

Saint Kathryn Parish



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We talk a lot these days about “visions.” We have a vision of what we would like our children to grow up to be; a vision of the perfect wedding; a vision of the dream job. Then, of course, we have vision statements – those brief sentences that can sum up and give a framework for our life, our purpose, our identity. Even in the Church we have visions and vision statements. In the secular world they can be directed one way: toward greater financial security, a perfect family home life, the house with the white picket fence. But in the Church, these visions take on a very different form and a different end. For us in the Church, there is but one vision – perfect union with God. The rest becomes the map for how we work together to get there.

There’s a whole lot of visioning go on right now. We’re trying to envision how to best celebrate our Jubilee Year in 2018 – how we can not only “grow” our parish, but also how we can grow in our care and concern for one another. We’re looking at religious, social, evangelistic, and outreach opportunities that will map out our future. And while we would like to pretend that once we set the direction it is set, the fact is that as people come and go, as different visions arise, that direction will change as the participants do. Our vision will differ significantly from other communities because each community has its own personality, but the goal for every Catholic community should be the same, namely, Jesus Christ, yesterday, today, and forever.

Every week, I look at our parish family from the altar. I’m seeing how much we’ve changed through the years with an increasing number of people of cultures different from mine and the gifts that they bring with them. Many times I find myself smiling because they tell me as they leave our church, “Father, we’re looking at different communities, and we really like this one.” And then they return in a couple of weeks, and then the next week, and then they are part of our family. Do you want to hear something that’s even more wonderful than that? After they’ve settled in and become a part of the family, I’m introduced to their parents or siblings or friends from the neighborhood who have also been looking around. And then they return in a couple of weeks, and then the next week, and then they’re part of us too. It’s an absolute delight to witness this – not just on occasion, but nearly as a weekly event.

But herein lies a problem. While it’s wonderful to welcome new parishioners, it’s been the “Saint Kathryn charism” for us to be engaged in the life of our community. For years – probably since before the building of the present church – our parishioners have come to know one another, to become friends with one another and to socialize together, to roll up their sleeves and volunteer together. That’s a part of our parish charism that we cannot lose.

So here’s a fun announcement. As a part of our upcoming celebrations, we’re going to begin hosting “New Parishioner Nights.” Why? So our new parishioners don’t just see us at prayer, but also to share all of the wonderful events and opportunities we have here at Saint Kathryn’s. It is a chance to meet some of our staff members, pastoral and finance council members, tithing committee members, and ask questions, learn more about the “inner workings” of the parish, and see how diverse our ministries at Saint Kathryn’s really are.

And then comes the next part. Once our new parishioners see us and hear from us, we’re hoping that they will *really* become a part of us in liturgical ministry, in our social events, our outreach ministries, our care for one another and for the poor. The “who” of this will include anyone who has registered in our parish over the last two years. The “how” of it will be monthly gatherings over the next year at which we’ll expect to see every newly registered individual or family at one meeting during the course of the year. What we’ve learned is that it’s easy to “get lost” among the numbers in the congregation, and that’s not family. What we’re hoping for is the engagement of everyone who says they are part of the Saint Kathryn Family to really be a part – whether in a quiet way or grandiose. For us to be who we say we are, it’s all of us together – in prayer and in action. I’m looking forward to meeting with our families over the next year to make our already wonderful community even more wonderful for the future!

Until next week...God bless!

Father Joe



Saturday, September 30 Vigil (Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00PM – +Dennis Matte, *by Dolly Sigman*

Sunday, October 1 (Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM – +Walter Berthiaume, *by his Family*

10:30AM – For the People of the Parish

6:30PM – +Russell Saucier, *by Denny and Bob Maffia*

Monday, October 2 (The Holy Guardian Angels)

8:30AM – Memorial Enrollments

Tuesday, October 3 (Weekday)

7:00PM – +All Souls

Wednesday, October 4 (Saint Francis of Assisi)

8:30AM – +Mark Turmel, *by his Family*

Thursday, October 5 (Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos)

7:00PM – +John and Patty Murphy, *by the people of the parish*

Friday, October 6 (Saint Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher)

8:30AM – +Grace Connolly, *by the people of the parish*

7:00PM – +Lucille Hebert and William Souza, *by their daughter*

Saturday, October 7 (Our Lady of the Rosary)

8:30AM – +Alfredo C. Incera, *by his son, Bill*

Vigil (Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00PM – +Ron Palaski, *by his wife, Elaine*

Sunday, October 8 (Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM – +Patricia Gorton-Louf, *by Dan and Denise Freeman*

10:30AM – For the People of the Parish

6:30PM – +John Bean, *by the Joy Family*

OPERATION STORM HEAVEN

We continue today with the recitation of the Rosary in collaboration with "Operation Storm Heaven." For those who would like to recite the Rosary in community, we will pray the Rosary in the church at 9:45 a.m. for the intentions of the Church, that the Lord will guide the Holy Father, all bishops, and all clergy to be holy in all things, faithful shepherds, beacons of Truth, and defenders of Good.

For more information, see: http://www.catholicaction.org/take_heaven_by_storm.

Sunday, October 1st

Rosary/Church (9:45A)

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

Diaconal Mass of Thanksgiving and Reception/Church and Hall (10:30A)

Baptismal Catechesis/RM 2 (12:15P)

Religious Ed Grades 7-10/RMs 1-3 and Hall (4:30-6:00P)

C.Y.O. Basketball Deanery Meeting/RM 1 (7:00P)

Monday, October 2nd

Daughters of Eve/RM 1 (7:00-9:00P)

Tuesday, October 3rd

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

Cub Scouts/RMs 5-6 (6:30-7:30P)

Wednesday, October 4th

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

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

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

Schola Rehearsal/Church (9:00-9:30P)

Thursday, October 5th

Lectio: Evangelization/Hall B (10:30A-12:00N and 7:45-9:15P)

Friday, October 6th

First Friday Masses/Transept Chapel (8:30A and 7:00P)

Homeschool Group/Hall and RMs 2, 3, 4, 6 (9:30-11:00A)

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Transept Chapel (7:30P-Midnight)

Sunday, October 8th

Religious Ed Group 1/Hall RMs 1-6(10:00A-12:00N)

Blessing of Animals/Plaza (4:00P)

CHURCH CLEANING THIS WEEK

The parish hall, kitchen, and hallways will be washed and waxed on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of this week. Thank you for your understanding. This biannual cleaning helps to keep our facilities in good shape and presentable.

VOCATION ROSARY



This week, *Betty Gautieri* will be praying the traveling rosary. 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.

To take part in this prayer campaign, please contact Deacon Ray at 603.882.7793, ext. 204.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Our men and women in formation for religious life:

Elena Ainley

Sister Faustina Kolbe Burda, DMN

Sister Roxane Day Sister Diane Dube, p.m.

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 Deacon-Candidate (Archdiocese of Boston):

Jared Auclair

Our Newly Ordained Deacons

Deacon Joseph Dion

Deacon Randy O'Neill

VIANNEY RETURNS!



Leonardo Defilippis and Saint Luke Productions will return to Saint Kathryn's for a performance of

Vianney at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 30, 2017. This acclaimed production of the life of Saint John Vianney is one that you will not want to miss!

Tickets are now available from the office. Some tickets will also be available at the door. Tickets are \$20.00/person or \$50.00/family of four. (The performance is intended for ages 9 and up.)

Mark your calendars now! This memorable performance is one that you will not want to miss especially during our Jubilee preparation and in celebration of the priests who have served our parish and who have come from our community.

DIVINE MERCY SHRINE

Healing help for Keith Boucher
by his Wife and Family

REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO US

Offertory: \$ 7,200.04

Online Giving: \$ 2,572.00

Total: \$ 9,772.04

Priest Retirement: \$ 2,219.00

Did you know that the number of our parishioners who are contributing online is significantly more (percentage-wise) than many other parishes? Your contributions, no matter how they come, are always very much appreciated as we continue to do the Lord's work in this corner of His vineyard.

SOCCER CHALLENGE

The Knights of Columbus, Council 5162 is sponsoring a Soccer Challenge on Saturday, October 7th from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Alvirne High School. This is a shooting skills competition where the soccer goal is divided into five scoring zones with a point value for each section. The participant is given 10 penalty kicks and then his or her total points will be awarded.

