

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

David Shulist SJ, Jesus, shows himself to the disciples for the first time



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From the Pastor's Desk.

Standing Tall Among the Weeds.

My brothers and sisters, today's readings reveal a profound truth: we worship a God unlike any other. In a world where power is often equated with control and ruthlessness, our God reveals His almighty power through equality, patience, and boundless mercy. He does not play favorites, nor does He rush to condemn. Instead, He offers everyone the same opportunity for grace. As the prophet Micah beautifully writes: "Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression... He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in showing clemency." (Micah 7:18.)

Despite this divine love, we all know how difficult daily life can be. In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the weeds sown among the wheat. All too often, the anxieties, distractions, and heavy concerns of this world overpower us like weeds. The pressure to succeed, the fear of the future, and the noise of modern life threaten to choke our spiritual growth, leaving us feeling dry and disconnected from God.

But God does not abandon us to the weeds and fight this battle alone. St. Paul assures us in the second reading that when we are too weak, exhausted, or distracted to pray, **the Holy Spirit steps in to help us in our weakness**, translating our silent struggles directly to the Father. "The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words." — Romans 8:26.

This is because our God is a loving Father who sees our hearts far more than our outward actions. He does not expect us to be flawless; He values our sincere efforts and our desire to love Him and connect with Him. St. Thérèse of Lisieux wrote, Reflecting on God's gentle mercy, **"The Lord measures our perfection by our love, not by the greatness of our actions."**

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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.

Please contact the parish office. Tues and Thursday 10:00Am to 3:00 pm if needed

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Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday: 12:10 PM

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Therefore, our only task is to **try our absolute best to stay connected to Him**. When the weeds of worldly worries and weaknesses begin to crowd your heart, do not despair. Pause, breathe, and surrender your weakness to the Holy Spirit. By anchoring ourselves in His loving presence through prayer and the sacraments, we find the strength we lack on our own—confident that God's grace will always protect us and triumph over the weeds of our sins and struggles.

May the Good God bless you and your families, protecting from all the possible dangers, and keep you close to His Sacred Heart. Ame

Sacramental Preparation

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

Is your child or family member ready to begin preparing for **First Holy Communion or Confirmation?**

Registration is now open to start the preparation process for the upcoming year. Because these programs require a journey of formation, all candidates must be registered before classes begin.

Please Sign Up before

August 31st,2026.

Prayer for those affected by fires.

Heavenly Father, we lift up all those affected by the devastating wildfires. Comfort those who have lost homes or loved ones, and bring peace to their hearts. Protect the brave first responders battling the flames, and grant them safety. We ask for calm winds and rain to quench the fires and bring healing to the scorched land.

Amen

This Week in Our Parish 2026

Monday July 20,2026

Mass at 12:10 p.m.

11:30 to 12:00 pm Holy Adoration

Next Sunday July 27,2026 12:30 pm

Last week's Collection: \$ 515.05

Candles: \$ 7.00



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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)