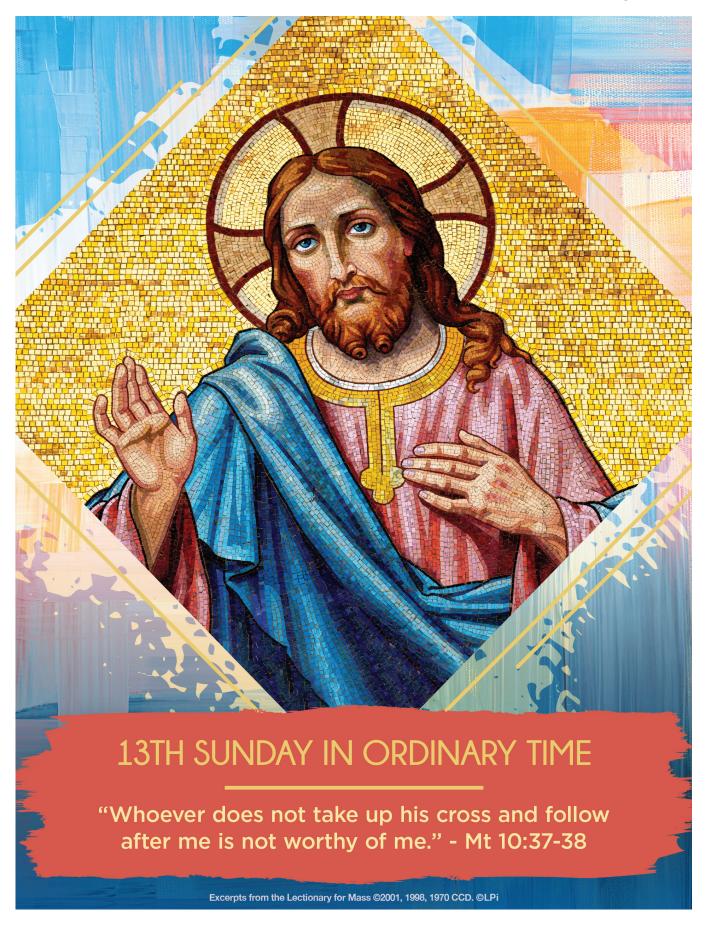
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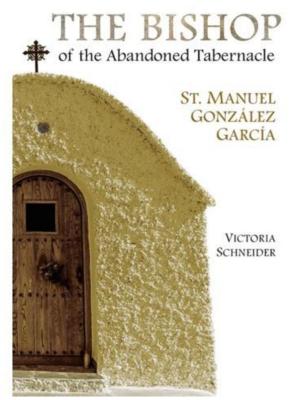
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God Alone!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



Let us reflect on one final thought about the first invitation of the National Eucharistic Revival concerning a renewed understanding of the Eucharist in our lives and in the lives of our parish families.

A few weeks ago, I spoke about a little book on the life and thoughts of St. Manuel Gonzalez Garcia (1877-1940), entitled The Bishop of the Abandoned Tabernacle; it is a book I look forward to reading next, as I had never heard of St. Manuel. It chronicles his life as a priest, which began when he was sent to the parish Church of Palomares del Rio. A great article in the National Catholic Register summarizes, "The reality when he arrived, was a Church poorly attended, where only those getting married or baptizing their children came, and a population that was not a community, but a cluster of human beings who worked side by side, and never invested in the Church or each other. The building itself was dirty, almost abandoned, and the altar cloths torn and burnt. The neglect

included the tabernacle covered in dust and cobwebs. He considered begging for a different assignment, fleeing. He wondered how he could fulfil a mission, any mission in such a place, but kneeling before the tabernacle, pondering how impossible the task before him, he felt someone looking at him 'in desperate need of a friend.'"

As St. Manuel wrote: "My faith was looking at Jesus through the door of that tabernacle, so silent, so patient, so good, gazing right back at me...His gaze was telling me much and asking me for more. It was a gaze in which all the sadness of the Gospels was reflected; the sadness of 'no room in the Inn'; the sadness of those words, "Do you also want to leave me?"; the sadness of poor Lazarus begging for crumbs from the rich man's table; the sadness of the betrayal of Judas, the denial of Peter, of the soldier's slap, of the spittle of the Praetorium, and the abandonment of all."

The whole of his priesthood was spent leading people to truly love our Eucharistic Lord. He founded the Eucharistic Missionaries of Nazareth as well as the Disciples of St. John and the Children of Reparation. Both this religious order and this pious union of the faithful are under the umbrella of the Union of Eucharistic Reparation, which is mainly established overseas in Europe and in South America. Even though there is not a local presence of these communities here in the United States, each of us can grow in our love for our Eucharistic Jesus by growing in our understanding of this Sacrament of Sacraments. Let us take up some spiritual reading on the mystery of our Lord's Eucharistic presence during this revival. This in itself can be an act of reparation for the great indifference Jesus experiences in the Tabernacle.

