

SAINT KATHRYN PARISH

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7th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” - Mt 5:44

The Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

19 February 2023

God Alone!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven” (Mt. 16: 18-19). To the Church,



through the ministry of the apostles and their successors, is entrusted the great work of God's mercy to heal the repentant and to set free those held captive by sin. How great is the work of God's merciful love. Peter, who knew personally the power of God's mercy, becomes the vessel through which that mercy is poured out upon the Church. That mercy is extended to us today in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

This week, as we enter the season of Lent, the Church will implement the use of a revised translation of the Rite of Penance, now called the *Order of Penance*. Just as the prayers of the

Mass were revised back in 2011, so all of the liturgical books are undergoing the same process. What this means is that the English translation that is being implemented in these revisions will be a more authentic translation of the original Latin text of the rituals. The original Latin text of the various Rites of the Church is not changing. What is changing is the quality and authenticity of the English translation, so that it will accurately reflect and conform to the original Latin texts. In addition to the Roman Missal, the Rites of Confirmation, Matrimony, Exorcism, Baptism, and Ordination, as well as various other rites and blessings, have all been revised to conform to the original Latin texts of the Church. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults will also be revised shortly.

What this means practically for the Sacrament of Penance is the following. The revised Order of Penance will have updated translations of the Act of Contrition as well as the various words of the Rite used by the priest. As regards the prayer the priest uses to impart the forgiveness of sins, very little is changing. The essential words of absolution remain the same: *I absolve you from your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit*. These are the words that impart the forgiveness of sins. The portion of the prayer that the priest prays prior to these words which are part of the Prayer of Absolution, will have a few revised phrases to accurately reflect the original Latin text. After the Second Vatican Council, when the Latin texts of the Church were being rendered into the vernacular languages, a process of translation was used called dynamic equivalence, which meant that the English translations should capture the essential thought of the original Latin text. However, this often resulted in poor English renditions of the Church's liturgical texts. Beginning with the Roman Missal in 2011, the Church returned to a process of translation called formal equivalence, which meant rendering the original Latin text word for word, which better reveals the rich beauty of the ancient texts of the Church's liturgical prayer.

There is an insert in the bulletin this week which provides an overview of the Order of Penance as well as the translations of the various texts of the Prayer of the Penitent. The United States Bishops have permitted the new texts, which are prayed by the priests, to be used beginning on Ash Wednesday; they are required to be used beginning on April 16th which is Divine Mercy Sunday.

In Jesus and Mary. Fr. Michael

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MASS INTENTIONS

VIGIL (THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

4:00PM—+Bob Louf, *by his wife, Rita*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 (THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

8:30AM—+Robert Lemire, *by Gayle and Deacon Ray*

10:30AM—For the People of the Parish

6:30PM—+Dorothea Urban, *by her daughter, Cathy Warrick*

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20 (WEEKDAY)

8:30AM—+Janice Louise Donovan, *by Robert and Kathy McCarthy*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22 (ASH WEDNESDAY)

8:30AM—+Gloria Fraser, *by Rosa Bucchio*

6:30PM—+Patricia Brick and +Dawn Kummer, *by their family*

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23 (SAINT POLYCARP)

8:30AM—+Matthew Vincent Madden (40th Birthday), *by his loving parents, Chris and Jack Madden*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24 (FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY)

8:30AM—+Manetta Bohnert (27th Anniversary), *by her son and daughter-in-law*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25 (SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY)

8:30AM—Healing for Valerie, *by Mom and Dad*

VIGIL (THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT)

4:00PM—+John Smaldone (2nd Anniversary), *by his daughter, Gail*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 (THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT)

8:30AM—+George and +Mary Petropoulos, *by Gayle and Deacon Ray*

10:30AM—For the People of the Parish

6:30PM—+Nelson Baillargeon, *by Father Michael*

PROJECT RACHEL MINISTRY

If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, non-judgmental help is available from Project Rachel Ministry. Call or email - Phone: 603-663-0192; email: ProjectRachel@rcbm.org - for Project Rachel in New Hampshire. Spanish speakers may visit EsperanzaPosAborto.org.

