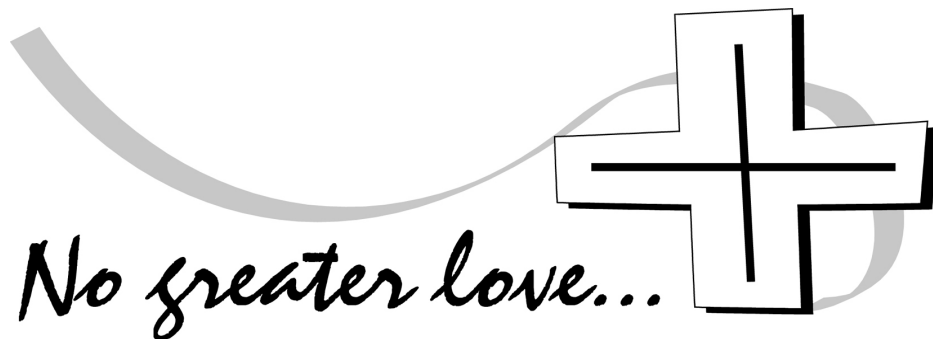


May 21st we will celebrate the Feast of the
Ascension of the Lord.

Masses for this Holy Day of Obligation will be on
Wednesday, May 20th at 7:30pm
and on Thursday, May 21st, at 9am and 5:30pm.



Congratulations to all those receiving
Confirmation this year. The DUCKS (St.
Denis Unites with St. Columba and Blessed
Kateri) Teen Group invites you to a barbecue to
be held in your honor after the 5:30pm Mass on
Pentecost Sunday, May 31st.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

New family registration for Fall 2009 classes will take place in the Faith Formation Center on Thursday, May 21st, 10am-1pm and 5-7pm. Our program begins with first grade. Please bring your child's Baptismal Certificate and proof of prior religious education where applicable (if your child is older and you are just moving into our parish).

Classes are now over for the Tuesday and Wednesday students. Monday classes end on May 18th. Please remember to check in the office about your child's placement into fall classes. Written notices will not be sent home until late August.

Confirmation rehearsals take place this week on Tuesday and Wednesday, 4:30-6pm. Candidates should be prompt and bring either their sponsor or a parent to act as sponsor during the rehearsal.

We congratulate our young parishioner Joan Noelle Stein on receiving her First Holy Communion with her second grade class from the Bishop Dunn Memorial School in Newburgh on May 9th. This brings to 101 the number of children who now join us at the Lord's Table for Eucharist each weekend.

OUR FIRST MAY CROWNING OF MARY

This weekend, after the 10:30 am Mass, all of our First Holy Communicants are invited to process from the main church into the narthex to crown the statue of Our Lady with a wreath of flowers donated by the Altar Rosary Society. Msgr. Desmond will lead them in reciting the Litany for Mary and they will sing *Immaculate Mary* in honor of the Mother of God. We would love to see all the children wearing their First Holy Communion attire.

INTERFAITH MUSIC FESTIVAL

This Sunday our parish is honored to host the Annual Dutchess County Interfaith Council Music Festival from 2:30-4:30pm. Our organist Peter Krauss, the Blessed Kateri Children's Choir and several members of our adult choir will participate in this joyous event, which unites people of many different faiths in song. The suggested donation is \$10 for adults and seniors and \$5 for students; children under 12 are free. Light refreshments will be served in the Meeting Room afterwards by our 2010 Confirmation candidates.

OUR 9AM CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We are very happy for the children, and very grateful to the volunteers who have been leading our special Liturgy of the Word program for 3 to 8 year-olds during the 9am Mass. This ministry has just ended and we look forward to the start again in September.

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 rectory at 227-1710. If you prefer, you may e-mail Deacon John at JBarone49@gmail.com.

RELIGIOUS ARTIFACTS FOR SALE

Next week, after all Masses, the Little Bethlehem Group will be at our parish with beautiful, hand carved, olive wood items for sale. Please stop by to see their selection. All proceeds will be sent to Christian families in the Holy Land.

DUCKS (TEEN GROUP)

A general meeting for all high school teens will be held on Sunday, May 17th at 6:30pm. The topic of the meeting is *Selecting Heroes*. We will not meet next weekend, May 24th, in observance of Memorial Day weekend.

On May 31st, Pentecost Sunday, the Teen Group will host all the recently confirmed eighth graders for a barbecue after the 5:30pm Mass. Volunteers are needed to prepare food and organize events.

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL GROUP

Today, May 17th, St. Denis Parish will be hosting the first Junior High School meeting. This planning meeting is for the adult leaders – not for the students. The meeting will take place in the Parish Center at 7pm. The purpose is to plan for the Junior High School program of the three parishes, which will commence in September. If you are an adult (18 years of age or older), please consider becoming part of this important community group and sharing your love of your Catholic faith.

BLESSED KATERI PARISH COUNCIL

Any parishioner 16 or over is invited to consider nominating himself or herself, or someone he or she admires, to serve a three year term on our Parish Council. This is a very important and satisfying ministry, as pastors consult with, and rely on, the members of the Parish Council for many things. Former members of the Council who have been off for one year or more can offer to serve again, if they are nominated and selected.

