

4 July 2021

God Alone!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we celebrate Independence Day, being mindful of the many blessings and freedoms we enjoy as a nation. Even more than the material freedoms with which we are blessed, is the maternal patronage we enjoy, as Our Lady, under the title of her Immaculate Conception, is patroness of our country. The bishops of the newly formed United States of America met during their plenary session of the Sixth Council of Baltimore in 1846 and on May 13th, they unanimously chose Mary as the patroness of our beloved nation. As the Immaculate Conception was not yet fully defined as a dogma of the faith, and as the people of this country had a great devotion to Mary's Immaculate Conception, the bishops petitioned the Holy Father in 1849 to declare Mary's Immaculate Conception as a dogma of faith. Nine years later, our Lady would appear to St. Bernadette Soubirous at Lourdes, revealing to the world her title: I am the Immaculate Conception. Mary then has a very important connection to our nation and its beginnings.

The mother of Jesus is also the patroness of life, especially life in the womb. However, in these difficult days, the threats to the lives of the unborn are on the increase. Most recently, Congress has recommended in its latest budget proposal to eliminate the Hyde Amendment, which has been renewed every year since its inception in 1976. The Hyde Amendment is a legislative provision barring the use of federal funds to pay for abortions. It would be a grievous crime and a moral injustice to jettison such a provision which protects the rights of the unborn.

Most recently, the United States Bishops have asked once again for our assistance in speaking out on behalf of the Gospel of Life. They have established a website entitled **NO TAXPAYER ABORTION** (www.notaxpayerabortion.com) where all people of good will can sign a petition to ask Congress and the President of the United States to preserve the Hyde Amendment as a matter of law. Therefore, I am asking you as a parish family to take this initiative seriously and to join me in signing the petition. Once you go the web page, it will give you some background information on the Amendment itself as well as how it has served the sanctity of human life in our nation. After you sign the petition, you will receive an email asking you to contact the President as well as our local congress women and senator to ask for their support for the Hyde Amendment. The emails are already composed for you, and you can also add your own respectful comments as to why such legislation is so very important for the preservation of a truly just society. Please take the time to do this as soon as possible. It is critical that our hearts are united as Catholics and people of good will in this effort, not only because it is our moral responsibility but also because it will honor the principles upon which our country was founded: life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

As Pope St. John Paul II stated over the course of his pontificate in various talks given to heads of state and nations, "the first and most fundamental of all human rights is the right to life, and that when this right is denied, all other rights are threatened. The assumption that abortion and euthanasia are human rights deserving legislative sanction is seen as a contradiction which amounts to a denial of the human dignity and freedom which the law is supposed to protect. A society will be judged on the basis of how it treats its weakest members; and among the most vulnerable are surely the unborn and the dying. A materialistic view of the human person will concede little value and dignity to either. What is then claimed as a victory for human rights is really the sanctioning of a freedom sundered from truth. In the end, that is no freedom at all but a descent into arbitrariness and the dominion of the strong over the weak. [On the other hand] a society that loves its children is a healthy and dynamic society."

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, pray for us!
Our Lady of the Unborn, pray for us!

In Jesus and Mary,

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Vigil (The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00PM—+Reginald Dagesse (Birthday Remembrance), by his wife, Diane

Sunday, July 4 (The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM—+Gertrude E. (Caldwell) Hubbard (21st Anniversary), by her loving granddaughter, Chris Madden 10:30AM—For the People of the Parish

6:30PM—+Phillip McKinnon, in loving memory by Linda McKinnon

and

Healing for Nick Wencis, by his mother

Monday, July 5 (Saint Anthony Zaccaria; Saint Elizabeth of Portugal)

8:30AM—+All Souls

Wednesday, July 7 (Weekday)

8:30AM—+Rick Wickham, by the Wickham Family

Thursday, July 8 (Weekday)

6:30PM—+Fred Rohland, by the Yuds Family

Friday, July 9 (Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and Companions)

8:30AM—+Fred Rohland, by the Yuds Family

Saturday, July 10 (Blessed Virgin Mary)

8:30AM—+Fred Rohland, by the Yuds Family

Vigil (The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00PM—+Victor Jacek, by Mary Ellen and Bruno Messina

