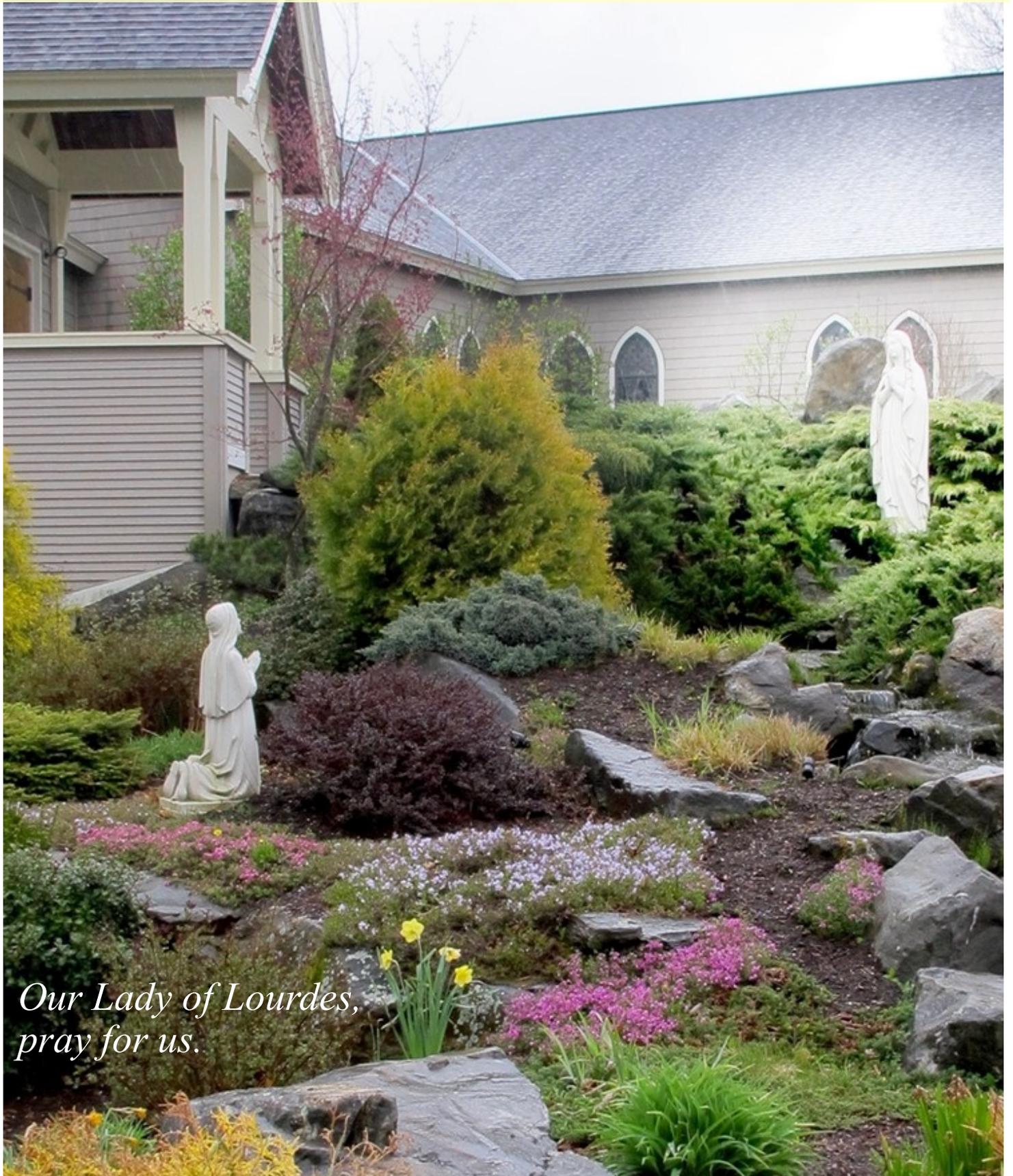


# Saint Kathryn Parish



*Our Lady of Lourdes,  
pray for us.*



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

To begin this week, I'd like to thank the young people from Presentation of Mary Academy who joined us last weekend and shared their experiences of life at PMA. To Carlo, Rose, Ruby, and Reagan—thank you for making such a wonderful presentation to our parish community. You each did a wonderful

job! Saint Kathryn's enjoys a wonderful relationship with PMA and we have so many opportunities to share in their life.

