

PASTOR'S NOTES WELCOME, AND GOOD-BYE

I am pleased to announce that Father Brian Graebe has been assigned to Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Parish as his first assignment on June 1st. Father Graebe was ordained at Saint Patrick's Cathedral on May 14th by Archbishop Dolan. Father Graebe is a graduate of New York University and attended American Academy in Rome for graduate work before entering the seminary. He is considered an "avid scholar" and has had articles published in religious journals. Father Graebe was born in Staten Island and moved to Freehold, New Jersey, when he was five years old. He is the oldest of four, and his parents and siblings live in New Jersey. His first Mass was celebrated at Blessed Sacrament in Staten Island, where he was baptized. He is currently 30 years old.

Father Graebe said his desire in priesthood is to "let people know how much God loves them." We welcome him to Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, the Arch-Basilica of the North, as Cardinal Egan called it. We will be able to offer him an opportunity to begin his priesthood in a large, dynamic parish with so many young families and parishioners who are proud of their parish and give so much of themselves. It is a blessing for all of us that we have been entrusted with a newly ordained priest.

While we welcome Father Brian Graebe to our parish, we also have to say good-bye to someone we have come to love and respect so much, Father Ronald Perez. He came to us after being ordained to the priesthood three years ago. I had to inform him that everything was up in the air when he first came here. He was told we didn't know how long he would be living in the basement apartment or when the new rectory would be finished. He wasn't given an office, but was told we hoped to build parish offices. The new church was under construction when Father Ron arrived, and Masses were still being celebrated in the mission church. He adjusted to all the changes in fine manner. His gentle, prayerful and pleasant attitude is a blessing to all that know him. He has been such a large part of our development from a mission parish to large, dynamic parish. We truly owe him overabounding gratitude. He has touched so many lives in such a wonderful and faith-filled way in his three years here. So many have asked me why we have to lose him. In my former role as Personnel Director, I knew that priests of Father Ronald Perez's caliber will be needed as pastors in a short time after ordination and should have a couple of parish experiences before being made pastor. This means they need to move after a few years. We assure him that our prayers are with him. He will always be remembered at Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha for all the planting he did, but more importantly, for the example of faith and priesthood he offered us. As I write this, his next assignment has not been finalized with a letter from the Archbishop, but I can say he is going to another large and wonderful parish that has a great tradition in the Archdiocese. We do have to plan a celebration for him, but at this point, I believe this would be best handled by asking him to come back some weekend in September.

We are also receiving a seminarian from Saint John Neumann for six weeks in the summer. His name is Jean Pierre (JP) Seon. He will arrive on Monday, June 6th. This summer program is designed to give our seminarians a parish experience. We welcome him also to Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha. JP Seon is from Queens, but is studying for the Archdiocese of New York. He will enter Saint Joseph's Seminary next year. He said that it would be good to experience some of the Archdiocese beyond New York City.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

On June 2nd, we will celebrate the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. Masses for this Holy Day of Obligation will be on Wednesday, June 1st at 7:30 pm and Thursday, June 2nd at 9 am and 5:30 pm

FATHER'S DAY CARDS AVAILABLE

All the Masses in our church on Sunday, June 19th, will be offered for the fathers in our parish and for the fathers of our parishioners, both living and deceased.

Beautiful Father's Day cards are available for you in the rear of the church. Please make use of these cards to remember the special fathers in your life. You are welcome to take one from the table in the narthex to sign and give the card, and to write the names of the men you wish to remember at Mass on the enclosed envelope. Those that are returned will be placed on the altar for all the Father's Day Masses.

