### St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday: 10:00am - 5:00pm
Friday: 10:00am - 1:00pm

#### **Bulletin Deadline:**

Items for the bulletin must be submitted to Chris before the close of business on Wednesday.

#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Canceled Sunday Canceled Reconciliation

During this time Reconciliation will be scheduled

by appointment



#### WELCOME

# Father James Stuhrenberg, Pastor Deacon Lee Levenson, Deacon

#### Administrative Assistant:

Chris Gailey wk: 336-246-9151

Pastoral Council:

Joanne Kuszaj—Chairperson 336-982-3054

Finance Council:

Rick LaBonte - Chairperson 336-877-2300

**Choir Director:** 

Randy Revis 336-384-2835

Faith Formation:

Isabel Spencer (Coordinator) 336-877-0883

#### **Home Bound Ministers**:

Brings the Eucharist to the Homebound

Please call the church office 336-246-9151

## Parish Commissions & Committees Commission Chairperson:

Liturgy/Worship—Vickie Herman 336-877-5656

Parish Life— Volunteer Needed
Community Life—Diane LaBonte 336-877-2300

Prison Ministry — Knights of Columbus
Ecumenism-- Bernadette Zimmerman 336-846-4518

Building/Facilities—Mark Holt 828-406-0966

Prayer Chain (prayer request):

Chairperson—Mary Rodgers 336-877-5399

#### Vicariate Hispanic Ministry Coordinator:

Sergio Lopez 336-529-3748

Baptism Prep Class, Spanish:

Jose Juan Robles 336-977-4612

### Sunday, July 12, 2020 The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



As for what was sown on good soil, this is he who hears the word and understands it; he indeed bears fruit, and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty." Matthew 13:23

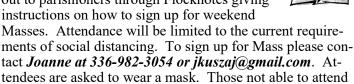
For anointing of the sick, receiving the Eucharist while homebound/in the hospital, hearing of your confession, or special prayers and/or visit from Father please call the church office.

St. Francis of Assisi Cemetery: Plots are available for purchase during office hours. Payment in full is required at purchase. Prices are: \$750/per full size plot; \$250/per urn size plot.

#### Weekly Calendar

In accordance with CDC guidelines and direction of **Bishop Jugis** any meetings must be of 10 or less people in attendance.

Weekend Masses: Due to the regulations of limited seating we are requiring that attendees to the Sunday Masses sign up prior to attending. Joanne Kuszaj will be sending an email out to parishioners through Flocknotes giving instructions on how to sign up for weekend



Weekday Masses: In accordance with CDC guidelines and direction of Bishop Jugis attendance is limited to within social distancing recommendations in the worship area.

May we remember in prayer our parish family that we will be protected from the Coronavirus and soon be able to all gather and worship together.

#### Ministry Schedule

#### Weekend Lectors

Saturday Mass, July 18, 4:30pm

Mass are granted a dispensation.

Lectors: #1 Tassanee W.; Lector #2 James W.

Sunday Mass, July 19, 9:00am

Lector: #1 Anne B.; Lector #2 Patrick H.

Altar Linens week of July 13: Mary R. Altar Linens week of July 20: Evelyn R.

Parishioners, Family Members and Friends in need of Special Prayer: Lynn Marie Gregor, Marilyn Reihle, Kevin Gouge, Patrick Fulkerson, Logan Tyler Hollars, Refugio Calvillo, Penny Hession, TC Huntsinger, Felicitas Bugarin Santos, Lynn Miller, Jane Faber, Meaghen Price, Paul Hughes, Arjean Miller, Ron Carriero, Peggy Bieber, Martha Esser, Fred & Louise McCaskill-Baker, Carol Phillips, Andy Stuhrenberg, John Moran, Peggy Schaffer, Destiny Johnson, Rita Skrobialowski, Frank Turnmire, Logan Michael Wagner, Harold Dillard, Kristina Hoekstra. May God bless you!

