

## Prayer for the young and our families with Kateri

Oh, most humble Kateri  
I seek your love and prayers  
I turn to you for your inspiration.  
May I know the power of humility, the strength of  
seeking God's will in everything I do this day.  
the compassion to care this way for those who are weak and  
in need of help, and the faith to forgive those who walk  
an hurtful violent path.  
Pray with me Kateri that through us, God our Creator  
Will comfort the orphan, watch over the neglected child,  
And wait with the youth who go astray.  
You lost your parents and found others along the way to  
Care for you and guide you, May all  
Parents and grandparents stay healthy, seek the selfless  
love of Jesus and give where giving is most needed.  
May they make wise decisions and heed daily the  
Wisdom of the Great Spirit.  
Your spirit was strong and your love for Jesus is deep  
May I trust that Christ will turn my weakness  
Into His strength and meekness, so that whatever comes  
to me this day, I may choose to do God's will and faithful will I stay. AMEN

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## *1st Sunday of Lent*

The Theme of forty days comes up repeatedly in Scripture. Noah sent the raven out 40 days after the flood abated (Gn 8). Moses fasted 40 days on Mount Sinai (Ex 34). Goliath taunts the Israelite army for 40 days until his battle with David (Sm 17). In today's Gospel Jesus fasts for 40 days and nights prior to being tempted by the Devil. And there are other examples.

Each case involves a period of penance and sacrifice, leading to transformation and fulfillment. God cleanses the earth of evil during the flood, and then establishes a new Covenant. Moses' fast is followed by the ten commandments and Mosaic Law. David emerges to slay Goliath and the Israelites vanquish their enemies. Jesus' fast and temptation in the desert prepare him to begin his public ministry, culminating in his death and resurrection.

Every year Our Lord invites us to join him in his redemptive suffering through 40 days of prayer and sacrifice. This lent may the Holy spirit cleanse us of our worldly and sinful attachments and bring us closer to Jesus. Let us give ourselves fully to the divine Mercy of Jesus in the sacrament of confession. Our Heavenly father will forgive us, and we too shall be renewed and made whole. The promise of easter awaits. (Connor Browning, Ottawa, ON)

Administrator: **Grace Esquega**

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Parish Priest: **Rev. Gerry McDougall, SJ**

Parish Office Hours Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

### Masses for the Lord's Day

**Sunday: 12:30 PM.**

### Weekday Mass Schedule

**Monday: 12:00 PM.**

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS Please contact the parish office.

THE HOLY ROSARY is recited half hour before all Weekday Masses

### Sacraments and Pastoral Needs

Baptism: Please contact the parish office at least one month before. First Reconciliation and baptism date (622-5138)

First Communion (Grade Two and older): Please register with school or with the parish office. Families will be \contacted with requirements and other information.

Marriages: Please contact the parish office at least **six months** before the wedding date. Preparation will be required for the couple.

Reconciliation (Penance): Please make an appointment with one of the priests. (622-5138).

Sacrament of the Sick (anointing): please contact the parish office (622-5138) **or in the Regional Hospital, the on-call priest is available in an urgent need.**

Funerals: Please contact the parish office to arrange a funeral (622-5138). **All church services will be subject to Covid-19 protocol in effect of requested time.**

Reminder for those parents who would like to have their children receive first communion they must fill out a resignation form, they are in the back of the church please fill them and give them to Grace.

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Pastoral Council meeting will be Wed, Feb 21, 2024 at 6:00 pm

### Way of the Cross

Sunday before Mass approximately start time 11:45 am

I beg You, by all You suffered in carrying Your cross, to help me carry mine with Your perfect peace and resignation. I love You, Jesus, my love; I repent of ever having offended You. Never let me separate myself from You again. Grant that I may love You always; and then do with me as You will.

### This Week in Our Parish

**Sunday: Feb 18 ,2024**

12:30 pm mass

**Monday: Feb 19,2024**

12:00 p.m. mass

**Saturday 24th. 2024**

A.A. Meeting 8:00 p.m.

**Last Sunday's Collection: \$401.30**



### THE SIGN OF THE CROSS IN OJIBWE LANGUAGE

**Od ijinikasowining Weossimind,**

**(In the name of the Father,)**

**gaie Wegwissimind,**

**(and of the Son,)**

**gaie Wenijishid-Manito.**

**(and of the Holy Spirit.)**

**Mi ge-ing (Amen)**

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