

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Church

August 22, 2010

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 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 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.

T.L.C. TRI PARISH TEEN GROUP

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
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
Ecumenical Group	223-3658 Dave Borges
Employment Support	896-0600 Joseph Carey
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
Prayer Shawl Ministry	223-5001 Vivian LaColla
R.C.I.A.	227-1710 Msgr. Desmond sites.google.com/site/bktrcia/siestasix@frontiernet.net
Right To Life	Anne Whitton mamie13383@aol.com
Single Parent Support	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
TLC Teen Group	227-1710 Msgr. Desmond
Ushers/Greeters	677-6496 Anthony Cirone
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.

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PARISH ACTIVITIES

Tuesday August 24
7:00PM Prayer Shawl Group
Faith Formation Building
7:30PM Charismatic Prayer Group
Chapel
Wednesday August 25
10:00-1:00PM Late Registration
Faith Formation Building
5:00-7:00PM Late Registration
Faith Formation Building

PARISH INCOME REPORT

Last Week's Collection: \$ 8,506.50
Last Year's Collection: \$11,032.00

PETITION OF THE WEEK

Let us pray for all our young people leaving for college. May they experience a growth in true wisdom and knowledge, healthy friendships, and be aware that the Lord is always present to them. May they strive to do His will.

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

*Gavin Ambrose, Lorenzo Calvi, Frank Cancro,
Theresa D'Amato, Billy Demattio, Frank and Marie Fetzer,
William Grafer, Larry Grant, Sr,
Kate Madigan, Denise Romano, John Romano,
John Kotes*

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: girls and boys backpacks, pens, pencils, rulers, folders, glue sticks, tissues, highlighters, loose leaf paper (wide ruled only), loose leaf binders, pencil boxes, erasers, crayons, calculators and spiral notebooks. Items may be left in the church narthex.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This week the SVDP Food Pantry is in need of: dish/laundry detergent, bar soap, pasta, and toothpaste. If you need to reach us or would like to become a member of SVDP, call 227-7863. The next meeting will be held on September 8th at 7:00 PM in the St. Columba Convent Meeting Room. There will be no meetings during July and August.

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

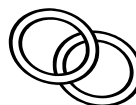
Monday August 23
9:00 AM For All Parishioners
Tuesday August 24
9:00 AM Joan Luna
By Jim and Nancy Vaughn
Wednesday August 25
9:00 AM Bernard McIntyre
By the Stigliani Family
Thursday August 26
9:00 AM Phyllis Cross
By Bob Cross and Family
Friday August 27
9:00 AM Judy and Bob Horton (L)
By Diane McCoach
Saturday August 28
9:00 AM Ed Lynch
By Donna and Family
5:00 PM Patrick T. Kearney
By His Wife Carol
Sunday August 29
9:00 AM Acacio Rodrigues
By Joseph DeSa
10:30 AM Avella Family
By Maria Rodriguez
12:15 PM Paul Mollica
By Catherine Wiseman
5:30 PM Dominick Caridi, Sr.
By The Caridi Family

PARISH PICTURE BOOKS

The Parish Picture Books have been delivered to the parish. All those families/individuals that had their pictures taken have a complimentary copy. You may pick it up at the Parish Office on Tuesday or Thursday evenings from 6:30-9pm.

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, Ian Mackay**



MARRIAGE BANNNS

- II Jaclyn Nelson & Eric Chamberlain
Sara Barad & Carl Deising
Jill Baker & David Piersall
- I Kathleen England & Edward Pausp



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FAITH FORMATION

Our office re-opens this week! Hours will be Monday-Thursday, 10am-4:30pm through September 9th. Late registration for new families will take place on Wednesday, August 25th, 10am-1pm and 5-7pm in the Faith Formation Building. Parents are asked to bring their children's Baptismal certificates and proof of prior religious education, if applicable.

