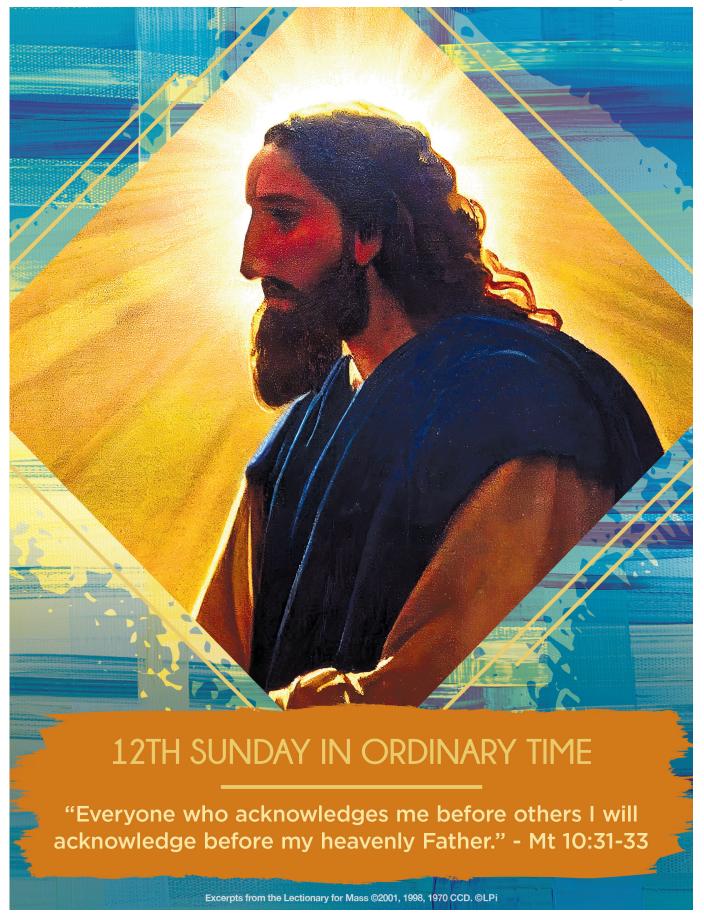
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25 June 2023

God Alone!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



Continuing our reflection on the first invitation of the National Eucharistic Revival at the parish level, which we began last week, I would like to offer a few more thoughts, on how we can renew our attentiveness to the *Ars Celebrandi*.

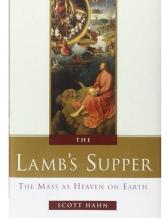
One of the ways the US Bishops are inviting us to enter more deeply into this beautiful Eucharistic revival is to grow in our knowledge and understanding of the Mass and the Mystery of the Eucharist. To this end, there are two resources which I would like to recommend. The first is a forty-day series of online reflections delivered right to your email inbox. It is produced by Our Sunday Visitor and is entitled My Daily Visitor: Eucharist. Each day one will receive a reflection on the Sacrament of the Eucharist for one's prayer and edification. It is an easy and perfect way to grow in our love for our Eucharistic Lord. There is also a companion booklet that one can order which offers additional prayers and thoughts to

accompany the email series which began on June 11, 2023, which was the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Head over to https://www.mydailyvisitor.com/eucharist to sign up for the daily reflections and to purchase the accompanying booklet.

The second resource to help us grow in our devotion and understanding of the Holy Mass is Scott Hahn's book, *The Lamb's Supper: the Mass as Heaven on Earth.* It is based on Dr. Hahn's own experience of the Mass through the lens of his once Protestant faith. Having a deep knowledge of Scripture, when he sat through his first Mass (as a non-Catholic), everything became alive for him, and he realized that the Mass is the Scriptures experienced in prayer and ritual. It would be one of the foundational experiences which would lead him into the

Catholic Church. It's a short read but it packs a profound intellectual understanding of the Mass. As the book is written, in clear direct language, it will help readers see the pray the liturgy with a renewed heart, and enter into the Mass enthusiastically, intelligently, and powerfully than ever

Finally, some practical suggestions to reignite our devotion are to try to attend Mass more often during the week. priestly life, the offering of daily Mass and my encounter with Mass is the lynch pin to my whole day. In addition, the time the Eucharist in prayer is what directs my whole day. If we practice of daily Mass or Eucharistic Adoration, maybe this our spiritual routine. As Scott Hahn reminds us, "The only this world, that is a real participation in the life we hope to worship with Christ at the Liturgy."



