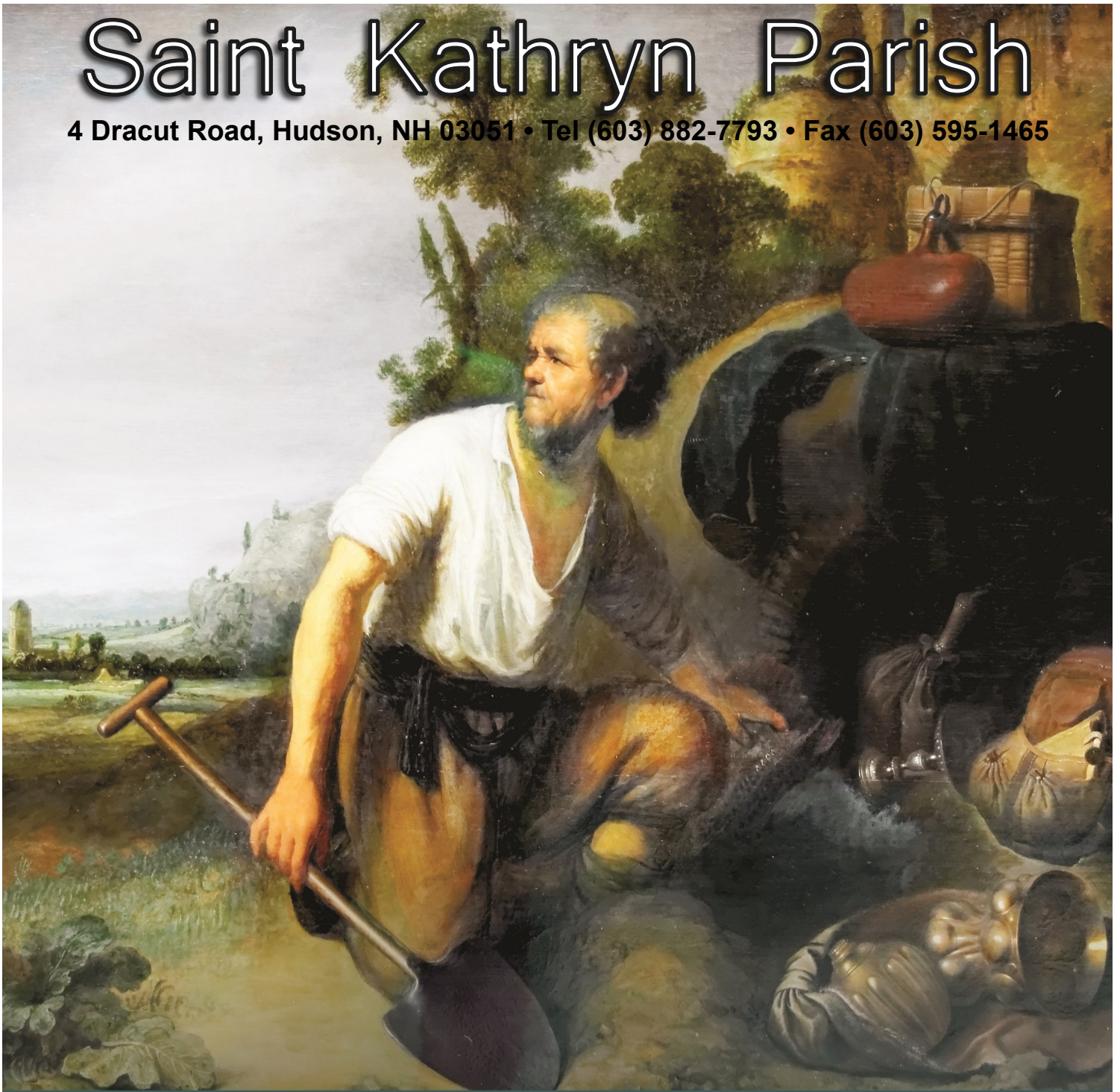


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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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sells all that he has and buys that field.” - Mt 13:44

