Berry, Brad Fisher, Stephen Jastrzembki
<b>12:15pm</b> <b>Msgr. Desmond</b>	Norma Kraus	Rosemary Archer, Rose Morse, Shirley Sullivan	Michael Marma, Emily Silva, Mary Ellen Smyth
<b>5:30pm Sun</b> <b>Fr. Perez</b>	Michael Morrow	Tara Izzo, Keith McCartney, Rosealice D'Avanzo	Brian Kusior, Patricia McKinney, Olivia Anne Vales

## Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The first session of the Bereavement Support Group will be on Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM in the Blessed Kateri Chapel. For more information contact Lorraine Travia @ 221-2741. You may also e-mail [bktbereavement@optonline.net](mailto:bktbereavement@optonline.net).

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

### CONNECTING WITH ALUMNI

St. Denis/St. Columba School is blessed to be one of more than 300 schools, across seven arch/dioceses, participating in the Catholic Alumni Partnership (CAP). CAP is a groundbreaking program that will enable us to reconnect with and re-engage our alumni for ongoing support. In the Archdiocese of New York, we are one of 51 schools participating in this pilot program. Sr. Anne Daniel, principal of the school, has been working closely with CAP staff to identify alumni and to assist in creating opportunities for those individuals to become active members of our school community. CAP is a privately funded initiative to support Catholic elementary schools by implementing strong, sustainable fundraising programs for each participating school, with alumni support as the foundation.

In a recent issue of *Catholic New York*, Dr. Timothy McNiff, Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese of New York said: "The seven archdioceses and dioceses participating in CAP are appreciative of this new and innovative opportunity to help our Catholic elementary schools meet the increasing financial demands they encounter. By providing the resources for schools to reconnect with their graduates, our schools will be better positioned to establish an ongoing relationship with their alumni. In return, I am confident those graduates will embrace their former school community that provided a foundation of life success for them. They will be helping to ensure that foundation will be present for other young people." St. Denis/St. Columba School has received nearly \$4000 in donations thus far and I am confident that we will continue to be successful as the venture moves forward. God bless all our alumni who have so generously supported this effort. Your school needs you today more than ever!

### PROTECTING YOUR JOB IN A DOWN ECONOMY

**SAVE THE DATE: TUESDAY, MAY 4, 7-9 PM**

The employment Support Group has been working with many parishioners to assist them in finding new jobs. Through our work we have heard that many are worried about losing their current jobs. We have developed a special seminar on ways to protect yourself from layoffs or firings. At this 2 hour seminar you will learn what drives layoff or firing decisions in companies. You will also learn techniques to improve your chances, as well as your legal rights as an employee. In this economy job losses are real. Protect yourself. Confidential personal instruction is available for those who want it (not required). Maximum 25 people for this session. Space is limited. RSVP via e-mail to Joseph Carey @ [attorneycarey@optonline.net](mailto:attorneycarey@optonline.net), or call Tate Lacey @ 418-1881 with any specific questions you would like covered.

### MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

There will be a special blessing at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> for all expectant mothers of the parish. Whether you are preparing for a birth, or for an adoption, please join us at this Mass where you will receive a blessing for the role you are undertaking.

### THANK YOU FROM THE YOUTH CHOIR

The Youth Choir would like to thank the parish for their prayers and support for their participation in the Pueri Cantores Festival on April 17<sup>th</sup>. The music was truly beautiful and the Youth Choir had a wonderful experience. Our gratitude goes to our chaperones: Sheila Dickenson, Lisa Coniglio, Juliana Brown, Jackie Smith, Karlyn Smith, Lisa Marie Bologna, Dina McDevitt and Roseann Blum. Also, a very special thank you to Fr. Ronald Perez for concelebrating the mass at St. Ignatius Loyola and for supporting our Youth Choir. May our music always be a joyful noise unto the Lord!



### 50<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY COUPLES

Couples celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2010 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Jubilee Mass with Archbishop Dolan at the Cathedral of St. Patrick on Father's Day, Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00PM. Pre-registration is required. Contact the parish office for registration. The closing date to register for the Mass is May 21st. This event is sponsored by the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

### CELEBRATIONS FOR SILVER AND GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY COUPLES

Couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversaries anytime during 2010 are invited to share a special Mass with us in their honor here in our parish on Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30am. Their families and friends are welcome to come. Please call the parish office with your name and phone number, and let us guess which color you deserve!

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

“It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, but since you reject it and condemn yourselves as unworthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, ‘I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.’ The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this, and glorified the name of the Lord.”

When children pause to play, they create their own set of rules; it is not rare to have one say ‘you must do this’ or ‘you must do that.’ The words of the two apostles to the Gentiles reflect a similar style and instruction.

Paul and Barnabas attended their Jewish worship services on consecutive Sabbaths. Knowing their friends, they urged them to remain faithful to their calling. When disagreement arose, they both challenged their dissenters, accusing them of rejecting the Word of God and the gift of eternal life. Attention now will be directed to the Gentiles. There are only two options – accept or reject.

Rereading this text I ask myself about my acceptance of the Word of God. Do I pick and choose what appeals to me and turn away from the challenges? Do I seek the gift of eternal life that Jesus won for me? As I listen to the Word of God, do I see it as a means, an instrument for salvation?

How important for me to be delighted by the message of this pair of evangelizers as they direct the Word of God to me.



**HIS WORD TODAY**

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON  
THE SUNDAY READINGS