



### St. Joseph Church

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# GUARDIAN ANGELS

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

### St. Kevin Church

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Melrose



#### Mass Intentions

July 10/11, 2021

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- Sat., July 10 4:00pm – Mass  
† **Florence Bresna**
- Sun., July 11 10:00am – Mass  
† **Christine Burton**
- Tues., July 13 8:00am – Mass  
**Good Health for  
Lorine Vipond**
- Weds., July 14 8:00am – Mass  
**Kelly and Laura  
Halverson**
- Thurs., July 15 8:00am – Mass  
**Birthday of  
James Smetana**
- Fri., July 16 **Of the Parish**
- Sat., July 17 4:00pm – Mass  
† **Brian Harkner**
- Sun., July 18 10:00am – Mass  
† **Father Al Ludwig**

*15th Sunday  
in  
Ordinary Time*



#### Sunday Mass Times

Now through September,  
Mass times will be:  
St. Joseph - Saturday 4pm  
Sunday 10am  
St. Kevin - Sunday 8am

- Sun., July 11 8:00am – Mass  
† **Patti Peschel**
- Tues., July 13 5:30pm - Mass  
† **Randy Sonsalla**
- Sun., July 18 8:00am – Mass  
† **Tom Besl**

#### Ministers - St. Kevin

Sunday, July 18, 8:00am

- Lector: Volunteer
- Servers: Volunteers
- Sacristan: Volunteer
- Ushers: Volunteers
- Cashiers: Jacki Hoffman, Rose Strait

Masses without a listed time will be offered privately by Father Emmanuel.

#### All are welcome to attend Mass.

Simple personal health and safety precautions are highly recommended.

### Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — July 18, 2021

The prophet hears what God proclaims and is called to speak in God's name. The Twelve hear the message of Jesus and are sent forth to preach the good news. In him have we been chosen to be full of love.

AM 7:12-15; PS 85:9-14; EPH 1:3-14 or 1:3-10; MK 6:7-13

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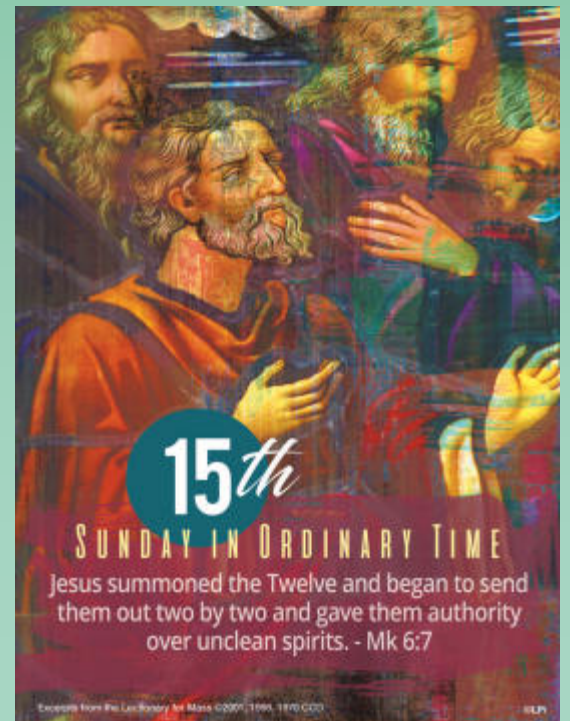
Saturday, July 17, 4:00pm

- Volunteer
- Volunteers
- Volunteer
- Knights of Columbus

- Lector
- Servers
- Sacristan
- Ushers
- Cashiers

Sunday, July 18, 10:00am

- Volunteer
- Volunteers
- Volunteer
- Knights of Columbus
- Patricia Durman, Angela Fischer, Robert Laubach



15<sup>th</sup>

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. - Mk 6:7

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## From the Desk of Your Pastor

Father Emmanuel Stella Famiyeh

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### THE ROOFS FUND at the end of June

**ROOFS:** I mentioned it earlier that we needed about **11%** of the agreed amount of **\$200,000** to be raised to reach the mandated 80% cash-on-hand for us to get the Bishop's approval for the next steps to have the roofs replaced.

