



# Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Parish

## Member Churches

*Sacred Heart ~ 17 Bridge Street ~ Kent*

*Saint Bernard ~ 52 New Street ~ Sharon*

*Saint Bridget ~ 7 River Road ~ Cornwall Bridge*

*Monsignor Vittorio Guerrera ~ Pastor*

*Parish Trustees*

*Mr. Jerry Tobin Mrs. Stephanie Plunkett*

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
and First Friday

9 AM

SACRED HEART CHURCH

### SATURDAY VIGIL 4 PM

SAINT BRIDGET CHURCH

### SUNDAY 8 AM

SAINT BERNARD CHURCH

### SUNDAY 10 AM

SACRED HEART CHURCH

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FOR HOLY DAY MASSES

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before Mass or by appointment.

### PARISH OFFICE

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# SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21st, 2021

## THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 20th**  
**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21st**

### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

4 PM ~ CORNWALL BRIDGE

David Whitford ~ First Anniversary

8 AM ~ SHARON

Rev. David Loneragan

10 AM ~ KENT

Sofia Hernandez ~ Requested by Ellen & John Genovese

**MONDAY NOVEMBER 22nd ~ 9 AM ~ KENT**

**Saint Cecilia**

John and Kittie O'Connell ~ Mass for the living

Requested by Suzanne O'Connell

**TUESDAY NOVEMBER 23rd ~ 9 AM ~ KENT**

**Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr**

Richard Utera ~ Requested by Jacque Petersen

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 24th ~ 9 AM ~ KENT**

**Saint Andrew Dung-Lac**

Rev. James Smith

**THANKSGIVING DAY ~ 9 AM ~ KENT**

For parishioners

**SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27th**

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28th**

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

4 PM ~ CORNWALL BRIDGE

Guido Sebblen ~ Requested by Mary Woodman

8 AM ~ SHARON

William Barnes

Requested by Judy, Jeff and Patrick Hannon

10 AM ~ SACRED HEART

James Clements



The Sanctuary Lamp signifies the Eucharistic presence of the Lord Jesus in the Tabernacle and burns for seven days. You may have the Sanctuary Lamp memorialized for a sick person, a deceased family member or friend, or as a special intention. The weekly donation for this is \$25. Sanctuary Lamps can be memorialized in each of the three churches of St. Kateri Tekakwitha. If you would like to reserve a week in any of our churches, please contact Sandy at the parish office.



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and to change the timing and/or amount of your gift at any time.

Please call the parish office if you need assistance.



**SACRIFICIAL GIVING FOR THE  
33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**WEEKLY ENVELOPES: \$ 2,578.00.**

**ON LINE GIVING: \$ 1,290.00.**

Thank you for your generosity  
and steadfast commitment to our Parish.  
May God bless you and your families.

## A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

When we are young, our parents "tell us about Jesus" and we believe what our parents believe. At some point we must leave our parents faith and ask Pilate's question: "Are you the King?" Pilate is just asking these questions on our behalf.



## PRAY THE ROSARY

The Rosary prayed to Mary is a powerful prayer as Mary intercedes for each of us. Her Son never denies His mother. This Tuesday, the Rosary is prayed at Sacred Heart following the 9 AM Mass. The intention this week is for families as we gather together to celebrate and give thanks for our many blessings. Spend just twenty minutes praying the rosary. Your prayers will always be heard.

## Mass Intentions

The Saint Kateri Parish Mass Intention Book for 2022 is open for those wishing to schedule Mass Intentions for family members, loved ones, or special intentions. The practice of offering Mass for particular intentions is an ancient one, dating back to the early Church. Inscriptions discovered on tombs in Roman catacombs of the second century give evidence for this practice. When a priest celebrates Mass, he offers each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person, or intention (living or deceased). By so doing, special graces from the Eucharistic Sacrifice of Our Lord are applied upon that person or intention. Mass offerings are \$20 for a Sunday Mass and \$15 for a weekday Mass.

If you would like to schedule a Mass Intention, please give Sandy a call at the Parish Office.

## INDULGENCE FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING:



A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful, who piously recite the Act of Dedication of the Human Race to Jesus Christ King. A plenary indulgence is granted, if it is recited publicly on the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King.

## PRAYERS TO CHRIST THE KING:

O Jesus Christ, I acknowledge Thee as universal King. All that has been made, has been created for Thee. Exercise all Thy rights over me. I renew my baptismal vows, renouncing Satan, his pomps and his works; and I promise to live as a good Christian. In particular do I pledge myself to labor, to the best of my ability, for the triumph of the rights of God and Thy Church.