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Vigil (The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00PM—+Leo Routhier (Birthday Remembrance),
by his family

Sunday, July 26 (The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM—+Aurele Dupuis, by Nick Dupuis
10:30AM—For the People of the Parish
6:30PM—+Joseph Tru Do, by his family

Monday, July 27 (Weekday)

8:30AM—+All Souls

Wednesday, July 29 (Saint Martha)

8:30AM—+Francesco Cichello, by the Messina Family

Thursday, July 30 (Saint Peter Chrysologus)

6:30PM—+Henry Dussault, by Jean and family

Friday, July 31 (Saint Ignatius of Loyola)

8:30AM—+Joseph Tru Do, by his family

Saturday, August 1 (Saint Alphonsus Liguori)

8:30AM—+Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Paquette, by loving family and Bernie

Vigil (The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00PM—+Joaquin and Virginia Miranda, by John, Ginny, and Cecile Adams

Sunday, August 2 (The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM—+Lionel and Lucille Maltais (Anniversary),
by their daughter, Madeline

10:30AM—For the People of the Parish

6:30PM—+Joseph Tru Do, by his family

PERSONAL MISSALS For Coronavirus prevention, missals are not currently available in the pews for all to use. Instead, to keep our faith community safe and healthy, we're inviting parishioners to have their own personal copies of our parish's missals. These can be used when worshiping from home or in the church. For an \$8.00 donation, reserve your missal by navigating to www.stkathryns.org/missal (reusable cover not included). We will place your reserved missal(s) on a table in the church for pickup at your convenience during any of the church's open hours.

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

Wednesday, July 29th

Adoration/Church (5:30-8:15A and 9:15A-7:00P)
Staff Prayer/Parish Office (9:45A)

Thursday, July 30th

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Church (5:30-6:15P)

Saturday, August 1st

Rosary/Church (8:00A)
Sacrament of Reconciliation/Church (9:15-10:00A and 3:00-3:45P)

LUMEN ECCLESIAE LEARNING PORTAL In the footsteps of Saint Dominic, the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, have extended their teaching to a wider classroom. The Lumen Ecclesiae Learning Portal, with videos created by our own Sister Athanasius, will be a place for you, your children, and/or students to participate in courses taught by the Sisters, priests, laymen, and women. The educational and catechetical content is instructive, engaging, and professionally produced. Please visit <https://golepress.com/elearning/> to learn more and/or to make a donation to this wonderful resource to help the sisters provide the learning portal free to schools, parishes, and families.

REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO US

Offertory from Masses 7/18-7/19:	\$ 3,024.80
Online:	\$ 5,973.00
Mailed/Delivered to Office:	\$ 3,306.00
Total:	\$12,303.80

Parish to Parish Support Fund: \$ 457.00

Our weekly parish budget is \$11,900.00. Signing up for online giving at stkathryns.org/donate helps us to provide services and meet our financial obligations during the summer months even while you may be away on vacation or unable to attend Mass for health reasons. Thank you for your generosity whether online, in the offertory basket, or mailed to **4 Dracut Road, Hudson, NH 03051!**

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 26, 2020

SUN 7/26	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46
MON 7/27	Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 13:31-35
TUE 7/28	Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [9]/Mt 13:36-43
WED 7/29	Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
THR 7/30	Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [5a]/Mt 13:47-53
FRI 7/31	Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14 [14c]/Mt 13:54-58
SAT 8/1	Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 [14c]/Mt 14:1-12
SUN 8/2	Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 26, 2020

Sunday:	17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:	St. Martha
Thursday:	St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Friday:	St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
Saturday:	St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday:	18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

