

From Fr. Beatty-

I hope you'll be able to attend the annual ecumenical Thanksgiving prayer service, which this year will be hosted by First Baptist Church in Ridgway. It's hard to believe we're talking about Thanksgiving already... that means Advent is around the corner!

It's been a broad season of life at St. Kateri lately. Congratulations to Jake and Maegan, married this Saturday, and all God's blessings to you! Congratulations to the Hish family on the Baptism of little Johannah Claire! Continuing prayers to the Page and DeVous, and Zilch and Drone families on the loss of Rachel and Janet, and in finding a way to live with the grief that is here to stay. You are not alone. And prayers for all who've had medical issues recently.

The autumnal transition always puts me in mind of these different seasons of life. I remember now Ecclesiastes: "A time for everything..." A time for exuberant growth, a time for steady calm, a time for falling back to consolidate and rest. Hardest of all, and manifested in seasonal depression for many people: a time to die. Thanks be to our Savior Jesus Christ: death is just one more transition! We are, fundamentally, people of Easter, people of Spring. We will go through as many winters as God sees fit to give us, to forge us on our way to His Kingdom. The phrase is now current in pop culture: "Winter is Coming." Christians can smile back, because we know something even more true. Easter is Coming after that.

Collecting donations for the homeless shelter. The following 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. The last day for donations in November 19, 2017.

Thanksgiving Friendship Trays: The Altar Society will be delivering Friendship Trays to the sick and shut-ins on Saturday, November 18th beginning at 10:30 a.m. Anyone wanting to bring cookies or fruit for the trays should bring them to the St. Joseph's gym on Friday (11/17) between 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. or by 9:00 a.m. on Saturday (11/18). We'll start putting them together at 9:30 for anyone who'd like to help in that way. If you can help deliver trays, please be at the gym by 10:00 a.m. This would be a great community service project for families! If you would like to help, but not sure in what capacity, give Nina Wargel a call at 618-273-6462.

Knights of Columbus members - Raffle booklets for the annual benefit for Vocations Support, sponsored by the Illinois State Council - K of C Charities, were sent to you a few weeks ago. Please make every effort to sell the 15 chances in each booklet and return the completed raffle booklets to James Neumann at PO Box 68, Ridgway, IL 62979. We must have these back in our hands by Friday, November 17, in order to send them to the State Office for the drawing in December. Twenty cash prizes are given from \$100 to the grand prize of \$10,000.

Thank you to all that help with the "TRUNK OR TREAT"! It was a huge success!! Whether you cooked, decorated a trunk, judged or set up, you are much appreciated in contributing to this Community Event! The Food Bank will get a nice donation of food and the community came together for a fun & safe event!

TWELFTH NIGHT BALL - January 6th, 2018, 6pm in Ridgway - Formal Dinner-Dance for Ages 21 and up! Reservations will begin the week after Thanksgiving. There will be the usual "early-bird whole-table sales" for tables of size 10. There will also be the small number of seats held back for couples and groups smaller than 10 to make reservations after the "early-bird whole-table sales" end. Watch the next two bulletins for the date and time that reservations will start and all the event details!

Deacon Formation: If you are interested in learning more about becoming a deacon, you are invited to attend two upcoming informational meetings in December and January. Formal classes are scheduled to begin in the fall of 2018; however, other aspects of formation will begin well before that. The diocese will hold two informational meetings: the first is on Saturday, December 9, 2017, 10:00 a.m., at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 2620 Lebanon Avenue, Belleville, Building 6 and the second is on Saturday, January 6, 2018, 10:00 a.m., at the same location. You will need to attend both sessions. These meetings will provide a great deal of information regarding the requirements of the program and will explain the types of service fulfilled by deacons. Members of the Deacon Formation Committee will present the programs and will be available to answer questions. To assist in planning and to ensure we have adequate program materials at the meetings, please contact Patti Warner at the Deacon Formation Office to let her know you plan to attend. You can reach Patti by mail at 2620 Lebanon Avenue, Belleville IL 62221; by email at pwarner@diobelle.org or by phone at 618.722.5043. Please continue to pray for all those in our diocese discerning a vocation to lay ministry, diaconate, priesthood or religious life.

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!

For Your Calendar:

November 12, Sunday: PSR Class

November 19, Sunday: PSR Class
Parent Class in North Room

November 19, Sunday: Thanksgiving service at 4 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Ridgway

November 20, Monday: There will be mass for the Deceased Members of the Altar Society at 6:30pm and the meeting immediately following.

Thanksgiving Mass Schedule:

November 22, Wednesday: 6 p.m., - St. Kateri Church, Ridgway

November 23, Thursday: 8 a.m., - St. Kateri Church, Ridgway

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

Also remember our sick and shut-ins: Mary Lee Buckman, Gregg Drone, Virginia L. Drone, Dale Hobbs, Donna Holmes, Mary Jo Holmes, Roxanne Nicholas, Jim Raper, Tony Scates, Gertrude Scherrer, Alene Shea, 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 (105): \$4312.00	Loose Collection: \$618.00	Building Fund: \$540.00
Building Fund (Pledges)	\$2625.00	
Weekend Snack Pack	\$85.00	

Liturgical Ministers Schedule:

Saturday, November 18, 2017

St. Mary Chapel

Lector: Tom Harmon

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Jo. O. Morgan, Tammy Galt, Kappy Scates

Servers: Jillian Harmon, Eric Castenada

Greeters: Larry & Mary Jo. O. Morgan

Sunday, November 19, 2017

St. Kateri Church

Lector: Tory Wargel

Eucharistic Ministers: Andi York, Jonathan Gericke, Becky Abell, Simon Naas

Servers (KofC): Randy Drone, Mike McGuire

Greeters: 5th Grade

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

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time *November 11th & November 12th 2017*

Mass Schedule for this week

Saturday	Nov	11,	5:00 PM	PONDS	For Our Parish
Sunday	Nov	12,	9:00 AM	RIDG	Kay Huther
Monday	Nov	13,	No Mass		
Tuesday	Nov	14,	8:00 AM	RIDG	Mark McGuire
Wednesday	Nov	15,	8:00 AM	EQUY	Delbert York
Thursday	Nov	16,	8:00 AM	PONDS	Elaine Wilson
Friday	Nov	17,	8:00 AM	SHAW	Anna Frances Drone
Saturday	Nov	18,	5:00 PM	SHAW	For Our Parish
Sunday	Nov	19,	9:00 AM	RIDG	Phyllis Drone

Please consider remembering your parish in your will.