Divine Heart of Jesus, to Thee do I proffer my poor services, laboring that all hearts may acknowledge Thy Sacred Kingship, and that thus the reign of Thy peace be established throughout the whole universe. Amen.

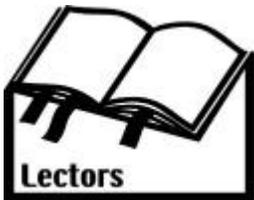
**WHY GIVING THANKS IS GOOD FOR YOU:** The average American will consume 3,000 calories eating dinner on Thanksgiving Day. Drinks, dessert, and appetizers can bring the total count to 4,500. Experts warn us that half the weight we gain during the holidays can stay with us into next summer. Now aren't you glad it's Thanksgiving Day? Actually, we should be. "Happy Thanksgiving" is more than a wish—it's a fact. Studies show that those who give thanks are happier than those who don't. Neuroscientists have discovered that thankful thoughts not only produce pleasure in the brain, but stimulate areas of the brain regulating stress as well. Multiple studies have connected gratitude with resilience from post-traumatic stress for Vietnam War veterans and 9/11 survivors, likeliness to exhibit patience and self-control, college students slept longer and better, couples tend to be more committed to each other and are more likely to remain in their relationships. In short, thanksgiving is good for us, and the spiritual benefits of gratitude are even more significant. This week we discover why God calls us to be grateful people. We've learned that thanksgiving encourages our humility and deepens our faith. Here's another reason why gratitude is so central to spiritual health: thanksgiving glorifies God. If you truly give thanks today, someone else is more likely to give thanks tomorrow.

# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



Our traditional Christmas Giving Trees will be in each worship site beginning next weekend. Saint Bridget and Saint Bernard will benefit town Social Service requests. Sacred Heart will benefit the Kent Food Pantry. If you wish to participate, please select a tag and return the item by December 12th the latest to the church where you selected your tag.

Times remain difficult for many families throughout our communities. Your caring and outreach will be especially appreciated this Christmas season. Thank you for sharing the true meaning of Christmas! Please call the parish office if you have any questions.



We are seeking parishioners to come forward who are willing to serve as Lectors at Mass. You may serve at the church that you usually attend. If you are interested, please call the parish office or speak with Monsignor after Mass.



## A Thanksgiving Prayer

*Dear Lord: Today we give thanks for our many blessings as we pray for those in need. We give thanks for our family and friends as we pray for those who are lonely. We give thanks for our freedoms as we pray for those who are oppressed. We give thanks for our good health as we pray for those who are ill. We give thanks for our comfort and prosperity as we share our blessings with others. On this day of Thanksgiving, May the love of God enfold us, The peace of God dwell within us And the joy of God uplift us. Amen.*



We often think of the Samaritan who stopped to help a man who had been beaten and left for dead as being kind and compassionate. What he did was more than an act of kindness. What he did was lifesaving. We live in an age when some lives no longer seem to matter. Among these are the unborn and the elderly. God is calling us to remind others that every human life is precious in the eyes of God and deserves protection from the moment of conception to the time of natural death. Our response is more than an act of kindness. It is lifesaving.



Thank you for remembering those in our parish family and local communities who are sick, hospitalized, and elderly in your daily prayers. Your simple acts of kindness do not go unappreciated, especially as the effects of the pandemic continue to affect many. A phone call to check in, a note with heartfelt thoughts really make a difference, so thank you!



Today we celebrate the beautiful feast of the Solemnity of Christ the King, Who came to serve, not to be served— and gave His life as ransom for many.

In 1917, the Holy City was captured from the Turks and came under the control of a Christian power for the first time since the crusading era. The British commander, General Allenby, had a deep respect for Jerusalem's sacred heritage, and was unwilling to make his own entry in a manner similar to that of the "King of Kings." Thus, on December 11, 1917, eschewing all elevation upon the backs of horses, or even donkeys, Allenby and his men made their formal entry into the conquered city on foot and in silence. Exactly eight years later, Pope Pius XI promulgated his great encyclical, *Quas Primas*, on the rightful sovereignty of Christ over every human society.