What strikes me so profoundly about St. Manuel's experience is the great love with which Jesus wishes to inundate us. He waits there in patience and without tiring for us to keep Him company and to spend time with Him. As Mother Theresa once wrote, "When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now."

In Jesus and Mary. Fr. Michael

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MASS INTENTIONS

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

MONDAY, JULY 3 (WEEKDAY)

8:30AM—+Gertrude E. (Caldwell) Hubbard (23rd Anniversary), by her loving granddaughter, Chris Madden

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5 (SAINT ANTHONY ZACCARIA; SAINT ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL)

8:30AM—+Bok Soon-Chung (16th Anniversary), *by her daughter and son-in-law*

THURSDAY, JULY 6 (SAINT MARIA GORETTI)

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

FRIDAY, JULY 7 (WEEKDAY)

8:30AM—+Marybeth Florczak (78th Birthday Remembrance), by her loving husband, Adam

SATURDAY, JULY 8 (BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)

8:30AM—+William Souza and +Lucille Hebert, *by their* daughter, *Denny*

VIGIL (THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

4:00PM—+Margaret and Edward Garity, by her loving brother, Bernie

SUNDAY, JULY 9 (THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)

8:30AM—+Kathleen A. Byron, *by Daniel Byron* 10:30AM—For the People of the Parish 6:30PM—+Janet Flores, *by Barbara Costello*

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SHRINE

24th Ordination Anniversary Blessings for Father Michael by Saint Kathryn Staff

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

SUNDAY, JULY 2ND

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

MONDAY, JULY 3RD

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

TUESDAY, JULY 4TH

Parish Office and Store Closed

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

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

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

K of C Annual Cookout and Business Meeting/Hall and Kitchen (noon-9:00 p.m.)

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

THURSDAY, JULY 6TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

FRIDAY, JULY 7TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

Adoration/Church (9:00A-4:00P and 6:00P-midnight) Jacobs-Lewis Wedding Rehearsal/Church (5:00P)

SATURDAY, JULY 8TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

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

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

Jacobs-Lewis Wedding/Church (1:00P)

SUNDAY, JULY 9TH

Rosary/Church (8:00A)

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

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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





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."

- Pone Francis



For more information please contact: Sr. Mary Frances smfwynn@aol.com 271 N. Main St. Petersham, MA 01366 ww.stscholasticapriory.org 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, July 31st, 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: July 31st, August 28th, September 25th, and October 30th.

DIVINE MERCY SHRINE

+Joseph Burda by Suzanne

OUR LADY OF CZĘSTOCHOWA

Birthday Blessings for Sister Faustina Kolbe Burda by her mother, Suzanne

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RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION

Religious education registration forms for grades 1-8 for school 2023-2024 available year are https://www.stkathryns.org/religiousat educationgrades-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.

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 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 Monday, July 31st to help the food-vulnerable of Hudson. Thank you!

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.



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.

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 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 their community. Would you like to help? Donation boxes are available in the church beginning this weekend.

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REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO US

June 24th-25th

 Envelopes:
 \$2,574.50

 Loose Cash:
 \$1,479.37

 Online Giving:
 \$5,464.00

 Received in Mail:
 \$530.00

 Total:
 \$10,047.87

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

On July 4, 1776, delegates from the original 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence. The American colonies declared independence from the tyrannical King of England. From 1776 to the present day, the birth of American independence has been celebrated with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades, concerts, family gatherings, and barbecues.

Each degree of the Knights of Columbus is associated with one of the Order's core principles, the fourth being Patriotism. The purpose of the degree is to promote a love of country and impress the duties of citizenship. The word patriotism comes from the word patria, meaning homeland. It is also related to the Latin word Pater, meaning father. In context, the word patriotism is the relationship with your 'fatherland' or 'motherland.' St John Paul II stated that patriotism and faith go hand in hand, and the Fourth Commandment tells us to honor our father and mother, this obliges us to honor our homeland as well.

The majesty of today's Roman Candle is far removed from the term's macabre ancient Roman origin. Roman Emperor Nero tortured imprisoned Christians in an attempt to have them shun their faith and renounce Jesus. The prisoners would be strung up on poles, soaked in pitch and oil, then set on fire. The torture was extremely slow and painful. The 'Roman candles' were used as decorations at gatherings where guests would seek entertainment from the suffering Christians.

This Independence Day, be thankful for the freedoms and security our forefathers incorporated into our nation.

God Bless America, Grand Knight John Frechette



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