

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# GO AND DO LIKEWISE.

— LUKE 10:37 —



## ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Coal City**

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**Mass and Confession Times****REGULAR WEEKEND MASS TIMES****Assumption** - Saturday - 4:00 p.m. (\*First Saturday of the Month - Additional Mass at 8:30 a.m.), Sunday - 7:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.**Sacred Heart, Kinsman** - Sunday - 9:00 a.m.**REGULAR WEEKDAY MASS TIMES****Assumption** - Tuesday - 6:30 p.m. (\*First Tuesday of the Month Mass is followed by St. Peregrine Devotions & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.)  
Thursday & Friday - 8:30 a.m.**Sacred Heart, Kinsman** - Wednesday - 8:30 a.m.**ROSARY****Assumption** - Tuesday - 6:00 p.m., Thursday & Friday - 8:00 a.m.**CONFESSION TIMES (Different on Holy Days & Holidays)****Assumption** - Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m., Thursday & Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m., Saturday - 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m., First Sat. Only - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.**Sacred Heart, Kinsman** - Wednesday - After 8:30 a.m. Mass, Sunday - After 9:00 a.m. Mass.**Eucharistic Adoration Chapel****Assumption** - The Adoration Chapel is open daily from 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.**Sacraments****ANOIDTING OF THE SICK**

Please call the parish office.

**BAPTISMS**

Parents are required to attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the baptism. Please contact the parish secretary to register.

**Assumption** - Baptisms are ordinarily scheduled for the second and fourth Sundays of the month after 11:30 a.m. Mass.**FUNERALS**

Funeral liturgies are ordinarily celebrated at 10:00 a.m. The funeral director will contact the parish office regarding arrangements.

**MARRIAGE**

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Marriage preparation classes are required to be completed before the Sacrament of Marriage can be celebrated. Please contact the parish office before making wedding arrangements.





**Bishop Hicks' Column**  
**July 2025**  
**A Revival on the Road**



"Please don't let this be a one and done!" That was the heartfelt plea voiced by many who attended the [National Eucharistic Congress](#) in Indianapolis last summer. For five days, more than 60,000 Catholics from across the country gathered to adore Jesus in the Eucharist, to receive His Word, to be nourished by His grace, and to be sent out on mission. It was not simply a conference; it was a mountaintop moment—a deeply spiritual encounter that ignited hearts with a renewed love for Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Since that unforgettable gathering, we have already begun to see fruits. Across the nation, more people are returning to the sacraments, seeking reconciliation, and encountering the Lord in new ways. Here in the Diocese of Joliet, we saw the number of individuals preparing to enter the Church more than double at this year's Rite of Election, and I believe it is a direct fruit of this [National Eucharistic Revival](#).

To ensure the momentum continues, the organizers of the Congress initiated a profound follow-up, including a Eucharistic pilgrimage across the country. Our diocese had the great honor of being the first to welcome the procession on its [journey from Indianapolis toward Los Angeles](#).

I had the privilege of receiving the Eucharistic Lord in the monstrance, along with many faithful of all ages, at [St. Mary Parish in Paxton](#), Illinois. After a beautiful Holy Hour, I accompanied the Blessed Sacrament to [Immaculate Conception](#) in Gilman, where more faithful were waiting in adoration. From there, the journey continued to [St. John Paul II Parish](#) in Kankakee for overnight adoration.

The next day, [Bishop McNamara High School](#), with [Bishop Spies](#), hosted a devout celebration with students, teachers, and community members gathered for Eucharistic adoration and praise. Bishop Spies then accompanied the Lord from Kankakee to [Immaculate Conception](#) in Morris, Illinois, where we processed and concluded with a beautiful Holy Hour.

I was so proud of our people—not only for organizing these processions and liturgies, but also for the outpouring of thousands of participants of every age and language.

One of the most touching moments for me was driving in the van that carried the Eucharistic Lord and 12 young adult pilgrims from Indianapolis to Los Angeles. As we traveled from Morris to Seneca, the pilgrims prayed a "Eucharistic Rosary of Gratitude." On each of the 50 beads, they took turns expressing a unique prayer of

thanksgiving to God for the gifts and blessings they experienced while in the Diocese of Joliet. Among their heartfelt prayers, one of them expressed gratitude for the simple joy of a delicious homemade breakfast burrito received earlier in Kankakee. That small moment was a powerful reminder: the Eucharist draws us into deep reverence while also opening our eyes to the sacred in the ordinary. Gratitude, born from the Eucharist, transforms how we see the world.

