

April 2023

Monthly Catholic Devotion

Blessed Sacrament

Daughters of Mercy
Supporting Priests through Prayer

"The Eucharist is the bread that gives strength... It is at once the most eloquent proof of His love and the most powerful means of fostering His love in us. He gives Himself every day so that our hearts as burning coals may set afire the hearts of the faithful."
-St. Damien of Molokai

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

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Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

Feast Day: April 17

St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American Catholic saint. She was born in 1656, her mother was an Algonquin, who was captured by the Mohawks and who took a Mohawk chief for her husband. She contracted smallpox as a four-year-old child which scarred her skin. At age 19, she converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. Her decision was very unpopular and to avoid persecution, she traveled to a Christian native community south of Montreal. Kateri was very devout and would often pray for the conversion of her fellow Mohawks. Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine, which she took from St. Catherine of Siena who's feast day is also in April (April 29).

Saint Kateri, Lily of the Mohawks, your love for Jesus, so strong, so steadfast, grant that we may imitate you. Your short and painful life showed us your strength and humility. Grant that we may become humble like you. Fill our hearts Saint Kateri Tekakwitha with your same love for Jesus and grant us your strength and courage to become a saint. Amen. Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 st Saturday 1 Christopher Pugh, Seminarian
Palm Sunday 2 Archbishop Richard J. Gagnon	3 Rev. Andre Lico	4 Rev. Philip Malayil	1 st Wednesday 5 Paul Human Candidate to the Permanent Deaconate	Holy Thursday 6 For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life	1 st Friday 7 Good Friday Deacon Oliver Omega, Seminarian	8 Rev. Jorge R. Mante
Easter Sunday 9 Rev. Monsignor Louis J. McCloskey (Retired)	10 Rev. José Eduardo Viveiros Medeiros M.P.S.	11 Rev. Norberto Monton	12 Deacon Michael Cordova	13 For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life	14 Vince Diestro, Seminarian	15 Rev. Monsignor Michael L. Moore (Retired)
Divine Mercy 16 Sunday Rev. Wayne G. Morrissey	17 Rev. Con Mulvihill S.J.	18 Rev. Michel J. Nault	19 Deacon Darin Douglas	20 For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life	21 Rev. Peter R. Nemcek	22 Rev. Patrick Neufeld
23 Rev. Benjamin Nwaeje	24 Rev. Frank Obrigewitsch S.J.	25 Rev. John Okosun	26 Deacon Philip Durant	27 For Vocations to Priesthood & Religious Life	28, 28 Deceased Priests of our Archdiocese	29 Rev. Francois Paradis O.M.I.
30 Rev. Diosdado Parrenas					28	

Thursdays have been designated by the Archbishop of Winnipeg as Archdiocesan Days of Prayer for Vocations. Please set aside some time each Thursday to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life in our Archdiocese.

There is Vespers and Adoration to pray for priests and vocations to the priesthood on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at St. Ann's Parish, 271 Hampton Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba.