

# Saint Kathryn Parish



*Saint Peter, pray for us.*

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As you go through the bulletin today, you'll notice a lot of activities and events that are important in our parish and in the larger community. There are two additional ones that I think are important to highlight for you – and so they are appearing in my letter rather than in the bulletin proper.

The first is a presentation sponsored by New Hampshire Catholic Charities entitled, "Families Coping with the Opioid Crisis." It's no secret that Hudson and the surrounding areas are being seriously impacted by this growing problem. It's also a concern that is hurting many of our families – not only "out there," but in our homes as well. The presenting team will discuss addiction and the brain, enabling behavior, setting boundaries, and communicating with a loved one struggling with addiction. Many of our newly married or engaged couples will recognize the name Susan McKeown from the Engaged Couples' Seminar. Susan is one of the presenters along with Lynn Fuller. The presentation will take place on Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Merrimack. Even if this problem has not affected your family, it is affecting someone you know. Understanding the problem is a first step toward eliminating it. For more information, please contact Father John Mahoney at 603.669.3030, ext. 233.

The second event is geared toward the men of the parish. This, of course, is the annual gathering of the men of the diocese for the feast of Saint Joseph. The Mass and breakfast will take place at Saint Joseph Cathedral in Manchester on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-10:00 a.m. This day has proven to be a great blessing to many men in our parish and throughout our diocese. To register, please go to [mensbreakfast2017.eventbrite.com](http://mensbreakfast2017.eventbrite.com). Seating for the breakfast is limited to the first 250 registrants, so if you are so inclined, you'll want to sign up today! The cost is \$10.00/person. For more information, please contact Bill Donroe at 603.432.6066.

Now for the information about Saint Kathryn's....

It seems that we've been able to weather some storms of late. You know the story – when it rains, it pours. Perhaps after these last couple of weeks we should say when it snows, it blizzards! But isn't that what we expect in New England? I know that I took full advantage of the snow day a week ago Thursday. After celebrating an early morning private Mass, the rest of the day was given over to taking care of some things in the rectory, letting Father Michael put together a delicious beef stew, and doing the normal things that have to be done in a house. And that left the evening to enjoying one another's company, letting the dogs have a good time in the snow (yes, Aidan was buried up to his neck – and loved it!), and watching a classic movie. It was a nice reprieve after having to investigate the purchase of a new refrigerator for the parish hall. Hopefully now that we've purchased a new (not refurbished) one, this will last for a long, long time. We've also had some other challenges with repairs and maintenance, so little by little, we're chipping away at them so when we arrive at spring, the indoor challenges will have been corrected. That's the goal.....

During this next week, I'm happy to let you know that we will welcome Father James Taggart, OMI among us for the Masses on Tuesday through Friday, and Father Damian Umeokeke will celebrate the Saturday and Sunday Masses and confessions while I'm on retreat at Saint Joseph's Abbey in Spencer. I can't even begin to tell you how grateful I am that these priests will cover the parish in my absence, and I'm especially grateful for the opportunity to be on retreat doing my own "spiritual renewal" in preparation for our Lectio: Prayer series. While I always look forward to retreat (especially before Lent), this one is with great anticipation! Be assured of my prayers for each of you during these days. Please whisper a prayer for me too!

I'll look forward to seeing you either during the week of February 27<sup>th</sup>, on Ash Wednesday (March 1<sup>st</sup>), or on the First Sunday of Lent – revived, recharged, and hopefully, renewed in Christ!

Until next week...God bless!

*Father Joe*



**Saturday, February 18 Vigil (Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

4:00PM – +Rene Fortier, by Lauraine and Leo Hudon

**Sunday, February 19 (Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

8:30AM – +Richard Crandall, by Bob Bergin

10:30AM – For the People of the Parish

6:30PM – +Phyllis McCarthy, by her husband

**Monday, February 20 (Weekday)**

8:30AM – +Christine McNamara, by Chris Haigis

**Tuesday, February 21 (Saint Peter Damian)**

7:00PM – +Betty Jane Bomengen, by Saint Kathryn Staff

**Wednesday, February 22 (The Chair of Saint Peter)**

8:30AM – +Rob Downey, by Eldith and Don

**Thursday, February 23 (Saint Polycarp)**

7:00PM – +Manetta Bohnert (23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary), by her son and daughter-in-law

