

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time** - *“For my yoke is easy, and my burden light.”* - Matthew 11:30 When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.

**We will celebrate St. Kateri Feast Day and Fr. Felix’s 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary** at the Tuesday, evening Mass on July 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. followed by desserts in Northroom. Sign up sheets will be in the Narthex.

**Old Town Heritage Presents 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration of 4<sup>th</sup> of July:** July 3-5, 2026, Entertainment all weekend! DJ’s, Live Bands & More. Food provided at Foxy’s Saloon, Layton’s Bar & Grill and Food Trucks. Events: Camper Rally at Fiedlerland Campground, Bike Rally, Car Show, Firework Show, 50/50 Raffles, Family Movie Night & More! Fun for all ages! Proceeds to benefit Autism Awareness. Come and enjoy a fun-filled event. Thank you for your support. You are invited to set up at the event any day July 3-5, 2026. Cost will be \$10.00, ½ will go to Autism Awareness and ½ will go for next year’s event. Non-refundable. Set up anytime—Main St, Old Shawneetown, IL. Will need name, address, Product selling, Contact Information. Send payment and information to Gallatin Co Historical Society P.O. Box 195, Shawneetown, IL 62984. Any questions call/text 618-518-9355. We, Old Town Heritage, are not responsible for theft/breakage/damage caused at the event.

**Vocation Corners:** This weekend, we mark another anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. “On the 51st anniversary, Charles Carroll, the only Catholic to have signed the Declaration and the last surviving signer, said, “God grant that this religious liberty may be preserved in these States to the end of time, and that all believing in the religion of Christ may practice the leading principle of charity, the basis of every virtue.” Today is a time for choosing how we will keep faith with the great accomplishments of our Catholic forebears as we seek to make our own contributions. If we or someone in your family is called by the Holy Spirit to a religious vocation, we should encourage and accept this challenge as we are all endowed by our Creator with life and liberty. *“Columbia, “Culture of Life”, Oct. 2015, pg. 47.*

**CSMA** - Did you know YOUR GIFT to the 2026 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal can be made online? Visit your Belleville Diocese’s website at [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org) and click on “Giving”. It’s that simple! Every donation – large or small – is needed to continue our diocesan ministry to those in need. We are counting on YOU. Please visit [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org) today!

## **Congratulations Fr. Felix on your 21<sup>st</sup> Ordination Anniversary on Thursday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026!**

**Ridgway Knights of Columbus will have a Chicken Dinner on Sunday, July 19, 2026,** from 10:30 AM until 12:30 PM at the Columbus Club, 110 S Crawford St, Ridgway. Fried chicken, potatoes and gravy, green beans, cole slaw, hot rolls, dessert and drink included. \$10/plate. Dine in or carry out. 618-272-7615. Everyone Welcome! Members are asked to please bring a desert.

**Respect Life Corner: 2026 Natural Family Planning Campaign Week 1 “Man cannot fully find himself except through a sincere gift of himself.”** -St. Pope John Paul II  
At the heart of every human person is the call to love. Young or old, single, married, widowed—we are each capable of becoming a gift to another. We become a self-gift when we sit beside a friend in need, offer our time in service, faithfully & “show up” for our children, choose love when it is most difficult, and when husbands and wives give themselves to one another freely, totally, faithfully, and fruitfully. In giving ourselves away, we do not lose who we are; we discover who we were created to be. Through these daily acts of self-giving love, we reflect the very heart of God and His infinite, unconditional love for each of us. The call to become a gift of self lies at the heart of God’s beautiful plan for marriage and family. Through St. John Paul II’s Theology of the Body, discover the deeper meaning of authentic love.

### **Your Calendar:**

**July 8, Wednesday:** St. Joseph of the Woods-#3936 KofC Meeting Harrisburg 7:00 p.m.

**July 10, Friday:** Adoration after Mass at St. Kateri

**July 14, Tuesday: We will celebrate St. Kateri Feast Day and Fr. Felix’s 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary** at the Tuesday, evening Mass on July 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. followed by desserts in the Northroom.

