

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**First Reading: II Kings 4:42-44**

A man brought twenty loaves of bread to Elisha the prophet, who told his servant to distribute it to the people. The servant asked how he could offer twenty loaves to one hundred people. Elisha replied that God had said, "They shall eat and there shall be some left over." After all the people had eaten, there was bread left over as God had said.

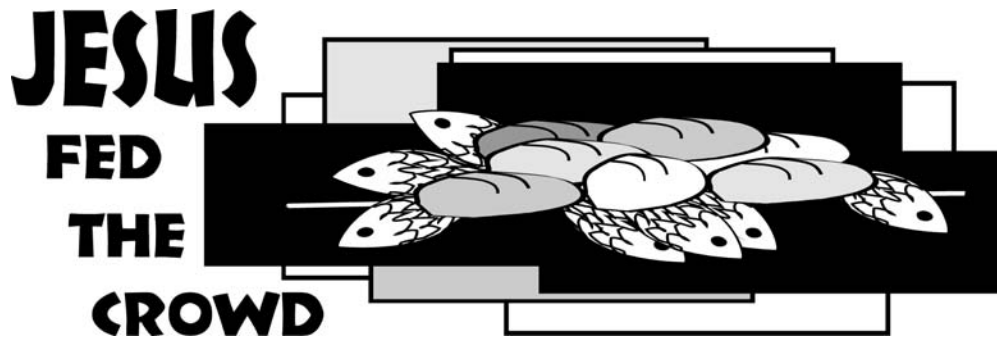
**Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6**

Paul implores the Ephesians to live a life worthy of their calling by preserving unity among all of Christ's followers. He reminds them that there is one body, one Spirit, and one God who works through all people.

**Gospel: John 6:1-15**

Jesus fed a crowd of five thousand people with five loaves of bread and a couple of dried fish. After everyone present had enough to eat, twelve baskets of leftover bread were collected. Jesus then realized the people would want to make him king so he fled alone.

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**A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS**

**HIS WORD TODAY** *by Rev. William J. Reilly*

**"I, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to live in a manner worthy of the call you have received, with all humility, gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another through love, striving to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace: one body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all."**

The letters of St. Paul often include a list or litany, expressions which might be examined and applied to one's spiritual life. Today's list in Ephesians mentions some of the virtues included in his letter to the Colossians. They are worth looking at again, allowing us to be sure they are part of our own Christian lives.

Are they not similar to the words from the Sermon on the Mount? Are they not the virtues we hope to see reflected in our family and our homes? If one or another is lacking, make an extra effort this week to work on one, bringing it into your spiritual life. Next week take another.

If every family, if all in the parish, would make a serious attempt to respond to Paul's teaching, we would have greater unity and peace at home and among our friends. How interesting that he refers to our 'call' to be disciples, to be missionaries, to be a reflection of unity and peace for all.

## **Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church**

### **FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

Our office is now closed for the summer and will reopen on August 24th. Phone calls and e-mails will be retrieved on a weekly basis, however.

### **R.C.I.A.**

Our R.C.I.A. program is designed to initiate non-baptized people into our faith, bring Christians of other denominations into full communion with the church, and provide adult training for Catholics who never received Communion or Confirmation; it is also a means of adult education for all in the faith. If anybody wishes to enter this program, they should contact Msgr. Desmond immediately at 227-1710. An informational meeting will be held on August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Faith Formation building. We will begin our formal training sessions 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](mailto:JBarone49@gmail.com).

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

This week the items needed by the SVDP food pantry are canned sauerkraut, bar soap, instant potatoes, tuna, liquid detergent and cake mix. Please leave your items in the church narthex. For those in need of assistance, the SVDP hotline number is 227-7863.

### **FRANCISCAN MISSION SERVICE**

The weekend of August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> we welcome Sr. Jean Amore, SMIC, who will speak at all our liturgies about the experiences of Franciscan Mission Service lay missionaries. Franciscan Mission Service prepares and commissions Catholic women and men for a three year assignment among the poor and oppressed of Africa, Asia, and Latin America, living out their gospel call to mission and solidarity with the poor. This transformational experience equips the missionaries for a lifelong mission of social change in North America, to which they are committed. Please be generous in your financial support of overseas endeavors in response to the Church's call to mission in the world. Please visit their website at [www.franciscanmissionservice.org](http://www.franciscanmissionservice.org).

**SPECIAL NOTE: to accommodate the Franciscan Mission visit, the Latin America/Home Missions collection that was scheduled for August 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> has been moved to August 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

### **ST. MARTIN DE PORRES "SPIRIT FIRE"**

The St. Martin de Porres Community of Praise will sponsor an evening of prayer and praise featuring Spirit Fire on Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm. The event will be held in St. Martin de Porres Church in Poughkeepsie. Please call 462-3669 or 462-4510 for information.

## **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **CATECHIST NEEDED FOR TEENS**

We have an increasing number of high school students coming to us to learn about our faith who have none or limited prior religious education. We want to start a two year program to give ninth, tenth or eleventh graders a background in the faith and the opportunity to receive sacraments they may have missed. The demands of teaching high school students the basics of the faith calls for a catechist who really has a desire to instill in teens the desire to learn about and live out the Catholic faith. A teaching background would be extremely helpful for this. The need for the program and the students are there, we just need a person willing to take on this task. Anyone interested, please contact Mrs. Biasotti or Msgr. Desmond at 227-1710.

### **BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is asking for help for their annual back to school drive. Please remember our less fortunate children by bringing in some much needed school supplies. Items such as lunch boxes, binders, pens, pencils, notebooks, rulers, backpacks, crayons, glue sticks etc. are being collected. Please bring your items to the church narthex by August 9<sup>th</sup>.