**Friday, February 24 (Weekday)**

8:30AM – +Janice Turmel, by her family

**Saturday, February 25 (Weekday)**

8:30AM – +Deceased Members of the Society of Mary, by Rose DiMare

**Vigil (Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

4:00PM – +Evelyn and Jim Kilcoyne, by Karen and Jim Kilcoyne

**Sunday, February 26 (Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

8:30AM – +Father K, by Chris Haigis

10:30AM – For the People of the Parish

6:30PM – +Samuel Trombley, by the Marriage Celebration Committee

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**SAINT PATRICK'S DINNER**

Our annual Saint Patrick's Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner, sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 5162 will take place on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> in the parish hall. Tickets will be available for purchase at the doors of the church or in the parish office beginning this weekend. Join us for a wonderful meal, great fellowship, Irish music and step dancers. We always sell out, so if you're planning to come, get your tickets early! You know it's a great night of food, community, and the best craic in town!

**Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**

Coffee and Donuts/Hall A/Youth Group (9:30A)

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

Baptism/Church (12:00N)

Religious Education, Grade 10/Hall B (4:15-6:00P)

Religious Education, Grades 7-9/RMs 1, 2, 3, 6 (4:30-6:00P)

Youth Group Meeting/Hall A (7:30-9:00P)

**Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**

Parish Office and Store Closed for Presidents' Day

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

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

Intercessors' Holy Hour/Chapel (7:00P)

Tithing Meeting/Parish Office (7:00P)

**Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>**

Staff Meeting/Office (8:30A)

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 Team Meeting/RM 1 (7:30P)

**Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

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

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

**Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**

Eagle Scout Court of Honor/Hall (12:00N-9:00P)

**Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**

Coffee and Donuts/Hall A/Jennifer LeClair (9:30A)

No Religious Education Classes – School Vacation

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**OLD CELL PHONES AND TABLETS**



Did you know that there is a container in the parish office for old, unused cell phones and tablets? You can drop them off right inside the door of the office from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. The company will come, retrieve the items, and take them off your hands at no cost!

**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

**VOCATION BIRTHSTONE ROSARIES**

This week, *Joe and Evelyn Anziano* will be praying the traveling rosary for our parish seminarians and permanent deacon candidates and *Betty Gautieri* 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.

**CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN AGAIN**

Choir rehearsals for our 10:30 Mass, Triduum and Easter take place on Wednesdays from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the church. All voice parts are needed! For more information, please contact Larry Franchitto, Jerry Casavant, or Father Joe. We can only accept new members until March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**OFFICES CLOSED**

The parish offices will be closed on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Presidents' Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 8:00 a.m.

**INTERCESSORS' HOLY HOUR**

The bi-monthly Intercessors' Holy Hour will take place on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Transept Chapel. Join with our intercessors in praying for the needs entrusted to their care as well as gathering before our Eucharistic Lord to place these intentions before Him. At this time, the prayer shawls are also prepared for distribution among our sick and homebound parishioners. Join us—7:00 p.m. in the Transept Chapel!

**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).

**LENT, 2017**

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> as a day of fasting and abstinence. The full Lenten guidelines will appear in the bulletin as Lent gets closer. However, there will be a full liturgical schedule with Masses daily at 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions each Sunday at 3:00 p.m.; Lenten Vespers each Sunday at 4:00 p.m.; Confessions daily after the morning Mass and before the evening Mass; Stations of the Cross on Fridays after the morning Mass and after the evening Mass (except on First Friday); and the adult faith formation series, Lectio: Prayer. We'll be looking for volunteers to help us as lectors and servers for the additional Masses as well as for additional ministers for the Triduum. And don't forget — our Lenten almsgiving!



**VIANNEY**

We are proud to welcome Leonardo

Defilippis to Saint Kathryn's on Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 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.

Tickets are now available for purchase from the parish office at a cost of \$25.00/person for the first four rows (96 seats) 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 under the age of 16), there is a maximum \$50.00/family.

Don't wait to get your tickets! We are offering this to our parishioners and benefactors first until February 28. On March 1<sup>st</sup>, tickets will be available for people throughout the diocese. Our church has an occupancy limit of 536 people, and we expect to sell out.

## FORMED

As we prepare for our next Lectio series, Prayer, you'll want to be able to sign in to Formed for a review of the videos. While you can get a lot from watching the videos alone, we also encourage you to participate in the sessions of Lectio: Prayer for the discussion and questions. How do I sign up? Type <https://formed.org> into your internet browser; go to "Register: Sign up free using your parish code, and type in 748649. Feel free to 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 note that there will be a change in the schedule for Lectio: Prayer. We will not be able to begin on February 23 because

Father Joe will be on retreat doing guess what? A study in Lectio Divina! Please make note of this in your calendars.