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In Jesus and Mary. Fr. Michael

The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

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MASS INTENTIONS

VIGIL (THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

4:00PM—+Vincent Duprey, Sr., by +Joan Malone

SUNDAY, JUNE 25 (THE TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

8:30AM—+Sydney Rose Marcotte, *by Gayle and Deacon Ray* 10:30AM—For the People of the Parish

6:30PM—+Reno Deschenes, by Pete and Pauline Deschenes

MONDAY, JUNE 26 (WEEKDAY)

8:30AM—+Ann Kelly, by the Battis Family

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28 (SAINT IRENAEUS)

8:30AM—+Mary Daly, by Gayle and Deacon Ray

THURSDAY, JUNE 29 (SAINT PETER; SAINT PAUL)

8:30AM—Birthday Intentions of Matthew Schofield, *by his family*

FRIDAY, JUNE 30 (THE FIRST MARTYRS OF THE HOLY ROMAN CHURCH)

8:30AM—+Denise Blais, by Gayle and Deacon Ray

SATURDAY, JULY 1 (SAINT JUNÍPERO SERRA)

8:30AM—+John Adams, by Judy Paladino

VIGIL (THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

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

SUNDAY, JULY 2 (THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

8:30AM—+Frances Moynihan, *by the Joy Family* 10:30AM—For the People of the Parish 6:30PM—+Ralph Deschenes, *by Pete and Pauline Deschenes*

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

2022-2025

Please visit this website to learn more:
https://www.eucharisticrevival.org. You can also find many resources and teachings on the Eucharist under the Eucharistic Revival button on our parish website.

New! Sign up to receive daily reflections on Christ in the Eucharist from My Daily Visitor:

https://www.mydailyvisitor.com/eucharist/?utm_source=Marketing&utm_email=Omeda&utm_campaign=MKT-OSV-Marketing&utm_term=2015H0558689G3V&oly_enc_id=2015H0558689G3V

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

Presentation of Saint Kathryn Scholarships/Church (during 8:30 a.m. Mass)

Coffee and Donuts/Parish Hall (9:30A)

New Parishioner Gathering/Parish Hall (noon)

MONDAY, JUNE 26TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

TUESDAY, JUNE 27TH

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

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

Staff Meeting/Parish Office (9:45-10:30A)

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

Vespers and Benediction/Church (6:30P)

THURSDAY, JUNE 29TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

FRIDAY, JUNE 30TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

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

SATURDAY, JULY 1ST

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

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

SUNDAY, JULY 2ND

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

CURSILLO/ULTREYA MEETING

Cursillo is a wonderful weekend that invites men and women to experience/encounter the love of Jesus Christ on a more personal level. The Cursillo weekends are at St. Basil's Salvatorian Center in Methuen, MA. Come meet and share with other St. Kathryn parishioners who have experienced a Cursillo weekend! This monthly gathering is for those who have lived a Cursillo weekend 30+years ago or just one week ago! This monthly gathering is also for those who have never made a Cursillo weekend, but would like to learn more about it! Everyone is welcome to come and learn about or share Cursillo. We meet the last Friday of every month in the Parish Hall, Room #1 from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Come listen to a different guest speaker every month, who will share his/her Cursillo experience, share in fellowship, and have some refreshments. Our next Cursillo gathering is Friday, June 30th! Hope to see you there! God Bless, Randy and Wanda Bushey, 603.889.0327.

