

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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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings invite us to reflect on the meaning of Jesus as our shepherd. The image of sheep and shepherd is not one to which we can readily relate. But most of us can relate to the apostles who don't even have time to eat! Don't we all, at times, long for someone to encourage us to come away and rest for a while? It is understandable why Psalm 23, today's psalm, is so well loved.

Today's gospel calls us to focus our attention on the heart of Jesus. Faced with a vast crowd, we likely would not respond as Jesus did. Many would have turned the boat around to avoid all human contact neediness. But in truth, we too are often like that crowd, waiting for a leader whose vision and teaching about life we can trust. We all search for real answers to the challenges in our lives and have been disappointed by human leaders from all walks of life.

In the end, it is only when we take the risk to surrender to the compassion and love of Jesus as our shepherd that we will find rest, joy and peace for our hearts. This will give us the motivation to respond more generously, as did Jesus, to the needs of others around us. Joe Egan, Toronto, ON

First Reading:

Jeremiah 23. 1-6

Psalm: 23

Second Reading:

Ephesians 2. 13-18

Gospel

Mark 6. 30-34

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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.**

Exciting News

I am pleased to announce that we have a special visitor joining us this July. Giovanni Barbone, a Jesuit scholastic from Italy, will be spending the month with us in Thunder Bay. He is eager to meet everyone and has graciously offered to lead several workshops during his stay. Giovanni brings a wealth of knowledge and experience, particularly in the field of World Religions, which he currently teaches in Italy. He has planned two insightful workshops for us: First took place July 16/24

Second workshop Monday, July 22nd 6:00 pm Kateri, will focus on Hinduism, Buddhism, and Native Traditions providing a comprehensive understanding of these diverse faiths.

To conclude Giovanni's visit, we will celebrate the **Feast Day of St. Ignatius on July 31st at St. Kateri Parish.** The gathering will begin at St. Kateri at 2 p.m. with a lesson on St. Ignatius, followed by a reflective sharing, Mass, and a Potluck dinner.

I encourage everyone to come out to continue our journey with Christ together, and support Giovanni, who has traveled from afar to share his knowledge and enthusiasm with us. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn, pray, and unite in Christ Jesus.

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday: July 21,2024

12:30 pm mass

Monday: July 22,2024

12:00 p.m. mass

Saturday 27th. 2024

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

Last Sunday's Collection: \$300.00



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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