Immediately prior to the Labor Day weekend, parents will receive letters confirming their children's placement into fall classes. Classes begin the week of September 13th with full 90 minute sessions, beginning in the church and ending in the classrooms. Parents are encouraged to stay for the entire session.

Several new catechists are still needed to teach our classes. If you love children and have a few hours a week to spend helping the young people in our parish learn about our Catholic Faith, please call Mrs. Biasotti, 227-1710 x14 to learn more about this very fulfilling ministry. Lots of support is given! A training meeting for new catechists will be held on August 31st, so it is very important that commitments be made before then. Catechists are needed for the following:

- 8th grade:** Tuesday, 2:30-4 pm.
Wednesday, 2:30-4 pm
Thursday, 5-6:30 pm
- 7th grade:** Wednesday, 6:30-8 pm
- 5th grade:** Monday, 4:30-6 pm
Tuesday, 5-6:30 pm
Wednesday, 4:30-6 pm
Wednesday, 6:30-8 pm
- 2nd grade:** Monday, 4:30-6 pm

CAPUCHIN MINISTRIES

Renew & Refresh: Celebrate the Love of Jesus & Renew the Spirit of CYFM Retreat. It begins Friday, September 3rd and ends Sunday, September 5th with a Mass. The CCV Commissioning starts at 2:00 pm. Come make new friendships and strengthen old ones. The total cost of the weekend is \$110.00 per person. The registration deadline is Tuesday, August 31st, 2010. Please return your application and non-refundable \$55.00 deposit made payable to CYFM. For more information please call 845-462-3609 or go to our website www.cyfm.org/events/cyfm.

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TLC NORTH LAKE TRIP

The Teens Loving Christ North Lake Trip is Wednesday, September 1, 2010. TLC will be having an end of the summer trip to North Lake with an opportunity to go swimming, canoeing, hiking or biking as well as visiting the Katterskill Falls. Departure will be from Blessed Kateri parking lot at 9am, returning at 7pm. Everyone is asked to bring their own lunch. The only cost is for those who want to rent a canoe. North Lake is a State Park in the Catskills that has a great lake and is surrounded by some of the best hiking trails in the Catskills. A few adults are needed to act as chaperons. There is a signup sheet at the back of the church, or email the parish marked North Lake.

TLC (TEENS LOVING CHRIST) GROUP

There will be a planning meeting to discuss this year's meetings and events on Monday, August 30th at 7pm in the Church meeting room. This meeting is for all adults who indicated they wanted to be involved in our Teen Program, and all TEENS on last year's planning groups.

R.C.I.T.

We have had an increasing number of high school students coming to us to learn about our faith who have no, or limited, prior religious education. We will be starting 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. If you are, or know of such a student, please contact Mary Biasotti or Msgr. Desmond at 227-1710. We have had a wonderful response to our request for catechists for our teen RCIA program and, therefore, we can now move forward to ensure our young people receive a foundation in the faith.

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. We will begin our formal training sessions in September.

August 29, 2010 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:00pm Sat Msgr. Desmond	Kathryn Sharp	Beverly Austin, Patricia Lyons, Dennis Rosenfeld	Richard Coffin, Amanda D'Angelo, Charlie Serino
9:00am Msgr. Desmond	Laura Leahy	Rosealice D'Avanzo, Roseann Desjardins, Cheryl Gallina, Tom Paulmann, Christine Ryan	Shannon Burke, Timmy Desjardins, Christopher Whitton
10:30am Fr. Perez	John Reale, III	Virginia Fisher, Kathleen Jastrzembki, Rose Morse, Debra Ann Outman, Carol Reilly	Kristen Cain, Stephen Jastrzembki, Angelina Reale
12:15pm Msgr. Desmond	Mary Biasotti	Cathy Anderson, David Borges, Sally Mastreani	Lauren Kirchner, Ashley Miller, Alexandra Straley
5:30pm Sun Fr. Perez	Michael Morrow	Tara Izzo, Robert Malara	Olivia Gomez, Courtney Meester, Amanda Silva

