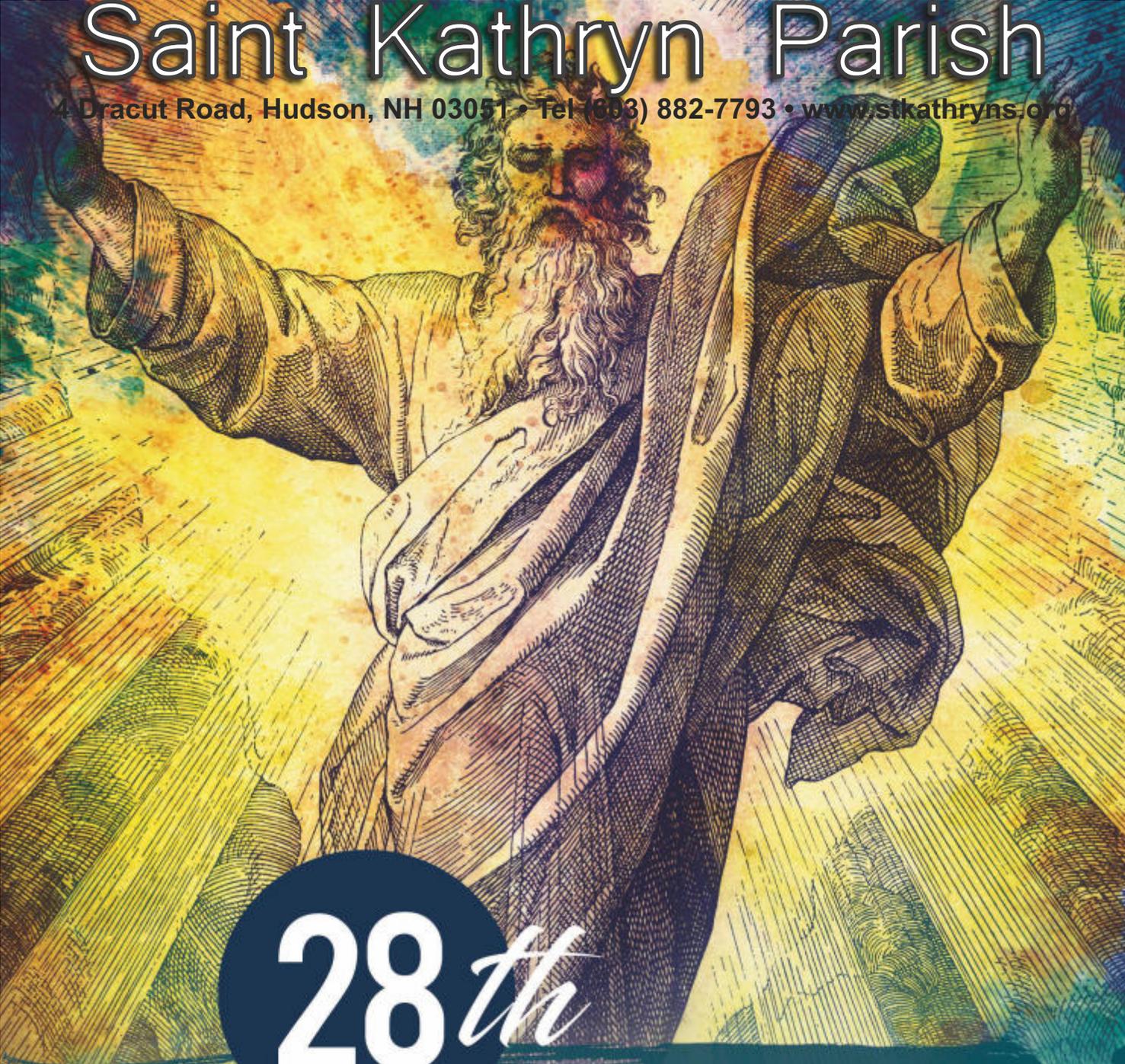


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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:27

10 October 2021

God Alone!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The thirty-three day period of preparation for making one's consecration to Mary as proposed by St. Louis de Montfort is divided into four periods. The first is an introductory period of twelve days which is followed by three additional weeks, each devoted to a specific theme. The introductory period of twelve days focuses on the theme of renouncing the spirit of the world which stands in opposition to the Spirit of Jesus.



