

From Fr. Beatty-

Next weekend will be a truly major milestone for our parish, the twenty-fifth anniversary of the martyrdom of Sr. Kathleen McGuire, Sr. Agnes Mueller, Sr. Shirley Kolmer, Sr. Barbara Ann Muttra, and Sr. Mary Joel Kolmer. Sisters Barbara Ann and Mary Joel were killed while taking the convent's security guard home on October 20, 1992. Sisters Kathleen, Agnes, and Shirley were killed on October 23rd at the convent.

How to find words for this? There is grief at the loss of a sister, aunt, niece, cousin, and friend. There is pride in her witness and faithfulness. There is gratitude for the blessing to have shared her journey. It is evil that they were murdered. It is beautiful and good that they were faithful and courageous unto death. There certainly are no adequate words, and this is an anniversary to be observed with much silent reflection.

But not only silent reflection!... I hope to hear many stories about Sr. Kathleen. Let's tell them all and remember her!

We will observe the anniversary in our parish a week late. This is because several of her closest family members will be in Ruma for the anniversary itself. We'll observe the anniversary the next weekend out of respect and so that they may be present.

Next Ugly Quilt Workday is Wednesday, October 18th, 8:00 a.m. -10:00 a.m.

Ugly Quilt donations needed: New washcloths; used clean blankets; sock caps - black, blue, gray or brown; new hair brushes. 32 ugly quilts will be delivered to Gallatin Co. School, Eldorado School and Hardin Co School this November. Thank you for your support!!

St. Kateri is sponsoring a world-class opportunity for anyone to learn more about the background of the Bible on Friday evening, October 20th 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm and Saturday, October 21st 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. Jim Fleming is a Biblical archaeologist who has lived in Israel 37 years and taught at Hebrew University in Jerusalem many of those years. This is open to anyone from any church, so please take a brochure from the Narthex and tell your friends! If you would like more information, please contact Michelle Raper (618-841-7455), Opal Naas (272-7655), or Jonathan Gericke (618-926-4710).

Camp Ondessonk FREE Fall Festival: Camp Ondessonk opens its gates to the Southern Illinois community for a free afternoon fall festival each year to get to know our neighbors and area families who enjoy spending time together in the great outdoors. Fall in Southern Illinois provides fantastic weather for afternoon outings. Camp Ondessonk will be providing free pony rides, climbing wall, hay rides, face painting, and hot apple cider around the bonfire. This event is open to the public and all programming is completely free! The Camp Ondessonk Free Fall Festival October 15, 2017 from 11:00 AM—3:00 PM is fun for the entire family.

L. A. Lambert Knights of Columbus will have a Corporate Communion on Sunday, October 29th at the St. Kateri 9:00 a.m. Mass. Members are asked to sit together in the reserved pews.

A special thank you to all those who contributed to the Peter's Pence collection. While collection donations have not yet been received from all parishes, total proceeds from our Belleville Diocese as of October 1 are \$37,963.45. Thank you again for your support.

The Gallatin County Catholic community wish to invite everyone To a Trunk or Treat at St. Joseph Gym in Ridgway, IL. Saturday, October 28, 2017 at 6 p.m. with free chili and hotdogs, 7 p.m. Costume Contest, Prizes for best costumes in the different age groups! 7:30 p.m. "Trunk or Treat" (Please backup to the sidewalk around the St. Kateri Church.) Prizes for the best trunk (Judging 7:30 p.m.) Please bring a can of food to donate to the food bank.

Do you need a St. Kateri Cookbook? We have some left at a reduced price \$15.00 or 2 for \$25.00. They make Great Gifts for Friends, Birthdays, Anniversaries or Christmas. They can be purchased at Church Office - Tues. through Thurs. 618-272-7059 or The Village Boutique 618-272-7232. Get them before they are all gone!

Ridgway Knights of Columbus will have a chicken dinner on Sunday, October 15, from 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM at the Columbus Club in Ridgway. Take outs are available by calling 272-7615. Members are asked to bring a dessert.

We will once again be collecting items for the homeless shelter. Any of the following items would be appreciated: toiletry items, wash cloths, socks, blankets, hats, gloves, and/or cleaning supplies. Please place all donated items in the black bin in the Narthex. If you wish to donate cash please contact Emily York 618-841-9076. Thank you!

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way with the Blessing of the Jeeps. It was greatly appreciated!

