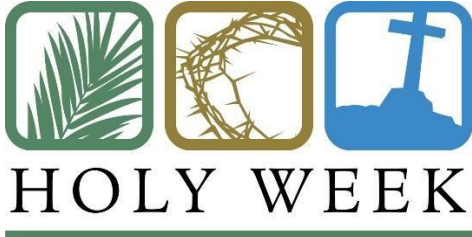


# St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish

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Mass Schedule: St. Ann's Sunday @ 9:30 am/Holy Family Saturday @ 4:30 pm and Sunday @ 11:00 am  
April 13, 2025 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent



## *Message from Fr. Bill:*

This week we move into the celebration of Holy Week. This is considered the 'Greatest Week' of our liturgical year. It encompasses the end of Lent and the Easter Triduum. This week provides us with a graphic remembering of God's love for us in Jesus' total giving of himself in love through his dying and rising in glory. In our remembering, we are inspired by Jesus' presence in our world and personal lives. We are touched deeply by his unwavering commitment to be with us in the delights, ordinary moments and suffering experiences of our lives and bringing all of us into the glory of Easter with Him.

The Easter Triduum, which is the three days from Holy Thursday evening to Easter Sunday evening, is celebrated as one great feast. This is why we are strongly encouraged to participate in the three main celebrations: Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday evening, The Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening or Easter Sunday Mass.

I would invite you to see these three days as a retreat time for yourselves and your families by attending these liturgies and taking some reflective time between these celebrations to let them speak more deeply into your lives.

**Special note about Holy Saturday and the 'Sacred Fire' connected to the Easter Vigil:** The Easter Vigil always begins with lighting a new fire recognizing the gift of God's fire within the universe, the center of the earth,

on the earth, within each of us and Christ as Light for the World. This year Wolastoqey Fire Keeper Ray Francis will make and attend a 'Sacred Fire' in an area in front of Holy Family Church (parking area) for us to gather, be in a circle of community and prayer before the Vigil. The Fire will be there by 6 pm and the Easter Vigil begins at 8 pm with Fire being taken from this Sacred Fire to light our Pascal Candle. You are invited to spend a bit or an extended period at the Sacred Fire during this time. Even if you gather there for a moment or two as you arrive for the Vigil will be a gift.

## **St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish ~ Easter Triduum Mass (All Masses will be livestreamed)**

**Holy Thursday (April 17)-Mass of the Lord's Supper**  
7pm, Holy Family Church

**Good Friday (April 18)-Celebration of the Passion of the Lord** 3pm, Holy Family Church

**Saturday, Easter Vigil (April 19)-Resurrection of the Lord** 8pm, Holy Family Church (NO 4:30 Mass on Holy Saturday)

**Easter Sunday (April 20)-Resurrection of the Lord**  
9:30am, St. Ann's Church  
11am, Holy Family Church

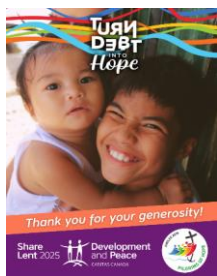
**The Parish Survey (the Disciple Maker Index)** results indicated a strong desire by parishioners for additional opportunities for prayerful devotion. In response we are adding '**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**' following each weekday Mass during Lent. The consecrated host will be displayed for one hour for those who wish to spend silent time in meditation and reflective prayer. All are welcome!

**The traditional East European Blessing of Easter Food will take place at St. Dunstan's Church on Saturday April 19 at 1:00 p.m. All are invited to come with their own Easter baskets. The morning offering will take place.**

### Summary of your Support for April 5 & 6

<b>Regular/Loose</b>	<b>\$ 2,705.55</b>
<b>PAD (wkly. average)</b>	<b>2,164.62</b>
<b>St Patrick's Cemetery</b>	<b>20.00</b>
<b>Development &amp; Peace</b>	<b>1,610.00</b>
<b>Religious Education</b>	<b>20.00</b>
<b>Oromocto Food Bank</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,570.17</b>

Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2025!



Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the **Turn Debt into Hope** campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, **last weekend our parish collected over \$1600**. This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern

Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory (envelopes are available in the lobby of the church) or donate online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give) and there is still time to **sign the petition** if you have not yet had a chance to sign. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.

### **READINGS for April 13<sup>th</sup>**

First Reading: Isaiah 50.4-7

Second Reading: Philippians 2.6-11

Gospel: Luke 22.14-23.56

**Responsorial Psalm: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

### **Mass Intentions at St. Ann's**

Apr 13<sup>th</sup> For the People

Apr 20<sup>th</sup> Annunciata & Henry Colford

Apr 27<sup>th</sup> Keith Jones

### **READERS AT ST. ANN'S**

Apr 13<sup>th</sup> John Monkhouse

Apr 20<sup>th</sup> Stacey Chessie

Apr 27<sup>th</sup> Elaine Geldart

### **Mass Intentions at Holy Family**

Apr 12<sup>th</sup> Deatra Scheers / June Wilkins

Apr 13<sup>th</sup> Patricia Ellen Hickey Dickeson

Apr 19<sup>th</sup> For the People

Apr 20<sup>th</sup> Joanne Hurley

Apr 26<sup>th</sup> For the People

Apr 27<sup>th</sup> Eileen Ryan

### **READERS – HOLY FAMILY**

#### **PALM SUNDAY – April 12<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 pm**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalm – Beth Wright