"The spirit of the world consists essentially in the denial of the supreme dominion of God, a denial which is manifested in practice by sin and disobedience; thus, it is principally opposed to the spirit of Christ, which is also that of Mary."

Whenever we do something important in life, there is usually a period of preparation in which we take the time to make a self-assessment. That is what this period of twelve days is meant to focus upon. It helps us to look at our hearts and discern with greater focus and prayer those areas that oppose the reign of Jesus in our lives. It's not that we are going to become perfect in twelve days. Far from it. However, with the help of the Holy Spirit we are going to identify those areas to which Jesus is calling us to die so that we might live more fully for Him through His holy Mother. The Spirit of Jesus and thus, the Spirit of Mary was always a spirit of obedience to the Father's will. In seeking to divest ourselves of the spirit of the world more fully, we are in turn seeking to be more conformed to the Will of God. It is what Jesus says in the Gospel, *"No one can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon"* (Matt. 6:24). Another way to think of this preliminary period of the preparation is going about the work of resetting the compass of our souls. A mechanical compass can lose its ability to point to the true North Pole or the earth's magnetic North Pole because of local disturbances in the earth's magnetic field which is not uniform. In order to fix this, a compass needs to be re-calibrated. The same with the compass of our soul. It can lose its ability to point to

true North; in other words, it can lose its focus on God, when it is focused on the spirit of the world. Thus, we need to be re-calibrated. We need to retrain our spiritual focus back to our true north, which is God and His Kingdom. This is why our Lady is so central to our lives because the compass of her soul was perfectly preserved by God's grace and was not dis-oriented by the spirit of the world. Mary's heart and soul was always focused on God and thus she served as that perfect guide which pointed all peoples to her Son. As Mary told the servants at the wedding of Cana, *"Do whatever He tells you"* (John 2:5).

Speaking of resetting one's compass, I will be making my annual priesthood retreat this week. I always look forward to spending this week with the Lord. It will be the first time since the pandemic that I will be able to get away for retreat, since during the lockdowns, many retreat places were not open. As I spend this week in prayer, know that I will carry you with me in my thoughts and prayers, and I would ask that you would remember me to our Lady in a special way as well.

In Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Michael

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Vigil (The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00PM—+Wayne B. Adams, by John, Ginny, and Cecile Adams

Sunday, October 10 (The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM—+Kathryn Adams, by the DiPietro Family
10:30AM—For the People of the Parish
6:30PM—+Albert Cartier, by Peg and Dick Pietrowski

Monday, October 11 (Saint John XXIII)

8:30AM—+Bob Tacheny, by Rosa

Wednesday, October 13 (Weekday)

8:30AM—+All Souls

Thursday, October 14 (Saint Callistus)

6:30PM—+Suzanne Madden, by her husband, Tom Madden

Friday, October 15 (Saint Teresa of Jesus)

8:30AM—+Jim Moran, by the Joy Family

Saturday, October 16 (Saint Hedwig; Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque)

8:30AM—+Henry Dussault, by his wife, Jean, and family

Vigil (The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

4:00PM—+Phillip McKinnon (1st Anniversary), by Linda McKinnon

Sunday, October 17 (The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

8:30AM—+Mary Gleason, by her husband, Ed
10:30AM—For the People of the Parish
6:30PM—+Phillip McKinnon, in loving memory by Linda McKinnon

SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS 2022! Our next Vacation Bible School will take place on July 18th, 20th, and 22nd from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Plan now to sign up the kids and/or volunteer!



THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

Monday, October 11th

Parish Office and Store Closed for Columbus Day

Tuesday, October 12th

Cub Scouts/Parish Hall (6:00-7:00P)
Boy Scouts/Parish Hall (7:00-8:00P)

Wednesday, October 13th

Adoration/Church (5:30-8:15A and 9:00A-6:30P)
Staff Prayer/Emmaus Chapel (9:45-10:30A)
Vespers and Benediction/Church (6:30P)
Daughters of Eve/RM 1 (7:00-8:00P)
Illuminated Manuscripts Class/Parish Hall (7:00-8:00P)
K of C 4th Degree Honor Guard/RM 2 (7:00-8:00P)
Choir Rehearsal/Church (7:15-8:30P)

Thursday, October 14th

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

Saturday, October 16th

Rosary/Church (8:00A)
Sacrament of Reconciliation/Church (9:15-10:00A and 3:00-3:45P)
Coming Home to Catholicism/RM 1 (10:00A-2:00P)
K of C Italian Dinner Night/Parish Hall (5:30P)

Sunday, October 17th

Religious Education, Group 1/Parish Hall and RMs 1-6 (10:00A-noon)

SANCTUARY LAMPS

+Phillip McKinnon
In loving memory by Linda McKinnon

REFLECTING GOD'S GENEROSITY TO US

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Rows include Offertory 10/2-10/3, In Church, Online, Mail, and Total.

Our weekly parish budget is \$11,500.00.

Thank you for giving, whether online (sign up for automatic giving at stkathryns.org/donate), in the offertory basket, or mailed to 4 Dracut Road, Hudson, NH 03051!

DAUGHTERS OF EVE Daughters of Eve will be meeting Wednesday October 13th at 7pm in Room 1. All women are invited to attend. This month's topic: Trusting in God.

BABY BOTTLE DRIVE St. Gianna's Place, a home in Hudson for women in crisis pregnancies, is holding a baby bottle campaign for the month of October. Our doors have now been open for two years and we've been able to offer a loving supportive home to 15 women and many babies and children during this short time!

Your financial support is greatly appreciated in order to defray the costs of the day-to-day operations and educational programs we offer to our moms. If you would like to help, simply take home a baby bottle, fill it with your donation, and return it to the bin in the entrance of the church by October 31st.

St. Gianna's Place is in need of prayer warrior volunteers! From the comfort of your home, we need folks to pray for our moms and babies. Please fill out the tag attached to the baby bottle and return it to the bin. Someone will then contact you to be part of our new prayer warrior ministry.

With your support, we can change mothers' and their babies' lives through the love and care of this community. Thank you!

AED TRAINING FOR GREETERS On Sunday, October 24th at noon in the church, a training in the use of our AED (Automated External Defibrillator) will be conducted. We ask all greeters to attend in order to have a working knowledge of the AEDs on parish property in case of a cardiac emergency in the church.



HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY You are cordially invited to attend an Open House for grades 7-12

When: October 21 5:30 pm

Where: Holy Family Academy

281 Cartier St.

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Feel free to call for more information. (603)644-7247 or email Meg

Donohue: mdonohue@holyfamilyacadmey.org

Sign up at: <https://hfa-nh.client.renweb.com/oa/inquiry.cfm?memberid=15239>

BAZAAR GRAND RAFFLE TICKETS Envelopes containing tickets for our bazaar's Grand Raffle are available on the windowsills in the church vestibule. We are counting on everyone to sell tickets to friends and family—and/or purchase them to take a chance yourselves!—and return the proceeds as soon as possible to the offertory basket in the provided self-sealing envelope (or any envelope marked "raffle"). Tickets are \$1 each or a book of six for \$5. Each envelope contains seven books for a total of \$35. Grand Raffle pre-sales account for a large part of bazaar funds raised each year, so please help get our parish off on the right foot and let's sell all those tickets in record time! The bazaar takes place on Saturday, November 13th from 9:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. and Sunday, November 14th from 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. First prize is \$1,000, second prize is \$750, and third is \$500. Winning tickets will be picked at 3:00 p.m. on November 14th. Thank you for your support, and good luck!

