



St. Katharine Drexel Parish

Come grow with us!

April 26, 2009
3rd Sunday of
Easter

1800 S. Katie Ave. Suite # 1, Sioux Falls, SD 57106

St. Katharine Drexel Parish Mission Statement: *The mission of St. Katharine Drexel Parish is to gather together as a community of faith, sharing the Word of God with all of our neighbors through our words and example. We emphasize the sanctity of the Eucharist in our daily lives and encourage good stewardship and lifelong Catholic Christian education. Our consistent message is "Come home to Christ".*

WHAT DO YOU KNOW, FR. JOE?

I asked Lisa Huemoeller, the principal at our school, to give us an update concerning how the first year of school has been as well as to inform you that there are openings in our school from Preschool through Grade 2. Just like moving into our church, there have been some wonderful moments and also some challenging moments.

Dear Families,

Thank you for your prayers and support of St. Katharine Drexel School! It has been a wonderful first year thanks to your generosity. St. Katharine Drexel School has so much to offer! Our Catholic faith is integrated into everything we do, including several service opportunities and the study of virtues. The children enjoy weekly classroom visits from Fr. Joe and participating in Mass. We have small class sizes which allow for personal academic development and enhancement. We are a State accredited school offering PE, Art, Music, Technology and school-wide programs. We offer an Extended Learning program allowing Preschool students the opportunity to stay at school all day. We also offer an after-school program which allows children to remain at school until 6:00 p.m.

As we look forward to the 2009-2010 school year, we have several classroom openings in Preschool through Grade 2. We would love to give you a tour and share all of the fantastic things the school has to offer. To answer all of your questions about registration, financial assistance and to set up a tour, please call the School Office 275-6994.

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Divine Guidance in the Mary Garden

by *Kathy Anderson*

Since the inception of St. Katharine Drexel Parish, those of us who love gardening and have a devotion to the Blessed Virgin have dreamed of creating a Mary Garden. With completion of our church and the first phase of our school, a committee was formed and began pondering ideas for a spring-time planting project. Members researched the flowers and colors associated with the Blessed Virgin. These plants, shrubs and even small trees are now being considered to create a place of beauty on our grounds that invites prayer and contemplation.

With our parish's passion for the Rosary stemming back to the 3 p.m. Sunday Rosaries prayed faithfully at our building site during the construction phase, a decision was made to select a beautiful marble statue of Our Lady of Lourdes for the garden. Large boulders excavated from our building site have also been set aside and will be used to create this sacred space. As the weather warmed these last weeks and the snow cleared, the committee headed outdoors to start measuring and getting plans on paper.

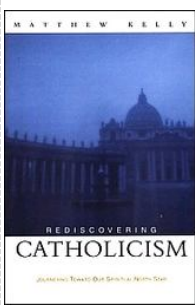
It was a brisk spring evening as the committee met at the site of the garden last week. As measurements were taken, stakes were pounded into the ground to give an outline of the bed. A rock was placed where we envisioned the Blessed Virgin statue to stand. The meeting moved indoors where graph paper and pencils were used to bring a preliminary plan to life. As we celebrated a good amount of progress made for one evening, we donned our coats and headed into the night to find our cars in the parking lot. Walking by our future garden that was now lit by our lamp posts, we all noted a glorious beam of light illuminating the future site of the Blessed Virgin. The beam had a diameter of approximately a yard, with the rock marking Mary's site clearly in the center. It stopped us all in our tracks. Eyebrows raised, we all broke out in laughter and glee that our Lord had been guiding us that evening. What an awesome God we have!

Keep watch on the Mary Garden over the next few weeks as we plant our flowers and shrubs and set the stones and statue in place. Be sure to use this as a place to stop and contemplate the goodness of our Lord, the beauty of His Mother, and the splendor of His creation.

Clean and Green

Each and every Saturday morning beginning at 9 a.m., we will be mowing, trimming, and watering. Please join us and help keep our grounds beautiful!

Visit our web site at www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org



REDISCOVER YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH

Studying your Catholic faith along with this book would be a great way to spend time this Easter Season. Through a special discount program we have them for just \$3 even though thousands of copies were sold at \$22.95. They are available at the Lighthouse Media kiosk in the Gathering Space.

CDA Ct. Mother Theresa #2510, invites you to their annual **MOTHER-DAUGHTER-SISTER-FRIEND LUNCHEON** on **Saturday, May 2nd**, St. Michael Multipurpose Room, 11:00 a.m. Tickets available at St. Michael and St. Katharine Drexel Parish Offices Mon-Fri. and after Masses on April 18/19 & 25/26. You may call ahead (361-3131) to reserve tickets & pay at the door. Cost: Adults-\$7; Children 4-12 - \$3; 3 & under - Free. This year's theme is "In the Garden of Mary" with program by Master Gardener Anne Erickson.