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:

March 2	Prayer: An Intimate Dialogue
March 9	Guigo's Ladder: A Way of Ascent
March 16	Lectio and Meditatio: Climbing the First Rungs
March 23	Oratio: Conversation with God
March 30	Contemplatio: The Gaze of Love
April 6	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. All bottles should be returned by February 28<sup>th</sup>.

## 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 José 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).

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUBSIDY

Thank you for your generosity to our recent Catholic Schools Collection. For those who have children in Catholic schools who will enter grades kindergarten through 8 in September, 2017, a subsidy is available to those families who:

- Are registered, practicing members of Saint Kathryn parish;
- Are contributing members to the parish;
- Are active in the parish, e.g., participating in one or more of our parish activities.

Forms are available in the parish office ONLY, and must be completed by the parents/guardians and returned for signature by Father Joe. Forms are due back *no later than March 1, 2017*.

## YOUTH GROUP

Saint Kathryn's Youth Group will meet this evening Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, following the 6:30 p.m. Mass in the parish hall. With all the busy-ness that our young people experience in life, a little time for them to enjoy being youth with other youth is a pleasure they would enjoy. Drop in and experience for yourself all of the good things the group is doing. Tonight we'll challenge each other in fun Wii video game competitions and some good old-fashioned board games. Feel free to bring friends and some ideas on what you would like to do in future meetings/events. For more information about our youth group please contact Margaret St. Onge ([dmsaintonge@comcast.net](mailto:dmsaintonge@comcast.net)).

## RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE NEWS

Just an update and reminder for anyone who has a family member or a family friend who might be a part of the Confirmation or 1<sup>st</sup> Communion classes taking place here at Saint Kathryn's or at a surrounding parish, that we have a fine selection of gifts and mementos for the occasion.

If you are looking for a Confirmation gift, we have a wide choice of namesake Saints medals that come with a prayer and information card about the Saint. These are an excellent gift, a great value, and an excellent way to let the candidate know that you are thinking of them and that you are part of gifting them something that recognizes how important this day is in their faith formation. We have medals, keychains, bracelets, and a varied selection of books for the candidates as well.

For 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, we have a wonderful selection of keepsakes. There are rosaries, commemorative books, Bibles, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion cards, wrapping paper, and some very nice jewelry selections.

Don't forget that we also offer a one-time only 20% discount on your purchases if you sign up for our mailing list!

You can help to reinforce that this is a milestone in their journey in the Catholic faith for the candidates.

## CRAFTERS ARE BACK!

The Crafters group has reconvened and is looking for new members. Are you a "crafty" kind of person? Would you like to be, but don't think you have what it takes? Our crafters are among the best teachers. They can even teach Father Joe how to put things together, so plan to join us from 1:00-8:30 p.m. Come down for the day or for a little while.

## 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).

## GREETERS NEEDED!

Do you often (or always) attend the 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass? If so, we could certainly use your help! We are looking for a person or two to welcome folks to our Saturday evening Vigil Mass and to distribute bulletins, arrange for people to take up the collection, and bring forward the gifts—usually once a month. The greeters also straighten up the church after everyone has left, ensuring that nothing is left in the pews and that the hymnals are all upright. The greeters are also the "go to" people for those who may not know where the restrooms are as well as in the event of a medical emergency during Mass.

While we're looking for someone specifically for the 4:00 p.m. Mass, we're open to anyone who may be interested in this ministry for any of the weekend Masses.

If you are interested, please contact Nancy Phaneuf at [NAPhaneuf182@hotmail.com](mailto:NAPhaneuf182@hotmail.com). Your help is greatly appreciated!

## WINTER CANCELLATIONS

We're back at that time of year when anything can happen with regard to the weather. While Masses will always be celebrated, they may not be as scheduled. We want to encourage you to use prudence when coming out in inclement weather. As much as we try to make sure that the parking lots are cleared, we do need some time to do the job. Unless we are caught completely off guard on a Sunday, you can pretty much plan that the lots and sidewalks will be clear, but weekdays may be another story.

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.

You should also check our Facebook page (Saint Kathryn's Church) and our website ([www.stkathryns.org](http://www.stkathryns.org)) for updates.

Thank you for your understanding. We want everyone to be safe during these winter months. (Remember—Sunday Mass is still required. Don't take that one too lightly!)

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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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**February 19, 2017 – Week 13**