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

Religious Education, Group 2/RMs 1-6 (10:00A-noon)

Voutselas Baptism Reception/Hall A (12:30-2:30P)

Closer to God Retreat/Hall B (2:00-4:00P)

Youth Group/Hall B (5:00-6:30P)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

Parish Office Closed

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

Formed Bible Study, Lectio: Mark/Hall B (9:30-10:30A)

Lectio Divina: Stations of the Cross Series/Transept Chapel (6:30-7:30P)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST

Crafters/Craft Room (noon-4:00P)

Homeschool Mardi Gras Pot Luck/Parish Hall (4:00-8:00P)

Cub Scouts/RM 2 (6:00-7:30P)

Boy Scouts/RM 1 (7:00-8:00P)



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

Adoration/Church (9:00A-6:30P, simple reposition)

Staff Prayer/Emmaus Chapel (9:45-10:30A)

Mothers' Group/RM 1 (10:00-11:00A)

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

Stations of the Cross/Transept Chapel (9:15A)

K of C Chowder Supper/Parish Hall (5:00-6:30P)

Cursillo Ultreya/RM 1 (7:00-8:30P)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

Champions of the Rosary/RM 1 (9:00-10:30A)

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

Lenten Holy Hour and Vespers/Church (4:30-5:30P)

Youth Group/Hall B (5:00-6:30P)

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EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

2022-2025

Please visit this website to learn more:
<https://www.eucharisticrevival.org> and also visit our
website, stkathryns.org, for a PDF compilation of
teachings on the Eucharist.

NO GREATER LOVE

Sign-ups for Dr. Edward Sri's presentation, *No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion*, are underway. The course will be offered on Tuesday mornings 9:00-10:30 a.m. and evenings 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Feb. 28th The Prayer of the Agony/ "Are you the Christ"
March 7th The Trial Before Pilate/ The Death of the Messiah
March 14th The Seven Last Words/ The Resurrection

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *No Greater Love* is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Dr. Sri guides us through the last hours of Christ's life. We will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you--and grow closer to Jesus.

PARISH LENTEN ACTIVITIES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAY MORNINGS AT 9:15 A.M.

PARISH MISSION (SEE PAGE 5)

NO GREATER LOVE ON TUESDAYS (ABOVE)

LECTIO DIVINA CLASS ON MONDAYS (SEE PAGE 7)

DAILY ROSARY AT 8:00 A.M. (NOT TUESDAYS)

ADORATION EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 6:30 P.M.

FRIDAY CHOWDER SUPPERS FROM 5:00-6:30 P.M.

SUNDAY HOLY HOUR AND VESPERS FROM 4:30-5:30 P.M.

St Kathryn's
Vacation Bible School

STELLAR

Shine Jesus' Light

Monday 7/17, Wednesday 7/19, and Friday 7/21

9 am – Noon

Registrations coming soon!

An astronaut in a white spacesuit is floating in space against a backdrop of a vibrant, colorful nebula. The astronaut is making a peace sign with their right hand.

St. Kathryn Parish

Lenten Food Drive

to support the Hudson Food Pantry

Feb 25th - April 2nd

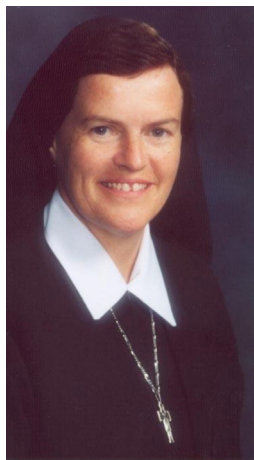
Bags with item lists will be available the weekend after Ash Wednesday. People can bring filled bags back through Palm Sunday. *Now!*

A circular inset image showing a person's hands filling a brown paper bag with various food items, including canned goods and bottled water. The person is wearing a white t-shirt with the word "LISTER" visible.

Help our Hudson residents in need of food assistance

As a reminder, in addition to our annual Lenten Food Drive for the Hudson Community Food Pantry, our Lenten almsgiving collected on Holy Thursday also benefits the pantry, specifically the Feed Our Kids Program. This program provides meals and snacks for food-vulnerable children of Hudson on the weekends. Thank you for all the support you give to this essential community resource this Lent and always. "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me..." (Matthew 25:35)

LENTEN PARISH MISSION



Our Lenten Parish Mission will be given by Sr. Brieghe McKenna, O.S.C. and Fr. Pablo Escriva de Romani on March 20th-23rd, 2023. Come and reflect on reconciliation, prayer, the Holy Spirit, the Eucharist, and the healing power of the Cross after the morning Masses as well as at 6:30 p.m. in the evenings. The evening talks will build on topics discussed in the morning. We look forward to welcoming you as we take in the words of these two dynamic speakers. No registration is required. A love offering will be collected at the Mass on Thursday evening. For more information, please visit stkathryns.org/brieghe.