Mass Schedule & Intentions for this week:

Tuesday, April 28th, 6:30 p.m. For the souls in purgatory
Wednesday, April 29th, 8:00 a.m. Special Intention
Thursday, April 30th, 8:00 a.m. For the souls in purgatory
Friday, May 1st, 8:00 a.m. Lyn May (d)
Saturday, May 2nd, 5:00 p.m. For the people of the parish
Sunday, May 3rd, 8:30 a.m. Edward & Andrew Ordalen (d)
10:30 a.m. Brian Fleck (d)

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday—6:00 p.m.
Thursday—7:30 a.m.
Saturday—4-4:45 p.m.
or anytime by appointment.

How to reach us:

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PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Support:

Needed each week:	\$ 10,500.00
April 19th Collection:	\$ 9,567.61
Surplus / (Shortfall):	\$ (932.39)

MASS INTENTIONS

Do you know of someone (living or deceased) who could use the grace of having a Mass said for their benefit? This is a wonderful way of honoring relatives and friends on their birthday, anniversary, or some other significant day. Stop by the Parish Office to get their name on the Mass calendar. The usual donation is \$10 per Mass.

NO Praise and Worship this Sunday evening (April 26th)

The next Praise and Worship is scheduled for
Sunday, May 17th.

Feed the Need and get your picture taken too.

We will be producing a parish pictorial directory this summer. We have the dates set for this summer, June 9th through July 2nd, Tuesdays through Saturdays. You can sign up online now at our parish website on the "News and Events" page, and scroll down the page to "New Parish Directory Planned." For every family that brings in a canned good or dry box food to their family picture sitting, Lifetouch will give your family a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a directory, along with \$5 off your portrait order. They will also give St. Katharine Drexel Parish \$1 towards our local food bank. In order to make this successful, the Parish Office is asking for your help. **We are looking volunteers to help** during the photo appointment sign-ups at each Mass, to call our members or to serve as a host or hostess during the actual photography sessions. Sign-up sheets are on the table next to our Parish Office or contact Laree (275-6870).

PLEASE ASSIST OUR NEWEST PRIESTS

Catholic Daughter Court Mother Teresa is collecting donations towards vestments for the two deacons who are being ordained priests at the end of May. Deacon Shaun Haggerty and Deacon Jeff Norfolk have been 'adopted' by the court and they have a need for funds to pay for their new vestments. If you wish to donate, please make checks out to Catholic Daughters and send them to the St. Katharine Drexel or St. Michael Parish Office, attn: Catholic Daughters. Deadline is May 15th.

Ever thought about hosting an international student? An 18-year-old male student from South Korea is searching for a host family for the 09-10 school year. He is currently a junior at O'Gorman High School and would like to complete his studies next year and graduate from O'Gorman. He has his own car and is able to transport himself to and from school. If you are interested, contact Kathy Rutten at kru-ten@sfcss.org.

How do I register at St. Katharine Drexel Parish?

Stop after Mass today and introduce yourself to Fr. Joe and tell him you would like to become an active part of the St. Katharine Drexel Parish Community.

Youth YG Group

Monday, April 27th
Youth Council Meeting CANCELLED!

Wednesday, May 6th – Firehouse Underground
 We will hang out at the Firehouse from 7—9 p.m. Call Patti for more info or for directions.

Wednesday, June 3rd—Valley Fair trip
 Grades 6th-12th are welcome to attend. This is an all day event. We will leave at 6 a.m. and return at 9:45 p.m. The cost is \$55.00 which includes the bus, admission and breakfast. You will need extra money for lunch and supper. Parental Consent forms and payment are due May 15th at noon - **NO LATE REGISTRATIONS** - If the cost is a concern, please see me!
 patti.stkatharinedrexel@midconetwork.com
 or call the Parish Office: 275-6870

UPCOMING DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS:

High School Youth Conference
 June 18—22 Steubenville, Ohio

D-Camp (Discipleship Camp)
 Senior High: July 12th—15th, 2009
 Junior High: July 16th—19th, 2009

Both will be held at Broom Tree Youth & Family Camp

2009 Youth Rallies
 Junior High—October 11th
 Senior High—November 1st
Both will be held in Huron

For more information, call 988-3763



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St. Katharine Drexel School News:

Join us for the school Mass each
 Wednesday at 8:00 a.m.

*Registration for the
 2009-10 school year continues.*

If you have any questions, please contact Anne at 275-6994.

More Easter Flower Honorariums & Memorials:

Patricia Kleinsasser	Johnny Kleinsasser
Larry Pibal	Margaret Pibal
Lee LaFollette	Moms and Dads
Fr. Joe and Family	Julie Kolda



St. Michael Cemetery Summer Hours:
8:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. daily beginning May 1st.

AUTOMATIC DEDUCTIONS

Busy Summer??? Sign up for automatic deduction at the Parish Office. You can have your parish support, building and pew pledges taken out monthly. Fill out the authorization form in the Parish Office and attach a voided check.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sun., April 26: RE Classes (last class)
Wed., April 29: RE Classes (last class)

TEACHER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON
Sunday, April 26th, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass.
 Our teachers do a wonderful job of assisting in the faith education of our children! Be sure to thank them for their efforts when you see them.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

+Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP): SD Children are eligible for free health insurance through Social Services if they are under 19 and income eligible. CHIP covers doctor, hospital, dental, vision, prescription drug, rehabilitation, and etc. For an application packet call 367-5444.

+O'Gorman High School presents "The Pajama Game": on Apr. 25th, 30th, May 1st, 2nd. Find out what happens when the workers at the Sleep-Tite Pajama Factory go on strike. Box office opens Wed., Apr. 8th Noon - 4 p.m. For tickets, call 575-3335. All seats reserved.

+St. Lambert Parish Dinner: Sun, Apr. 26th 10:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Catered by Bob's Café. Pre-Sale tickets—Ages 3-10 \$5, Ages 11 and up \$7, \$25 Family Pass. At the door Ages 11 and up \$8, \$30 Family Pass.

+Christ the King Parish Dinner: Sun, May 3rd, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the school gym. Roast beef and all the trimmings are on the menu. Tickets are adults \$7, children 5-12 yrs. \$3; children under 5 free, and can be purchased in the Christ the King Parish Office.

+Retirement Celebration for Lois Sudbeck: Friday, May 8th at 8:30 a.m. at St. Lambert School (338-7042). Lois has been a teacher for 34 years for Sioux Falls Catholic Schools. Join us for Mass followed by a reception. Good wishes and tributes sent to Principal Barbara Lockwood at the school will be shared with Lois at this special event.

+Mother's Day Spaghetti Luncheon & Silent Auction: Saturday, May 9th, 5:00—7:00 p.m. at the St. Michael Gym. Tickets are \$5 per person with a maximum charge of \$20 per family. Children age 4 and under eat free. This is a fundraiser for Boy Scout Troop 346.

+Day of Recollection with Msgr. Mangan: May 18th at Broom Tree: This retreat will focus on outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost on the Blessed Virgin and the Apostles. The day will spent pondering the Paraclete and His Seven Gifts. Call 605-263-1040 to register.

+Respect Life Spiritual Retreat: On May 15th-17th, this retreat will focus on prayer and discernment in respect life ministry. Fr. Jim Mason will lead the retreat. Bishop Swain will celebrate Mass and lead one session. Call the Respect Life Office for registration information: 988-3755.

+Engaged Encounter Weekend: May 30th-31st Call 605-362-0292 for registration information.

+Couple's Retreat with EWTN's Fr. Brian Mullady: Come away with your spouse to listen to God and meditate on the presentations Fr. Mullady will give on St. Paul and Marriage. May 29th-31st at Broom Tree. Call 605-263-1040 for registration information.

+Broom Tree Silent Retreats: For men—July 9th-12th. For women—May 21st-24th and June 18th-21st.

+Marriage Enrichment Website: Check this out for great marriage insights: www.foryourmarriage.com

Golfers, get your teams together for the 18th Annual SFCS Golf Classic on Friday, May 15th at Willow Run Golf Course. We have morning and afternoon sessions. Call 336-6354 for registration information.



NO PARKING allowed on the frontage road that is southeast of the church building. It is a fire lane.



May 2-3 Liturgical Ministers

5:00 p.m. Mass	8:30 a.m. Mass	10:30 a.m. Mass
Lector 1: The schedules were not ready at bulletin printing time. Lector 2:	Lector 1: Lector 2:	Lector 1: Lector 2:
Altar Servers: They have been sent to your e-mail if you have it. If you don't, they will be sent to you via USPS this week.	Altar Servers:	Altar Servers:
Book Bearer:	Book Bearer:	Book Bearer:
EOM's: Greeters:	EOM's: Check your Greeters: E-mail for this week's schedule	EOM's: Schedules are also posted on our website.
Gift Bearers: The schedules are also available on our website at: www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org . Ushers:	Gift Bearers: Ushers:	Gift Bearers: www.stkatharinedrexel.org Click on "Lit. Ministers"
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Nursery: Jennifer	Coffee & Rolls: Bakers: Nursery:	Coffee/Rolls: Bakers: Nursery:

Next week's readings: April 27-May 3

Monday: Acts 6:8-15, John 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a, John 6:30-35

Wed: Acts 8:1b-8, John 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40, John 6:44-51

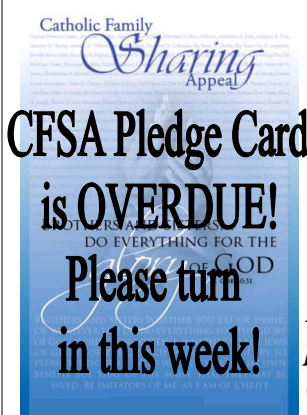
Friday: Acts 9:1-20, John 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42, John 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12,

1John 3:1-2,

John 10:11-18



CFSA REMINDER

Thanks to all of you who have responded so generously to this important appeal. So far, we have heard from 340 of our 668 families. Our goal is to receive 100% of the pledge cards. Your generosity will help keep all of these offices fully funded.

If you haven't done so already, please turn in your card. Even if you are unable to donate at this time, we need your card back. We are re-

quired to make follow-up phone calls to all parishioners who have not responded by the end of April. Thanks for your cooperation!

First Friday

Eucharistic Adoration

We will have Eucharistic Exposition from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 1st.

Please sign up to spend some time with Jesus in our chapel. Sign-up sheets are on the table near the office.