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	May 30
9:00 am	For All Parishioners
Tuesday	May 31
9:00 am	John Spellman By the Family of John Spellmen
Wednesday	June 1
9:00 am	Don Gorr By His Family
7:30 pm	
Thursday	June 2
9:00 am	
5:30 pm	Madeline DePetradonio By Antonia Tenuta
Friday	June 3
9:00 am	
Saturday	June 4
9:00 am	Carmelo Geraci
5:00 pm	Paul Mollica By the Ricci Family
Sunday	June 5
9:00 am	Madeline, Frank & Michael Bergman By Frank & Sharon Bergman
10:30 am	Thomas Lowery By Lillianne Lowery
12:15 pm	Alberto DiLello By Gianna DiLello
5:30 pm	Carmello Geraci

PARISH ACTIVITES

Monday	May 30
7:30 pm	Confessions Chapel
Tuesday	May 31
7:15 pm	Charismatic Prayer Group Chapel
Wednesday	June 1
10:00 am	Bible Study Faith Formation Building: St. Francis
2:30 pm	Blood Drive Church Meeting Room
Thursday	June 2
7:00 pm	Bereavement Support Chapel
7:00 pm	Bible Study Faith Formation Building: St. Anthony
Friday	June 3
3:00 pm	Adoration Chapel
Saturday	June 4
4:00 pm	Confessions Chapel
Sunday	June 5
1:30 pm	Parish Picnic
6:30 pm	8 th Grade Barbeque

THE POWER OF PRAYER

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

Please pray for those who are ill:

Kimberly Branda, Denee DeVizio, Sofia Hope Fiore, William Grafer, Mary Juhn, Kate Madigan, Guillermo Mannel, Edwina and Sam Payne, Marsha Sabol, Chris and Trent Stabell, Bruce Sullivan, Patricia Todriff, Nancy Tarabella

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

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

Marriage Banns

<i>III</i>	<i>Sarah Anderson & Craig Fabian</i>
	<i>Leslie Rodriquez & Philip Valerius</i>
<i>II</i>	<i>Jessica Bailey & Michael McGovern</i>
	<i>Jamie Hogan & Richard Rappazzo</i>
<i>I</i>	<i>Natalie Rodriquez & Robert Glorioso</i>
	<i>Jessica Barrett & Francis Casiso III</i>

TLC (TEENS LOVING CHRIST) GROUP

There will be a bike trip this Monday, Memorial Day. We will meet after the 9 am Mass and travel to New Paltz. There, we will take the Rail Trail north for 7 miles and return. Lunch will be on the way home. We should return by 3 pm.

We are hosting a barbecue for the Confirmands from the three parishes after the 5:30 pm Mass on Sunday, June 5th. All teens are invited, and asked to help out. All eighth graders and their parents are invited.

The next meeting will not be until Sunday, June 26th because of exams and graduations. The Dorney Park trip will be on Wednesday, June 29th. Forms are due by Thursday, June 23rd for anybody attending this trip.

Camping trip dates are July 17-22nd.

INVITATION TO ALL 8TH GRADES

The TLC, Teens Loving Christ, is the high school teen group for St. Columba, St. Denis and Blessed Kateri parishes. We are inviting all 8th graders from all three parishes to a Mass and Barbecue on Sunday, June 5th. The Mass will be at Blessed Kateri at 5:30 pm and a barbecue will follow. After Mass, the 8th graders will be well fed, invited to participate in games, and hear about some of the activities of the "TLC" group.

Parents are also invited, and they will hear from other adults about the benefits of having their teens participate in "TLC". The group usually has two meetings per month, one service activity, and one 'fun' activity or trip per month. All teens are welcome! Please come and bring a friend!

Please Join Us for 9 am Daily Mass

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FAITH FORMATION

We've had a very busy couple of weeks! Congratulations to the 126 new *Confirmandi* who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this past week from Bishop Dominick Lagonegro. May they enjoy the many Fruits of the Holy Spirit and "make a difference" for the good throughout the rest of their lives as adult Catholic Christians. Their names will be printed in the bulletin on June 12th, Pentecost Sunday!