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CONFIRMATION PREPARATION FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

This fall, we will be running a Confirmation program for any students beyond the normal age of Confirmation (3rd Grade). This will be Junior High and High School Students. It will be run on Thursday evenings from 6:30-8 PM. A full schedule will be out for the fall soon. The program that will be used will be Confirmation through Ascension Press which is a multimedia learning approach for preteens and teens. These youth will have the opportunity to either be Confirmed at the Parish Confirmation in the Spring or at the Adult Confirmation at the Cathedral. We will work with each family accordingly. For more information or to register please contact Valerie Somers, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, valerie.somers@stkathryns.org or 978-660-9777 by text or call.

RCIC

This program will be for any youth in 4th grade and up who have not received any of their Sacraments and their families would like to begin their initiation. These students will receive Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Two programs will be used simultaneously in this catechumenate journey. Our primary program will be Friends Along the Way through Team RCIA and supplementing with Decision Point through Dynamic Catholic which is a multimedia approach to relationship with Christ and his Church. It will be run on Thursdays from 4:15-5:45 PM. For more information or to register please contact Valerie Somers, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, at valerie.somers@stkathryns.org or 978-660-9777 by text or call.

2023 NHCA GOAL: \$70,651.00



As of June 19, 2023

Amount of Monies Received by Diocese \$39,731.00 Amount of Outstanding Pledges \$4,800.00 % of Goal Raised 63% % of Households Participating in Appeal 13.4% **Total Monies Collected Thus Far** \$44,531.00 Remaining Monies to Attain our Goal \$26,120.00





Do you wonder if God is calling you to a deeper encounter with himself? Wonder what it is like to be completely given to God as a nun?

COME AND SEE!

ST SCHOLASTICA PRIORY

invites you to a Monastic Experience Weekend September 29th-October 1st

Single Catholic women aged 18-40 years are invited to experience life in a house of contemplative Benedictine nuns. Pray, eat and work with them. Listen to conferences on monastic life and prayer, learn discernment tools. Hear the nuns' stories of their own journey into the monastery and have time for quiet reflection.

"Nuns are a gift, the leaven that carries the message of Christ." - Pope Francis



For more information please contact: Sr. Mary Frances smfwynn@aol.com 271 N. Main St. Petersham, MA 01366 stscholasticapriory 978-724-3213



Guesthouse available to all for retreats + Twin community with the monks of St. Mary's Monastery

SCRIPTURAL PRAYER

Sr. Claire Provost will be facilitating the next teaching of her monthly series, Scriptural Prayer, at the Presentation of Mary (PMA) on Monday evening, June 26th, from 7:00 p.m. -8:30 p.m. Those attending will meet in the faculty gathering room on the first floor. All are welcome! Please contact Sr. Claire at cprovost@rivier.edu to sign up. Attendees should park in the school parking lot which is located in the back of the building and enter on the right-hand side of the building through the door near the sisters' parking area. The future scheduled dates are: June 26th, July 31st, August 28th, September 25th, and October 30th.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Our parish Finance Council is pleased to offer College Scholarships to qualified St. Kathryn's students. Those awarded scholarships are selected from applicants who have maintained at least a 3.0 or better average, and are active, registered, and confirmed parishioners of St. Kathryn's. Congratulations to Andrew Izzo, who will be presented with a \$1,500.00 scholarship at the 8:30 a.m. Mass on June 25th, and Carlo Catalan, who will be presented with a \$1,000.00 scholarship at the Mass. Please keep Andrew and Carlo in your prayers as they start a new chapter of their lives in college this coming academic year.

VBS REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 30TH



Registration forms for our Stellar VBS are here! Grab yours in the back of the church or on our website at https://stkathryns.org/vbs. July 17th, 19th, and 21st from 9:00 a.m. to noon, grades pre-K through 5. Bible stories, crafts, games, snacks, music and more! The deadline to register is June 30th.

RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION

Religious education registration forms for grades 1-8 for school 2023-2024 available online year are at https://www.stkathryns.org/religiouseducationgrades-1-8 and in the back of the church. We are now in the late registration phase, so the registration fee has increased to \$65/child and \$110/family, as late registration allows us less time for planning and obtaining materials. Please register by August 1st to avoid the next fee increase. First Penance takes place in second grade. Confirmation and First Communion take place in third grade with a \$25 sacramental fee. 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.

YOUTH CAMP



Saint Kathryn Parish is hosting a youth camp from August 6-9, 2023. After morning Mass the children, grades 8-12, with adult supervision and assistance, will be doing work in the local community. Work will include yard work and cleanup, painting both indoors and out, and minor carpentry repairs. If you have or know of someone who needs this type of work, please contact Valerie Somers at valerie.somers@stkathryns.org or call the parish office. A team leader will make an appointment to survey the site to ensure we have all necessary tools and supplies. There is no cost to the homeowner for the work.

VESPERS

A reminder that for the months of July and August, weekly Wednesday adoration concludes with simple reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Wednesday Vespers will resume in September.

JULY FOOD DRIVE



Our annual summer food drive for the Hudson Community Food Pantry begins next weekend and continues through the month of July. Pantry shelves can get sparse in the summer, so please take a brown bag from the vestibule, fill it with the items on the attached list, and return it to church no later than Sunday, July 31st to help the food-vulnerable of Hudson. Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus volunteer our time to serve our parishes and our community. Guided by our principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism, we join together to do His work. Council 5162 is an active council, and there are many opportunities for participation. Just during the month of June, the Knights have:

- Assisted with all liturgical ministries.
- Prayed group rosaries on Saturday mornings and prior to the monthly business meeting
- · Eucharistic adoration on First Friday
- Held our Council business meeting and planning meeting
- Held Council elections for officers of the new fraternal year
- Awarded scholarship money to four high school graduates
- Hosted a Red Cross blood drive, which yielded 33 units of life-giving blood
- Assisted with a Patriotic 4th degree ceremony in Rochester
- Provided an Honor Guard escort for the Corpus Christi Procession
- Provided food service and manpower for the annual Parish Picnic
- Conducted a Tootsie Roll Drive to support charities for persons with disabilities
- Assisted Assembly 1506 with an Adopt a Highway clean-up event

If you would like more information about the Council or are interested in joining, feel free to contact me at johnfrechette202@gmail.com, or you can join online at kofc.org/join. List 5162 as your Preferred Council. Sincerely,

Grand Knight John Frechette



REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO US

June 17th-18th

 Envelopes:
 \$3,814.50

 Loose Cash:
 \$1,470.00

 Online Giving:
 \$5,811.00

 Received in Mail:
 \$155.00

 Total:
 \$11,250.50

Our weekly budget is \$11,500.00. 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.

PROJECT RACHEL



If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, nonjudgmental help is available from Project Rachel Ministry. Call or email: 603.663.0192 or projectrachel@rcbm.org for Project Rachel in New Hampshire. Spanish speakers may visit EsperanzaPosAborto.org.

NEIGHBOR NEEDS

A local elderly woman who has custody of her three grandsons is in need of a small chest freezer. If you are able to donate one, please contact Jarretta, our liaison for the Tolles Street Mission, at 603.820.0365 to arrange pickup.

BRIGID'S HOUSE OF HOPE

Human trafficking is an issue that is difficult to think about, and an issue that people may think only happens in urban areas and border areas. But human trafficking is a growing issue in New Hampshire, and Saint Kathryn's Parish would like to try to do what we can to help. Brigid's House of Hope opened in Nashua this year and is the only house of its kind in Northern New England.

