

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 bkracia@gmail.com
Right To Life	siestasix@frontiernet.net Anne Whitton
Single Parent Support	mamie13383@aol.com 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

Monday 12:30PM	September 6 Bereavement Group Church Meeting Room
Tuesday 7:30PM	September 7 Charismatic Prayer Group Healing Mass Chapel
Wednesday 7:00PM	September 8 TLC Planning Meeting Church Meeting Room
Thursday 6:30PM	September 9 Bereavement Group Church Meeting Room
7:00PM	RCIA Faith Formation Building

PARISH INCOME REPORT

Last Week's In-Pew Collection: \$ 7,618.50
Last Year's In-Pew Collection: \$8,341.00

PETITION OF THE WEEK

Let us pray especially this week for all those looking for employment, that they may be successful in achieving their goals. We also express our gratitude for all those that labor for us every day that they may be rewarded for their efforts.

We also pray for many people who will be travelling, that they will travel in safety.

As school starts, we ask God's blessings on all our teachers and students. May they grow in God's wisdom along with all the other subjects.

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, Frank Cancro,
Theresa D'Amato, Billy Demattio,
Frank and Marie Fetzer, William Grafer,
Larry Grant, Sr, Kate Madigan, John Kotes,
Edward Raudnael*

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,
Edward Raudnael**

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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 9:00 AM	September 6 For All Parishioners
Tuesday 9:00 AM	September 7 Paul Schwerman By The O'Hare Family
Wednesday 9:00 AM	September 8 Carmello Geraci By The Maddox Family
Thursday 9:00 AM	September 9 Helen Duggan By Maureen Jablecki
Friday 9:00 AM	September 10 Lorraine and Charlie Sheerin (L)
Saturday 9:00 AM	September 11 Walter & Albina Kowalski By Maureen Jablecki Cosmo Melfi By Olga Amedeo
5:00 PM	September 12 Margaret DeSa By Her Husband Thomas Lowery By Lillianne Lowery Daniel and Rosemarie Raimondi (L) By Diane Repickey Ndu Krasnig By Margaret Mary Connevey
Sunday 9:00 AM	
10:30 AM	
12:15 PM	
5:30 PM	

Marriage Banns

II Kathleen England & Edward Paust

I Melissa Witkiewicz & Carmelo Melilli Jr.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This week the SVDP Food Pantry is in need of: bar soap, soups & broths, cake & muffin mixes, and jello. 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.

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



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FAITH FORMATION

Letters were mailed home to parents late last week confirming their children's placement into classes. Our program begins on Monday, September 13th with full 90 minute sessions. Parents should arrive at the church with their children at the designated class time. Parent handbooks will be distributed in the vestibule of the Faith Formation Building at the conclusion of classes.

This week our office will be open 10am-5pm Tuesday and Wednesday, and 3-7pm on Thursday. Parents wishing to register their children are welcome to stop by. New families should bring Baptismal Certificates and proof of prior religious education, if applicable. Current families should bring their blue re-registration forms.

Thanks to a marvelous response from our parishioners last weekend, we now only need two 8th grade catechists to teach the 2:30-4pm sessions. If interested, please contact Mrs. Biasotti as soon as possible, 227-1710 X3.

Eighth grade students interested in volunteering at our fall Blood Drive on Wednesday, September 15th, are encouraged to contact the office as soon as possible. Several two hour slots are still available.

TLC (TEENS LOVING CHRIST) GROUP

There will be a planning meeting to discuss this year's meetings and events on Wednesday, September 8th, 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.

BLESSED KATERI BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a blood drive Wednesday, September 15th in the Church Meeting Room 2:30pm-8:30pm. Sign-ups will take place after Masses on September 4th-5th, and September 11th-12th.

FREE SCREENINGS

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

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. Our website is bit.ly/bktrcia.

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.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE CONFERENCE WITH FR. JOHN CORAPI

There are still a few tickets and bus seats available for Father Corapi's "Spiritual Warfare" conference in Newark, NJ on Saturday, October 30th. A bus will be leaving from St. Columba Church in Hopewell Junction. The cost is \$48 per person. Please call Our Lady of Loretto Church in Cold Spring, 265-3718, with any questions, or to reserve your spot.

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 is September 8th. Contact Cathy at 546-0268.

September 12, 2010 Liturgical Ministers Schedule

	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:00pm Sat Msgr. Desmond	Kathryn Sharp	Joan Crowe, Dennis Rosenfeld, Jim Werber	Katherine Coffin, Olivia Gomez, Robert Slevin
9:00am Fr. Perez	John McCormack	Cathy Anderson, Christopher Filachek, Diane Maddock, Christine Ryan, Lorraine Travia	Samantha Campos, Eddie Kelly, Joseph Whitton
10:30am Fr. Perez	Mare Ellen Coleman	Kathleen Jastrzembki, MaryAnne Johnson, Robert Malara, Rose Morse, Debra Ann Outman	Emma Berry, Joseph Jastrzembki, Stephen Newhard
12:15pm Msgr. Desmond	Robert Young	David Borges, Julie Borges, Ruth Recchia	Lauren Kirchner, Ashley Miller, Brian Kusior
5:30pm Sun Msgr. Desmond	Adam Varano	Tara Izzo, Cathy Varano	Courtney Meester, Amanda Silva

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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.