Congratulations, too, to the 152 children who received their First Holy Communion over several weekends in May. Our parishioners were very happy to see them receive this very special sacrament of the Eucharist, of Jesus Himself, and to welcome them to the Lord's table for the first time. Their names will be printed in the bulletin next week. If they have not already done so, parents may pick up their children's First Holy Communion certificates and photographs at the Faith Formation Office this week, Tuesday-Thursday, 10 am-4:30 pm.

Current 7th grade students who would like to help with the parish blood drive on Tuesday, June 1st, the parish picnic on Sunday, June 5th, or the parish tag sale on Saturday, June 11th, should contact Mrs. Wendy Young ASAP at 221-4720 x3 or service10hours@aol.com.

New family registration has begun and continues in person throughout the month of June. Please note that families desiring to enroll their children in classes for next year should first enroll in the parish (forms are available in the church narthex). Please bring baptismal certificates and proof of prior religious education, where applicable. Traditionally, faith formation begins in first grade. Please call our office, 227-1710 x3, for further information.

All Faith Formation classes are over for the year and will resume again in the fall on September 12th. Our office will remain open Monday-Thursday 10 am-4:30 pm until June 23rd. We wish all of our families a happy, safe, relaxing and blessed summer. See you in church!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The class meets Wednesday mornings, 10 am - 12 pm and Thursday nights, 7 - 9 pm. For more information, contact Julie at 223-3658 or juliamajor@gmail.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

If you need to reach us, or would like to volunteer to become a member of SVDP, please call: 845-227-7863. The next meeting will be held on June 8th at 7 pm in the Convent Meeting Room at St. Columba.

PARISH INCOME REPORT

Last week's in-pew collection: \$ 9,486.00
Last year's in-pew collection: \$ 10,631.00
May's Parish Pay: \$ 13,520.05

BLESSED KATERI BLOOD DRIVE

The next blood drive is scheduled on Wednesday, June 1st in the Church Meeting Room from 2:30- 8:30 pm.

REGISTRATION FOR VBS

Our 3rd annual Vacation Bible School will be held June 27th through July 1st. This year's theme is: *St. Patrick and the Holy Trinity*. Registration deadline is June 1st. Forms are available at the Parish Office. For more information, call Judy Horton at 226-8987.

CHARISMATIC HEALING MASS

A Charismatic Healing Mass will be held Tuesday, June 7th sponsored by *Spirit Wind Prayer Group* at Blessed Kateri. Praise and worship starts at 7pm, with Mass at 7:30 pm. The guest celebrant is Fr. Dhas. For further details, call Pat or Joe at 845-440-3519, or Dave and Julie at 845-223-3658.

PENTECOST VIGIL CHARISMATIC MASS

Spirit Wind Prayer Group is sponsoring a Pentecost Vigil Mass Celebration, in the Charismatic tradition, on Saturday, June 11th at Blessed Kateri. Guest Celebrant is Fr. Richard Crawley of Vermont. Voice of Praise will lead Praise and Worship, starting at 8 pm. Mass is at 8:30 pm. For more details, call 845-440-3519 or 845-223-3658.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry offers a warm, soft, hand-knit or crocheted shawl to those who are sick in body or in spirit. Please join us at the St. Cecilia Room in the Faith Formation Building every other Tuesday evening. Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 7th at 7 pm. Contact: Vivian LaColla at 223-5001. (*Donations of yarn are welcomed.*)

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC CD'S AND BROCHURES

These inspiring talks are available after Mass in the narthex. If you have any questions, contact Dusty Maiolo at (845) 590-1601.



Announcing the 1st "Annual" Blessed Kateri Tag Sale!!!
Saturday, June 11th 9am to 4pm (rain or shine)

Selling Spots are only \$25 each

Applications for selling spots are now being accepted in the Parish Office.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW BEFORE WE RUN OUT OF SPOTS!

