WELCOME TO THE NSA MONTEREY CHAPEL
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SUNDAY MASS: 0900

WEEKDAY MASS (MON – THURS): 1205

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: 1205 & 1715

SACRAMENT OF Penance
Confession/Reconciliation

Available by Appointment & the
First and Third Sunday of each month 0830-0900

http://www.nps.edu/Adminsrv/ReligiousPrograms/index.html
**DAILY MASS: AN IDEA WHOSE TIME HAS COME?**

Many of us may have thought about attending daily Mass, but there never seems to be enough time. Studies, family life, sports, you name it. Too many things to do! But there is good news. If we attend daily Mass, somehow God can make us more effective in our relationships, work, and play. So give daily Mass a try – a one week trial should let you know if it is something good for you and your life. It’s worth the gamble!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CHAPEL MINISTRIES**

Please consider helping the St. Thomas Aquinas community through service to the parish. We are in need of ushers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, lectors, altar servers, daily Mass servers, religious education teachers, volunteers to wash linens, or anywhere you can help. We thank you for your prayerful consideration; please contact Robert Fritsch at robert.fritsch@nps.edu.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL: SUMMER PLANS**

The Catholic Women of the Chapel finished our faith studies for the year and will resume August 13. We will continue some social activities over the summer. These will include rosary making on Wednesdays and a play date Tuesday, June 25 and July 23. For more information please email: CWOC.MontereyCA@gmail.com and find us on Facebook at: Catholic Women of the Chapel (CWOC) ~ Monterey, CA.

**MONTEREY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

The Monterey Knights of Columbus council 1465 meets at 462 Webster Street on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm. The 2nd Wednesday of each month is a family social where we offer a place for like-minded Catholic families to fellowship, and freely speak Catholicism without fear of reprisal. The council offers several opportunities for group charitable works including vocations sponsorship, support to the mentally disabled and seminarians, Catholic funeral and baptism assistance, and we put American flags at the graves of Catholic veterans on Memorial Day and Independence Day each year. If you are an adult male, a practicing Catholic, and desire to support Monterey’s exclusively Catholic network, come to the next family social. You may call Ryan Kelly at 334-328-8419 or email sigokelly@gmail.com for additional information.

**ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA:**

St. Kateri Tekakwitha was 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. 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. 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. Retrieved from: https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php? saint_id=401

**WEEKDAY READINGS:**

- **MON 15:** EX 1:8-14, 22; PS 124:1B-3, 4-6, 7-8; MT 5:10; MT 10:34—11:1
- **TUE 16:** EX 2:1-15A; PS 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34; PS 95:8; MT 11:20-24
- **WED 17:** EX 3:1-6, 9-12; PS 103:1B-2, 3-4, 6-7; SEE MT 11:25; MT 11:25-27
- **THU 18:** EX 3:13-20; PS 105:1 AND 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27; MT 11:28; MT 11:28-30
- **FRI 19:** EX 11:10—12:14; PS 116:12-13, 15 AND 16BC, 17-18; JN 10:27; MT 12:1-8
- **SAT 20:** EX 12:37-42; PS 136:1 AND 23-24, 10-12, 13-15; 2 COR 5:19; MT 12:14-21