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading & Intentions – Paula Ryan

Passion Reading:

Narrator (N) - Margie Snell

Jesus (J) - Fr. Jennings

Other Speakers (S) - Church Congregation

#### **PALM SUNDAY – April 13<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 am**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalm – Clare Obi

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading & Intentions – Bonnie Deveau

Passion Reading:

Narrator (N) - Norma Downing

Jesus (J) - Fr. Jennings

Other Speakers (S) - Church Congregation

#### **HOLY THURSDAY – April 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalm – Liz Solomon

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - Joan Sowers

Washing of Feet Introduction – Chinasa Trinitta

#### **GOOD FRIDAY – April 18<sup>th</sup> (Mass at 3 pm)**

**Good Friday at 12noon** - Youth Stations of the Cross.

1<sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalm – Anita Allain

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Carolann Doherty

Passion Reading:

Narrator (N) - Ray Allain

Jesus (J) - Fr. Brennan

Other Speakers (S) - Church Congregation

#### **EASTER VIGIL – April 19<sup>th</sup> @ 8 pm**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalm – Judy Kelly and Ron Breau

Prayer - Fr. Brennan

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading & Psalm – Margie Snell

Prayer - Fr. Brennan

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading & Psalm – Ebuka Ezeokafor

Prayer – Fr. Brennan

Epistle: Romans 6:3-11 - Jane Buckley

Prayers of the Faithful – Debbie Landau

#### **EASTER SUNDAY – April 20<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 am**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalm – William Cormier

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading & Intentions - Maureen Hawthorne

### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - HOLY WEEK**

**Holy Thursday** - Sharon Watts/Colleen Hamilton/Fr. Bill

**Good Friday** - Harold DeCoursey/Judy Kelly/Fr. Bill

**Easter Vigil (Saturday)** - Bettyanne MacMackin/Sadie

Cameron/Fr. Bill

**Easter Sunday** - Ewart Kenney/Dorothy Blanchard/Verna McCloskey/Fr. Bill



### Development and Peace – Share

**Year-Round:** Donate monthly and become a **'Share Year-Round'** donor. Your recurring, predictable donations make a significant difference throughout the year. This support not only drives our mission, but it also encourages us to continue our efforts to make the world a

better place. They provide financial stability to our support partners working in communities and strengthen our ability to respond rapidly to emergency relief. **This Lent you can double your impact!** Start or increase your monthly donations any time between Ash Wednesday (March 5<sup>th</sup>) and Pentecost (June 8<sup>th</sup>) to have your total annual donation (or increase thereof) matched dollar for dollar! Each February, you will receive a tax receipt for the total amount of your monthly contributions over the previous year.

Thank you to all our donors, who are the cornerstone of our efforts! To find out more, visit

<https://devp.org/en/monthly-donations/> or pick up a

**Share Year-Round** monthly donations pamphlet in the lobby of the church. Become a **Share Year-Round** donor today!

### Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers Bridge

**Luncheon Fundraiser:** Apr .24 at 12 noon at St. Theresa's Church Hall (William Street, Nasis) \$60.00 per table. Proceeds go to grassroots organizations in Subsaharan Africa, through the SLF & Help Lesotho. **To reserve a table, contact Mary Waters at 506-455-0574 or email [shaunmary89@gmail.com](mailto:shaunmary89@gmail.com)**

**Journey Through Lent Video Series:** Beginning on Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> and for each Sunday in Lent, up to and including Palm Sunday, a video will be uploaded to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops website. This series is designed for individuals, families, and communities, providing spiritual inspiration and guidance on how to prepare for the Easter Season. To access the videos, click on the following link:

<https://www.cccb.ca/> and then click 'Learn More' in the Journey Through Lent 2025 (blue box).



### Jubilee of Hope for Teenagers and Canonization of Carlo Acutis An Invitation to Youth!

Did you know that the church around the world will be celebrating teenagers April 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> as part of the Jubilee of Hope 2025? This is a time for the church to celebrate young people and their faith. A time to honor, pray for and give a blessing to the young people of our church. During this jubilee celebration the first millennial Saint, Carlo Acutis, will be canonized on Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

All youth 12 to 18 are invited to come and celebrate! Join youth from around Fredericton for an evening of celebration and fellowship. Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 8:30 pm at St. Theresa's Church. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm, followed by activities and ending with Adoration and praise and worship. Be sure to invite a friend! Help us plan by letting us know if you can attend by emailing Sharon Watts, Religious Education Coordinator for Holy Family Church at [mooseville4@gmail.com](mailto:mooseville4@gmail.com)