Over the years and into the present, we've also had several parishioners who are part of the Notre Dame Academy in Tyngsboro. These students have, as well, been an important part of our community, serving as catechists, participants in Workcamp and the Royal Kids Family Camp, servers, and in a variety of volunteer positions here at the parish (including part of the Irish Dance Troupe). We have been so blessed by both schools, and so it's important to be able to acknowledge these young men and women who are already fully engaged in the life of our parish community. We are very, very blessed that all of these students in one way or another are integrating their quality education into the life of our parish community. Thank you!

It dawned on me when the children were speaking that more than half of my life was involved in Catholic education, with twelve years as a Catholic school student, four more years of seminary, two years of philosophy and pre-theology, and then fourteen years as a Catholic school educator. Yes, that's thirty-two years "in the system!" I don't regret a moment of that time (all right—maybe there were some regrets in high school, but that's a story for another day...) because the support and formation that I received, even in the somewhat "different" days of the 1970's, were still wonderful days. I'm not sure that many people can say that they are still in touch with many people from elementary school, but 35 out of 50 of us who graduated from eighth grade together are still friends and in regular communication (yes, even beyond Facebook!). I can only hope that the young people who joined us will be able to say the same so many years after they complete their formal Catholic education.

I know it may seem premature, but start thinking about Lent! Ash Wednesday is on March 1<sup>st</sup>, and there will be many, many spiritual opportunities available during this holy season. There will be two Masses each weekday (Monday through Friday), so we'll need some additional lectors and servers. There will be adoration, confessions, and Vespers each Sunday from the First Sunday of Lent through Divine Mercy Sunday (Easter Sunday, included). Confessions will be heard daily after the morning Masses and before the evening Masses, each and every day. Lectio: Prayer is scheduled for Lent in the hope that all of us will be able to intensify our prayer life during this time. We'll also have "Vianney" brought to the parish on March 11<sup>th</sup> (make sure you see the announcement about this in today's bulletin). There will also be Stations of the Cross on Fridays after both Masses (except on First Friday), and Tenebrae during Holy Week. And mark your calendar now so you can attend the whole Triduum. You'll want to really celebrate the Triduum after so much spiritual growth during Lent!

I'm looking forward to seeing you at the Ministry Fair this weekend (and thank you to Boy Scout Troop 252 for putting on the pancake breakfast!). I'm continually surprised by the number of ministry opportunities that we have at Saint Kathryn's and the ever-growing ministries that we are able to provide. As long as each of them is for the honor and glory of God, they will continue to grow!

Until next week....God bless!

*Father Joe*



**Saturday, February 4**

*Vigil (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

4:00PM – +Angeline Potzner, *by her sister, Joan*

**Sunday, February 5 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

8:30AM – +Maurice Bergeron (4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary), *by his wife and family*

10:30AM – For the People of the Parish

6:30PM – Intentions of Linda Chojnowski, *by Rita Shea*

**Monday, February 6 (Saint Paul Miki and Companions)**

8:30AM – +John and Patty Murphy, *by the people of the parish*

**Tuesday, February 7 (Weekday)**

7:00PM – +Grace Connolly, *by the people of the parish*

**Wednesday, February 8 (Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita)**

8:30AM – Intentions of Aaron Jacques Jarok, *by his Mémère*

**Thursday, February 9 (Weekday)**

7:00PM – +Leo Barbin, *by Ken and Denise Barbin*

**Friday, February 10 (Saint Scholastica)**

8:30AM – +Lucille Atkinson, *by Chris Haigis*

**Saturday, February 11 (Our Lady of Lourdes)**

8:30AM – Intentions of Angeline LeMere, *by her friend*

*Vigil (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)*

4:00PM – +John Harper, *by Roger and Paula Hebert*

**Sunday, February 12 (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

8:30AM – +Claire Sevigny, *by Michelle and Henry Faria*

10:30AM – For the People of the Parish

6:30PM – Intentions of John and Lyn Breen, *by Johnny and Jacquie Dodge*

**Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**

Boy Scouts Pancake Breakfast/Hall A (8:00A-1:00P)

Religious Education, Group 2/RMs 1-6 (10:00A-12:00N)

Ministry Fair/Hall B (11:30A)

Baptism Catechesis/RM 1 (12:15P)

No evening religious education classes

**Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**

RCIA/RCIC/Parish Office (2:45-3:45P)

Religious Education, Grades 7-9/RMs 1-3 (5:00-6:30P)

**Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**

Crafters/Craft Room (1:00-8:30P)

RCIC/RM 3 (4:00P)

Cub Scouts/RMs 2, 3, 5 (6:00-8:00P)

