TODAY'S HOLY MASSES are offered for these intentions –				
9:00 AM	For the Claybaugh and D'Ambrosio Families			
11:15 AM	Janice LaPietra + (req. by Vargas Family)			
	NEXT SUNDAY'S HOLY MASS INTENTIONS December 24 /25, 2016			
5:00 PM	Pro populo			
9:00 AM	Pro populo			
11:15 AM	Pro populo			

CHANGE OF CONTACT FOR REQUEST AND SCHEDULE MASS INTENTIONS

To request and schedule intentions for both of our Masses, Lou and Marcy Gabello have graciously taken over this endeavor. Contact Lou and Marcy at <u>lgmail@rochester.rr.com</u> or 585-756-6375 or 585-739-3832-cell, to reserve a date before paying for a Mass. The stipend check *must be made out in the exact amount* of \$10 per Mass and made payable to *SAINT KATERI Parish (not SKT-LMC)*. Please use the Mass Intention envelopes located in the *literature racks* at all entrances to the Church. Drop your envelope in the collection basket or mail it our Parish Center address. (not to St. Kateri Parish) at SKT-LMC @St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 4536 St. Paul Blvd. Rochester, NY 14617

VOTIVE SANCTUARY CANDLES

SANCTUARY CANDLES burn in the Lady Chapel (in the Church), and the Adoration Chapel (in the Parish Center). Would you like to have a dedicated candle burn in memory of a loved one **OR** for a special intention? To schedule a dedicated candle intention call (585) 388-7734. Donations for 7 day Church Tabernacle and Adoration Chapel lamps are \$10.00 each. Donations for the 3 day hanging lamps in the Lady Chapel are \$5.00 each. Envelopes for candle donations are available at all church entrances in the literature racks. Checks should be made payable to SKT-LMC. Place envelopes in the collection basket.

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18

Adoration Chapel Lamp Jo Ann Yount (req. by Bob)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION							
RECORD OF GIVING							
GAUDETE SUNDAY (111 ADVENT)							
12/11/16							
9:00 AM	Attendance	147	Offerings	\$1,633.85			
11:15 AM	Attendance	<u>171</u>	Offerings	<u>\$2,412.25</u>			
	TOTAL	318	TOTAL	\$4,046.10			
W	\$4,500.00						

THANK YOU as always, for this excellent demonstration of your generosity. As always, let your contributions be joined to your offerings of prayer for the stability and growth of the SKT-LMC.

SOLEMNITY/FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

12/8/16					
12 NOON	Attendance	no count	Offerings	\$	411.00
5:30 PM	Attendance	<u>72</u>	Offerings	\$	266.00
	TOTAL	72+	TOTAL	\$	677.00

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE

Checks should be made payable to "St. Kateri Tekakwitha-Latin Mass Community" OR for short, "SKT-LMC". If you receive your envelopes by mail, please use them. If not, contributions can be placed in the blue envelopes OR loose in the collection baskets. You also have the option of ONLINE GIVING. Access to On-Line giving is available through our website www.skt-lmc.org or through a smartphone or tablet app. Instructions for giving are located on our website or in pamphlets available at all church entrances. You may also sign up for automatic withdrawals with or without covering the small fee for transaction processing.

ENVELOPE MAILINGS FOR REGISTERED MEMBERS

If you have are not registered, please consider officially registering with SKT-LMC. To register with SKT-LMC, simply complete a census form found in the literature racks at all church entrances, and at the Parish Center. The completed forms can be emailed to Eileen Burke or put in the collection basket. If you have any questions regarding registration or envelopes, please contact Eileen Burke at 266-7287 or email to Eburke@dor.org.

WEBSITE

Please check out our website at **www.skt-lmc.org** to see this and all previous notices as well as upcoming events.

HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

Each Sunday throughout the year, SKT-LMC collects donations of nonperishable food items for local food cupboards, for the purpose of alleviating hunger caused by poverty in our area. The need is very real, even though we may not "see" it close-up. Donations may be placed in the green baskets in each of the church vestibules.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

WE ARE ALWAYS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS to help maintain our facilities, especially in the area of church and parish center cleaning. We need YOU! Please email dflanigen@yahoo.com or call 467-8747. Enough volunteers will enable us to have rotating teams.