By the kind and generous responses from you, we have been able to get about **5%** of the needed **11%** just within a week. This is **IMPRESSIVE!** With the latest responses from you, we are now at **74.5%** of the **80%** needed to be deposited with the Diocese for us to get the Bishop's final word. I am confident that by the end of July or middle of August, 2021, we will have deposited the needed **80%**, if not more, of the Campaign's total amount of **\$200,000**.

Please, let us keep this Fundraiser for the Roofs in our prayers so that with Faith and Trust in the Lord, we shall obtain the remainder of the money needed to reroof the Church and Social Center Building at St Joseph.

Once again, Thank You all for your love and involvement in the Lord's Vineyard.



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2020-2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal

**TARGET: \$31,375**

**COMMITTED: \$30,247**

Received in the parish office before July 2.



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### GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH

#### Business Office Hours

St. Joseph — 10am-4pm — Tues, Wed, Thurs

St. Kevin — 2pm-5pm — Friday

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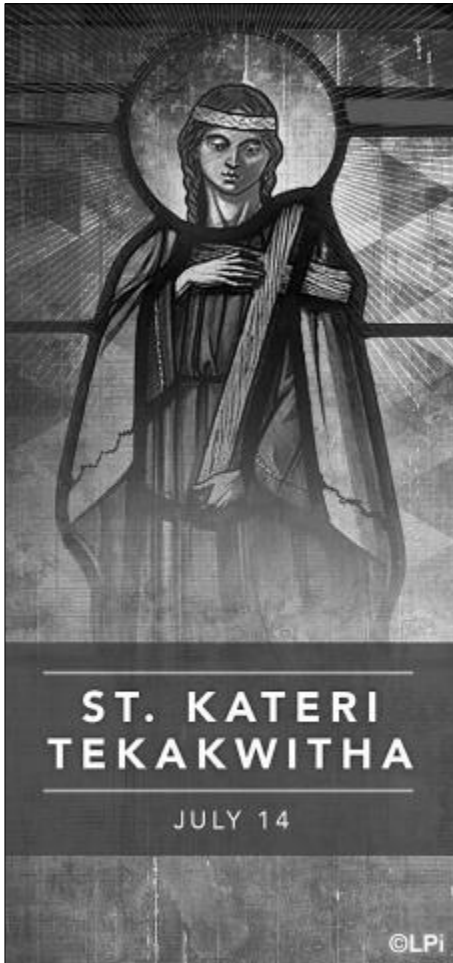
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## The Lily of the Mohawks - St. Kateri Tekakwitha

“The Lily of the Mohawks,” Kateri was born in 1656 in a village along the Mohawk River called Ossernenon, now known as Auriesville, New York. Her father was a Mohawk chief, her mother a Christian Algonquin raised among the French.

When Kateri was 4, a smallpox epidemic claimed her parents and baby brother. She survived, but her face was disfigured and her vision impaired. She was raised by her anti-Christian uncle, who began to plan her marriage. But after meeting with Catholic priests, Kateri decided to be baptized.

Following her Baptism by a Jesuit missionary in 1676 at age 20, Kateri’s family and village ostracized and ridiculed her. She fled the next year to Canada, taking refuge at St. Francis Xavier Mission in the Mohawk Nation at Caughnawaga on the St. Lawrence River, about 10 miles from Montreal, and made her first Communion on Christmas in 1677.

Kateri astounded the Jesuits with her deep spirituality and her devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. She took a private vow of virginity and devoted herself to teaching prayers to the children and helping the sick and elderly of Caughnawaga.

She died in 1680 at age 24. According to eyewitnesses, the scars on her face suddenly disappeared after her death. Soon after, Catholics started to claim that favors and miracles had been obtained through her intercession. Native Americans have made appeals to the Catholic Church for her recognition since at least the late 1800s.

Documentation for Kateri’s sainthood cause was sent to the Vatican in 1932. She was declared venerable in 1942 and in 1980 was beatified by Pope John Paul II.

Records for the final miracle needed for her canonization were sent to the Vatican in July 2009. It involved the full recovery of a young boy in Seattle whose face had been disfigured by flesh-eating bacteria and who almost died from the disease. His

family, who is part Native American, had prayed for Kateri’s intercession. On December 19, 2011, Pope Benedict XVI signed the decree recognizing the miracle, and canonized Kateri Tekakwitha on October 21, 2012.