Boy Scouts/Hall B (7:00-8:30P)

RCIA/RM 1 (7:30P)

**Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**

Adoration/Chapel (5:30-8:15A and 1:00-7:00P)

Evening Prayer and Benediction/Chapel (7:00P)

Homeschool Group/Hall A and Kitchen (7:00-9:00P)

Choir Rehearsal/Church (7:30-9:00P)

**Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**

Coming Home Team Meeting/RM 1 (5:00-6:45P)

**Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**

Moms' Rosary Group/RM 1 (9:30-11:00A)

**Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>**

Men of Saint Joseph/RM 1 (7:00-8:30A)

Secular Carmelites/RM 2 (8:00A-12:00N)

Rainbow Seekers/Parish Hall (9:00A-1:00P)

Marriage Retreat/Parish Hall (5:00-9:30P)

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**REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO US**

Offertory:	\$ 8,308.98
Online Giving	\$ 2,785.00
Total	\$11,093.98
Catholic School Education Fund	\$65.00

1/22 Offertory (including online):	\$11,393.62
1/22 Seminary Collection:	\$ 895.00

**JANUARY 2017**

Tithing Given in December:	\$1,800.00
Office Expenses:	\$ 648.50
Church Expenses:	\$1,149.36

## MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

Next Saturday, we will celebrate our marriage anniversary Mass at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Please pray for our married and engaged couples who will participate in this event as we honor the sacrament of marriage.

### FORMED

Sign up today at <https://formed.org>. Our code is 748649. (Go to "Register: Sign up free using your parish code." Then enter the access code.) Share this information with your family and friends. There are talks and lectures, Catholic movies, aids to prayer, the entire Symbolon, Lectio and Catholicism series. This is our parish gift to you, so please share it with family and friends and grow in the faith!

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

#### *Our men and women in formation for religious life:*

Sister Faustina Kolbe Burda, DMN  
Roxanne Day Diane Dube  
Sister Athanasius Munroe, OP  
Brother John Mark Solitario, OP  
Brother Marius Strom, TOR

#### *Our Parishioners in the Armed Services:*

Frank Cunniff    Clare Handy    Zack Hurley  
David Jarry    Joshua Keller    Zach Keller  
Thomas Laste

#### *Our sick and our homebound:*

Lena Lajoie    Karen Wilder    Jeremy Swanson

#### *Our Deacon-Candidates:*

Joseph Dion    Randy O'Neill    Jared Auclair

#### *Our beloved dead:*

Peter Frentwell    Irene Lane    Arlene O'Leary

## VOCATION BIRTHSTONE ROSARIES

This week, *Pat Grenier* will be praying the traveling rosary for our parish seminarians and permanent deacon candidates and *Bill Incera* for vocations to the religious life. Thank you to all who are part of this ongoing spiritual support for our men in formation for the priesthood and diaconate and for our religious in formation.

### CRAFTERS ARE BACK!

The Crafters will return to work on February 7<sup>th</sup>. Join us from 1:00-8:30 p.m. Come down for the day or for a little while – we're always happy to see you!

## ROYAL FAMILY KIDS CAMP

Royal Family Kids is looking for men and women willing to create life-changing moments for children of abuse and neglect. By volunteering to take a vacation that matters to kids in foster care (July 30-Aug. 4, 2017), you can share God's unconditional love to kids who need it most. A few of our parishioners have answered the call and say it is an amazing life-changing experience. For more information contact Tina Murguia at [tinamarie.murguia@gmail.com](mailto:tinamarie.murguia@gmail.com), David Wilder at [D.Wilder@f5.com](mailto:D.Wilder@f5.com), or visit [rfk.org](http://rfk.org).

## CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN AGAIN

Choir rehearsals for our 10:30 Mass take place on Wednesdays from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the church. Soprano, alto, tenor, and bass – we need you all! As we prepare for Lent, the Triduum, Easter, and Tenebrae, we are looking for people from high school through senior citizens who can commit to weekly rehearsals and Sunday mornings when the choir sings an anthem. For more information, please contact Larry Franchitto, Jerry Casavant, or Father Joe. Yes, it's a lot of work, and a big commitment, but we have a great time with music and fellowship! We can only accept new members until March 1<sup>st</sup>, so if you are thinking of joining us, please do so sooner rather than later.