As we made our way west, I handed the monstrance to [Bishop Lou Tylka](#) in Seneca, Illinois, and the pilgrimage continued its sacred path across the country. Eventually, the procession reached [Los Angeles on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi](#). This massive, coast-to-coast movement is more than a symbolic gesture; it is a literal and spiritual journey of our Lord passing through cities, towns, farmland, and neighborhoods, blessing the land and sanctifying His people.

And the journey isn't over. Indeed, the [National Eucharistic Revival](#) is blossoming into a long-term spiritual renewal. In addition to the pilgrimages, organizers have laid out a bold and inspiring vision for what comes next, including the formation of Eucharistic Missionaries—lay leaders who commit to daily prayer, frequent reception of the Eucharist, and intentional accompaniment of others on the journey of faith. Parish and diocesan initiatives are taking root all over the country, fostering ongoing prayer, Eucharistic formation, and local missionary outreach. And the [2029 National Eucharistic Congress](#) is already on the horizon!

But for this revival to bear lasting fruit, it must reach into the very fabric of our daily lives. We are each called to respond with renewed fervor: to make the Eucharist the source and summit of our lives, to witness to the Real Presence of Jesus with joy and confidence, and to put our faith into action by carrying His love to the peripheries—wherever people are hurting, lonely, or searching.

So, thankfully, this [Eucharistic Renewal](#) is not a one and done! May this movement continue in our diocesan parishes, in our schools, in Eucharistic adoration chapels, whenever the priest elevates the Host at Mass, and every time we receive this extraordinary gift of Christ's true Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.

To learn more about how to keep the fires of the Eucharistic Revival burning at your parish, visit [www.dioceseofjoliet.org/national-eucharistic-revival](http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/national-eucharistic-revival) or email us at [dojcatevang@dioceseofjoliet.org](mailto:dojcatevang@dioceseofjoliet.org).

## Mass Intentions

## SATURDAY July 12

4:00 PM Mass (A)

†George & Ann Boylan (*John & Teri Jo Boylan*)†Judy Novy (*Don & Pat Bianchetta*)†Bill Ferguson (*Family*)

## SUNDAY July 13

## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Mass (A)

†Linnea Buban (*Pat & Al Kaveny*)†Joe Collins (*D. Burch*)

†Betty Olsen

9:00 AM Mass (SH)

†Steve Maier (*Dave & Pam Brockman*)

11:30 AM Mass (A)

†Irving & Ann Lafferty (*Friend*)†Perina Novak (*Friend*)†Bill & Donna McClintock (*Mark Matteson Family*)†Gen & Russ Dillon (*Ray Dillon Family*)†Mildred L. Lestina (*Lestina Family*)

## TUESDAY July 15

6:30 PM Mass (A)

†James & Rose Nappi (*Peter & Carm Collins*)

## WEDNESDAY July 16

8:30 AM Mass (SH)

†Mary Brockman (*John T. Walsh & Dana Davis*)

## THURSDAY July 17

8:30 AM Mass (A)

†Joanne Portegys (*John & Teri Jo Boylan*)

## FRIDAY July 18

8:30 AM Mass (A)

†Aladino & Anne Colombini (*Peter & Carm Collins*)

## SATURDAY July 19

4:00 PM Mass (A)

†Rita Stepanek (*Jim & Donna Mark*)†Rod Shannon (*Don & Pat Bianchetta*)

## SUNDAY July 20

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Mass (A)

†Gene Bianchetta (*Betty Onsen & Family*)†Juan Fehr (*Noma*)†Nancy Jacobek (*Lucille*)

9:00 AM Mass (SH)

†Zach Pogliano (*John & Jodi Walsh & Family*)

11:30 AM Mass (A)

†Jack, Ardys, and Megan Riley (*Riley Family*)†Pat Walker (*Karen Turner*)

## Weekly Confession Times

TUESDAY (A) - 6:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.

WEDNESDAY (SH) - Following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

THURSDAY &amp; FRIDAY (A) - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.

SATURDAY (A) - 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

(First Saturday only - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.)