**Support Our Youth: Steubenville Atlantic Fundraiser** We are excited to announce that we currently have almost 40 youth registered for the incredible opportunity to attend the Steubenville Atlantic Youth Conference held this July in Halifax and 15 have applied for the LEAD program! This event is a life-changing experience that will deepen their faith, foster community, and inspire them to live out their Catholic values. We are seeking financial support to cover the costs of transportation and registration fees for our young attendees. Your generous contributions will ensure that no young person misses out on this transformative experience due to financial constraints. **How You Can Help:** Any amount donated is greatly appreciated and will go directly towards the expenses of the trip or participate in any fundraising events in your parish. **Registration is \$350/youth.** To donate, please give through your parish or donate through the diocese at [www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/donations](http://www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org/donations) and indicate it is for Steubenville Atlantic. Thank you for your generosity and support. Together, we can make a lasting impact on the spiritual lives of our youth.

**Our Sacred Stories**  
**Scrambled Eggs & Our Journey to Easter**  
**(Fr. John Jennings)**

With this Sunday, Passion Sunday, we enter a sacred time in our faith tradition. Holy Week takes us on a journey. It is Jesus' journey to his death and ultimately to resurrection and new life. It begins with the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, but quickly descends into the darkness, despair and death that is the story of the Passion. Passing through the week, we come to Easter and the resurrection. It is a week of darkness, despair and death. But, it is also a week of light, hope and the possibilities of new life. It might be seen as the week of the marvelous miracle of scrambled eggs – the marvelous movement of Jesus from brokenness and death to new life.

This wonder of Jesus' resurrection to new life is God's plan for all humanity, God's dream. Our lives face darkness and dread and death. Our lives are often the scrambled eggs and we wonder what it is all about. The journey of Jesus that we mark in this week, in so many ways, is our own. The dream of God is that these scrambled eggs will come together in new and risen life. Jesus is God's promise for each of us and for our world.

This week and the Triduum offer us an opportunity to reflect on this dream that God has for us. We are a people whose faith is founded on the Paschal Mystery, Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Each day of the Triduum draws our attention to a significant part of our story.

Holy Thursday – the feast of the Lord's Supper. This is really a feast of who we are and what our mission is. We remember the Passover meal that Jesus had with his disciples, we focus on the role of the meal in our faith community. Jesus called disciples to share his mission. At the Last Supper, he gathered these friends around the Table for a meal.

Like all our family meals, our Eucharist as disciples of Jesus expresses our relationship with one another as well as our relationship with Jesus. It is not an accident that we see who we are as a community of believers as the Gospel challenges us to serve one another and our world. As Jesus serves his disciples he proclaims: "I have set you an example, that you should do as I have done to you." (John 13:1-15)

Good Friday – A remembrance of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Sacrifice means to offer something of value for the sake of another. We see examples of sacrifice everyday in parents, spouses and friends. We need sacrifice. A sacrifice expresses our commitment to another. Eucharist as sacrifice celebrates those many relationships we hold dear in our community and the love we commit to them.

Good Friday expresses the commitment and love that God has for all the peoples of the earth. As we celebrate this commitment, we do it in retelling the story of Jesus' passion, in prayer for our world and in sharing at the table of communion. In doing so, we commit ourselves to service and sacrifice in our world and to all the peoples of the earth. May we be life-giving to all.

Feast of Easter – This is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. It is the ultimate expression that our God is a God of life and of loving, saving care for all humanity. As we recall God's dream for all peoples and all creation, we acknowledge our call to reflect God's life-giving love to all with joy and gratitude. Like Jesus, we pass through death to new life. The scrambled becomes whole once more.

**Rosary – The Sorrowful Mysteries:** Join us every Thursday morning at 10:30am at Holy Family Church as we pray the Sorrowful Mysteries including mysteries created by the National Indigenous Rosary Group. All are welcome!

**Knights of Columbus Community Breakfast:**  
**Sunday, April 13th, from 10:00AM to 1:00PM** at the Knicol Hall, 170 Regent Street. Adults \$ 10.00, Children \$ 5.00 and Families \$ 30.00. Proceeds from this breakfast will be used to help fund medical care for Joan, the wife of one of the Knights, who is in the Philippines awaiting a kidney transplant. Everyone welcome.

**" O CANADA EH" NIGHT** - Knights of Columbus Council 1942 sponsored fundraiser for N.B.Right to Life vision to open HOPE HOUSE MATERNITY HOME for pregnant women in need. Saturday, May 3, 2025 at Knights Hall on Regent Street. Doors open at 5:30 and dinner served at 6 p.m. Menu: Chicken Fricot Soup, Hearty Vegetable Soup, Rolls, pie, tea, coffee, juice. \$7.50 per person. We need people to donate food items. Silent auction for items including home baked goods. Tickets must be pre-purchased: E transfer- bgreen067@gmail .com or payment at NBRL office. \*\*\*\*\*Following dinner we will have Karaoke entertainment\*\*\*\*\*

**Cancellation – Our Lady of Peace Parish's monthly "Touched by Cancer" Mass is cancelled for the month of April, as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday falls on Good Friday. Thank you for supporting our monthly "Touched by Cancer Mass".**