When a merchant finally finds a priceless, perfect pearl, he sells all he has and buys it. He does this because that pearl matters to him. It has significance and brings a depth of joy like none other. What matters and is of importance to you? When what matters to us has something to do with the kingdom of God, God is delighted. His exuberant happiness is hard to contain because He knows that we are happy stumbling upon this beautiful wisdom. Ask God to help you discover this pearl of great price. There are many things competing for our attention every day. But not all of these things are important. We focus too much energy on the unimportant, superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really make a difference and have the greatest impact. Things all too easily become more significant than people, and our agendas become more essential than God's. We do not have to empty our bank accounts and totally detach from everything we have in order to serve God. But, we are asked to prioritize our lives and make what matters to God what matters most to us. In doing so, when we rise each day, we will be able to see what really needs our attention and embrace it with great joy!



*Delight
in Him
Always*



FIRST READING

"Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong." (1 Kgs 3:9a)



PSALM

Lord, I love your commands. (Ps 119)



SECOND READING

We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. (Rom 8:28)



GOSPEL

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Mt 13:44)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOD DELIGHTS IN YOU



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A single mother who has a child with special needs works two jobs and sacrifices much of her own pleasures in order to be available for her son. Being the best mother possible is important to her and brings her joy. We are willing to make great and often heroic sacrifices for those people and things that matter most to us. Unless there is something of obvious importance to us in our immediate path, we can easily approach life in a more haphazard and chaotic way. We jump from one thing to another, responding to whatever it is that is competing for our attention at that moment. When everything is important, nothing is important.

If we do not wear the right pair of glasses, we can get all too easily caught up in the superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really matter. The kingdom of God is like the pearl of great price that is worth selling everything for so that it can be obtained. Based on where I invest my time and energy each day, I really wonder whether I am serving God's kingdom or my own. Have you ever considered tracking how you spend your time? You may be surprised! We allow our agendas to set the clock of our lives. We forget that joy and a true sense of purpose are not going to be found in following that timepiece. Joy is the expression of the happiness that is discovered when living in the kingdom of God. When our agenda matches God, not only do we leap for joy but God leaps with delight as well. Our well-being is what matters most to God.

Can you imagine God delighting in you? It is easy to deaden our senses to the whole reality of God and the joy that living the Gospel can bring. The demands of secular life and the agendas competing for our attention can quickly do that. We can get tired and spiritually apathetic. But if we can see our way through all of the conflicting voices and hear the voice of God, we can rediscover our zeal and passion and redirect our efforts. When we begin to see as God sees, we can rise each day and notice what really needs our attention and embrace it with exuberance. Be careful, though. It may not be what we originally had on our list. Responding to it, however, will be worth putting everything else aside.

SAINT KATHRYN RELIGIOUS GOODS



Needless to say, the virus has affected everyone in a different way, but it has affected everyone. We have reopened the store and are gratified with the return of loyal and new customers as soon as we opened. It reinforces that we do offer a service and a ministry that the community

both appreciates and needs. Thanks to everyone for your continued support. As mentioned, the virus has affected us all in one way or another and one way it has affected our store is that we have one volunteer who will no longer be able to work with us at the store due to the virus and its possible effects. We have staffed our store for all these years with a stellar volunteer staff, and we would love to find someone to replace our "lost" volunteer and hopefully one other volunteer to help out. The commitment is 1 or 2 days per month, 3 to maybe 4 hours each time. Training is quick and easy and at your own pace. Anyone interested, please call the office or the store and leave a name and number and we'll contact you to talk and answer any questions.

The other item that has hit home during the pandemic is that faith is more important than ever and we feel our continued touting of the reading selection in "your" store is important. Not being able to gather for Mass is hard enough, but not being able to interact with your parish family on a weekly basis is an added burden to keeping God as a focus during the whole course of these weeks and months. The resources in the store are stunning in their breadth and depth and there is something for everyone to delve into and be strengthened by during your daily walk with the Lord. It will be impossible for you to stop in and browse our reading and not find something that will strengthen you spiritually. Even if it's one of our free DVD loans! Be blessed and stay safe.

