



# Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

NATIONAL SHRINE & HISTORIC SITE

## Summer 2026 Calendar of Events

**March 21**  
1-4 PM

**“Living So as to Die Well”**  
**Franciscan Lenten Service**  
Reflect with this program inspired by Saint Francis & Saint Kateri. Service in Grassmann Hall. Vigil Mass to follow.

**March 25**  
7 PM

**“Lessons for Lent from Saint Kateri”**  
**Ecumenical Lenten Service**  
Shrine Director of Operations Melissa Bramble joins the Glen-Mohawk Clergy Assoc. for this ecumenical program.

### Easter Celebrations and Saint Kateri’s 350th Baptismal Anniversary

*On April 5, 1676—Easter Sunday—Kateri Tekakwitha took her baptismal vows on Shrine land. Join us as we celebrate the Risen Christ and Saint Kateri’s example of love for Him.*

**April 5**

**6:30 AM** Ecumenical Sunrise Service: led by Rev. Marcial Reyes from Fultonville Methodist Church and our friends from the Glen-Mohawk Clergy Assoc.  
**10:30 AM** Easter Mass and walk to Saint Kateri’s baptismal spring

**April 25**  
9 AM - 12 PM

**Earth Day Weekend Clean-Up**  
**Come volunteer!**  
Help us get Saint Kateri’s home ready for visitors! Indoor and outdoor clean-up are needed to prep the Shrine for summer. Stop by with your gloves and gardening tools to help out. Call the office at 518-853-3646 with questions.

**April 26**  
1-3 PM

Help us get Saint Kateri’s home ready for visitors! Indoor and outdoor clean-up are needed to prep the Shrine for summer. Stop by with your gloves and gardening tools to help out. Call the office at 518-853-3646 with questions.

**April**  
TBD

**Tool Tune-Up**  
Join our garden volunteers in getting your hand tools ready for spring! Keep an eye on our social media for more information.

**May 2**  
4:30 PM

**Opening Weekend**  
Join us as we welcome back Fr. John Ruffo, OFM Conv., as our chaplain for the season. Fr. John will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) before Mass all season.

**May 3**  
10:30 AM

**May 30**  
1-4 PM

**Three Sisters Festival**  
It’s our fourth annual cultural event to mark the start of summer! Join us for an afternoon of fun for all ages as we explore Saint Kateri’s culture.

**May 30**  
4:30 PM

**Weekend of Prayer for Mental Health**  
Services this weekend will be healing Masses with the relics of Saint Kateri and Saint Francis of Assisi.

**May 31**  
10:30 AM

Resources will be available all month for anyone looking for more information on these topics.

### Summer Season: May 1 to November 1, 2026

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30 PM

Sunday Mass at 10:30 AM

Hiking trails open dawn to dusk, Candle Chapel open 24/7

Please check our website and social media for gift shop, museum, and office hours

June  
21  
12 PM

## World Peace and Prayer Day Service

This observance, started by Arvol Looking Horse, calls all people to go to their sacred sites to pray for peace and healing for creation. Join us for an interfaith service co-led with our friends from Kanatsiohareke Mohawk community.

June  
27  
1-4 PM

## “Celebrating the Bliss of Being” An Afternoon of Reflection with Sr. Linda Neil, CSJ

The “Beatitudes of Being” are a path to the fullness of being human and holy in this precious life of ours. We take time to experience the grandeur of being and the call to deepen our delight in living. We celebrate the blessings of mindfulness, abundance, beauty, awe, healing, gratitude, and our mystical vocation.

The presentation will weave art, music, poetry and story to engage our hearts, inform our minds, and fire our passions for transforming and celebrating our relationship with the Earth community.

Registration information to come.

*While you're on the grounds, pick up a copy of our all-ages scavenger hunt and explore!*

## Saint Kateri Feast Day Weekend

*This summer will be full of celebration as we mark the 350th anniversary of Saint Kateri's baptism on these grounds.*

*We have exciting things in the works, so be sure to keep an eye on our website and social media for announcements!*

July  
18

**4:30 PM** Vigil Mass with Traditional Purification Rite and Solemn Blessing with the relic of Saint Kateri  
**7 PM** Prayer and healing service

July  
19

**10:30 AM** Sunday Mass with Traditional Purification Rite and Solemn Blessing with the relic of Saint Kateri

Weekend Mass music by the Akwesasne Mohawk Choir

August  
9

## Annual Secular Franciscan Order OFS Pilgrimage Day

**10:30 AM** Mass  
**12 PM** Picnic lunch  
**1 PM** Presentation

*Please check our website to confirm events and details and to discover new activities as the Summer Season progresses*

### Join Our Community! Become a Volunteer!

**Gardening:** Experience welcome but not required...just the willingness (and ability) to get down on your hands and knees and get your hands dirty. BYO gloves, shared garden tools available or BYO, kneeling pads provided. Give an hour or two...or more if you can! Choose whether you work on your own or in a small group. Need is ongoing April through November, although tasks vary throughout the year. Contact [info@katerishrine.org](mailto:info@katerishrine.org) or call the office.

**Liturgy:** We would love to have your help to greet congregants and hand out materials, lector, serve at the altar, help distribute the host, help collect the gifts. Just let our staff know!

**Fundraising:** Do you like talking to people? Help stuff envelopes for the monthly fundraiser mailing, contact potential sponsors, or assist with grant writing. Let us know how you'd like to help!

### Summer Season: May 1 to November 1, 2026

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30 PM

Sunday Mass at 10:30 AM

Hiking trails open dawn to dusk, Candle Chapel open 24/7

Please check our website and social media for gift shop, museum, and office hours