

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 a 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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BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This feast brings the Christmas season to a close and opens the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. At the River Jordan, Jesus clearly reveals who He is and what His mission will be. In the Gospel (Matthew 3:13–17), Jesus comes to John the Baptist to be baptized. John hesitates because Jesus is sinless. Jesus enters the waters not because He needs repentance, but to stand in solidarity with sinners. He accepts our humanity fully and begins the journey that will lead Him to the Cross.

This feast also helps us understand the meaning of our own Baptism. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 1213) teaches that Baptism is “the basis of the whole Christian life and the gateway to the sacraments.” Through Baptism, our sins are forgiven, we become children of God, members of the Church, and temples of the Holy Spirit. Baptism is not just a ceremony of the past; it is a lifelong calling. CCC 1267 reminds us that we are incorporated into Christ and share in His mission. Saint John Paul II says, “The Christian who has been baptized belongs to Christ.” Therefore, we are called to reject sin, live prayerfully, love others, and witness to Christ in daily life. The importance of Baptism is clear. Canon Law 849 teaches that Baptism is necessary for salvation. Saint Augustine reminds us that Baptism must be lived with faith.

Dear brothers and sisters, today's feast invites us to remember our own Baptism. God speaks the same words to each of us: “You are my beloved child.” Let us renew our baptismal promises—not only in words, but in the way we live. May we walk as baptized people, guided by the Holy Spirit, faithful to Christ, and pleasing to the Father. May God bless you and your families. Amen. Fr. Biju Mathe

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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 the 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.

Confirmation (Grade Eight 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).

Needed for Kateri an Assistance

Sacristan is a person who helps prepare for the mass, if interested please talk to Penny.

Confirmation, First Communion

This is a call out to parents that have children who would like first communion, or confirmation to contact the office so formation can be planned it needs to start soon.

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Baptism of the Lord Sunday is thus more than simply a commemoration of an event in Jesus’s life nearly 2000 years ago. It is also the springboard for a congregation to engage in evangelism by inviting others to “come and see” what life with Christ may be like. On this day, the baptized recommit themselves to live out the baptismal vows alongside seekers listening to Jesus to find out what following him may mean for them.

This Week in Our Parish 2026

Monday Mass Jan 12,2026 12:10 p.m.

Holy Hour at 11:00 am to 12 p.m. Before Mass.

Sunday: Jan 18th,2026.

Last Sunday’s Collection:

New Year Jan 1st,2026 \$271.35

Sunday Jan 4th,2026 \$214.45



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)