FAITH FORMATION

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA was a huge success! Around 40 children got to have breakfast with their families and friends and the Big Guy! Elves were on hand to assist Santa and hand out Catholic coloring books, crayons, and candy canes. The best part of everyone's morning, however, was watching the kids sit on Santa's lap and have their picture taken. A very special thank you goes out to Mary Jo Maurer for organizing the event, John Maurer for taking pictures, the Knights of Columbus for purchasing the food and being on hand to help in any way they could, our elves for setting up, cleaning up, and handing out goodies to the kids, and finally to Santa himself, for taking the time during his busiest part of the year to spend time with our community. We are grateful to you all!

Holiday Schedule

We WILL *NOT* have classes the following Sundays through the end of January due to Holiday Recesses:

December 25th

January 1st.

Enjoy time with your family, but don't forget to open up that catechism to keep fresh on top

RELIGIOUS PAMPHLETS AND BOOKLETS

Each entrance-way to the church now has a number of religious pamphlets and booklets in the book racks. These items are being supplied by the Evangelization Committee, thanks to a generous donation by one of our members. Please feel free to take any material that is of interest. *Please note that nothing should be placed on the book racks or on the bulletin boards without first obtaining permission from Father Bonsignore.*

ADORATION CHAPEL

THE EUCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL, adjacent to the Parish Center, must continue to be a very important powerhouse of prayer *and* place of spiritual refuge for us *and* for people in our area. Currently, we have 17 hours of adoration that are open. Recently three men and a couple accepted a regular Adoration hour.

We also need substitutes to fill hours that are temporarily open. Substitutes can indicate a day and hour they would be available.

The Adoration Chapel is open Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Below are the hours that we need filled. If you are able to take an hour, or if you would like to be on the sub list, please contact Marie O'Leary at 467-1982.

Monday: 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m. Tuesday: 10 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m. Wednesday: 12 p.m., 7 p.m. Thursday: 9 a.m., 3 p.m Friday: 10 a.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m. 7 p.m We encourage drop-in visits, but ask that you sign in as "Visitor" or use initials. If you regularly drop in, consider signing up for that time even if for less than an hour, or as an occasional substitute for that time. Contact Marie O'Leary at 467-1982.

"The best the surest and the most effective way of establishing everlasting peace on the face of the earth is through the great power of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament." --Pope John Paul II

CHURCH ETIQUETTE

WHEN YOU COME TO CHURCH, please turn OFF all cell phones, hand-held electronic devices, pagers, watch alarms, etc., and anything else that can disrupt our sacred time with God. It *is* possible for messaging and texting to *wait* until later!

DRESS CODE: Please remember to dress appropriately for divine worship: *neatly* and *modestly*. Holy Mass is <u>not</u> an occasion when we "dress down" or appear "super-casual"! REVERENCE for God and RESPECT for neighbor should determine what we wear. Think about it. Thank you for your cooperation.

THERE ARE (AT LEAST) THREE REASONS to maintain a prayerful, quiet atmosphere in the church proper before and after services: (1) RESPECT for the House of God, (2) REVERENCE for the Blessed Sacrament, and (3) REGARD for those who want to pray in peace. The guiding principle should be DEVOTION NOT COMMOTION. Please carry on your friendly conversations in the church vestibules (with inside doors closed), outside, or at the coffee hours. Reverence and friendliness can and should co-exist—in their proper settings!!

SPEAKING OF CHURCH ETIQUETTE...

...We should make a determined effort to be *on time* for Mass, and we should make the little sacrifice to stay until Mass is over (that is, when the priest-celebrant leaves the sanctuary).

DIOCESAN NOTICES

National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) Nov 16-18, 2017

NCYC is a 3 day event in Indianapolis with workshops, concerts, key note speakers, small group discussions, service projects, prayer and other engaging activities. Designed for youth in grades 9-12 in Fall 2017, there is also a component for College Students. Young Adult and Adult Chaperones needed. NCYC is an amazing pilgrimage experience. The group will prepare spiritually and practically over the course of the next year.

See more from our Diocese: <u>http://youth.dor.org/ncyc/</u>

NCYC Info Sessions 12/19 – 5:30 pm – Christ the King

NCYC Pilgrim, Parent, and Chaperone Meetings Begin 1/8 5:30 pm – St Margaret Mary

PRAYING FOR THE SICK AND INFIRM

Judy Burns has volunteered to coordinate the SKT-LMC bulletin listing of sick and infirm members, relatives, and friends. The list will be there so that we might *pray* for them. Please note that **NO** health information will be printed in this bulletin. Judy will coordinate the names: long-term? Short-term? When to take off list? *etc.* To put names on the list, contact Judy Burns at (cell) 585-738-5156 OR (e-mail) burnsie320@yahoo.com.

