

St. Joseph of the Woods First Communion, April 28, 8:00 a.m. Mass: We congratulate this student as she celebrates her First Eucharist. Please keep her in your prayers. Charlotte McCuan

St. Kateri First Communion, May 5, 10:30 a.m. Mass: We congratulate these students as they celebrate First Eucharist. Please keep them in your prayers. Lexie Browning, Harrison Drone, Greyson Gill, John Luke Fals, Kennedy Ingles, Norah Lydick, and Bryson Raben.

There will be bags for the First Communion in the NARTHEX during Saturday evening and Sunday morning of First Communion weekend for those who wish to leave a card of congratulations.

“Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him. That is all the doing you have to worry about.” -Jane Frances de Chantal

Ladies Save the Date: The Mother Daughter Banquet will be held May 8th. It will be catered by Pleasant Valley Catering. We will once again have you decorate with your own dinnerware service, glasses etc. The theme can be of your choosing. Last year we had: Fiesta ware, Beach, Tea Party, Family Antique dinnerware; can't wait to see what you all think of this year! Sign up will start April 15th cost to be \$6 per person and all reservations need to be in by April 30th .

Pilgrimage to Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul, December 1-11, 2024, Retreat Leaders: Fr. Jim Buerster, Deacon John Gomez, and Cheryl Sommer, Hosted by Catholic Relief Services in the Diocese of Belleville, Cost: \$3999, Registration Deadline: June 1, 2024. By traveling in the footsteps of St. Paul as he organized churches throughout new territory, pilgrims will be invited to reflect on what their own knowledge of Christ is calling them to do and what it means to be part of the Church today. We will also see the ministry that Catholic Relief Services does on our behalf with migrants and refugees in southern Greece. Pilgrimage sites include: Thessalonica, Corinth, Philippi, Athens, and more. To receive more information and a registration brochure, contact CRS Diocesan Animator, Cheryl Sommer at crsdiobelle@gmail.com.

St. Joseph of the Woods & St. Kateri: The Messenger will publish the High School Graduation Supplement on May 23, 2024. A request for some information - we are seeking names of 2024 High School Graduates (If Valedictorian or Salutatorian please send photo) this information would be very much appreciated and is needed promptly for The Messenger. **Please submit it to the Parish Office by April 29, 2024.** Would you please help us by contacting the office at 272-7059 during business hours, or drop in collection basket, or email to GallatinCatholic@gmail.com

PARISH: _____
Graduate Name: _____ Parents: _____
School: _____
Valedictorian: ___ Yes ___ No Salutatorian: ___ Yes ___ No

St. Kateri Parish Council: There will not be a Parish Council meeting in May. We'll resume on June 25th for our next meeting.

Memorial Day is fast approaching, and we hope to do a story related to this holiday. If anyone in your parish has a story to tell about someone they knew or a relative who died in war, please let us know. Send any information to editor@bellevillemessenger.org. We also print the names of military service members who were killed in action (WWII onward) in The Messenger. We have a list from years past, but if we have missed anyone, please send that person's name, rank if it is known, and the war in which they served and died. In addition, we would like to include a list of military service people who are presently serving in harm's way, asking for prayers for their safe return home. **Please submit the information to The Messenger by May 1, 2024. If you would like the Parish Office to submit the information please submit it to the office by April 29, 2024.**

Interested in becoming a Knight? The Ridgway Knights of Columbus (L A Lambert – Council 1581) will be hosting a First, Second, & Third-degree Exemplification of Charity, Unity and Fraternity on Wednesday, May 1st, 6:30 pm, at the Columbus Club in Ridgway. Following that there will be our regular monthly meeting concluding with a meal. For more information contact Grand Knight - Tyler Drone at 618-560-6700 or any Knights of Columbus member. Please use the adjacent QR code to join online as an eMember prior to the event to speed up the registration process (use 1581 as the “Preferred Local Council”).



SAVE THE DATE: St. Kateri Vacation Bible School July 23rd, 24th & 25th, 2024.

There are a few more weeks of school. Please consider making a donation to the Snack Pack.

Revised Date: St. Joseph of the Woods Parish, Elizabethtown: Holy Name will be hosting a biscuit and gravy breakfast Sunday, May 19th. This will immediately follow the 8:00 Mass.