RIDING FOR RACHEL – The gathering of St Kateri family and friends around the donation table after church last weekend was amazing and so heartwarming. I cannot thank you enough as I am overwhelmed by your generosity whether in the form of a monetary gift or through words of encouragement. The weather was perfect on Monday for a 60.74 mile ride throughout Gallatin and Saline County. I finished in 5 hours and 38 minutes with 4 hours and 51 minutes of actual ride time and averaged 12.5 mph. The Lord surrounded me with a band of angels who gave me strength and kept me safe. It is to God I give all the glory, honor and praise. To Rachel, beautiful lady, we love you and care about you, we are here for you. We all are blessed, stronger and better for having walked beside you in this journey. To all those who had a hand in making this fund possible I say thank you. Mona Patton Matthew 20:28 The Son of Man came not to be served, but to serve.

For Your Calendar:

October 15, Sunday: PSR Class

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October 16, Monday: Altar Society Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in St. Joseph North Room.

October 22, Sunday: PSR Class

October 24, Tuesday: Pastoral Council Discernment, beginning with Mass at 6:30 p.m. at St. Kateri Church.

October 28, Saturday: Trunk or Treat at 6:00 p.m.

Pray for those who are sick or in hospital: Mary Lou Aton, Kevin Baker, Kristy Boulds, Theresa Patton Burke, Connor Charleton, Diane (Bard) Graves, Dode Drone Howerton, Campbell Faulkner, Dale Hobbs, Bill Jarrett, Matt Kreiter, Richard Moore, Daniel Mulkey, Rachel DeVous Page, Jerry Penrod, Dan Rushing, Delores Scherrer, Randy Simon, Sandra Skaggs, Penny Sisk, Sandy Snoddy, Bob Williams, Leah Williams and Lee Zirkelbach.

Also remember our sick and shut-ins: Helen Bond, Mary Lee Buckman, Gregg Drone, Virginia L. Drone, Donna Holmes, Mary Jo Holmes, Roxanne Nicholas, Jim Raper, Tony Scates, Gertrude Scherrer, Ronny Lynn Bond Watkins and Melissa Wilson.

(To add/delete a name from the list please call the office: 618-272-7059.)

OUR RETURN GIFTS TO GOD *LAST WEEK*: Thank you for your generosity.

Envelopes (83):	Loose Collection:	Building Fund:
\$3856.00	\$3047.00	\$100.00

Building Fund (Pledges)	\$3820.00
Weekend Snack Pack	\$85.00
St. Joseph Cemetery (R)	\$85.00

Liturgical Ministers Schedule:

Saturday, October 21, 2017 **St. Mary Chapel**
Lector: Mary Jo O. Morgan
Eucharistic Ministers: Bill Scates, Mary Jo York, Kappy Scates
Servers: Drew Scates, Emma Gum
Greeters: Josh & Susie Holmes

Sunday, October 22, 2017 **St. Kateri Church**
Lector: 6th & 7th Grade
Eucharistic Ministers: Randy Drone, Carolyn Jones, Andi York, Ginger York
Servers: 6th & 7th Grade
Greeters: 6th & 7th Grade

Please consider remembering your parish in your will.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish

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Office Hours:
 Tuesday through Thursday
 8:30am - 12:00pm
 1:00pm - 4:30pm



“The Cross was the glory of my life and of my death, and I want you to make it yours.”

- *Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Lily of the Mohawks*

Most Rev. Edward K. Braxton
 Bishop of Belleville

Fr. Steven L. Beatty
 Pastor

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time **October 14th & October 15th 2017**

Mass Schedule for this week

Saturday	Oct	14,	5:00 PM	PONDS
Sunday	Oct	15,	9:00 AM	RIDG
Monday	Oct	16,	No Mass	
Tuesday	Oct	17,	8:00 AM	RIDG
Wednesday	Oct	18,	8:00 AM	EQUY
Thursday	Oct	19,	8:00 AM	PONDS
Friday	Oct	20,	8:00 AM	SHAW
Saturday	Oct	21,	5:00 PM	SHAW
Sunday	Oct	22,	9:00 AM	RIDG

For Our Parish
Susan Coker

Mary Ellen Neumann
Delbert York
Patricia Ann Maloney
Mark & Mike E. Fromm
For Our Parish
25th Anniversary of the
Martyrdom of Sr. Kathleen
McGuire & her four
companions