



St. Patrick's Catholic Church
Diocese of Victoria

Rev. Peter Oscar Kofi Amo
Deacon Fred Soto

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Parish Office

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
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Mass Schedule

Tuesday through Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please contact the parish office to register for the preparation class. Godparents must be married through the church and should be practicing Catholics and have celebrated their Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to marry should contact the parish at least six months prior to their desired time of marriage.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This healing sacrament is available when one is preparing for medical procedures or is seriously ill. Please call the parish office.

Hall Rental:

Contact the Parish Office

CCD Coordinators

Deacon Fred Soto

Ramona Torres



We are glad you are here.

Please come visit us at the parish office to let us know you have arrived and we will be happy to help you become a registered member of our parish.

Mass Intentions

July 12 Monday

- NO MASS

July 13 Tuesday – 8:00 a.m.

- NO MASS

July 14 Wednesday -8:00 a.m.

- NO MASS

July 15 Thursday – 8:00 a.m.

- NO MASS

July 16 Friday – 8:00 a.m.

- NO MASS

July 17 Saturday – 5:00 p.m.

- **Paul & Virginia Acosta** † by Mary & Ernest Moya
- **Nolberta Castro** † by Mariana Pineda
- **Elenora Jelenik** † by Marlene Phillips
- **Beatrice Cantu** † by Bacilio and Barbara Cantu

July 18 Sunday – 8:00 a.m. (Spanish)

- **Berta Valdez (Birthday)** by Mrs. E. Pinon
- **Arnulfo Reyes** † by Soila Reyes

July 18 Sunday – 10:00 a.m.

- **Poor Souls** by Ernest & Mary Moya
- **Michael Valenzuela** † by Ismael & Gracie Perez

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, July 17 – 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Carol Sutton

Altar Servers:

Ushers: Bacilio Cantu, Raymond Brandl

Eucharistic Minister:

Sunday, July 18 – 8:00 a.m.

Lector: Rosalinda Reyes

Altar Servers: Alexis Bucio, Giovani Bucio

Ushers: Andy Reyes, Bacilio Gonzalez

Eucharistic Minister: Fred Soto

Sunday, July 18 – 10:00 a.m.

Lector: Lupe Olguin

Altar Servers: Layla Wallace

Ushers: Albert Rodriguez, Lorenzo Rivera

Eucharistic Minister:

Congratulations to the 2021 KC Scholarship recipients: Mia Martinez \$1000, Nadia Vasquez \$1000, and Malissa Cervantez \$500

Mary Immaculate,
Patron Saint of the United States, Pray for Us.

Offertory July 4 2021

Parish Support: \$934.00

Candles: \$ 20.00

Building Fund: \$568.00

Thank you for your Support & Generosity

Pray for the Sick

Please pray for these parishioners who are sick, homebound, in nursing homes, or recovering from surgery: Joe G & Dorothy Perez, Ashley & Chris Rakowski, Cassy Encinia, Pauline Kelly, Lupe Rivera, Jean Mercado, Jose Cortes Vega, Sam Canchola, Melissa Rubio, Ernesto Nunez, Ted Cabral, Sofia Lamas, Maria Gonzales, Olivia Liserio, Mary Helen Garcia, Connie Garcia, Mary Cantu, Triselda Perez, Don Reyes, Connie Salinas, JoAnn Hernandez.

Pray for those who have died

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who have died recently. May their souls be at rest and may their families be comforted.

Vacation

Father Oscar left on June 22nd to visit his family in Ghana and will return August 6th. Bishop Emeritus David Fellhauer will say the Masses for the weekends of June 26-27 and July 31-Aug. 1. Father Clement Quainoo will be the visiting priest for the other weekends. There will be no weekday Masses and no confessions on Saturdays while Father is gone. Deacon Fred Soto will be available 897-1955 as will the secretary, Jeanne Lange, 897-1155.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

- **Rosary Group** meets on Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in the church.
- **Parish Council**, Tuesday, July 13, 7:00 p.m. in the Heritage Room
- **Knights of Columbus**, Thursday, July 15, 7:00 in the Heritage Room
- **Baptism Class**, Monday, July 26, 7-9 p.m. in the Heritage Room. Contact Deacon Fred Soto at 897-1955 to register for the class.

Fr. Oscar arrived in Ghana safely and he thanks you for your prayers. He sends his blessings to all of you.

Building Fund Collection next weekend.



Feast Day, July 14
St. Kateri Tekakwitha

St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American to be recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon. 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. The scars were a source of humiliation in her youth. She was commonly seen wearing a blanket to hide her face. Worse, her entire family died during the outbreak. Kateri Tekakwitha was subsequently raised by her uncle, who was the chief of a Mohawk clan.

Kateri was known as a skilled worker, who was diligent and patient. However, she refused to marry. When her adoptive parents proposed a suitor to her, she refused to entertain the proposal. They punished her by giving her more work to do, but she did not give in. Instead, she remained quiet and diligent. Eventually they were forced to relent and accept that she had no interest in marriage.

At age 19, Kateri Tekakwitha converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. Her decision was very unpopular with her adoptive parents and their neighbors. Some of her neighbors started rumors of sorcery. To avoid persecution, she traveled to a Christian native community south of Montreal.

According to legend, Kateri was very devout and would put thorns on her sleeping mat. She often prayed for the conversion of her fellow Mohawks. According to the Jesuit missionaries that served the community where Kateri lived, she often fasted and when she would eat, she would taint her food to diminish its flavor. On at least one occasion, she burned herself. Such self-mortification was common among the Mohawk.

Kateri was very devout and was known for her steadfast devotion. She was also very sickly. Her practices of self-mortification and denial may not have helped her health. Sadly, just five years after her conversion to Catholicism, she became ill and passed away at age 24, on April 17, 1680.

Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine, which she took from St. Catherine of Siena.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on Oct. 21, 2012. She is the patroness of ecology and the environment, people in exile and Native Americans.