PARISH RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE

Everyone who has visited the store or the website has probably seen the handmade rosaries crafted by one of our parishioners for us to sell at the store. These have been one of our "best sellers" because they are handmade, come in many styles for both men and women, and they are available to custom



order in the colors and sizes of your choice. We usually try to have two sets in stock at all times, but will be stocking more based on the consistent positive response we have received. Their quality and beauty are beyond compare, and knowing that they are made by one of our parishioners is even more wonderful.

We have heard from other designers and "industry" people who have been involved with jewelry that the quality and craftsmanship of these rosaries is nothing less than first class.

In addition to the rosaries, the designer has also crafted a handmade wooden rosary holder. We will be displaying these in the store. While we do offer statues for the same purpose, these newer ones really need to be seen to appreciate how unique they are. Please stop in or visit us online to see this new, locally made gift item.

BAZAAR, 2017

We're getting ready for an even bigger, better parish bazaar and penny sale this year. The amazing thing about our annual bazaar is that every leader has developed what their predecessor began and so each year something new is present while maintaining the best of what we have had in the past. The Crafters, bakers, religious goods table, raffles, and penny sale gifts all seem to get better every year. And just when we think we've "seen it all," something new and wonderful appears! That's the way it is with our Saint Kathryn parishioners!

So now that we're six weeks out, start thinking about how *you* can participate in this year's festivities. Make sure you get your raffle tickets sold early and the proceeds back to us as soon as you can. Bring in your Penny Sale gift early, and we'll be able to give folks a sneak peek at what's coming. Think about what delectable you might create for this year, and, of course, brace yourself for some incredible food coming from our kitchen directed by Chef Jason Seavey.

Raffle tickets can be found on the windowsills in the vestibule. Sell those raffle tickets and get the proceeds back to the office as soon as possible and minimize the weekly reminder to sell those tickets!

The Christmas Bazaar and Penny Sale will take place on November 11-12. Make sure to tell your friends and family!

DAUGHTERS OF EVE/ WOMEN'S MINISTRY



*Women's
Ministry*
CONNECTING AND ENRICHING
WOMEN IN FAITH

The Daughters of Eve is a new initiative in our parish for women who want to strive to become like Mary with the encouragement and support of other women.

Why a women's ministry?

- Create a fellowship for ALL women of the parish;
- A place to share how the Lord has been with you through joys and hardship;
- Support each other in our journey;
- Help each other mature in our faith and love for the Lord.

If this sounds interesting to you, please attend our first meeting on Monday, October 2nd at 7:00 p.m. in Room 1.

For more information, please contact Karen Wilder at kd3w@comcast.net.

FIRST FRIDAY AND NOCTURNAL ADORATION

This Friday is the first Friday of October. The Sacred Heart of Jesus promised Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque that those who observe the "novena" of First Fridays will experience great graces and spiritual benefits, including the grace of final repentance, the grace of the sacraments, and the comfort of the Sacred Heart in their last hours. If you haven't participated in the devotion of the Sacred Heart, perhaps this will be the month you will begin. (Of course, this is not a "get out of jail free card." It is the beginning of a life of greater conversion and grace.)

This will also be the first month that adoration will conclude at midnight. Please join us for some time of adoration between 7:30 p.m. and midnight on October 6th. Adoration will conclude at midnight.

Thank you for your understanding.

ITALIAN NIGHT DINNER

Mangia! Mangia!

Council 5162 of the Knights of Columbus will host the annual "Italian Night Supper" on Saturday, October 21st, from 5:30-8:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Tickets will be available in the back of the church as well as through the parish office beginning this weekend.

Tickets are \$12.50 for adults and \$6.00 for children 12 and under.

Join us for pasta, polpette (meatballs), sausage, salad, bread and butter (unless we can find *really good* olive oil), and desserts.

Don't miss the chance to have a wonderful meal at a good price with the best company in town!

Grazie!

100 YEARS OF FATIMA

During our Jubilee Week this month, we will present the movie "The 13th Day" in our parish hall. See on the almost-big-screen the story of the apparitions of Our Lady to three children at Fatima in 1917. Witness the secrets given by Our Lady to the children; be drawn into the Miracle of the Sun; come to understand the importance of the message of Fatima as we hear the predictions of the coming and timing of the Second World War, of the spread of communism, and the assassination of the Pope.