Sunday, July 11 (The Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM—+Anne L. Haumann, by the Paquette Family

and

+Donald Rickert, by his family

10:30AM—For the People of the Parish

6:30PM—+Phillip McKinnon, in loving memory by Linda McKinnon

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH



Monday, July 5th

Parish Office and Store Closed in Observance of Independence Day

Tuesday, July 6th

Eagle Scout Court of Honor for James Bord/Parish Hall (7:00P)

Wednesday, July 7th

Adoration/Church (5:30-8:15A and 9:00A-6:30P) Staff Prayer/Emmaus Chapel (9:45-10:30A) Annual K of C Steak Cookout and Business Meeting/Parish Grounds (2:00P)

Thursday, July 8th

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

Saturday, July 10th

Secular Carmelites/RM 2 (8:00A-noon) Rosary/Church (8:00A)

KEEP KIDS SAFE-AWAY FROM HOME As

children become older, parents are able to drop them off at activities and return later to pick them up. When you are ready to take this step, do not hesitate to ask the following questions: Do at least 2 adults supervise the children at all times? * Does your organization conduct background checks? * Does your organization provide training to adults? * Do adults and minors have separate restroom facilities? * Are isolated areas locked or restricted? For more information about child safety, visit www.catholicnh.org/safety

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Saint Kathryn's Vaca-



tion School will take place on August 11th, and 13th from 9:00 a.m. noon for pre-k grades through 5! Join us for a wild journey as we sing, play, and pray together and learn all about God's love! We will

hear stories, make crafts, and play games outdoors. Registration forms are available online and in the back of the church. Registration is \$20 per child, snacks and drinks included. The registration deadline is August 1st. If you are interested in volunteering, please call Tina in the office at 603.882.7793.

NEIGHBOR NEEDS We are looking for help for a

few families who are starting over. Can you donate any of the following:



 Microwave stand, cof-

fee pot, towels, pots and pans, standing lamps

- Clothes for soon-to-be born twins (a boy and a girl)
- Bassinet
- Crib
- Boys size 3T-14/16 clothes
- Girls clothes size 12 months-12/14
- Chest freezer
- Gas dryer
- Living room furniture

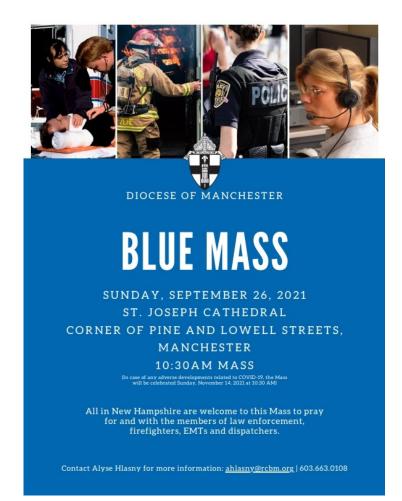
If you are able to help out with any of these items, please call Jaretta at 603.820.0365. Thank you!



St Kathryn Church Vacation Bible School August 9,11,& 13th 9am – 12pm

Child's Name:	Gender:
	Last school grade completed:
Address:	
Name of Parent:	
	(C):
Home email address:	
Home Church:	
Food or Drug allergies:	
Emergency contact and phone number:	
People who may pick up child:	
Parent Volunteer:	
I give my child permission to participate in all activities and programs during St. Kathryn's Vacation Bible School. I agree that St. Kathryn Church will not be held responsible for accidents or persons injured arising there from. I also realize that my child may be in photographs taken during the Vacation Bible School time. I waive the right to inspect or approve the photo if used for publication or publicity within the church community.	
Parent Signature:	Date:
Cost is \$20 per child. VBS is for children going into grades preK- 5.	
Please make checks payable to St. Kathryn Church.	