SUNDAY (SH) - Following the 9:00 a.m. Mass

(Different on Holy Days &amp; Holidays)



## This Week's Events

A: Assumption

SH: Sacred Heart

## Sunday, July 13

6:00 pm - Young Adult Bible Study - Berst Hall

## Monday, July 14

4:30 pm - St. Vincent Meal - New Hope Presbyterian/Coal City  
Coal Food Pantry Open - 815-216-3288

## Tuesday, July 15

No Events

## Wednesday, July 16

No Events

## Thursday, July 17

9:30 am - Bible Study - Madonna Room @ Berst Hall  
Coal Food Pantry Open - 815-216-3288

## Friday, July 18

No Events

## Saturday, July 19

No Events

## Sunday, July 20

6:00 pm - Young Adult Bible Study - Berst Hall



Although Mass intentions are commonly requested for the souls of the departed, we also accept Mass intentions for the living. If you are requesting a Mass intention for the living, and it is related to a birthday or anniversary, please let us know so this can be noted alongside the intention. The stipend for each intention is \$10.

In your charity, prayers and Mass offerings, please remember those who have died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. May they and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

**Nancy Jacobek**  
(Wife of Jim)



Sharee Beeler, Tom Buban, Denise Chally, Ryan Collins,  
Charlotte Curtis, Jan Dunn, Scott Favero, Kay Francisco,  
Mark Francisco, Doris Giordano, Russ Harding, Gloria Markl,  
Sharon McCarthy, Donna Meyer, Paul Nacey, Sr., Michael Oliphant,  
Dan Olson, Jean Peters, Geri Saltzman, Cecelia Schimandle,  
Fred & Wanda Singer, Helen Talty, Glenn VanDrie, Steve Varsolona,  
Jake Veronda, Diane Walker, Janet (Molloy) Williams

Names will remain on the prayer list for six months.  
If you would like your name to remain on the list, please contact us.



## Join Our Parish

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish presently serves hundreds of families within Coal City, Kinsman, and the surrounding areas. Many Catholics attend Mass and consider this their spiritual home. However, they are not formally registered in the parish. Why not take the opportunity to become one of the family?

For those who are new to our Catholic parish, we hope that you find the grace and love of Jesus Christ in the teachings and ways of the Catholic faith. As you become more acquainted with our parish, you may find an area in which to serve. The success of our parish and bringing the faith to others depends on the work, sacrifice, prayers, and cooperation of all of us.

To register, simply fill out the form below and return it to the parish office through the mail or through the Sunday offering, or stop by the parish office during regular office hours. You may also register online by going to our parish website.

*Welcome! We're happy you're here!*

Name(s):

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:



**Jerome & Gretchen Maziarz**

*We're so happy you're here!*

## Menards Rebates Help Our Church

The Menards 11% Rebate Program can benefit our church tremendously. To participate in helping our church, simply tear off the bottom portion of your Menards receipt and drop it in the collection basket or the office mailbox. We will then mail these in and receive the rebates for our use at Menards for supplies to fix and maintain our buildings. If you already have a rebate on hand in your name and choose not to use it, we can use those existing rebates as well; just drop your Menards postcard in the collection basket or locked parish office mailbox.

Please know that this is a free-will donation, and the rebate denomination given to the church will not post in your annual envelope total for tax purposes. However, you are helping to reduce the maintenance costs for your church, and we greatly appreciate any rebates you pass along to us to help with these expenses. Any questions may be directed to Alex Kuhel at the parish office.

This is just another great way to help our church, and we thank you for any rebates you choose to pass along to us!

## YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Individuals ages 18-25 are welcome to come study the word with us!

**JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 | 6:00 PM**

Berst Center, 180 S Kankakee St, Coal City, IL 60416

RSVP with link on website or contact  
**Hannah Krull**

## Breakfast

WITH OUR FATHERS

\*\*\*NEW DATE\*\*\*

**Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**after 8:30 AM Mass**

Join Fr. Josh and Fr. Sebastian at the Whistle Stop Cafe in Diamond for a delicious breakfast while enjoying a morning of fellowship! Everyone is welcome!

No reservations needed! Just meet us in the back dining area around 9:30 AM. Pay for your own meal.

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**~Save the Date~**

## Pie & Ice Cream Social

**Sunday, August 17 - 4:30 p.m.**

**Berst Hall**

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

No, it is something very near to you,  
already in your mouths and in your hearts;  
you have only to carry it out." (Dt 30:14)

### Psalm:

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)

### Second Reading:

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God,  
the firstborn of all creation. (Col 1:15)

### Gospel:

*You shall love the Lord, your God,  
with all your heart,  
with all your being,  
with all your strength,  
and with all your mind,  
and your neighbor as yourself.* (Lk 10:25)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Everyone is our neighbor — those we love  
and those we can't stand, the people we  
agree with and the people whose opinions we  
hate. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that we  
must not only see ourselves in every person  
we meet — we must see him, too.