On June 7th at the 10:30 Mass, the names of those willing to serve will be placed in a bowl, and four names will be selected at random. Our prayer and trust is that all nominees are ready and able to serve, and that the Lord will choose whom He wants for this ministry at this time.

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

Please return this form to the rectory by Friday, May 29th
I understand that service on the Blessed Kateri Parish Council is an important ministry, to be done for the glory of God and the advancement of His Church.
Knowing that, I am willing to serve and nominate myself.

Name

Address

Phone #

Or check below if you are nominating this person:
 I nominate this person for possible selection.
(He or she will be called and must be willing to accept.)

WIDOW AND WIDOWERS CLUB

The next meeting of the Catholic Widow and Widowers Club will be on Tuesday, May 19th, at 7pm at the East Fishkill Community Center.

COMMUNITY FESTIVAL

Come out for the Memorial Day Weekend East Fishkill Community Day Festival on May 21st – 24th at the East Fishkill Recreational Field on Routes 82 and 376 in Hopewell Junction. This event is sponsored by the Sons of Italy, Joe DiMaggio Lodge #2248. Come out and enjoy food, rides and live entertainment nightly, with fireworks on Sunday at 10pm.

ROCKIN' THE SPIRIT YOUTH RALLY

The annual Rockin' the Spirit Youth Rally will be held on Thursday, June 25th. All teens from 8th grade through 12th grade should reserve the date to come together with Catholic teens from all over the county at Tymor Park in Unionvale. Please contact Mary Marshall at Catholic Charities at (845) 452-1400 x4217 for more information.

BENEFIT CONCERT

The Sons of Italy Joe DiMaggio Lodge #2248 are sponsoring a benefit concert at Van Wyck Junior High School on May 29th at 7pm. A variety of local entertainers will be performing. All proceeds will be donated to two needy families in our community. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under ten years of age. Tickets can be purchased at Pizza Time or by calling 221-7234 or 896-1362.

BLESSED KATERI PRAYER NETWORK

If you have intentions or requests that you would like our Prayer Network to pray for, please call Nancy Vaughn at 226-4053 or Betty Paraggio at 223-5674.

Please pray for those who are ill

- Jackie and Joe DePalma--Marion Carney--Billy Jacobs
- Deneé DeVizio -Caitlin Ann Martin--Rick Cole
- Maria Sorrentino-- Marcia Sabol--Marie Gauci
- Johnny Romano--Amanda Jones-- Fred Matthews
- Victor Thomas--Wendy Sullivan--Terri Schollmeyer
- Raymond Trangalli--Susan Lancella--Concetta Liccione
- Mary Griego--Bob Wilson--Joseph Liccione
- William Grafer--Mark Kearney--Richard DeLeo Sr.
- Frank Fetzer--Marie Fetzer--Ann Leonard--Jane Kurz
- Carmel Adams--Frank Flora--Michael Besko

PARISH INCOME REPORT

Last Week's Collection: \$9,658
Last Year's Collection: \$9,523

PETITION OF THE WEEK

Let us pray this weekend for all our young people who have just graduated from college. May they live lives drawing them closer to Christ and find careers that allow them to make positive contributions to our community.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday** **May 18**
9:00am For All Parishioners
- Tuesday** **May 19**
9:00am Deceased Members of the Unionvale Rescue Squad by the U.V.R.S
- Wednesday** **May 20**
9:00am Deacon Bob Horton (L) by Diane McCoach
For All Parishioners
- Thursday** **May 21**
9:00am Anne Diggins by Tom Murphy
5:30pm The Criscione Family (L) by Diane McCoach
- Friday** **May 22**
9:00am Suzanne Power (L) by Diane McCoach
- Saturday** **May 23**
9:00am Mary Elizabeth Smith (L) by Suzanne Power
- Sunday** **May 24**
5:00pm Sat. Christopher Gibney by the Coniglio family
9:00am Joy Hirschhorn by Vivian LaColla
10:30am Thomas Lowery by Lillianne Lowery
12:15pm Alicia Espada
5:30pm by Dave, Julie, Andre and Natalie Borges
For All Parishioners

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This week the items needed by the SVDP food pantry are ketchup, bar soap and detergent. Please leave your items in the church narthex. For those in need of assistance, the SVDP hotline number is 227-7863.

Liturgical Ministers for May 24th 2009

	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:00pm Sat Fr. Perez	MaryEllen Coleman	Andrea and Anthony Cirone, Beverly Austin	Tianna Arnold, Charlie Serino Annemarie Reale
9:00am Msgr. Desmond	Frank Bergman	Diana Schopen, Suzanne Power Debbie Scianimanico, Sarah Filachek	Clare Whitton, Christopher Whitton, James Hagen
10:30am Fr. Perez	John Morgan	Carolyn Criscione, Geraldine Natale, Ruth Recchia, Lorraine Travia, Rosealice D'Avanzo	Hunter Criscione, Amanda D'Angelo Victoria Scalise
12:15 pm Msgr. Desmond	Norm Dauerer	Rosemary Archer, Joan Crowe Carol Reilly	Robert Slevin, Joel Fredrickson Damiano Alessandro
5:30pm Sun Fr. Perez		Tara Izzo, Lisa Davis Robert Malara	Ryan Quinn, Clare and Elizabeth Baxter