## THE CHALICE AT MASS

The chalice will be suspended at all Masses until Holy Thursday during cold and flu season. Knowing that even low-gluten hosts cannot be tolerated for some, there will be a chalice available at Father Joe's station. Please indicate as you come forward in the Communion line that you must receive from the chalice. There will not be much in the chalice, so please receive from the chalice mindful that others may be behind you. Remember: the Eucharist is always complete whether we receive under one form or two.

## ON TODAY'S BULLETIN COVER

You'll easily recognize this grotto scene from our own church! And don't the flowers give you a bit of a desire for spring? It's coming...have no fear!

This week, we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on February 11<sup>th</sup>. In this apparition, which took place on February 11, 1858, Our Lady revealed herself to Bernadette Soubirous, a peasant girl. In the final apparition, Our Lady called herself the "Immaculate Conception."

## STEUBENVILLE EAST

The date is set! July 14-16, 2017 is the time for Steubenville East—an experience that you won't want to miss. Plan to join thousands of other young people (those who have graduated from eighth grade through those who have graduated from high school) for a life-changing three days.

Steubenville East will take place at the Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell and will feature great speakers and musicians, including Chris Mueller, Jon Niven, Father Jose Robles-Sanchez, Leah Darrow, Joel Stepanek, and Kelly Colangelo.

For those from our parish who have attended in the past, you know that this is a weekend that has been fun, informative, and uplifting. If you're a teen (or would like to be an adult chaperone) and want a spiritual boost, this is an opportunity for you. Interested in learning more? Please contact Father Joe at [frjoe@stkathryns.org](mailto:frjoe@stkathryns.org).

### LECTIO: PRAYER

In the last year, we've delved into two experiences of Lectio with Lectio: Eucharist and Lectio: Peter. This winter, we'll add yet another dimension to our experience of Lectio with Lectio: Prayer.

We'll be exposed in a new way to an ancient tradition in our Church known as "Lectio Divina," which is Latin for "Holy Reading." In this, we'll have an opportunity to read the Sacred Scriptures and discover what treasures they possess. In this six-week series, we'll cover the following topics:

- February 23 Prayer: An Intimate Dialogue
- March 2 Guigo's Ladder: A Way of Ascent
- March 9 Lectio and Meditatio: Climbing the First Rungs
- March 16 Oratio: Conversation with God
- March 23 Contemplatio: The Gaze of Love
- March 30 Resolutio: Putting Love into Action

Sessions will be held from 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon and again from 7:45-9:15 p.m. in Hall B. Pre-registration is helpful but not required.

### BABY BOTTLE BENEFIT

Don't forget that our Baby Bottle Benefit for CareNet is taking place right now! Take one of the baby bottles from the back of the church, fill it with your loose change, and return it to the church next weekend. You'd be surprised how our loose change can help so many women in difficult pregnancies!

## VIANNEY

We are proud to welcome Leonardo Defilippis to Saint Kathryn's on Saturday, March 11th, for a 7:00 p.m. performance of "Vianney"—a one-man show based on the life of Saint John Vianney, the Curé of Ars.

From their website, we are reminded: Leonardo Defilippis' one-man religious theater production, *Vianney*, opens amidst the chaos of the French Revolution. This period in French history mirrors the secularization, materialism, and anti-religious sentiment of our own day. Because of these parallels, *Vianney* is a powerful tool for the evangelization of our contemporary culture. Against this dramatic backdrop, a simple peasant priest enters Ars. This backwater town is a place where no one cares much about their faith. They don't expect much out of John Vianney either, but then the impossible begins to happen. Through John's example, love, and sacrifice, the townspeople begin to change.

This is a story of perseverance against all odds. It is the story of a humble pastor with a passion for souls. He'll do anything to save a sinner. Played with Leonardo's warmth, humor, and insight, Saint John Vianney is a man with whom audiences fall in love.

"It is my prayer that when people meet John Vianney, they will be transformed by his life, story and message," says Leonardo Defilippis. "I know that young men looking for a radical way of serving God will be drawn to the priesthood through his example." Over the last two decades, thousands of people have seen *Vianney*. Audiences have grown closer to Christ, and many young men have indeed discerned vocations to the religious life.

Our production incorporates an original musical score by composer Randall DeBruyn. With our state-of-the-art technology, we project a full cast of characters onto a screen, making the story come alive in a multimedia experience. Above all, Leonardo's portrayal brings audiences to tears, laughter, and a deep experience of the presence of God in our midst."

Tickets will be available for purchase beginning February 15<sup>th</sup> from the parish office at a cost of \$25.00/person for the first four rows and \$20.00/person for rows 5 and beyond (as well as seating on the Transept Chapel side). For families (parents and up to 4 children), there is a maximum \$50.00/family.