## Observances for the week of July 13, 2025

- Sunday:** 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin  
**Tuesday:** St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Wednesday:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
**Friday:** St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest  
**Next Sunday:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Devotions, Explained!

Spiritual direction is the practice  
of seeking counsel from someone  
who is learned in the faith for the  
purpose of discerning the will of  
God in one's life.

## Prayer for Charity

Give me the grace, Lord, to  
truly see those around me: the  
overlooked, the uncomfortable,  
the odd and disliked.  
Your kingdom is one of belonging,  
help us to be the types of  
neighbors who see and respond  
with Godly generosity.  
Amen.



## Worship & Meditation

### Readings for the week of July 13, 2025

#### Sunday:

Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 (see 33)/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

#### Monday:

Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/  
Mt 10:34-11:1

#### Tuesday:

Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/  
Mt 11:20-24

#### Wednesday:

Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/  
Mt 11:25-27

#### Thursday:

Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/Mt 11:28-30

#### Friday:

Ex 11:10-12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8

#### Saturday:

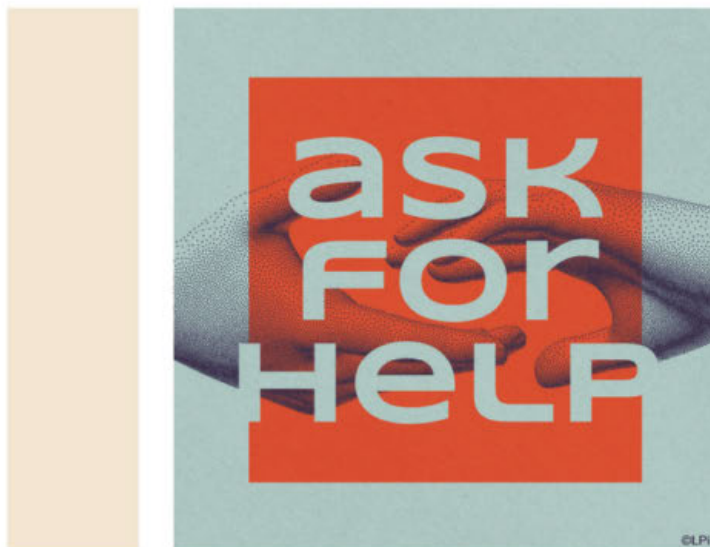
Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21

#### Next Sunday:

Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/  
Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42



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### Gospel Meditation

#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I used to be a bad neighbor. I'd get wrapped up in my life and ignore those around me. Then I found sage advice from Benjamin Franklin to this effect: to be a better neighbor, ask someone to do a favor for you. It's counterintuitive, isn't it? Tell strangers that I need their help? Yuck. I'll risk looking needy. Worse, I'll be indebted to them. But I tried it, and it works like a charm. Recently I asked my neighbor Alan for a hacksaw, and Inga for an egg. They kindly obliged, and our friendship is growing.

This week we hear a scribe of the law cynically ask Jesus, **"And who is my neighbor?" (Luke 10:29)**. Like him, we prefer to keep the list of our "neighbors" as short as possible. It requires less interruption and inconvenience. But when Jesus tells the parable of the Good Samaritan, he exposes the lonely, cold-heartedness tendency of the scribe's (and our) heart. My "neighbor" is anyone I encounter who manifests a concrete need. There isn't time to require any other credential because human need opens us to the happy reciprocity which is love.

Jesus' words challenge us this week to ask a neighbor for help in some small way. How marvelous that God himself shows us how. He moves into our world and asks us to love Him with small deeds of love. Maybe that's where Ben Franklin got the idea.

— Father John Muir



COME AND JOIN US FOR A FABULOUS AFTERNOON!



ASSUMPTION CHURCH PRESENTS  
2ND ANNUAL

# SUMMER PIG ROAST

When?

WEDNESDAY  
JULY  
23RD



FOOD SERVED 12:00PM- ??

MENU

BBQ pork, Dad's potatoes, potato salad,  
macaroni salad, Italian pasta salad, cole slaw,  
Mac n cheese, Eloté, garden salad, various  
desserts, water and lemonade.

Where?

BERST  
HALL

Why?

IT'S SUMMER! COME ON OUT AND MEET YOUR FELLOW  
PARISHIONERS AND NEIGHBORS. HAVE SOME GRUB  
AS WELL!