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. All ladies from these three parishes are welcome to join. We start our meetings with the Rosary, minutes of the last meeting, our financial status, new business and end with coffee and some goodies. Our September 13th meeting will start with Benediction at 7pm in the 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.

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.

ANNUAL MASS IN HONOR OF ST. PADRE PIO

The annual St. Padre Pio Mass will be on September 18th at 1pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Come and commemorate the feast day of St. Padre Pio as we remember and celebrate his life, suffering, and his example for us all. The main celebrant of the mass will be Bishop Gerald T. Walsh, Rector of St. Joseph's Seminary.

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OLL HIGH SCHOOL GOLF CLASSIC

The Our Lady of Lourdes High School Golf Classic is Monday, October 4th, at The Powelton Club in Newburgh, New York. Spaces are limited, so reserve your space now! The cost of \$150 per golfer includes lunch, dinner, 18 holes of golf and more. What a great opportunity to play this beautiful course and enjoy a great day while supporting our school! To reserve your space, place a journal ad or purchase a sponsorship to support this event, please contact Christine Kolosky at 845-463-0400, ext. 1005 or koloskyc@ollchs.org.

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>.

PARENTING MINISTRY

1, 2, 3, 4, Parenting! : Come learn about the excellent parenting program for parents of children from one to four years old. The group leader will help you learn important skills for parenting a young child. The **Free Introductory Overview/First Session of the 1, 2, 3, 4 Parenting! Program** is on: Tuesday, September 14th, at 10:00am or 7:30pm, at St. Mary's Parish Office, Fishkill, NY. There will be three more sessions.

For further information, call the program leader, Catherine Cwiakala, at 896-6400 or pick up a flyer in the back of the church.

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! 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. 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!

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OLL HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI!

A "Homecoming Cocktail Party" and the Homecoming Football Game are scheduled for Friday, October 15th. Join us for the cocktail reception from 5 – 7 pm and the game at 7:30pm at Overlook Pop Warner Fields. Reservations for the cocktail reception are \$15/person. We are also looking for alumni from several class years to serve as Class Representatives to help promote this and future events as we form our Alumni Association. Contact Christine Kolosky at 845-463-0400, ext. 1005 or koloskyc@ollchs.org for additional information and to make your reservation. We hope to see you there!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS DANCE

The Wappingers Assembly of the Knights of Columbus invites you to share an evening of dinner and dancing to live music and a chance at our cash raffle on Saturday, Sept 11th at our Council from 7pm to 10pm. Tickets are \$30 and include dancing to the music of Russ Allen, a dinner of roast beef or turkey, and a chance to win raffle prizes worth \$1700.00 Ticket holders may bring a dinner/dancing guest for \$10. Proceeds of this event will support our Veterans and Scholarship programs. For tickets or information, call Ed Duffy at 845-224-8341. Good food, good music, good people, good cause; it's the best \$40 per couple you'll ever spend.

SCOUT ORIENTATION MEETING

Pack 127 will be holding their annual New Scout Orientation meeting on Monday, September 13th at 7:00 pm at Van Wyck Junior High School (Cafeteria) located in Hopewell Junction. Boys who are starting 1st through 4th grade in September are now welcome to join.

Pack 127 is chartered by St. Columba Church. For more information, please call Bill Griffiths at 797-9513 or Rich Jakob at 227-3120, or attend our New Scout Orientation meeting.

REMINDERS...

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day.



New Parishioners are always welcome to our Blessed Kateri Parish family. Please let us know who you are so we may formally welcome you. Registration forms are available in the church narthex, at the Parish Office or at www.BlessedKateriParish.com.

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PRAYER FOR LABOR DAY

Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all other lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common good; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of work; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. In the same way anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

How interesting as we commemorate the tragedy of 9/11 this week, that the gospel speaks of the cross and discipleship. In various places we find bell towers and commemorative crosses constructed from steel taken from one of the twin towers.

The crosses we are asked to bear come in many forms, not unlike the variety of religious crosses we see. Artists portray the cross of Christ in different ways, like Dali's Crucifixion of John of the Cross. Historically the Jerusalem recalls the nations from crusade times. The gospel today speaks of another cross, the cross of discipleship.

My personal cross is the standard I use to portray my loyalty to Jesus Christ. It does not have to be a burden, or painful. It unites me with the victory of Jesus Christ over death and allows me to share in the triumph of the resurrection. What is key is my willingness to embrace it.

What is even more important is that as a disciple I assist others in bearing the weight of their cross. It might be the only way someone else may move on, and finding a fellow disciple may enable them to grow. The many persons Jesus touched in His ministry through cures, encouragement, compassion and pity, allowed them to know the victory of the cross even before the passion. The gospel today precedes the great paschal mystery.

Today I drop some of the things or possessions which hold me back as a true disciple and reach out to bear the cross designated for me. This is the one possession I wish to hold on to, or as the great hymn says: 'I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it someday for a crown.'