**Please note:** The office hours on Wednesday, July 15th will be 11:30am to 5pm.

#### Mass Schedule and Readings

Monday, July 13, No Mass

Scripture: Is 1:10-17, Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23, Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday, July 14, 12:00pm

Mass Intention: Judy Woelful

Scripture: Is 7:1-9, Ps 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8, Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 15, 12:00pm

Mass Intention: Jim & Joanne Kuszaj on their 48th Wedding Anniversary

Scripture: Is 10:5-7, 13b-16, Ps 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10,

14-15, Mt 11:25-27

Thursday, July 16, Confirmation Mass

Mass Intention: St. Francis of Assisi Confirmandi Scripture: Is 11:1-4, Ps 23:1-6, Acts 2:1-6, 14, 22-23, 32-33, Mt 5:1-12

Friday, July 17, 9:00am

Mass Intention: Daniel Kuszaj

Scripture: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8, Isaiah 38:10, 11,

12abcd, 16, Mt 12:1-8

Saturday, July 18, 4:30pm (Sign up only)

Scripture: Mi 2:1-5, Ps 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14, Mt

12:14-21

Spanish Mass, July 18, 7:30pm (Sign-up only) Sunday, July 19, 9:00am (Sign-up only)

Scripture: Wis 12:13, 16-19, Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16, Rom 8:26-27, Mt 13:24-43 or Mt 13:24-30

#### **Goodbye Father James**

his next assignment parishioners three opportunities to Before Father James leaves for say goodbye:



---Between Saturday Masses (4:30 & 7:30 Masses) on July 11 & July 18

--- During a "Drive-Up" event on Tuesday, July 14 from 4:00pm-6:00pm. This event will provide an opportunity for parishioners who would like to see Father James in person but will feel more comfortable from the distance in their car.

All events will have the appropriate social distancing.

The Pastoral Council is planning on presenting Father James with a parting gift on behalf of the Parish. If you would like to contribute or want more information, please contact Joánne Kuszaj, Chairperson, Pastoral Council at jkuszaj@gmail.com or 336-982-3054. There will also be a basket for cards at each event.

Financial Figures			
Offertory July 5:	\$	5,485.00	
Offertory received this month:	\$	5,485.00	
Offertory needed in July:	\$	15,341.00	
Building Fund July 5:	\$	518.00	
Building Fund received this month:	\$	518.00	
Loan Payment needed each month:	\$	5,203.00	

Building Debt (as of June 22, 2020):

Total owed \$ 424,955.00

Parishioners are strongly encouraged to mail in their offertory as bills still need to be paid. Checks can be mailed to the following address:

P.O. Box 634, Jefferson, NC 28640 Your support is greatly appreciated.

The 2020 Diocesan Support Appeal

Our Fair Share:	\$ 18,937.00
Amount Given:	\$ 12,298.13
Amount Pledged:	\$ 1,388.90
Amount Needed:	\$ 5,249.97
Number of Donors:	46



#### St. Kateri Tekakwitha Feast Day: July 14

Known as the "Lily of the Mohawks", and the "Genevieve of New France" an Indian virgin of the Mohawk tribe, born according to some authorities at the Turtle Castle of Ossernenon, according to others at the

village of Gandaouge, in 1656; died at Caughnawaga, Canada, 17 April, 1680.

Her mother was a Christian Algonquin who had been captured by the Iroquois and saved from a captive's fate by the father of Tekakwitha, to whom she also bore a son. When Tekakwitha was about four years old, her parents and brother died of small-pox, and the child was adopted by her aunts and an uncle who had become chief of the Turtle clan. Although small-pox had marked her face and seriously impaired her eyesight and her manner was reserved and shrinking, her aunts began when she was yet very young to form marriage projects for her, from which, as she grew older, she shrank with great aversion.

In 1667 the Jesuit missionaries Fremin, Bruyas, and Pierron, accompanying the Mohawk deputies who had been to Quebec to conclude peace with the French, spent three days in the lodge of Tekakwitha's uncle. From them she received her first knowledge of Christianity, but although she forthwith eagerly accepted it in her heart she did not at that time ask to be baptized. Some time later the Turtle clan moved to the north bank of the Mohawk River, the "castle" be-

ing built above what is now the town of Fonda. Here in the midst of scenes of carnage, debauchery, and idolatrous frenzy Tekakwitha lived a life of remarkable virtue, at heart not only a Christian but a Christian virgin, for she firmly and often, with great risk to herself, resisted all efforts to induce her to marry.

When she was eighteen, Father Jacques de Lamberville arrived to take charge of the mission which included the Turtle clan, and from him, at her earnest request, Tekakwitha received baptism. Thenceforth she practiced her religion unflinchingly in the face of almost unbearable opposition, till finally her uncle's lodge ceased to be a place of protection to her and she was assisted by some Christian Indians to escape to Caughnawaga on the St. Laurence. Here she lived in the cabin of Anastasia Tegonhatsihonga, a Christian Indian woman, her extraordinary sanctity impressing not only her own people but the French and the missionaries. Her mortifications were extreme, and Chauchtiere says that she had attained the most perfect union with God in prayer.