5 WAYS TO OBSERVE RESPECT LIFE MONTH

From the Diocese of Manchester Office of Family and Respect Life Ministries

Draw upon www.respectlife.org/celebrate. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has recommended a number of ways for us to observe Respect Life Month. Below, we've put a local spin on some of their ideas, but don't miss their page (<https://www.respectlife.org/celebrate>) and other resources (<https://www.respectlife.org/>).

Learn About & Pray for Project Rachel Ministries

Project Rachel is the U.S. Catholic Church's ministry to those who have been involved in abortion. To learn more about Project Rachel in New Hampshire, visit CatholicNH.org/ProjectRachel.

Support a Local Pregnancy Center

Pregnancy centers [such as Real Options in Nashua] offer much-needed assistance to women and their children. Also, check out Walking with Mom's in Need at <https://www.walkingwithmoms.com/>.

Pray the Rosary

In addition to Respect Life Month, October is also known as the month of the Rosary. For the cause of life, consider doing a "rosary tour": identify 5 nearby Marian locations (parishes, parish statues, icons, etc.), pray a decade at each.

Advocate for the Cause of Life

The Office of Public Policy has provided a great list of ways to make your voice heard. Visit Catholicnh.org/action for ideas. Consider signing up for our diocesan pilgrimage to the national March for Life: Catholicnh.org/M4L.

New Hampshire Right to Life

Benefit Banquet Oct. 21, 2021



Guest Speaker
Mary Ann Kuharski,
is a prolific prolife mother, author,
and speaker.

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Dinner & Speaker: 6:45pm-9:15pm

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\$75 per person/ \$750 per table of 10
Payment must be received by October 15

Make your reservations at:
Nhrtl.org/banquet2021

Mail Payment To:
Banquet Committee c/o NHRTL
8 N. Main St., Ste. 8, Concord, NH 03301



HOSPITALITY MINISTRY Volunteers needed! We are in need of more greeters for all of our weekend Masses, especially 4:00 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. If you are interested in joining the hospitality ministry, please call the parish office at 603.882.7793.

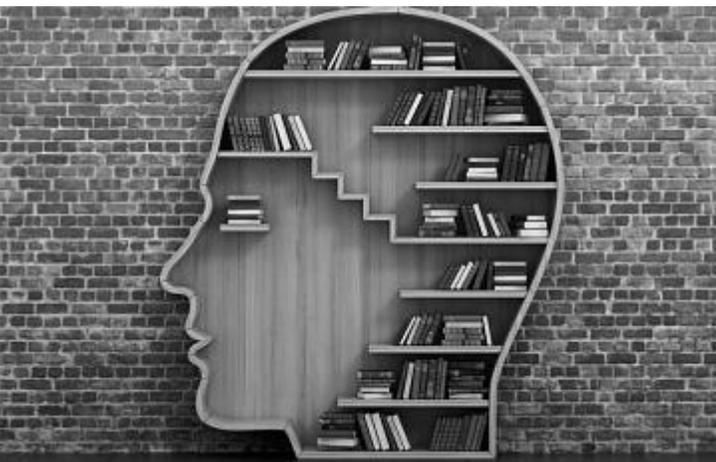
VOCATIONS "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" If you ask the Lord this question in prayer, are you ready to respond with a joyful "yes" or will you turn from Him with a heavy, unyielding heart. Consider following Christ more closely as a priest or in consecrated life. Call Father Matthew Mason (603) 663-0132, or write: mmason@rcbm.org.



Timothy Conroy and **Brittany Stuart** are to be married at Saint Kathryn Church on December 19, 2021 at 2:30PM

Josh Keller and **Kassidy Lelievre** are to be married at Saint Kathryn Church on July 3, 2022 at 1:00PM

Ray Soucy and **April Sylvester** are to be married at Saint Kathryn Church on July 10, 2022 at 1:00PM



PARISH PAGE TURNERS Page Turners will be meeting Tuesday October 19th @ 7pm in Room 1. We will discuss part 2 of *The Life of St. Catherine of Siena* by Blessed Raymond of Capua.