Join us on Monday, October 9th (yes, it is Columbus Day) at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

The annual blessing of Animals for Saint Francis Day will take place on Sunday, October 8th, at 4:00 p.m. in the circle in front of the church. This annual blessing, a favorite for pet lovers, asks the intercession of Saint Francis for our pets and the blessing of God upon them for health and in thanksgiving for the joy they give. In case of inclement weather, the blessing will take place near the baptismal font in the church.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION SERIES

Our fall adult faith formation series is based on the Acts of the Apostles, with Dr. Mary Healy as the instructor. Using the Lectio: Evangelization series from Augustine Institute, we will delve into the evangelization efforts found in the early Church.

October 5	Clothed with Power
October 12	Proclaiming the Kerygma
October 19	Signs and Wonders
October 26	How Jesus Makes an Evangelist
November 2*	Sacraments and the Spirit
November 16	Leadership in the Church
November 30	Charisms in the Spirit
December 7*	Joy in Persecution
December 14	The Belly of the Beast

Sessions will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and again from 7:30-9:00 p.m. with identical presentations. (Please note that on November 2 and December 7, sessions will run from 8:00-9:30 p.m.)

Don't miss this wonderful series and the opportunity to become more comfortable with *your* role as an evangelizer!

Remember that faith formation is ongoing! We can never say that we have learned everything there is to know about our faith—even the greatest scholars and doctors of the Church would not presume to say that! Why not commit yourself to one or both of these series as we continue to grow in our knowledge and love of the Lord, of the Catholic faith, and of our Church?

MEN'S ANNUAL SHILOH RETREAT

The Men's Annual Shiloh Retreat will take place at the Shiloh Retreat Center in Jefferson, NH from October 13-15. Registration forms are available in the church narthex and are due no later than October 2.

Plan to join with your brother parishioners for this wonderful retreat experience under the director of Deacon John Castelot. The theme for this year is "Daring God."

TRUNK OR TREAT RETURNS!

Children of the parish are invited to come to Mass and/or religious education classes on Sunday, October 29th, dressed as saints as we anticipate the Solemnity of All Saints. Following the 10:30 a.m. Mass, children and parents may proceed to the parking lot behind the church where several "saints" will be stationed at their 21st century vehicles offering sweet treats and holy cards!

Costumes do not have to be elaborate or expensive; try a brown bathrobe and some stuffed animals for Saint Francis; or, an armor chest-plate from the Dollar Tree for Joan of Arc or Saint Michael the Archangel. Have a princess costume? A Google search for "princess saints" turns up dozens of canonized saints. Be creative! When planning the costume, take the opportunity to pray with your child and help him or her get to know the saint at www.catholic.org/saints or with a book from the parish library or store. In anticipation of the holy day, Halloween may play out the battle of good and evil; All Saints Day reminds us God has won. Join us for All Saints' Trunk or Treat and celebrate the heroes of our faith made perfect in Christ Jesus!

Are you an adult who may wish to be part of Trunk or Treat? Then you'll want to contact Charlene Maniotis at charlene.maniotis@stkathryns.org or 603.882.7793, ext. 201. We are in need of adults willing to open their trunks for this fun event to take place. Are you a 9th and 10th grader who would like to be among our extra-special saints? If so, plan to call Mrs. Maniotis (or email her) to let her know which saint you'd like to be and make the commitment to this fun hour. Why not have a little bit of fun for our younger parishioners and teach them a little bit about "your saint"?

FAITH FACTS

We're getting closer and closer to a change of color—not only of the leaves, but also in the color of our vestments.

Did you know there are only a few liturgical colors? We have green, white, gold, black, red, violet, royal purple, and rose. We use green for Ordinary Time; violet for Advent; royal purple for Lent; red for the feasts of the Holy Spirit, the Passion of Christ, or the martyrs; black for All Souls Day; white for Our Lady, the saints, and during Christmastide and Eastertide; and gold for the major feasts like Easter, Christmas, Christ the King, and Epiphany.

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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

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.

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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