Upon her death devotion to her began immediately to be manifested by her people. Many pilgrims visit her grave in Caughnawaga where a monument to her memory was erected by the Rev. Clarence Walworth in 1884; and Councils of Baltimore and Quebec have petitioned for her canonization. On 22 June 1980, she was beatified by Pope John Paul II; her feast day is celebrated on 14 July. On 21 Oct. 2012, she was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI. (*Taken from EWTN.com*)

# Attention Confirmation Candidates please note the following important events:

Sacrament of Confirmation: Thursday,
July 16, 2020 7:30pm. Candidates and Sponsors must wear face-masks as they assemble in the parish center on the lower level one hour before or 6:30pm. They will then be escorted up into the Church and take their place at their assigned pews. Up to 6 additional family members will be allowed to join the candidates and sponsors in their assigned pews. More information will be forthcoming.

Please keep our Confirmation Candidates, their Sponsors and Parents in your prayers this coming week. The candidates will be continuing their final preparation for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation on July 16.

#### Iglesia Católica San Francisco de Asís Decimoquinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Julio 12, 2020

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Horario de la oficina: De Lunes a Jueves 10:00am—5:00pm y Viernes 10:00am - 1:00pm Misas de fin de semana: Contacto Isabel Lopez Horarios de misa entre semana: Martes y Miércoles 12:00pm, Viernes 9:00am

Lecturas Bíblicas de julio 13 - 19, 2020

Lunes: Isaías 1:10-17, Salmo 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 y 23, Mateo 10:34-11:1

Martes: Isaías 7:1-9, Salmo 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8,

Mateo 11:20-24

Miércoles: Isaías 10:5-7, 13b-16, Salmo 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15, Mateo 11:25-27

Jueves: Isaías 11:1-4, Salmo 23:1-6, Hechos 2:1-6, 14, 22-23, 32-33, Mateo 5:1-12

Viernes: Isaías 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8, Isaías 38:10, 11,

12abcd, 16, Mateo 12:1-8

Sábado: Miqueas 2:1-5, Salmo 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14, Mateo 12:14-21

Domingo: Sabiduría 12:13, 16-19, Salmo 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16, Romanos 8:26-27, Mateo 13:24-43 o Mateo 13:24-30

#### Figuras del Ofertorio

Ofertorio julio 5:

5,485.00

Beata Kateri Tekakwitha Virgen (1656-1680) 14 de julio



Patrona del medio ambiente y de la ecología. La beata Kateri Tekakwitha aún no ha sido canonizada.

Kateri nació en un pueblo cerca de Auriesville, Nueva York en el año 1656 y era hija de un luchador de la tribu Mohawk. Ella tenía cuatro años cuando su madre murió de rubéola. Esta enfermedad también atacó a Kateri y desfiguró su rostro. Luego de este evento que marcó toda su vida Kateri fue adoptada por sus dos tías y su tío.

Kateri se convirtió al catolicismo durante su adolescencia. Ella fue bautizada a los veinte años y esto ocasionó una gran hostilidad hacia ella por parte de su tribu. Aunque tuvo que sufrir grandemente por su fe, ella se mantuvo firme en sus creencias.

Después de un tiempo Kateri se fue a una nueva colonia indígena en Canadá. Allí, ella vivió una vida dedicada a la oración, a la penitencia y al cuidado de los

enfermos y ancianos. Cada mañana, aun durante los inviernos más fuertes, ella se instalaba frente a la puerta de la capilla hasta que la abriesen, a las cuatro de la mañana, y se mantenía ahí hasta la ultima misa del día.

Kateri era muy devota a la Eucaristía y a Jesús Crucificado. Murió el 7 de Abril de 1680 a la edad de 24 años y es conocida como la Flor de Pascua de los Mohawks. A la devoción de Kateri se le atribuye el establecimiento de ministerios para las tribus indígenas en las Iglesias católicas de los Estados Unidos. Kateri fue declarada venerable por la Iglesia Católica en 1943 y fue beatificada en 1980.

Actualmente se está trabajando en el proceso para su canonización. Miles de personas han visitado sus santuarios, erguidos en San Francisco Javier y en Caughnawage, lugar natal en Auriesville, Nueva York. Hoy en día siguen habiendo grandes peregrinaciones a estos lugares históricos y de gran importancia espiritual.

La beata Kateri Tekakwitha es la primera Indígena Americana declarada beata. Su festividad se celebra el 14 de julio. Ella es considerada patrona de la naturaleza y de la ecología así como San Francisco de Asís.

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