

St. Kateri & St. Joseph Child Protection Information:

If someone wants to volunteer for PSR, Vacation Bible School, Mission Trip or anything like that, you need to contact the Parish Office 272-7059 to get information on being in compliance with the Child Protection guidelines. There is a process to go through **so please don't wait till the last minute to sign up** because you may not be able to attend until all paperwork is approved by the Diocese. Sometimes this can take a month or so to get through the process. Thank you so much to every parishioner who makes the effort to stay up with the training and paperwork. Our Parish appreciates all you do and so grateful to everyone willing to help. As many of you know, The Diocese of Belleville requires all volunteers who work with or around children (in any capacity) to be in compliance with the Diocesan Child Protection Policy: More information about this policy can be obtained at the Diocesan website at www.Diobelle.org

6th Sunday of Easter

*“For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil.”
1 PETER 3:17*

The old line says, “if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans.” Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result we anticipated or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times, we may respond negatively and ask, “Why me? I did everything right!” Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

The 2026 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Those who are kind to the needy honor Him

Your contribution to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal enables the Office of Education to impact the lives of over 10,283 students at 25 Catholic grade schools, three Catholic high schools and in PSR (Parish School of Religion) classes throughout our Belleville Diocese. If you haven't already done so, we prayerfully ask you to consider making a gift to the 2026 Appeal today...no amount is too large or too small! Thank you.

VOCATION CORNERS: Mother's Day – what a wonderful commemoration of one of the greatest vocations there is. We are inspired by the example of Mary, the Mother of God, to live by the words from the Cana feast, “Do whatever He tells you.” We pray for all Mothers today and for the families they form, nurture and love. We also ponder our own “FIAT” – our surrendering to God's plan for us.

Ferdinand Trip: Our parish's annual Mission Trip to the convent in Ferdinand, IN, will be held on July 6-10. Any youth age 12 and above are welcome. Friends, whether Catholic or not, may be invited. There is no cost for participants. Adults are also welcome if they have completed diocesan child protection training. This can now be done online and takes about an hour, however, the State Police background check can take weeks, so that would need to be started soon. For more information or to sign up, call Mark York at 499-3801. The deadline for registering is May 31.

When submitting a donation to the cemetery please specify which cemetery you're donating to. Please write a separate check for the cemetery donations. This will ensure we use funds according to your intentions. Thank you!

The four church cemeteries are supported by donations, and mowing expenses are a significant expense. Donations through the collection are helpful. The rotation of Memorial Day Mass at the cemetery falls to St Patrick Cemetery, Pond Settlement this year. Mass will be celebrated May 25th , 8 am.

Graduates: Please provide the Parish Office with the graduate's name and school of our Parish graduate, college, high school, or 8th grade, who would like to be recognized in the bulletin. You may email, drop note in collection basket or call Parish office.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Your Calendar:

May 11, Monday: Holy Name Men's Society & St. Ann's Council Catholic Women meeting of St. Joseph at Elizabethtown in Parish Hall at 6:00 p.m.

May 13, Wednesday: St. Joseph of the Woods-#3936 KofC Meeting Harrisburg 7:00 p.m.

May 15, Friday: Adoration after Mass at St. Kateri

May 20, Wednesday: Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Columbus Club in Ridgway

May 22, Friday: Adoration after Mass at St. Kateri

May 25, Monday: Memorial Day Mass-St. Patrick Cemetery at 8:00 a.m.

May 26, Tuesday: St. Kateri Parish Council Meeting beginning with Mass at 6:30 p.m.

May 27, Wednesday: Help Center 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Equality Parish Hall

May 29, Friday: Adoration after Mass at St. Kateri

If anyone has a person that needs a card, please text name and address to Jane Bond 618-313-1817

Care Bears with cards are available in the Narthex for those that are sick or shut in. If you visit someone at home or in the hospital, please take them a bear and note from the parish.
Compassionate Miscarriage Bundles are available for anyone in need. Please contact Emily York 618-841-9076

St. Kateri

Pray for those who are sick or in hospital: Beverly Mills, Jeff Dearmon, Charlie Wargel, Alice Duvall, Tim Duvall, David Schmitt, Ty Hollingsworth, Gregg Drone and Kay Johnson.