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SCOUT EMBLEM TRAINING

The Boy Scouts of America honor their "Duty to God" by encouraging churches to administer religious emblems programs. These programs are available to scouts of the Catholic faith and led by trained counselors/facilitators for Boy and Girl Scouts. Trained religious emblems counselors are needed to work with interested Scouts on these programs sponsored by the Catholic Church. If you are interested in becoming trained to assist, please contact Leader Althea Richards at (845) 226-4458 or email her at varichards@optonline.net. If you would like to know more about CYO Archdiocesan Catholic Committee and their activities to support Catholic Scouting, please contact: Thomas Kelly (845) 340-9170 X4 or email him at Thomas.Kelly@archny.org.

GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD PROJECT

A local parishioner is running a toiletries drive for the St. Vincent de Paul Society as her Girl Scout Gold Award Service Project. Donations such as shampoo, body wash, and deodorant, bar soap, toilet paper, tooth brushes, dental floss, toothpaste, and lotions would be greatly appreciated. Please drop these items off in the box labeled "**Girl Scout Gold Award Service Project**" located in the narthex and will remain through the month of August.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

As published in Catholic New York, the Children's Scholarship Fund and the New York Catholic Foundation are making scholarships available to Catholic schools in the northern counties. St. Joseph School in Millbrook is now offering these scholarships for fall 2010 for families that would like the opportunity, and qualify, to give their children from Kindergarten through 6th grade the gift of a private Catholic school education. We serve seven school districts. Interested families should call the school Monday through Friday between (9am-1pm) to obtain and application or further information.

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Monday, September 13th is our first ARS meeting. Ladies, please consider joining this wonderful Society. We meet every 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm. The Altar Rosary Society is a combination of all three parishes, St. Denis, St. Columba and Blessed Kateri, and all ladies of all three parishes are welcome to join. We start our meetings with the Rosary, minutes of the last meeting, our financial status, new business and coffee and some goodies. Our September 13th meeting will start with Benediction at 7pm in Blessed Kateri Chapel. The Rosary will be said around the Rosary garden. (Weather permitting) and our meeting will be held in our meeting room. Please make plans to attend our first meeting, make new friends and bring a friend to come take a look. Please call Betty Perrino at 454-1840, if you need more information.

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FREE SCREENINGS

Vassar Brothers Medical Center is offering free prostate cancer screenings on Thursday September 23, from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM. Priority is given to men without insurance and pre-registration is required. To schedule an appointment, call Vassar Medical Center at 483-6861.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

A bereavement support group for those suffering the loss of a loved one will be offered at Blessed Kateri Church beginning September. For more information, call Lorraine Travia @ 221-2741, or e-mail bktbereavement@optonline.net.

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

The "Respect Life Committee" from St. Denis has arranged for former New York Giant, Chris Godfrey, to visit St. Denis on Wednesday, September 22nd at 7:30 PM. Chris is the President and Founder of Life Athletes, Inc. He will be making a presentation on "Who are you, where are you going, what is really important to you and why?" Topics will include: our relationship with God, our relationship with the opposite sex, virtue and chastity, love and sex, pregnancy and the value of human life, and abortion.

If you have any questions, please call Ed Haege at 845-242-4721.

NATIONALITY THEME DINNERS

Several parishes have dinners based on nationality themes, featuring foods, music, dress, and other activities for the selected nationality. For example, we could have an Italian Night, Polish Night, an Irish Night, a Philippine Night, a Hispanic Night and any other group willing to sponsor a dinner. We would have a set cost to cover the dinner. Anybody interested in getting involved in this is invited to a planning meeting at 7:30pm on Tuesday, September 21 in the Faith Formation Building. This is an excellent way for new people to get involved in the parish, since the commitment would be to only one dinner a year.