### **WOMEN OF GRACE**

You are invited to the Women of Grace monthly meeting *where women gather to praise God and share their lives in Christ*. The meeting will take place on Tuesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30pm at the St. Denis Rectory meeting room.

### **CYO BASKETBALL PROGRAM**

The CYO basketball program is seeking parishioners from St. Columba, St. Denis and Blessed Kateri to assist in the administration of our quality CYO basketball program for children in grades 2 through 8. Please consider joining a team of volunteers in such responsibilities as recruitment and registration, coordination of the instructional division (grades 2-4), end of season celebrations and maintaining the website. Please contact [scyyobb@optonline.net](mailto:scyyobb@optonline.net) by August 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **TRI-PARISH YOUNG ADULTS**

If you are college age or older, please join us on Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm for a tri-parish young adult gathering at the St. Columba Convent meeting room. You are guaranteed to enjoy the company and have some fun! For more information and future events, please contact [eflora616@yahoo.com](mailto:eflora616@yahoo.com).

### **SAVE THE DATE**

Mark your calendar now for a concert with organist Robert Fertitta to be held at Blessed Kateri on September 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm. Featuring the music of J.S. Bach, Johannes Brahms, Cesar Franck and more; with arrangements of songs by George Gershwin and Richard Rodgers. Additional information to follow.

*Marriage Banns*

III	Theresa Brennan & Marco Reis
III	Rene Drance & Richard Klusck

**SINGLE PARENT GROUP**

The Blessed Kateri Single Parent Support Group will hold their first meeting on August 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the St. Francis room of the Faith Formation Building. All single parents are welcome to interact and discuss their trials and tribulations.

**MISSIONARY THANKS**

Thank you Blessed Kateri parish for your time and support of Andy Gibbons, a full-time FOCUS Catholic missionary at Temple University in Philadelphia. If you are interested in learning more about FOCUS' outreach to college students or would like to make a donation, please contact Andy at (845) 797-6567 or visit [agibbons@focusonline.org](mailto:agibbons@focusonline.org).

**FAMILY FUN DAY FUNDRAISER**

Please bring the family to an all you can eat BBQ with clowns, music, magic and much more on August 2<sup>nd</sup> from noon to 6pm at the Mid County Rod & Gun Club, 650 Waterbury Hill Road, LaGrangeville. Kids 12 and under are free; adult admission is \$25. Proceeds will benefit Frankie Flora who was attacked by a pit bull this past April.

*Please pray for those who are ill*

Jackie and Joe DePalma--Billy Jacobs- Victor Thomas  
Deneé DeVizio -Caitlin Ann Martin-Rick Cole-Maria Sorrentino  
Marcia Sabol-Marie Gauci-Richard DeLeo, Sr.-Ann Leonard  
Johnny Romano-Amanda Jones- Fred Matthews  
Wendy Sullivan--Frank Flora-Margaret Nenni -Michael Amadeo  
Raymond Trangalli-Susan Lancelli-Concetta Liccione  
Mary Griego-Bob Wilson-Joseph Liccione- Carmel Adams  
William Grafer-Mark Kearney- Frank Fetzer-Marie Fetzer  
Michael Besko-Suzanne Power-Marilyn Kurz  
Michael Murphy-Walter Shapiro-Nathaniel Hutnik

**PARISH INCOME REPORT**

Last Week's Collection:\$9,340  
Last Year's Collection: \$7,774.

**PETITION OF THE WEEK**

As Jesus feeds the multitude in today's gospel, let us be aware of the gifts we have received and our calling to care for those without the necessities of life. We pray especially for the work done by the Saint Vincent de Paul Society to care for those in need.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Monday</b> 9:00am	<b>July 27</b> For All Parishioners
<b>Tuesday</b> 9:00am	<b>July 28</b> Luz Rojas by her family
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00am	<b>July 29</b> Eugenia Olson Rose
<b>Thursday</b> 9:00am	<b>July 30</b> Peter Capozzi by the Office of Faith Formation
<b>Friday</b> 9:00am	<b>July 31</b> Elizabeth Miller by the Sullivan Family
<b>Saturday</b> 9:00am	<b>August 1</b> Dorothy Witherell by Sally Mastreani
5:30pm	William Schollmeyer Jr. by the Schollmeyer family
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00am	<b>August 2</b> Candelora Paolercio by the DePalma & Van Hoesen Families
10:30am	Thomas Lowery by Lillianne Lowery
12:15pm	Philomena Ippolito by Betty Perrino
5:30pm	Elizabeth Miller by Mary Cretekos

**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.

**Liturgical Ministers for August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009**

	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
<b>5:00pm Sat</b>	David Anderson	Anne Anderson, Carol Reilly, Rosanne Desjardins	Joseph Vales, Olivia Vales, Christian Murphy
<b>9:00am</b>	Robert Young	Christopher Filachek, Sally Mastreani, Margaret Ren, Stephen Ren Christine Ryan	Clare Whitton, Christopher Whitton, Adam Varano
<b>10:30am</b>	John McCormack	Maryanne Johnson, John McCormack Keith McCartney, Shirley Sullivan, Lorraine Travia	Hunter Criscione, Brad Fisher, Kevin Tatavitto
<b>12:15 pm</b>	Noe Ramon Illno	Rita Rogers, Rosemary Archer, Betty Perrino	Angela and Damiano Alessandro, Amber Hammerschlag
<b>5:30pm Sun</b>		Lisa Davis, Tara Izzo, Thomas Paulmann	Courtney Meester, Taylor Hickey