**Quas Primas:** In the first Encyclical Letter which we addressed at the beginning of our Pontificate to the Bishops of the universal Church, we referred to the chief causes of the difficulties under which mankind was laboring. And we remember saying that these manifold evils in the world were due to the fact that the majority of men had thrust Jesus Christ and His holy law out of their lives; that these had no place either in private affairs or in politics: and we said further, that as long as individuals and states refused to submit to the rule of our Savior, there would be no really hopeful prospect of a lasting peace among nations. Men must look for the peace of Christ in the Kingdom of Christ; and that we promised to do as far as lay in our power. In the Kingdom of Christ, that is, it seemed to us that peace could not be more effectually restored nor fixed upon a firmer basis than through the restoration of the Empire of Our Lord. We were led in the meantime to indulge the hope of a brighter future at the sight of a more widespread and keener interest evinced in Christ and his Church, the one Source of Salvation, a sign that men who had formerly spurned the rule of our Redeemer and had exiled themselves from His kingdom were preparing, and even hastening, to return to the duty of obedience. ENCYCLICAL OF POPE PIUS XI DECEMBER 11, 1925

The solemnity of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The solemnity is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations. Today's Mass establishes the titles for Christ's royalty over men: 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; "All things were created by Him"; 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession; 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as his special possession and dominion. Today's Mass also describes the qualities of Christ's kingdom. This kingdom is: 1) supreme, extending not only to all peoples but also to their princes and kings; 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places; 3) eternal, for "The Lord shall sit a King forever"; 4) spiritual, Christ's "kingdom is not of this world".



WE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF OUR PARISHIONER

**JOYCE ARNOLD**

AND FOR THE CONSOLATION OF HER FAMILY.

*ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO HER, O LORD, AND MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON HER*

*Hope is free, but despair can cost you everything that is good.*



**ST. FRANCESCO ANTONIO FASANI  
FEAST DAY NOVEMBER 27**

St. Francesco Antonio Fasani (1681 – 1742) lived his whole life as a loving, devout, and atoning man. He entered the Conventual Franciscans in 1695, and 10 years later taught philosophy to younger friars, served as guardian of his friary, and eventually became provincial minister. When his term of office ended, St. Francesco became

master of novices and finally pastor in his hometown of Lucera.

Known throughout his various ministries as being loving, devout, and penitential, he was also a well-known confessor and preacher. St. Francesco was a loyal friend of the poor and worked tirelessly to find ways to support them. He was a mystic with such a profound prayer life and supernatural gifts that he was known to levitate during prayer. He was canonized in 1986 by Pope John Paul II.

**CHRISTMAS**  
Craft AND Bake  
Sale!



The Parish Craft Group will hold their final sale at Sacred Heart on Saturday November 27th from 10 AM—2 PM, and Sunday November 28th following the 10 AM Mass. This is your last opportunity to purchase some really lovely Christmas ornaments; homemade baked goods; seasonal decorations, jewelry and a great assortment of other items. The group is asking for a donation rather than a set price for all items. Please stop by and be generous. All proceeds will benefit the Kent Fire Department and the Kent Food Pantry. Donations of baked goods would be appreciated and can be dropped off either Saturday or Sunday morning.

We extend our thanks to the faithful members of this group who have worked tirelessly for over ten years at Sacred Heart. They have donated thousands of dollars to many worthy charities from their sales; sent religious articles and books to missionaries, and schools, and supported local charities as well.



**READINGS FOR THE COMING WEEK**

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 [59b]/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36



# Faith Formation

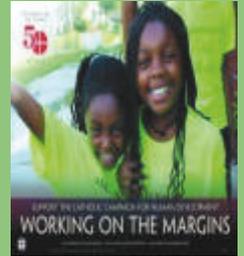
CLASSES MEET THIS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21st  
BEGINNING WITH THE 10 AM MASS AT  
SACRED HEART.

This Weekend,  
our second collection is the

## CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Help Community Development projects  
that are led by low income groups to  
make a significant  
difference in their communities.

THANK YOU!



As a community Christmas outreach, our parish has begun collecting small gift items for the elderly residents of Sharon Health Care center. Items such as adult coloring books, number puzzles, word searches, and similar books, colored pencils, large size crayons, small boxes of candy, scented soaps, shampoo, hand lotions, sweatshirts and sweatpants in both large and extra large sizes, note cards, and plain paper note pads are sought. Collection boxes are available in each church. Thank you for your outreach and caring! Gifts should be unwrapped!

Our traditional Giving Trees begin next weekend...Blessed are the givers! Thank You!

# ALTAR SERVERS

Altar servers are needed at all three churches. Boys and girls in grades 3—high school who are interested in serving at Mass are invited to attend the first workshop on Saturday, Dec. 4th at 10 AM at Sacred Heart. To register, please call the parish office or see Msgr. Guerrero after Mass.



## PRAYER OF SAINT GERTRUDE THE GREAT

According to tradition, Our Lord told St. Gertrude the Great that each time she piously recited the following prayer, it would greatly ease the suffering of those holy souls in purgatory:

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.



This week, the parish office will be open on Monday and Wednesday, and closed on Thursday and Friday.



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