## Ministry Schedule

July 19 & 20



If you are interested in assisting us at our weekend Masses, please sign up through the volunteer link on our website, which contains the most up-to-date schedule, or call or email Laura at the parish office. Confirmed volunteers for our upcoming services are below:

### Saturday, July 19 - 4:00 p.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - **Two volunteers needed**

Greeter - Teri Jo Boylan

Lector - **Volunteer needed**

Server - **Volunteer needed**

Ushers - Ron Henke, Bob Jacovec, Doug Letterly, Bob Schmitt, Fran Schmitt

### Sunday, July 20 - 7:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - **Two volunteers needed**

Greeter - Teri Jo Boylan

Lector - Janice Unger

Servers - Pete Collins, Ron Marketti

### Sunday, July 20 - 9:00 a.m. (Sacred Heart, Kinsman)

Extraordinary Minister - Carrie Sulzberger

Lector - Kathy Vint

Servers - Austin & McKenna Brockman

### Sunday, July 20 - 11:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - Pat Hudetz, alt./Hannah Krull

Lector - **Volunteer needed**

Server - **Volunteer needed**

**Thank you for sharing your time and talents with us!**

### CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: Which Old Testament prophet foretold the Virgin Mary and her conception of Jesus?

Answer: The Prophet Isaiah.



### All Souls' Day Luminaria Ministry Leader

**Leader Needed** - First meeting begins in August to prepare for luminaria offerings to be set up before and after each Mass three weeks prior to All Souls' Day. New committee members are always welcome!

### Children's Choir Leader (Singing and Handbells)

**Leader Needed** - Begins this September in preparation for Christmas Eve Mass. Leader must have "Protecting All God's Children" certification.

For more information on these opportunities, please contact Marla O'Keefe at (815) 634-9261, or email her at [tdoakleaf@hotmail.com](mailto:tdoakleaf@hotmail.com).

### Assumption Weekly Offering + E-Giving

Annual Offering Budget (7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026)	\$326,141
YTD Offering Budget	\$6,272
YTD Actual Offering	<b>\$8,416</b>
Last Week's Mass Offering	\$6,688
Last Week's E-Giving Offering	\$1,728
Last Week's Total Offering	\$8,416
<b>Weekly Goal</b>	<b>\$6,272</b>

### Sacred Heart, Kinsman Weekly Offering

7/6/25 Total Offering	TBD
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### Assumption Church Building Loan Balance through May, 2025

Loan Amount	\$620,123
Current Loan Balance	\$598,204

### Assumption Weekly Offering + E-Giving '24 - '25

Annual Offering Budget (7/1/2024 - 6/30/2025)	\$312,947
YTD Offering Budget	\$312,947
YTD Actual Offering	<b>\$373,550</b>
6/29/25 Mass Offering	\$6,377
6/29/25 E-Giving Offering	\$1,418
6/29/25 Total Offering	\$7,795
<b>Weekly Goal</b>	<b>\$6,029</b>



**We will be meeting regularly  
on Thursdays EXCEPT for the  
following dates:**

**July 31**

**August 7**

**August 28**

### 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Update (as of July 6, 2025)

Goal: \$32,500

Amount Pledged: \$40,996

Amount Paid: \$32,661

Number of Donors: 162

Please return pledge envelopes to the diocese via USPS. To donate online, please visit the CMAA link on our website. Thank you for your generosity!



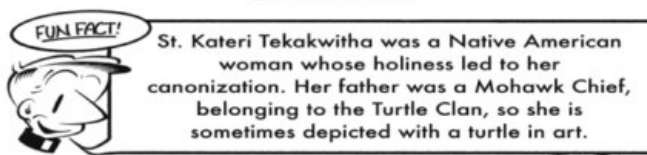
## ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

On July 14th, we celebrate the feast of the "Lily of the Mohawks." St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American woman to be canonized. Orphaned by a smallpox outbreak, Kateri survived with severe scarring and impaired eyesight. Despite tragedy, she was a devout girl at a young age, often building crosses from sticks in the woods. When she was 18, she began secret instruction in the Catholic faith with French missionaries. Her commitment to Christianity and vow of virginity was misunderstood and ridiculed by her fellow villagers. She escaped to a nearby mission, where she attended daily Mass, taught the children, and cared for the sick and the elderly. Sometimes the greatest misunderstandings can come from those closest to us. Like St. Kateri, God invites us to be faithful to our commitments of faith and to always respond in love.

"How does St. Kateri Tekakwitha greet her turtle friends?"



"Shell-o!"





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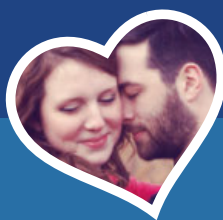
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