LOCAL FAMILIES IN NEED Our liaison from the Tolles Street Mission, Jaretta, is working with a few pregnant mothers in need of a crib, bassinette, Pack 'N' Play, baby swing, high chair, or any other baby items you are able to donate. She is also working with a family that needs some dressers. Please call Jaretta at 603.820.0365 if you are able to help. Thank you to all those who have recently donated!

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you thinking about becoming Catholic?

Responding to God's Call No matter when you begin to consider Catholicism, rest assured that God is present from the first moment of your spiritual journey. There are many reasons you may yearn to deepen your relationship with God.

The Search for Meaning We live in a secular culture that constantly bombards us with subtle messages that tell us we aren't good enough, we don't have enough, and we need something new to make us happy.

The Search for God The search for God almost always involves a struggle with the image of God that was instilled in us as children.

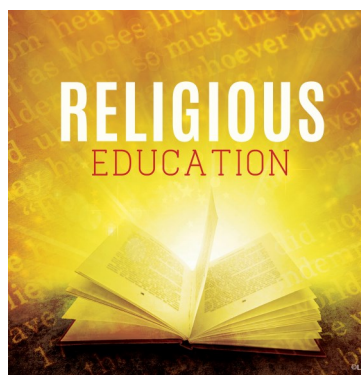
The Search for Belonging We live in a technological world, but despite our capacity for instant communication, we often feel alone.

The Search for Truth The quest for truth solely through history, philosophy, literature, or theology often brings to light misconceptions about Catholic beliefs that have no basis of reality.

The Search for Family Unity Many find that as they discover more about the Catholic faith, their initial desire based on family unity becomes a deep, personal desire to enter into the community as a disciple of Jesus.

Deciding to find out more? Contact Deacon Ray Marcotte at deacon.ray@stkathryns.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Religious education registration forms for grades 1-10 for school year 2020-2021 are available online at <https://www.stkathryns.org/religious-education-grades-1-10> and in the back of the church. Early registration has already passed and the fee has increased as we have already placed our book order, so be sure

to register by August 3rd to avoid further late fees! Tuition is \$45/child and \$90/family maximum. Confirmation this year will be for grades 3, 6, and 7. Please get your registrations in as soon as possible for the best chance of having your children be placed in the group you select for the convenience of your schedule.

BAZAAR 2020 UPDATE After months of prayer, listening, discerning, discussing, and considering options, we feel prudence and charity have called us to suspend our Annual Christmas Bazaar and Penny Sale this year to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and keep our volunteers and community safe. With many fairs and events being cancelled throughout the state well into 2021 due to safety concerns and the extremely unpredictable circumstances that make planning large community events inadvisable and nearly impossible at this time, a few organizations have even opted to hold virtual events online. But, our Christmas Bazaar is about much more than simply raising money and is beloved because of its welcoming, personal, family atmosphere, which cannot be reduced to a series of screen-to-screen interactions. Instead, we will “pause” the bazaar this year until such time as we are able once again to throw our doors wide open in November 2021, bigger and better and more celebratory than ever before. And that is saying a lot, considering how tremendous our Christmas Bazaar always is!

There is one part of our Christmas Bazaar that will not be on hiatus this year: our Annual Grand Raffle! Besides being a fun tradition, the Grand Raffle is always a top profit-generator of the Christmas Bazaar with the whole parish pitching in to sell tickets to family and friends. The familiar stacks of envelopes filled with tickets to sell will appear on the windowsills in church around Labor Day as always. Everything you can do to help sell the tickets is very much appreciated and will help us to raise funds to keep on reserve for major parish repairs or projects as they arise. First prize is \$1,000.00; second prize is \$750.00; third prize is \$500.00; for a price of only \$1.00 per ticket or \$5.00 for a book of six, who wouldn't want to try their luck? More details about the Grand Raffle will appear in the bulletin in the near future. Thank you, and stay safe!