For more info, please call Parish Fundraising at 845-489-6174. Thank you



BLESSED KATERI'S ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Save the date: SUNDAY, June 5th

Our annual picnic will be held here on the beautiful grounds of Blessed Kateri. We will have hot dogs and hamburgers and beverages for sale; ice cream and watermelon will be provided. Join us for a relaxing day outside and have a delightful picnic. Come join us for some fun and games! So that we may plan free refreshments, please provide this information by Sunday, May 29th:

Your Family Name _____ Number Attending _____

Please return this form to the Rectory by collection basket, or by mail: 1925 Rt. 82, LaGrangeville, NY 12540

PARENT CHILD CONNECTION

The Parent – Child Connection provides a safe playgroup for young children. There will be no meeting this week. For any questions, contact Christina Gilroy at scewillow@frontiernet.net.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

Our Installation Dinner will take place on Monday, June 6th at 6:30 pm at the Blue Fountain located on Rt. 376 in Hopewell Junction. The buffet style dinner is \$32.00 per person and all are welcome. Please join us.

Our next ARS regular meeting will be on Tuesday, September 13th at 6:30 pm at St. Denis. New members are welcome to come join this wonderful group of ladies from St. Denis, St. Columba and Blessed Kateri. Please call Betty Perrino at 454-1840.

CATHOLIC ALUMNI PARTNERSHIP

During this Easter season we are asked to reflect on all of the blessings that we have. Here at Blessed Kateri, we consider our school to be one of our most important blessings. Saint Denis-Saint Columba School provides the children of this community with a quality faith-based education. Unfortunately, tuition alone does not cover the costs to educate a child; we rely on our parish community and our alumni to help us continue to provide the gift of a Catholic elementary education to all of our students.

As part of Saint Denis-Saint Columba School's Alumni Spring Fundraising Drive through the Catholic Alumni Partnership, donations from alumni could be doubled. A donor through the [New York Catholic Foundation](http://www.nycatholic.org) has agreed to a dollar for dollar match for alumni donations up to \$5,000 to schools participating in the Catholic Alumni Partnership (CAP). However, there is only a total of \$50,000 for all of the CAP schools, so we need prompt response from our alumni. All eligible donations must be received **by mail or at the school office** before June 15th.

NEED COMMUNITY HOURS?

Rehearsals + Concert = service hours. Singers are needed for the Dutchess County Interfaith Council Music Festival on Sunday, June 5th at 4 pm. For details, email office@dutchesscountyinterfaith.org, or call the DCIC at 845-471-7333.

“THE MESSAGE OF FATIMA”

Father Andrew Apostoli, CFR will present “The Message of Fatima” on Tuesday, May 31st, at 7:00 pm at St. Columba Parish.



Support the



Blessed Kateri Church

June 22nd

July 7th

August 10th



Come support the Blessed Kateri Church at Dutchess Stadium!

\$17.00 package includes:
General Admission Ticket
A Renegades Baseball Cap
Hot Dog and Soda Voucher

* \$5 will go back to the Blessed Kateri Church

\$12.00 package includes:
General Admission Ticket
A Renegades Baseball Cap

* \$5 will go back to the Blessed Kateri Church

Order tickets online at GADESGROUPS.COM (enter 'blessed' as the password)
- or - Call Sean @ (845) 838-0094 | Questions? Email: sean@hvrenegades.com
- or - Mail the form below to: Hudson Valley Renegades, P.O. Box 661, Fishkill, NY 12524
Tickets NOT ordered online will be available at will call on the day of the game



June 22nd 6:35 p.m



July 7th 7:05 p.m



August 10th 7:05 p.m



Blessed Kateri Church

Name _____

Address _____

City/St/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

PAYMENT: CHECK VISA MASTERCARD AMEX

CARD # _____ EXP: _____

Packages @ \$17.00: _____ Packages @ \$12.00: _____

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

CUB SCOUT OPEN HOUSE

Pack 127 will be holding a June membership drive. Boys who are starting 1st through 4th grade in September are now welcome to join so they will not miss out on the many summer activities. Pack 127 is chartered by St. Columba Church. For more information, please call Wendy D'Souza at 227-2894 or Rich Jacob at 227-3120 or attend our Open House on Tuesday, June 7th at 7:00 pm in the gym at St. Denis/St. Columba School.