Angela DeLuca and Rocco DeLuca	Peter Calviera			
Jim Holden	Florian & Veronica Czerniak			
Sharon Mooney	Mary Sanders			
Jeanne Bleier	Bill Schlueter			
Anne Marie Hetzer	Molly McBride			
Patrick Bleier	Alice Matte			
Rose Marie Veltre	Evelyn Wolter			
Jamie Slader	Robert Caesino			
Mary Echaniz McMahon	Jonathan Gray			
Jacob J. Hubbel, Sr.	Joan Marie Gray			
Bernie Verhagen	Peter and Connie Karekos			
Helene Stevens	Patrick Grisdale			
Cindi Burke	Timothy Becker			
Inge Schiliff				

PRAYER LIST

May the Divine Physician of our souls and bodies help and heal them, through His Divine Mercy.

BEQUESTS

TO REMEMBER THE SKT-LMC IN YOUR WILL, the following phraseology should be used to direct a monetary bequest (2 options):

- 1) I give and bequest the sum of <u>to St. Kateri</u> Tekakwitha -Latin Mass Community for its general purposes (or for a specific named program_____). **OR**
- I give and bequest ____% of the remainder of my estate after all debts, taxes, expenses and family bequests have been paid, to St. Kateri Tekakwitha-Latin Mass Community for its general purposes (or for a specific named program _____).

IF YOU HAVE FOUND A SPIRITUAL HOME ...

...in our Latin Mass Community here at St. Thomas', please consider registering with us. Use the census forms found in brown envelopes on the literature racks in the church vestibules. Place completed forms in the collection basket. **Welcome!**

WISH LIST

By the efforts and the generous contributions of our parishioners, the church is beginning to shine for and with the glory of God. Starting with the time and hard work of many individuals, the church was and continues to be cleaned. New lights, the bright floors, brass that has been restored and cleaned, donated candles and holders, locks that have been repaired and replaced, all of this and more because of the goodness of the people of this community. Thank you!

- 1. A kind parishioner has volunteered to remove the old basketball hoop. A donation is being discussed to replace the hoop in the spring.
- 2. The tables and chairs needed for Faith Formation received many small donations. We are currently working with a donor on the details and amount required for the balance of funds. Thank you to all that have donated to this cause.
- 3. A quote for the new kneelers has been received and to date the donations that have been generously given for this project are not enough to cover the expense. We are exploring other vendors and hopefully we can reduce the overall expense of the project.
- 4. Look at the beautifully restored Holy Water brackets. These brackets, along with the new Holy Water bowls, have been installed recently. All due to hard work and a generous donation.
- 5. We are looking for an artist/restorer to bring the four doors back to their original beauty. Know anyone that would be perfect for this job?
- 6. If you are not an artist but love to paint, there are a number of small parish projects that could use painting. Please see Father B.
- 7. Do you know someone or a group that needs community service hours? There are small projects at the parish that might fulfill

these requirements. An example would be: the old books and boxes that need to be removed from the church basement and placed in the dumpster.

- 8. It is almost Christmas and with the new policy from the Diocese against using real trees, we are looking for gently used artificial Christmas trees & wreaths (in all sizes) to enhance and beautify the church at Christmas. Let us know and pickup and delivery can be arranged.
- 9. We are going to bring some life to the vestibules. The goal is to purchase some large plants to grace the entranceways of our church and remind us that dark cold days of winter bring the joy of spring. Want to help? Have an idea or plan? Ideas are welcome.
- 10. Please continue to pray for the success of this Community and for all of our Community members. May God bless each and every one of you and bless your generous hearts. And may the grace of His Mother bring you the joy and happiness of her Son.

CMA

THE 2016-2017 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

We are very grateful to each and every family and individual in our new faith Community who has generously supported the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA).

The Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) is the annual appeal that invites Catholics in the Diocese of Rochester to join in a partnership to advance the mission of our Church. This year's theme "Raised in Christ" celebrates some of the many good things that take place across our 12-county diocese every day. Indeed, the CMA is the lifeblood that nourishes our ministries and helps us share our faith with others.