PARISH CENTER REOPENED For COVID-19 prevention, all parish meetings and events were cancelled or held virtually for the past several months. If you are a group or ministry coordinator here at Saint Kathryn's, we are pleased to announce that meetings may now resume in the Parish Hall and Rooms. All groups and ministries must provide their own masks and hand sanitizer and adhere to social distancing of 6 feet or more and other CDC recommendations, in addition to sanitizing the area after the meeting. Please call the parish office to schedule your group's next gathering. Welcome back!

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NH: SUPPORTING OUR NEIGHBORS IN CRISIS 75 YEARS Whether isolated seniors, homeless and struggling veterans, families facing chronic hardship or individuals searching for ways to cope in the “new norm” of life, Catholic Charities NH remains steadfast in their commitment to be there for those who need them most—especially in times of crisis like these. Their programs remain fully operational during the COVID-19 pandemic. Catholic Charities prayerfully asks for your support to continue to help your neighbors facing difficulties, and we encourage you to make a gift today at www.cc-nh.org/everything. You may also mail your gift to CCNH, P.O. Box 9510, Manchester, NH 03108-9510. If you mail a donation using the Catholic Charities envelopes provided in church, you will be identified as a Saint Kathryn parishioner and our parish will receive credit toward our goal. If you use your own envelope or donate online, please be sure to indicate you are a Saint Kathryn parishioner so that progress toward our parish goal may be measured. Thank you!

IMPORTANT RESCHEDULED DATES We are happy to announce that our two elect, Alfonso Garcia and Sonya Trapp, will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church during the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 13th. Please continue to pray for them as they prepare to join us fully around the Lord's table.

The Chrism Mass, celebrated annually on the Tuesday of Holy Week, has been rescheduled to Tuesday, September 8th at Saint Joseph Cathedral. Please check <https://www.catholicnh.org/> for details.

We do not yet have dates for the rescheduled Confirmation and First Communion Masses for religious ed students who were planning to receive the sacraments this spring. As soon as we have dates from the diocese, we will contact parents of religious ed students.

Thank you for your understanding as we navigate COVID-19 event postponements.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATES Events and information in this bulletin may be outdated by the time of distribution. Please visit stkathryns.org (and sign up for our email announcements there!) and/or find us on Facebook at Saint Kathryn's Church for the very latest information regarding events and procedures in the time of coronavirus.

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SAINT KATHRYN RELIGIOUS GOODS

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Our religious goods store is located in the back of the parish office building and has its own parking.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m.—Noon

Saturday 9:00 a.m.—Noon

Friday and Sunday Closed

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m. Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. (also livestreamed on our website); 6:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Thursday: 5:30-6:15 p.m.

Saturday: 9:15-10:00 a.m. and 3:00-3:45 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Catechesis takes place with the parents prior to scheduling a date for the baptism. For more information, please contact Deacon Ray in the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Engaged couples should contact the parish office at least six months in advance of the proposed date of the wedding. Please refer to the marriage policy as found on the parish website.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK/COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Arrangements may be made for Communion to the Homebound or for the Sacrament of the Sick by calling the parish office. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick should be celebrated at the outset of an illness or when there is a change in the person's condition. The Sacrament should also be received prior to surgery.

PROTECTION OF CHILDREN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The diocesan policies are available by calling the parish office or by consulting the diocesan website at www.catholicnh.org.

OPEN FOR YOU!

We invite you to use our church, the transept chapel, or the Emmaus Chapel (in the office building) for personal prayer. Our sacred spaces are open daily from 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. (closed Saturday after the 4:00 p.m. Mass).

Welcome! If you are new to our community, we hope you have felt welcome! If you are a visitor - occasional or frequent - we're glad you joined us! If you're considering parish membership introduce yourself to the pastor after Holy Mass to get the process underway!

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