**July 15, Wednesday:** Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Columbus Club in Ridgway

**July 17, Friday:** Adoration after Mass at St. Kateri

**July 19, Sunday:** Ridgway Knights of Columbus will have a chicken dinner from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Columbus Club in Ridgway. Dine in and carry out. \$10.00 a plate. 272-7615. Members are asked to bring a dessert

**July 24, 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, Kay Johnson, Tracy Russell and Brenda Raben.

**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, Erin Armstrong, 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, Gary Carr, Bob Gibbs, Carol Wolf, Regina & Larry Hall, Ricky Williams, Christie Tetford, Peyton Daymon, Steve Hunt, Jerry Humm, Betty Monroe, Mike Carver, Danny Sanders, Troy Hirsch, Larry Robinson, Diane Darnell, JoAnn Jordan, Bob Winchester, Kathy Hogshead Repasky, Larry Ashford, Stacy Tolbert and Dan Block

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

<b>St. Kateri Parish</b>	<b>(59 Envelopes)</b>
Sunday Envelopes:	\$4193.00
Loose Collection:	\$435.00
Building:	\$200.00
Peter's Pence Collection:	\$555.00
Help Center:	\$50.00
Weekend Snack Pack:	\$60.00
Votive Candles:	\$153.00
St. Joseph Ridgway Cemetery:	\$145.00
St. Marys Cemetery:	\$120.00
St. Joseph Equality Cemetery:	\$50.00
St. Patrick Cemetery:	\$20.00

**CSMA GOAL: \$14,971.00**  
**CSMA Collection/Pledges**  
**Totals: \$10,399.00**

<b>St. Joseph Stewardship weekly budget goal</b>	
<b>(Our weekly goal \$1600.00)</b>	
Sunday Envelopes:	\$1459.00
Loose Collection:	\$122.00
<b>Weekly Sunday Envelope Total:</b>	<b>\$1581.00</b>
Peter's Pence:	\$85.00

**CSMA GOAL: \$4,223.00**  
**CSMA Collection**  
**Totals: \$3,765.00**

**Liturgical Ministers Schedule:**

**Saturday, July 11, 2026 - St. Kateri**  
Lector: Rick Zirkelbach  
Eucharistic Ministers: Jane Bond, Jacki Drone  
Servers: Jackson Drone, Jameson Drone  
Greeters: Josh & Jacki Drone

**Sunday, July 12, 2026 – St. Kateri**  
Lector: Wes Duffy  
Eucharistic Ministers: Carl Payne, Thomas McGuire  
Servers: Lydia Browning, volunteer  
Greeters: Carl Payne, Mark York

**Sunday, July 12, 2026 - St. Joseph**  
Lector: Joe Ciarlette  
Eucharistic Ministers: Charlie Soward, Michael Steele  
Ushers: Stanley Pelcha, Caiden Pelcha

**St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish**  
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 Ridgway, Illinois 62979



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**Office Hours:**  
 Monday through Friday  
 8:30am - 12:00pm  
 1:00pm - 4:00pm

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***Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***  
***July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026 & July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026***  
*Mass Schedule for this week*

Saturday	July	4,	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>RDWY</b>	<b>For Our Parish</b>
Sunday	July	5,	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>ETWN</b>	<b>Mitch &amp; Ruth Mitchell</b>
Sunday	July	5,	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>RDWY</b>	<b>Faye Rotramel, Bob Raben, Patricia Naas</b>
Monday	July	6,	<b>No Mass</b>		
Tuesday	July	7,	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>RDWY</b>	<b>Ryan &amp; Kris Kilmer</b>
Wednesday	July	8,	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>RDWY</b>	<b>Michael Kauffman, James, Urban &amp; Lula Goebel</b>
Thursday	July	9,	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>ETWN</b>	<b>Mona Bishop</b>
Friday	July	10,	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>RDWY</b>	<b>Raymond Lawler, John &amp; Bernice Lawler, Tyler Huston</b>
Saturday	July	11,	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>RDWY</b>	<b>Mary Edna Febuary, Ginnie Kuhn &amp; Jerry Cain, Sue Kimbro</b>
Sunday	July	12,	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>ETWN</b>	<b>Sarah Humm</b>
Sunday	July	12,	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>RDWY</b>	<b>For Our Parish</b>