During the next few weeks, our faith Community will be conducting its CMA campaign. We ask that everyone pray for the success of our efforts and for the overall success of this year's campaign. Last year was our first year in participating in the CMA, and we significantly exceeded our goal. This year, our 2016/2017 CMA goal is \$21,588. Everyone has a different level of charity and sacrifice. There is no set gift or pledge that we need to follow. However, if everyone who gave last year could just increase their contribution by \$25.00, we should achieve our CMA goal this year.

When you give to the CMA, you are welcoming new Catholics through RCIA and providing faith formation programs for our youth. You are giving support for families, the elderly and the sick. You are assisting Catholic charities and helping Catholic schools. It is a wonderful way to reach out to the poor, homeless and hungry. You are encouraging religious vocations and honoring marriage and preparing engaged couples. You are teaming with dioceses nationwide to support Vatican ministries and providing parishes with services they'd be pressed to supply on their own.

Please give prayerful consideration as to your own financial participation. There are many ways to give to the CMA. Each registered parishioner should have received a pledge envelope card in the mail. If you did not receive one or if you have misplaced yours, there are extras at the entrances of the Church. You can make an outright gift of cash, credit card or check made payable to *Catholic*

Ministries Appeal (CMA) or you can make a pledge and pay it off in installments of cash, check or credit card. Donors can also make a gift on-line at <u>www.dor.org</u>. Please mark "Donor ID #400" on all contributions so that your gift will be credited directly to our Latin Mass Community at St. Thomas the Apostle.

Thank you for your consideration and your generosity in this appeal. Every gift is needed and important. Working and giving together, we can accomplish so much for our faith Community and the larger Church. May God bless you.

FUNDRAISER FOR OUR COMMUNITY

SKT-LMC COOKBOOK UPDATE

THE COOKBOOKS HAVE ARRIVED !

A perfect Christmas gift! Pick up your copy after both Masses today at the Community Center. Priced at \$10 or 2 for \$18. If paying by check, please make payable to: SKT-LMC You may also call Sue Buckley at 544-0203 or Eileen Burke at 266-7287. Thank you!

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY

...will be taken up for Christmas flowers and decorations. For those who are registered, there is an envelope in your packet. For others, extra envelopes can be found on the usher tables near the doors.

FOR YOU SPIRITUAL PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS

...there will be three (3) priests available in the church for the **Sacrament of Penance** on Monday evening, **December 19**, from 7 to 9 PM. Confessors will be: Father Bonsignore, Father Helfrich, and

Father Mottola. Please take advantage of this opportunity for Confession so that Christ may come, through His grace, into hearts and souls made ready for Him.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

There will be *three* this year:

Saturday, December 24, **5PM**, Vigil of Christmas (English) Sunday, December 25, **9AM**, Christmas Day (English) Sunday, December 25, **11:15AM**, Christmas Day (Latin)

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Next Scripture Study will be January 8, 2017 in the Parish Center after the 11:15 AM Latin Mass.

COFFE HOURS

There is no coffee hour after the 9:00AM Mass today, December 18th. There *is* a coffee hour after the 11:15AM Latin Mass today.

Due to the Christmas and New Year Holidays there will be no further coffee hours until Sunday, January 8th

<u>Hospitality Note</u>: The Latin Mass Community is blessed that a number of our members have stepped up to regularly support coffee hour hospitality, helping us get to know each other better, and offering a warm reception to visitors. Here are four things you can do to help out:

1. We still need volunteers to host some coffee hours, either on a regular basis or to give relief to those who do regularly host a coffee hour, especially when they have conflicting obligations on the same week. Is there a week you, your friends or family would like to host your own coffee hour? Or when you can substitute?

- 2. Can you help out in our regular coffee hours by setting up? serving? dish washing? cleanup?
- 3. Volunteers are needed to supply food, as we've had some recent shortages. Can you sometimes bring a dish to pass? Please feel invited to do so!
- 4. Financial support for coffee hours is also needed through donations in the wooden box on the hospitality table so we can buy needed food and supplies.

Thank you for anything and everything you do for the sake of hospitality.

COLLECTION COUNTERS NEEDED

We need more volunteers to count the collection after each Mass. Please note this is not a weekly commitment. Counting teams rotate each week. Money counters are expected to adhere carefully to Diocesan collection guidelines. If interested, please contact Ken Roush at 727-3430 or kroush1152@yahoo.com, or see Fr. Bonsignore.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha – Latin Mass Community at St. Thomas the Apostle Church 4536 Saint Paul Boulevard Rochester, NY 14617 <u>www.skt-lmc.org</u>

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