Office Use Only:	
Registration Fee paid:	Cash: Check:
Crew Number/Name:	



JULY FOOD DRIVE Our annual summer food drive for the Hudson Community Food Pantry is on for July! Throughout the month of July, there will be brown bags in the back of the church with lists attached to them outlining specific food/item needs for the pantry. The pantry is overflowing with some items, but is very bare on others, so thank you for helping them by filling up a brown bag with the items on their lists! Please return your filled bags to the church by the end of July for pickup by pantry volunteers. Thank you!



rcahybrid.org Accepting Applications for the Northern Massachusetts Center in 2021! Regina

Caeli is a private, independent, *University-Style Hybrid*® academy operating in the Catholic tradition. We offer accredited, classical academic and extracurricular classes to preschool - 12th grade students two days a week. The parent remains the primary educator by homeschooling the



other days following the plans provided by RCA. Our new NMA center is opening at All Saints parish in Haverhill, MA this August, 2021. To learn more, contact Becky Casey at (781) 856-7690 https://www.facebook.com/

<u>training the mind to form the soul</u>

Private interest group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/NMASNH

VESPERS PAUSING FOR SUMMER Wednesday, June 23rd was our last gathering for Vespers until September. We will continue to have adoration of the Blessed Sacrament each Wednesday from 5:30 a.m.–6:30 p.m. throughout the summer, concluding with simple reposition at 6:30 p.m.

VOCATIONS "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." If you think you may be called to serve Jesus as a priest or in the consecrated life, consider the power of His grace at work in you. Call Father Matthew Mason (603) 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.



SEEKING FOUR VOLUNTEERS We are looking for four volunteers who can assist us with setting up a very large tent for Vacation Bible School. Tent setup is on August 8th at 4:00 p.m. and take down is August 14th at 9:00 a.m. We already have a volunteer who knows how to set it up, so all we need is a few more people to help put it together. If you can help, please call Tina in the office at 603.882.7793, ext. 11.

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE Not everyone can attend а Steubenville Conference this summer, so Steubenville is coming to you! The Steubenville Youth Retreat experience combines livestreamed and in-person elements to allow you to gather wherever you are - with whomever you are with - and encounter Christ together. Please visit their website to register for July https://steubenvilleconferences.com/youth-9-11: retreat-livestreaming/

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION Reli-



gious education registration forms for grades 1- 8 for school year 2021-2022 are available online at https://

www.stkathryns.org/religious-education-grades-1-8

and in the back of the church. We are now in the late registration phase, so tuition is \$45/child and \$90/family maximum. Register by August 2nd to avoid further late fees! First Penance takes place in second grade. Confirmation and First Communion take place in third grade. All parents are encouraged to sign their children up for religious education, regardless of whether or not it is a sacrament year for them. How important it is to build that foundation of faith!

We have two religious ed groups, and they meet on alternating weeks. Please send in your registrations as soon as possible for the best chance to select the group that is most convenient to your schedule.

The 1st Annual
Relights of Columbus Saint Thomas Aquinas Council # 2023

Charity Golf Townament

Triday August 20, 2021
Shotgun Start - 10:00 am
Lunch Provided

Hoodkroft Country Club
Derry, NH

All Proceeds Benefit Local NH Charities
Prizes for Closest to the Pin, Longest Drive, & Putt Contest
Sponsorships Available From \$50 - \$1,000
For more information & to register visit:

WWW.KOFC3023.ORG

For the month of July, candles burn in prayer for...

BLACK MADONNA SHRINE

In Loving Memory of +Phillip McKinnon by Linda McKinnon

BLESSED MOTHER SHRINE

In Loving Memory of +Phillip McKinnon by Linda McKinnon

DIVINE MERCY SHRINE

In Loving Memory of +Phillip McKinnon by Linda McKinnon

To have a shrine or sanctuary lamps burn for your intention, please call the parish office at 603.882.7793. The donation for a shrine is \$12.50-\$25, and it is \$15 for the sanctuary lamps. Flower memorials at the shrine of Our Lady are also available for \$100.

PMA CAR WASH FUNDRAISER Where: Presentation of Mary Academy, 182 Lowell Road, Hudson, NH 03051. Dates: July 17th and 18th. Time: 8am-3pm. This fundraiser will be done to install the stations of

the cross in benefit to the PMA communi-The ty. project is Eagle an Scout Project that will be done by Troop 20, led by Eagle Candidate Michael Gagnon. A do-



nation of \$10 would be greatly appreciated! For questions, please contact Tornado03051@gmail.com

REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO US

Due to early publishing deadlines, the offertories for the weekends of June 26-27 and July 3-4 will be published in the July 18th bulletin.

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PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m. Closed Friday/Weekends

SAINT KATHRYN RELIGIOUS GOODS

603.595.4463

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

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 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. - 7:00 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!

ST. KATHRYN PARISH HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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