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The mission of Brigid's House of Hope is to provide safe housing for victims of Human Trafficking and Exploitation which encourages hope, healing, empowerment, security, and long-term aftercare and support. After lengthy discussions and strategic sessions, Brigid's House was founded in 2018. The NH Task force is working on trafficking cases in New Hampshire. Individual investigations and victims are supported through referral networks of victim serving agencies created within the State, yet no housing was available, and consequently, oftentimes victims end up in inadequate housing situations or back in their trafficking situation. NH Task Force is working and keeps identifying gaps in service. Survivors are going back into trafficking situations to avoid homelessness and are at risk of homelessness without proper housing and support services. This is why safe housing specific for trafficking victims and survivors is necessary. Brigid's House is providing New Hampshire's first state-wide accessible long-term restorative safe house for victims of Human Trafficking and Exploitation. The safe house is in a confidential location in New Hampshire and is open to female victims and survivors of Human Trafficking and Exploitation over the age of 18 across the state. The safe house consists of three apartment style units with two bedrooms in each unit, allowing for up to 6 women to participate in the long-term residential program. In addition to safe housing, Brigid's House also provides residents with food and basic necessities, case management and programming, and is connecting residents to critical services through a variety of community linkage agreements and partnerships. Brigid's House is addressing the lack of safe housing for victims of Human Trafficking in New Hampshire and working with community partners to build a holistic recovery network. Providing survivors of Human Trafficking a safe space to heal will aid in their ultimate transition to safely reintegrate into t

MEDICAL SUPPLY DRIVE FOR VALLEY OF THE ANGELS SCHOOL

We are accepting medical supplies for the children of Valley of the Angels School in Guatemala through the month of June. Here is the wish list from the school nurse: face masks for adults, face masks for kids, disposable gowns, disposable gloves, Neosporin, Fluconazole (nail fungus treatment), pediatric acetaminophen, pediatric Tylenol, Nexium, allergy medicine, Reactine, Polysporin, pediatric vitamins, Eucerin cream, antidiarrheal medicine, pediatric Benadryl, cough medicine, stethoscope, Ibuprofen, Band-aids, Thomas neck for kids and adults, arm and leg support (immobilizers), pediatric and adult sphygmomanometer, elastic bandages of 2, 3, 4, and 6 inches, pulse oximeter, light forehead thermometer, ear thermometer, oral thermometer, gauzes, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss. Donations may be dropped off in the bin in the church vestibule. If you would like to make a check donation to help offset the cost of purchasing a power washer and other cleaning items and for shipping the medical supplies, please make it out to Saint Kathryn Church with "Guatemala" in the memo field. Thank you.

RESPECT LIFE



Prayer Guide | JUNE 2023

INTERCEDE



PRAY

Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

REFLECT

June 24th marks the one-year anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, which overturned *Roe v. Wade*. As we approach this anniversary, we continue to offer thanksgiving to God that states can once again protect the lives of preborn children in law.

In God's profound providence, the Court handed down its historic decision on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and during the month that we also celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

Since the *Dobbs* decision, many states have enacted strong pro-life protections. Tragically, other states have drastically expanded abortion access and continue to pursue extreme pro-abortion policies. At this critical moment, whether we reside in states with pro-life or pro-abortion policies, we are presented with new *opportunities* and *responsibilities* to continue building a culture that welcomes and celebrates life.

Let us each draw close to Christ's Sacred Heart in the Eucharist and sincerely ask how He is calling us to use our unique gifts for the cause of life.

ACT (choose one)

- Make a Holy Hour for this month's intention. Join your heart with Jesus' Sacred Heart and ask for the virtue of fortitude in working to protect the lives of preborn children. (Pro-life Holy Hours are available at www.bit.ly/pro-life-holy-hours. Although designed for communal prayer, individuals can also use them for quiet reflection.)
- Choose one day this week to offer a sacrifice for this month's intention. Consider abstaining from a favorite food, caffeine, social media, TV, or something else.
- Offer some other sacrifice or prayer that you feel called to do for this month's intention.

ONE STEP FURTHER

Look up your State Catholic conference and sign up for local action alerts: nasccd.org/directory.

DID YOU KNOW?

The parish year of the National Eucharistic Revival kicks off on June 11, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. This second phase seeks to foster Eucharistic devotion in parishes, strengthening our liturgical life through faithful celebration of the Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, missions and more. Learn more: eucharisticrevival.org/learn-resources.