EVENING BY THE HUDSON

The Blessed Kateri Youth Choir has been invited to sing at the Hudson River Housing's 17th Annual *Evening by the Hudson* at the Poughkeepsie Grand View on September 23rd. The evening will include a cocktail hour, full dinner, live jazz, silent and live auctions, and a spectacular view of the Hudson River at sunset. Hudson River Housing is dedicated to eliminating the devastating consequences of homelessness and ensuring that decent, affordable housing is available for all people throughout Dutchess County. Tickets for the gala are \$100 each and should be purchased by September 15th.

To purchase tickets or to learn more about Hudson River Housing call (845) 454-5176 or visit online at: <http://www.hudsonriverhousing.org>.

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ST. COLUMBA CYO BASKETBALL

Registrations for the 2010-11 year are now available for downloading at www.stcolumbabasketball.net. Please visit our website to download the form and mail in your registration today! All parishioners of St. Denis, St. Columba, and Blessed Kateri are encouraged to sign-up. We offer programs for boys and girls in grades 1-8. We are happy to include our 1st graders this year. Our Travel Program (grades 5-8) plays against other parishes in Dutchess County. Travel Try-outs will be announced on our website and should start mid-September. Please check there for updates. In house programs are offered for beginner and instructional divisions. These divisions will be formed based on registration numbers for grades 1-4. Both Beginner and Instructional Programs focus on learning fundamentals of the game in developmentally appropriate setting. All of our divisions place a great emphasis on building Christian principles and team sportsmanship. Please contact: sccyobb@optonline.net as soon as possible if you are interested in assisting with program administration or coaching duties. We look forward to working with you!

SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM

Remember that "The Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" requires all our volunteers to be involved in the SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, the following information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure: Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sister Eileen Clifford, OP AT (212)371-1000 x2949 or Deacon Lawrence O'Toole at (914)594-4646. Either Sister Eileen or Deacon Lawrence may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org.

COME JOIN OUR CHOIR



Choir rehearsals for our new choir season will begin Wednesday, September 22nd. The Adult Choir Rehearsals begin at 7:30pm in the church. Teens and Adults are invited! Our Youth Choir rehearsals begin on Wednesday, September 22nd from 6pm to 7pm in the church.

Students in grade 2nd through 10th are invited to join! A love of praising God in song and a musical voice are the only requirements. For more information please contact Nina Ricci at BKMusicMinistry@gmail.com.

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First Reading: Isaiah 66:18-21

Isaiah portrays a time when people from many nations will gather in Jerusalem and proclaim God's glory. God's messengers will teach many nations about God. Just as the Israelites bring offerings; these messengers will bring people from all nations to worship.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

The Hebrews are told that God disciplines those he loves. When a parent disciplines a child, the child usually learns what is expected of him. The Hebrews are encouraged to face life's trials as a form of discipline, and attempt to learn something from them.

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Jesus warns that the door to God's kingdom will be locked for those who ignored his wishes. Many people will come from all nations and take their place in God's kingdom. Others will not be recognized by God, and he will reject them.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

"Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, 'Lord, will only a few people be saved?' He answered them, 'Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.'... 'I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory, and they shall proclaim my glory among the nations.'"

The great Teacher used countless examples of convey His message. How often he used the example of a gate or door. It is part of the Good Shepherd motif. He used it describing the challenge for the rich to gain heaven, using the example of a camel.

The gift of salvation is a challenge, not something we can take for granted. We are called to seek salvation – asking, seeking, and knocking – as an ongoing goal. We direct our lives as disciples toward that goal. How sad if I do not make it a priority.

Remember the words about the door 'Behold I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, then I will enter his house and dine with him and he with me.' I look for the narrow gate; I open the door of my life and my heart.

How many doors will I pass through this week. Many I will open and close, lock and unlock – my house, my car. Others will open before me at the supermarket, the elevator. May I see them as gentle reminders of the gate or door of salvation which Jesus tells me to strive to enter. He comes to gather, He knocks, He asks me to unlock the door of my heart.