ITALIAN DINNER NIGHT The Knights of Columbus are selling tickets to our annual Italian Dinner Night. Tickets are \$12 for adults, and children under 12 are \$6. Come enjoy pasta, meatballs, pulled pork, beef, salad, dessert and all the sides! The dinner takes place on Saturday, October 16th with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. and dinner starting at 6:00 p.m. Win raffle prizes, eat, drink and partake in the Italian heritage of our patroness. Tickets are on sale after all



weekend Masses.

NEIGHBOR NEEDS We are seeking items for a few local families in need:

- ✦ a chest freezer
- ✦ two toddler car seats (not booster seats): one for a 1 1/2-year-old and one for a 2 1/2-year old
- ✦ a trombone, preferably a medium

If you are able to help, please call Jarretta at 603.820.0365. Thank you!

PENNY SALE LAPTOP LOANS Do you have a laptop you could lend to the Penny Sale Ticket Room for bazaar weekend, November 13-14? We are in need of 3-4 laptops running Windows 7 or higher with wireless capability to ring in ticket sales. If you have a laptop to lend, please call the parish office at 603.882.7793.

KEEP KIDS SAFE: PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE Sadly, in the United States, 1 in 10 males and 2 in 10 females report having been sexually abused as a child. Praying for victims of child abuse is something we all can do to support those who were abused. If your parish or school prayer group or Eucharistic Adoration ministry is interested in praying for victims of abuse through the diocesan *Cry to Heaven* prayer program, please contact healing@rcbm.org or (603) 663-0125 for further information.

For more resources to assist victims of abuse, visit: www.catholicnh.org/healing

COMING HOME TO CATHOLICISM Our Coming Home program on October 16th and 23rd from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. is part of our parish outreach and evangelization effort to embrace Catholics who would like to explore the possibility of returning to the active practice of our Faith. All the team members of this outreach program have at one time left the Church for various reasons - Church laws, misunderstandings, confusion, or apathy. Come to one of our sessions to hear their stories. Listen to why they left and how they returned. You've been away - and you have been missed! Come to discover the connections between the teachings of Christ and His Church and the needs and challenges of your daily life. Returning to Church can be intimidating, but we try to make it easy and fun at the same time. Bring a friend! All are welcome! Register at www.stkathryns.org/chc.

Topics

Why do Catholics leave the Church? What keeps them away? Hear testimonials from others who were where you are now, and what brought them back. All discussions are confidential.

The Sacraments, what are they? A film will reintroduce them to you. See what you remember...or what you forgot! You'll also hear Deacon Ray describe his role and duties in our community.

Explore the Bible. Find out if your Bible is a Catholic Bible. Learn how to find passages and interpret meanings. Discover our Jewish roots and their fulfillment in the New Testament.

Learn about the power of prayer in all its forms and discover how the Mass, our greatest prayer, can significantly impact your life.

Go on a behind-the-scenes tour of our Church.

Reasons to Come Home

To deepen your knowledge of the Catholic faith

To enhance understanding of the sacraments

To de-mystify the Sacrament of Reconciliation

To develop a prayer life

To begin to heal from old wounds and hurts

To attain a spirit of community

To discover a Church that is bigger than what might have caused you conflict or pain

To fill the spiritual void in your life

To connect more intimately with Jesus the Head, through His Body, the Church

To satisfy your hunger to deepen your faith

Let us share our story with you and let us hear your story! You'll find a very welcoming Church here. Welcome home!

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Our religious goods store is located in the back of the parish office building and has its own parking.

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Friday and Sunday Closed

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m. Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. (also livestreamed on our website); 6:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Thursday: 5:30-6:15 p.m.

Saturday: 9:15-10:00 a.m. and 3:00-3:45 p.m.

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!

We invite you to use our church, the transept chapel, or the Emmaus Chapel (in the office building) for personal prayer. Our sacred spaces are open daily from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (closed Saturday after the 4:00 p.m. Mass).

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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