SISTER BRIEGHE MCKENNA, O.S.C. was born in Ireland and entered the Sisters of St. Clare at the age of fifteen. Following her final vows and after suffering for more than three years with rheumatoid arthritis, she was transferred to her community in Tampa, Florida, hoping that the Florida sunshine would relieve her suffering. At the age of twenty-four, she was miraculously and instantaneously healed during the celebration of the Eucharist and some time later received, in prayer, the gift of healing for which she has become so widely known. In 1974, again during prayer, she was given a deep spiritual insight into the mystery of the call to priesthood. Since then, bishops and priests in many parts of the world have invited her to speak and minister at their retreats and conferences. Sr. Brieghe ministered to priests in collaboration with Fr. Kevin Scallon, CM for over forty-two years until his death in June 2018. She now continues with this ministry working with Fr. Pablo Escriva de Romani. Her books *Miracles Do Happen* and *The Power of the Sacraments* have been translated into many languages throughout the world.

FR PABLO ESCRIVA DE ROMANI was born in Spain and ordained in Madrid 2009. He studied Theology in the Faculty of San Damaso in Madrid, Spain. He worked predominantly with the youth in the parish of St. Teresa of Jesus in Madrid for several years. After that period, he went to Ukraine as a missionary, working with Bishop Jan Sobilo in the Shrine of Merciful God the Father, giving retreats and helping people from the war zone, pro-life missions with doctors, and spiritual exercises for priests. Fr. Pablo has been ministering at retreats as a missionary in different countries, including France, Mexico, Italy, Poland, Belarus, Switzerland, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Ethiopia, Dominican Republic, USA, Belgium, Lebanon, Holy Land, Guatemala, Chile, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Ukraine, and Costa Rica. He is now working as a diocesan missionary from Madrid in Costa Rica, residing with Bishop Javier Roman in the Diocese of Limon and helping in the indigenous zone, working with youth and giving spiritual exercises to priests. He is now beginning to restore a retreat house to receive priests willing to have a missionary experience and renew their priesthood. Additionally, Fr. Pablo has joined Sr. Brieghe in ministering to priests and at parish missions.

LENTEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

This Wednesday, February 22nd is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten season. **Masses will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.** that day with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament taking place between Masses. It is a day of fast and abstinence. All between the ages of 18 and 58 (inclusive) are permitted one full meal and two smaller meals not equaling the main meal. Eating in between meals is not permitted, although liquids (water, milk, juice) are permissible. The law does not apply to those with medical conditions that preclude fasting. Abstinence from meat is required on this day as well for all over the age of 14. Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence. The eating of meat is not permitted on any Friday in Lent for those 14 years of age and older. (Those who must eat meat for reasons of health are encouraged to do another act of penitence in its place.) Good Friday, April 7th, is a day of fast and abstinence. The same disciplines for Ash Wednesday apply on Good Friday. *Note: Bishop Libasci has granted a Dispensation from Abstinence from Meat on Saint Patrick's Day, Friday, March 17, 2023.*

PALMS

Old palms may be brought to church and placed in the basket in the vestibule for burning.

LENT 2023: MAKE ROOM FOR LENT: DAILY MEDITATIONS, ACTIONS, & PRAYERS BOOKLETS

During this Lenten season of 40 days, experience the Lord in a special way by reading *Lent 2023 Make Room For Lent: Daily Meditations, Actions & Prayers* by Father Joe Sica. Everyone is invited to take a copy (one per family, please!). It is a Lenten gift from our St. Kathryn's Spiritual Programming Committee. Our prayer is that this booklet will bless you and your families during this time of preparation for Easter when we reflect on Jesus' life and sacrifice, renewing our hearts, and experiencing the love of Christ in a more personal way.



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REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO US

February 11th-12th

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| Envelopes: | \$3,196.50 |
| Loose Cash: | \$1,263.65 |
| Online Giving: | \$6,171.00 |
| Received in Mail: | \$455.00 |
| Total: | \$11,086.15 |

Our weekly budget is \$11,500. Thank you for all you give!

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED?



Your contribution makes a difference! Consider online giving as a regular way of supporting the mission and good works of St. Kathryn Parish. Scan this code to learn more about and sign up for online giving.

REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO OTHERS

St. Kathryn's is a tithing parish, giving of our time, talent, and treasure so as to give glory to God. As a parish family, we tithe on a monthly basis to Ste. Marguerite D'Youville Parish in Groveton, NH; Hudson Community Food Pantry; St. Gianna's Place; and to Catholic School Education in our Diocese.

PREPARING TO GIVE

On Ash Wednesday, February 22nd, we take up the collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe and Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. This collection in part supports the rebuilding of the Church in Central Eastern Europe by training seminarians and lay leaders and reaching out to young people. A portion of this collection supports the pastoral needs of the growing Church in Africa.

LENTEN CHOWDER SUPPERS

The Knights of Columbus is holding chowder suppers (a light meatless meal) during Lent this year. Chowder suppers will be held in St. Kathryn Parish Hall on Friday nights starting February 24th from 5:00 to 6:30pm (no chowder supper on March 17th). You will have a choice of clam chowder, corn chowder, or broccoli cheddar soup and salad, drink, and cookie for \$8.00 a person. We also offer an alternate choice of peanut butter and jelly sandwich, drink, and cookie for \$3.50. Please consider attending with your family.

YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

GRADES 6-12

February 19th, 2023
5PM - 6:30PM

ASHES TO ASHES

Join us as we explore Lent through game, activity and small groups!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. It marks the beginning of the penitential Lenten season and a solemn reminder of human mortality. In 10th-century Rome, it was the practice for sinners to begin their public penance for Lent with a sprinkling of ashes on their heads, dress in sackcloth, and separate from the Church until reconciled on Maundy Thursday. Today the ashes from the palms of the previous Palm Sunday are applied in the shape of a cross on the forehead. The liturgical color changes to purple, a symbol of piety, faith, and penitence.

Easter is always celebrated on the first Sunday after the spring equinox. Lent starts exactly 46 days before Easter, which is a floating holiday. This year Easter falls on April 9th, placing Ash Wednesday on February 22nd. Lent is a time for fasting, prayer, and almsgiving in preparation for Easter. Mardi Gras, "Fat Tuesday," is the day before Ash Wednesday. Historically it offered the opportunity for households to consume foods they would fast from until Easter. Some cities such as Venice, Rio de Janeiro, and New Orleans have been associated with elaborate festivals leading up to Mardi Gras, known as Carnival, which is translated as "Farewell to Meat."

Respectfully,

Grand Knight John Frechette

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

Drop-In Crafting: Did you ever marvel at the creativity on display in our Craft Room at the annual Christmas Bazaar and Penny Sale? Have you ever wanted to be a part of it? Now is your chance! The Saint Kathryn Crafters have started back up and are preparing crafts to sell at our next bazaar in November. Anyone who enjoys crafting, whether beginner or expert, is welcome to drop in any time between the hours of noon and 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays to pitch in. More info here <https://stkathryns.org/crafters>.

Donations: Do you craft at home? We also accept donations of completed crafts throughout the year, as we are able to store them in the Craft Room until the bazaar. Please, newly crafted items only (within the past few months). Donated crafts become parish property and pricing decisions are made by the team. Please visit <https://stkathryns.org/bazaar-crafting> for details.

CDs and DVDs needed: Do you have old CDs or DVDs around the house that you no longer want? The crafters are accepting donated CDs and DVDs to use for a specific craft. Please drop off at the Parish Office if you are able to donate.

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LECTIO DIVINA: STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Sister Claire Provost will be facilitating a five-week session during Lent.

The (5) sessions will offer a conceptual background of how Lectio will help us to pray, and specifically address the themes of the Stations of the Cross. There will be spiritual, historical, and theological relations to help us better understand the methods that are available, and to gain what we need to know in order to deepen our prayer life. These sessions will be held in the St. Kathryn's Transept Chapel on Monday evenings: 2/20, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, and 3/27, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. It would be helpful if you called the office to register as there will be handouts at each session.

CURSILLO/ULTREYA MEETING

The next Cursillo gathering is Friday, February 24th, Room #1 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Cursillo is a weekend that invites men/women to experience the love of Jesus Christ on a more personal level. The Cursillo weekend is at St. Basil Salvatorian Center in Methuen, MA. Let 2023 be the year that you give yourself the gift of a Cursillo Weekend! Come meet and share with other St. Kathryn parishioners who have experienced a Cursillo weekend. We will be meeting the last Friday of every month in Room #1 from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. Come learn about Cursillo, listen to a different guest speaker each month who will share his/her Cursillo experience, fellowship, and refreshments. Everyone is welcome! Call Randy/Wanda Bushey for more information at 603-889-0327.

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

Store and parking in back of the parish office building.

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.

Weekdays at 8:30 a.m. (no Mass on Tuesdays)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Wednesday: 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.

ADORATION

Wednesdays: 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

First Fridays: 9:00 a.m. - midnight

MERCY MEAL MINISTRY

Our Mercy Meal Ministry is back! When a family schedules a funeral here for a loved one, they may request a mercy meal in our Parish Hall. The Saint Kathryn Mercy Meal Ministry provides this luncheon immediately following a funeral service. Would you like to help provide this comfort to those in mourning? You can sign up to be on call to donate a dish (finger sandwiches, cookies, soda, salad, etc.) and/or to help set up, serve, shop, or clean up after the reception. Mercy meals may take place once or twice a month, sometimes less often, sometimes more. They are usually on a Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. Please sign up here <https://stkathryns.org/mercy-meals> or contact coordinator Lynne Poegel by calling the office.

AVAILABLE NOW!
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Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Bob Trotta from LPI, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.

YOUR AD HERE

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LPI Bob Trotta
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BTrotta@lpi.com

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!