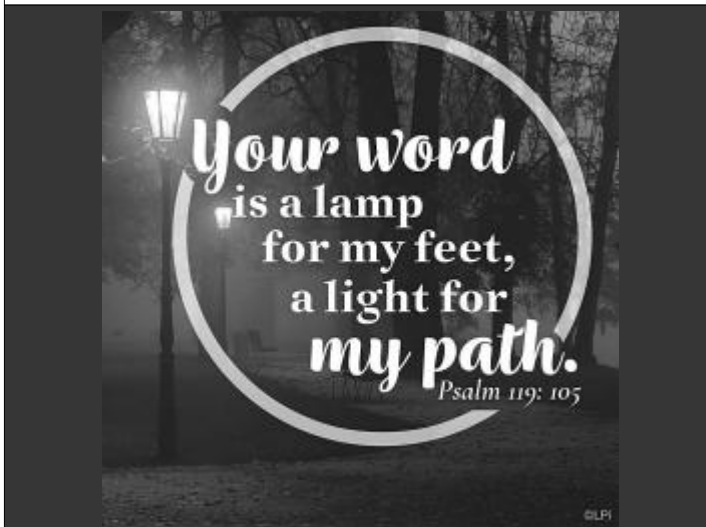
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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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**2020-21 School Year  
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## What Are YOU Looking For?

The first question that Jesus asks in John’s Gospel is, “What are you looking for?” He is speaking to John’s disciples as they follow after Him, desiring to know who Jesus is and what His mission is all about. After the disciples respond, Jesus gives them an instruction, “Come and you will see!”

Whether we can hear it or not, that same question is being asked to you. What are YOU looking for? So often, we find ourselves searching, not knowing exactly where to go or what to do in life. We seek things that will hopefully fill the emptiness and longing that we have in our hearts, but nothing seems to satisfy. The real answer to this can be found in Jesus’ response as He invites each of us to follow after Him, to get to know Him, and to follow the path He has placed before us. For some men, that path is a very special invitation to walk in Jesus’ footsteps as a priest.

If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about this call to the priesthood, please contact me at: Fr. Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S. PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602; or by phone at: 608.791.2667. God bless you!

## Calendar of Events – Updates

### JULY

- 10/11 **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Works of Charity second collection
- 17/18 **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 24/25 **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### AUGUST

- July 31/Aug 1 **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Annual Mission Co-op
- 7/8 **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- 14/15 **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Bulletin deadline is Monday noon.**

*BulletinEditor@GuardianAngelsCathParish.org*



### July

#### Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

*Pray an Our Father, a Hail Mary, and a Glory Be for the intentions of the Holy Father.*

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH

2021	Week of June 19-20	June Online Giving
Adult Envelopes	\$ 2,775.00	\$ 3,635.00
Offertory Plate	\$ 197.00	
Roof Fund	\$ 1,400.00	\$ 1,295.00
Works of Charity		\$ 10.00

## Become More Dependent on God

Our readings today remind us to live our lives in total surrender to God's care.

The Gospel recounts when Jesus instructs His twelve apostles to begin their missionary work two by two. He encouraged them to take very little — a walking stick and sandals.

If you can recall a time you packed for a trip, or even left the house for a day's travel, you might remember making a list or packing days in advance. We tend to pack so we know we will be comfortable.

If we extend this concept of "comfort" into other areas of our lives, we will most likely find a few instances where we ensure life is comfortable. It could be buying extra food at the grocery store, making sure we have the most updated technology, or even feeling safe in our bank accounts.

It is not bad to have extra food in the pantry or a new phone. And it is not bad to save money. These things can be good when used properly.

But what if we are looking to these things for comfort, security or even happiness?

Imagine if Jesus approached you and said, "Go out and do my work, but you can only bring a walking stick and shoes." Would you be willing to surrender all the rest?

A key component of living out our call as Christian stewards is total surrender. It is trusting in God during our best moments and our hardest. It is looking to Him for security, comfort, and happiness.