MOUNT SAINT MARY COLLEGE SUMMER CAMP

MSMC is offering soccer, tennis, volleyball, basketball, lacrosse, swimming as well as a general sports camp this summer. Camps are from 8am to 4pm, mostly one week long, and are professionally run by collegiate coaches. Please call 845-569-3594 for additional information.

FAMILY EVENT

An upcoming local event will benefit Semper Fi Parents of the Hudson Valley, a local nonprofit organization whose mission is to support the troops and their families at home. The event will be held Saturday, June 18th (Father's Day Weekend) 10 am - 5 pm at Pleasant Valley Trout and Game Club. This is a family day of trap/skeet shooting (adults) and Air Rifle (kids under 12), Gun Safety Classes, Tomahawk Throwing, Archery, Raffles, Pig Roast Dinner and more! Support our troops! Tickets are available for \$50.00 for adults/ \$25.00 for children. Tickets and raffles (\$1 each or 6/\$5) are available from Ruth Recchia at ruth.recchia@yahoo.com, semperfiparentshv.org or at (845) 242-2230.

HEAD START PROGRAMS

Astor Early Childhood Program is currently accepting applications for the 2011-2012 school year. Astor has openings in its Head Start program for pre-school children who will be 3 by December 1, 2011 and in Early Head Start for pregnant woman and children from birth to three. Head Start and Early Head Start are federally funded programs that offer a quality educational program to low income families and children at 7 locations in Dutchess County. For more information, call (845) 452-4167 or (518) 789-3077.

THE CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE AND SUMMER PROGRAMS

The Thomas More College of Liberal Arts, located 45 minutes north of Boston, has an array of summer programs for students and adults alike. Offering high school students three college credits, the Catholic Leadership Institute examines the social teachings of the Church while also providing a means to develop leadership skills in the great outdoors and through a service project. The Collegiate Program provides a challenging introduction to the liberal arts and includes tours of New England. Finally, The Way of Beauty Atelier offers workshops for all ages in Iconography, Naturalistic Drawing and Gregorian chant. Scholarships are available! For more information, visit: www.ThomasMoreCollege.edu/summerprogram and to register, or contact the Admissions Office, call (800) 880-8308 ext.14.

Come one come all to the Blessed Kateri

First Annual Tag Sale!

Saturday, June 11th 9am to 4pm (rain or shine)



Great Values, Great Bargains

Treasures waiting to be bought!

Beverages & Snacks available for purchase

Shop & Have Fun together at the BKT Tag Sale!

JUNE 5, 2011 LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:00 pm Sat Fr. Graebe	Debbie Scianimanico	Joan Crowe, Dennis Rosenfeld, Jim Werber	Hannah Coffin, Olivia Gomez, Austin Lugo
9:00 am Fr. Graebe	Laura Leahy	Andrea Ceonzo, Maryanne Johnson, Patricia Lyons, Diane Maddock, Diana Schopen	Vaughn Feighan, Taylor Hickey, Joseph Wiley
10:30 Msgr. Desmond	John Reale, III	Maura Lee-Byrne, Rosanne Desjardins, Sally Mastreani, Debbie Outman, Tom Paulmann	Ashley Miller, Angelina Reale, Victoria Scalise
12:15 pm Fr. Graebe	Walter Kraus	Anne Anderson, Rosemary Archer, Rita Rogers	John Byrne, Steven Jastrzembski, Julia Sheridan
5:30 pm Msgr. Desmond	Brianna Iannucci	Tara Izzo, Margaret Paulmann	Michael Marma, Patrick McKinney