For Your Calendar:

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May 8, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.: Mother Daughter Banquet at St. Joseph Gym. (Please register in the Narthex on sign-up sheets if you're planning on attending the Banquet by April 30th)

May 9, Thursday: St. Joseph Parish Council meeting at 6:00 p.m.

If anyone has a person that needs a card, please text name and address to Jane Bond 618-313-1817

Care Bears with cards are available in the Narthex for those that are sick or shut in. If you visit someone at home or in the hospital, please take them a bear and note from the parish.

Compassionate Miscarriage Bundles are available for anyone in need. Please contact Cathy Scates 618-534-3212

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Pray for those who are sick or in hospital: Sharon Seely, Steve Scates, Judy McGuire, Alice Duvall, Shaun Duvall, Linda Daily Nazlian, Jonathan Buckman, Martha Spahr, Bruce Rankin, Carl Payne, Sharon Holmes and Sue Kimbro.

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Pray for those who are sick or in hospital: Carolyn Ellis, Gerald & Janice Downey, Susan Williams, Nathan Clark, Filii Tuliao, Billy Hunziker, Steve & Sharon Robbs, Fritz Raines, Megan Shields, Hadley Stowers, Pam Pease, Sue Leonberger, Erin Adams, Sherrie Crabb, Wesley Cowser, Linda Daily Nazlian, Tom Hirsch, Ted Hirsch, Maude Fornes, Peggy Hogg, Melony Crim, Maryanne Armstrong, Debbie Smoot, David Humm, Michael Bledsoe, Bill & Mary Ann Bebout, Vickie Hobbs, Richard DaSilva, Teddy Henderson, Gene and Jeanette Stengel, Jo Swanson, LaDonna Koch Reed, Buddy Shetler, Christine Stalions, Oryan Bishop, Pat German, Jim Patton, Howard "Butch" Davis, Carl Cox, Mary Shaw, Ricky Mills and David Dunstan.

OUR RETURN GIFTS TO GOD LAST WEEK: Thank you for your generosity.

St. Kateri Parish	(49 Envelopes)
Sunday Envelopes:	\$3,417.00
Building:	\$200.00
Loose Collection:	\$233.00
Weekend Snack Pack:	\$170.00
Catholic Home Missions Appeal	\$100.00
Donation:	\$100.00
For The Needy:	\$120.00
St. Joseph Ridgway Cemetery:	\$25.00

St. Joseph Stewardship weekly budget goal	
(Our weekly goal \$1600.00)	(17 Envelopes)
Sunday Envelopes:	\$820.00
Loose Collection:	\$322.00
Weekly Sunday Envelope Total:	\$1142.00
Children's Collection:	\$2.00
Building:	\$35.00

CSMA	
CSMA Goal: \$ 14,834	CSMA Total: \$8924.00

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Liturgical Ministers Schedule:

Saturday, May 4, 2024– St. Kateri
Lector: Jeffrey Drake
Eucharistic Ministers: Mike & Tracy McGuire
Servers: Jason Abell, Grant Holmes
Greeters: Richard Carruba, Allison Cleary

Sunday, May 5, 2024 – St. Kateri
Lector: Simon Naas
Eucharistic Ministers: Simon Naas, Carolyn Jones
Servers: Ella Lydick, Lydia Browning
Greeters: First Communion

Sunday May 5, 2024 - St. Joseph
Lector: Debbie Soward
Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Barbercheck
Ushers: Dempsey Lievers, Gary Gross

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish
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Office Hours:
 Monday through Friday
 8:30am - 12:00pm
 1:00pm - 4:00pm

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Most Rev. Michael McGovern
 Bishop of Belleville

Fr. Vincent Mukasa
 Parish Administrator
 618-406-8536

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 27th, 2024 & April 28th, 2024
Mass Schedule for this week

Saturday	Apr	27,	5:00 PM	RDWY	John & Abbie Scherrer
Sunday	Apr	28,	8:00 AM	ETWN	For Our Parish
Sunday	Apr	28,	10:30 AM	RDWY	For Our Parish
Monday	Apr	29,	No Mass	RDWY	
Tuesday	Apr	30,	No Mass	RDWY	
Wednesday	May	1,	No Mass	RDWY	
Thursday	May	2,	No Mass	RDWY	
Thursday	May	2,	No Mass	ETWN	
Friday	May	3,	No Mass	RDWY	
Saturday	May	4,	5:00 PM	RDWY	Bob McGuire
Sunday	May	5,	8:00 AM	ETWN	For Our Parish
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