Don't wait to get your tickets! We are offering this throughout the diocese, and only a limited number of tickets can be sold!

**RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE NEWS**

In this technically savvy age we've all heard the comment "there's an App for that." We have a variation of that based on our expanded book selection at the store. If you have something you're curious about regarding the Catholic faith, "we've got a book for that."

Want to start a daily prayer routine? We've got a book for that!

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| The Magnificat                | Night Prayer        |
| Minute Meditations            | Best Loved Saints   |
| Day by Day with the Catechism |                     |
| The Imitation of Christ       | Every Day is a Gift |

Want to read a Catholic novel or biography? We've got a book for that!

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| The Kiss of Jesus | Ear of the Heart |
| Tobit's Dog       | Life Lessons     |

Want to better understand your Faith? We've got a book for that!

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| The Case for Jesus              | The Protestant's Dilemma       |
| Gospel Study Guides             | A Daily Defense                |
| Liturgy of the Hours            | Pillar of Fire Pillar of Truth |
| Navigating the Tiber            | A Daily Defense                |
| Pope Benedict - Marian Thoughts |                                |
| Scripture and Tradition         |                                |

Faith insights for your children? We've got a book for that!

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| Holy Eucharist                 | First Mass Book   |
| The Mass for Children          | First Prayer Book |
| The Our Father                 | The Hail Mary     |
| God Loves Us All               | Sunday Mass       |
| The Gate                       | Olivia's Gift     |
| Will Wilder series             |                   |
| Children's Lives of the Saints |                   |

Catholic Answers to current issues? We've got a book for that!

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| Eucharist                                 | End of Life Issues |
| Abortion                                  | The Bible          |
| Catholic Manual                           |                    |
| Catholic Guide to the Purpose Driven Life |                    |

And this is just a small selection of the reading material we have available at the Religious Goods Store!

**MINISTRY FAIR**

Join us this Sunday following the 10:30 a.m. Mass in Hall B for our Ministry Fair and be amazed at the number of volunteer opportunities that are available here at Saint Kathryn's. We are able to do and provide all that we do because of our volunteers. If you're not among those volunteers, today is your chance to become involved!

Joining a ministry not only enriches your own life with fun and friendship, but also enhances the lives of those reached by your charitable works. Remember, Lent is also right around the corner; might God be calling you to serve in a new way? A member of each ministry –from Intercessors to Youth Group to the food pantry to choir– will be available to give you information, answer your questions and even sign you up if you are interested. For a quick glance of some of the ministries that will be represented, go to <https://www.stkathryns.org/a-z-list-of-all-ministries>

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY!**

The Boy Scouts, Troop 252 will sponsor the annual Pancake Breakfast today. If you've ever joined us for this breakfast, you know the food is great and plentiful, and the Boy Scouts are always willing to be of help.

There is no charge for the breakfast, but a free will offering is always gratefully accepted. Why not join us for our first "Cakers and Shakers" Event?

**COLLETTE TOURS**

We still have some open spaces for our trip to Switzerland, Austria, and Bavaria for September, 2017. If you're interested in joining us, please sign up as soon as possible. If we have fewer than 35 people, we will open participation up to other parishes. We have a few "singles" who are waiting for other "singles" with whom they can share a room. Are you among those who are weighing the options? We don't have much time left at the reduced price, so plan to sign up today!

For more information, contact Father Joe at 603.882.7793 or [frjoe@stkathryns.org](mailto:frjoe@stkathryns.org).

**WINTER CANCELLATIONS**

When there is bad weather, please tune into WMUR for any cancellations of religious education classes, adult faith formation classes, and meetings. Also, if school is cancelled the parish offices will be closed for the day. If adoration is scheduled for a day when schools are closed, adoration will also be cancelled. Again, Masses are always celebrated as scheduled. Also check our Facebook page (Saint Kathryn's Church) and our website.

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**PARISH OFFICE**

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m. Closed Friday/Weekends

**PARISH RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE (WINTER HOURS)**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m. Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m.  
Daily Mass: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Tuesday, Thursday: 6:30-6:50 p.m.; Saturday: 9:15-10:00 a.m. and 3:00-3:45 p.m. Also by appointment.

**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](http://www.catholicnh.org).

**OPEN FOR YOU!**

The main door of the Church is open daily from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; the Emmaus Chapel, in the office building, is open 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily.

**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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**ST. KATHRYN PARISH  
HUDSON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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**February 5, 2017 – Week 11**