St. Joseph

Pray for those who are sick or in hospital: Carolyn Ellis, Susan Williams, Nathan Clark, Filii Tuliao, Steve & Sharon Robbs, Hadley Stowers, Pam & Dickie Pease, Sue Leonberger, Erin Adams, Tom Hirsch, Ronnie & Maryanne Armstrong, Deborah Smoot, Jim Patton, Ken Schimp, Becky Barnard, Sarah Humm, Erin Armstrong, David Humm, Rusty Cornell, Christy Busler, Janice Downey, Pat Rochford, Dora Kay Warren, Craig Fuller, Miranda Hutchison, Rachel Martin, Tammy Parkinson, Charlie Joyner, David Helmers, Larry Brugger, Jim & Cheryl Thornton, Lori Price, Dewayne Simmons, Jimmy Summers, Gary Carr, Bob Gibbs, Carol Wolf, Regina & Larry Hall, Ricky Williams, Christie Tetford, Peyton Daymon, Steve Hunt, Jerry Humm, Betty Monroe, Mike Carver, David Dunstan, Mike Belford, Danny Sanders, Troy Hirsch, Larry Robinson & Diane Darnell

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

St. Kateri Parish	(77 Envelopes)
Sunday Envelopes:	\$6514.00
Loose Collection:	\$405.00
Building:	\$570.00
Gym Deposit:	\$100.00
Seminarian Education:	\$405.00
Weekend Snack Pack:	\$60.00
Food Pantry:	\$100.00
St. Mary Cemetery:	\$20.00
St. Joseph Equality Cemetery:	\$25.00
St. Joseph Ridgway Cemetery:	\$25.00

CSMA GOAL: \$14,971.00
CSMA Collection/Pledges
Totals: \$9299.00

St. Joseph Stewardship weekly budget goal	
(Our weekly goal \$1600.00)	
Sunday Envelopes:	\$945.00
Loose Collection:	\$191.00
Weekly Sunday Envelope Total:	\$1136.00
Seminarian Education:	\$130.00

CSMA GOAL: \$4,223.00
CSMA Collection
Totals: \$3765.00

Liturgical Ministers Schedule:

Saturday, May 16, 2026 - St. Kateri
Lector: Ryan Lydick
Eucharistic Ministers: Steve & Kendra McGuire
Servers: Ella Lydick, Norah Lydick, Pat Abell
Greeters: Steve & Kendra McGuire

Sunday, May 17, 2026 – St. Kateri
Lector: Noah DeVous
Eucharistic Ministers: Randy Drone, Simon Naas
Servers: Carl Payne, Harper Fromm
Greeters: Martin & Cathy Duffy

Sunday, May 17, 2026 - St. Joseph
Lector: Kelsey Blanchard
Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Barbercheck, Tamera Berger
Ushers: Dempsey Lievers, Gary Gross

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish
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Office Hours:
 Monday through Friday
 8:30am - 12:00pm
 1:00pm - 4:00pm

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Elizabethtown, Illinois 62931



Fr. Felix Chukwuma
 Parish Administrator
 812-899-2415
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Very Reverend Godfrey Mullen, OSB
 Bishop of the Diocese of Belleville

Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 9th, 2026 & May 10th, 2026
Mass Schedule for this week

Saturday	May	9,	5:00 PM	RDWY	James & Lucretia Browning
Sunday	May	10,	8:00 AM	ETWN	For Our Parish
Sunday	May	10,	10:30 AM	RDWY	For Our Parish
Monday	May	11,	No Mass		
Tuesday	May	12,	6:30 PM	RDWY	Rita Gilliam & Jerry Cain, Barb Drone Fetch, David Duffy
Wednesday	May	13,	8:00 AM	RDWY	Michael Harmon & Martin & Louise Abell
Thursday	May	14,	6:00 PM	ETWN	For Our Parish
Friday	May	15,	8:00 AM	RDWY	Roger Lewis Drone
Saturday	May	16,	5:00 PM	RDWY	Mary Edna Febuary, Jenny Fromm, Bradley Friend
Sunday	May	17,	8:00 AM	ETWN	Steve Pelcha
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