Reflect on the ways you might be looking for comfort in the things of this world. Tangibly find a way to become independent from that "thing" so that you can become more dependent on God.



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## MONTH OF JULY — SPECIAL MONTH TO CELEBRATE OUR PASTOR

*You are a Priest forever, in the Order of Melchizedek.*

Psalm 110:4

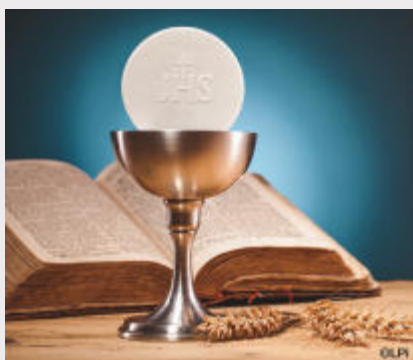
This July, our pastor will celebrate three milestones: 10 years as our Pastor; 58 years of age; and 31 years as an Ordained Minister. Let us join with our Pastor in thanking God for all the favors He has bestowed on his lowly servant in the Sacerdotal Ministry. It would be worthwhile to wish our Pastor words of congratulations and encouragement by any means you choose.

**On July 1**, Fr Emmanuel Stella Famiyeh, our pastor, will be marking his 10<sup>th</sup> full anniversary since he resigned as the pastor at St Mary's parish, Richland Center, so as to take up the pastoral responsibilities at St Joseph Parish at Black River Falls, St Kevin Parish at Melrose, and Immaculate Conception Parish at Alma Center.

Our pastor became the last pastor to have served us as separate parishes for six years, and the first pastor to serve us as a newly merged parish of Guardian Angels for four years and counting. This is remarkably special for all to celebrate with our pastor.

**July 2** will be Fr Emmanuel's 58<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**July 22** marks our Pastor's 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary as an Ordained Priest of the Roman Catholic Church. Out of these years as a priest, Fr Emmanuel served nine years in his native country, Ghana, focusing vigorously on primary evangelization and



catechesis with so much enthusiasm, though he sometimes complained as to why he was posted to the remotest areas of his diocese of ordination. 1999 saw him sent to La Crosse diocese, serving as a curate for 5 months at Stratford,

WI, and 3 months at Hillsboro, WI. May 15, 2000 brought Fr Famiyeh to Richland Center where he served as a pastor until his transfer to our Churches on July 1, 2011. With this, Father has served in our diocese for 22 years.

**July 20**, by the way, is on the list of the days for our pastor to celebrate his 58<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his Baptism.

Happy Birthday and Blessed Anniversaries, Father Emmanuel! May the Good Lord continue to be with you as you carry on your shoulders the burden to **Feed** and **Teach**, **Tend**, and **Sanctify** the souls entrusted to your pastoral care. May you one day receive the rewards for your unyielding labor in the Lord's vineyard (*see Matthew 19: 29*).

**WORKS OF CHARITY** second collection will be July 10/11. An envelope is in the July envelope packet.

**2021 ANNUAL MISSION CO-OP** will the weekend of July 31/August 1.

### FESTIVALS 2021

**St Joseph Festival** is slated for August 21. It will be an upgrade of what was done last year by the inclusion of a LIMITED WINDOW Rummage Sale. The Rummage Sale will start on August 19 and end on August 21. The Rummage Sale will be held in the church basement this year. Since it will be limited, a list of items will be published in future bulletins as to what will not be allowed to be brought in. The items will not be priced; rather, each item will be obtained through a FREEWILL OFFERING. Four volunteers will be needed on each day, two volunteers during the morning, and two during the afternoon. Please, if you are interested in manning the station during the three-day period, contact Liz Parker or the parish office.

**St Kevin Festival** will be held in September this year. Please, stay tuned for more information in future bulletins.

**The Cry Room is now open at St. Joseph Church.**

### All are welcome to Mass.

Simple personal health and safety precautions are highly recommended.

I am not  
my own;  
I have given  
myself to Jesus.  
He must be my  
only love.

—St. Kateri Tekakwitha



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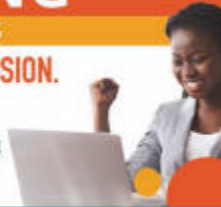
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