



St. Katharine Drexel Parish
Come grow with us!

July 19, 2009
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1800 S. Katie Ave. Suite # 1, Sioux Falls, SD 57106
Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday–Thursday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday

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".*

Deacon's Digest
Prophets

We have heard from the Prophets Ezekiel, Amos and Jeremiah over the past few weeks. Each of them had his own prophetic mission and audience. Amos was trying to get the Hebrews in the Northern Kingdom to reform and convert to an authentic practice of their faith; Jeremiah was speaking to the residents of the Southern Kingdom, especially Jerusalem, about their idolatry and the ways they were profaning the faith; and Ezekiel spoke from exile, warning of the destruction of Jerusalem.

Many people think that prophets are people who foretell the future but that is not exactly true. Prophets are people who speak for God. They are given a special ability to read the signs of the times and see where they will eventually lead.

These prophets, and most of the others, had one thing in common—they were not readily accepted by their fellow countrymen. Amos was forced to leave Bethel by the high priest, Jeremiah was imprisoned, beaten, and eventually killed, and Ezekiel was ridiculed for his prophecies until they came true. The Israelites simply did not want to hear of the destructive future they were weaving for themselves from these prophets.

Have you ever wondered if there are modern day prophets—men and women who are trying to warn us? Many have thought Pope John Paul II or Pope Paul VI were proclaiming a prophetic message in their writings. Both saw our world's permissive attitude toward contraception, abortion, and divorce as signs of a dim future. Many in our culture and even in our Church have dismissed their prophecies as old fashioned and outdated. The facts seem to support their warnings. Both said that if we accepted artificial means of birth control, our culture would eventually see an increase in spousal and child abuse, an increase in divorce, and an increase in abortions. All of these have come to pass.

This is Natural Family Planning Week (July 19-25). An amazing statistic has arisen concerning married couples who practice NFP—they rarely get divorced. Each day there are about 3,400 marriages in the United States and about 1,700 divorces. Among those who practice their faith together, pray together, and practice NFP, the divorce rate is less than 1%. *Now that is a prophetic message our culture needs to hear.* Come to our seminar on Natural Family Planning this Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. All you need to bring is your questions and an open mind. Dr. Glenn Ridder will give a brief presentation and can answer questions about *any* form of birth control.

- Deacon John

WHAT DO YOU KNOW, FR. JOE?

July 19 - 25th is Natural Family Planning Week. You might wonder why the Church would recognize something like NFP and give it a special week. The answer is simple—IT WORKS! It works for couples who are trying to avoid or achieve pregnancy, it works to draw a couple closer, and it works because it respects the moral integrity of the human body—especially the woman's. Many couples don't use NFP because they don't know enough about it. We are hosting a special seminar here next Wednesday evening (July 22nd at 7 p.m.) so you can get your questions answered. Bless your marriage by attending and becoming educated about Natural Family Planning. Here are a few quick facts that you might not have known:

Couples who practice NFP . . .

- Have a divorce rate of only 0.2% (only 2 in 1,000!)
- Experience happier marriages
- Share a deeper intimacy with each other
- Realize a better level of communication
- Are more likely to have a strong faith life
- Are personally happier and holier
- Experience more "marital relations" than couples who use artificial contraception.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE WISH-LIST

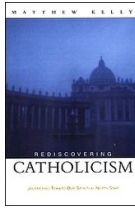
Our Grounds Committee is in need of the items listed here. If you are able to donate the item itself, or can donate the money to purchase it, please contact the Parish Office.

- Riding lawnmower (new or used)
- Pull behind sprayer (15 gal. or larger) \$300
- Heavy duty gas trimmer \$250
- Hose reels (2) \$40 ea.
- Large push broom \$30
- Air compressor (10 gal. or larger) \$250
- Gas powered pressure washer \$300
- Gas powered blower \$70
- Gas powered edger \$200

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 summer. 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.



CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

We have several CD's and an excellent book available on the Lighthouse Media kiosk located in the Gathering Space. Summer car trips, bike rides, and vacations are excellent times to learn more about your faith. Stop by the kiosk today and pick out one or more of the 21 titles offered.

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.

Mass Schedule & Intentions for this week:

Tuesday, July 21st, 6:30 p.m. Lyn May (d)
Wednesday, July 22nd, 8:00 a.m. Holy souls in purgatory
Thursday, July 23rd, 8:00 a.m. Angel Dean
Friday, July 24th, 8:00 a.m. Nick Dubbelde (d)
Saturday, July 25th, 5:00 p.m. Judy Tripp (d)
Sunday, July 26th, 8:30 a.m. For the people of the parish
10:30 a.m. Joe Beaner (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
July 12th Collection: \$ 11,391.01
Surplus / (Shortfall): \$ 891.01

Pew Campaign:

Campaign Goal: \$75,000
Pledged Thus Far: \$50,887 (126 families)

Building Fund:

Total Pledged: \$1,546,547 (427 families)
Paid Thus Far: \$1,174,298

There are 688 families currently registered at St. Katharine Drexel Parish.. Each week we will update you on the Weekly Support. Each month we will give a report on the Building Fund and Pew Campaign status.

In next week's bulletin we will print the 2008-2009 fiscal report.

Reminder: Please continue praying for our priests in this "Year for Priests". Pray a Rosary, offer a Mass or even fast one day per month for our priests.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

We will begin a new RCIA class this fall. If you are a Catholic adult who has not been confirmed, a person of another faith tradition who would like to join the Catholic Church, or a Catholic who simply wants to learn more about your faith, then RCIA is for you. Watch the bulletin for announcements and information. Call the Parish Office with questions: 275-6870.

Parish Pictorial Directory Update

If you had your pictures taken for the Parish Pictorial Directory, pick up your 8"x10" in the Parish Office.

A hearty "thank you" to all of the volunteers who helped with hosting and with assembling the Directory. It should be available sometime in the early fall.



AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT

Electronic Funds Transfers can simplify your regular giving to St. Katharine Drexel Parish. Contact the Parish Office for details: 275-6870.

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 Y G Group

Summer Movie Nights Scheduled

Thursday, July 27th

“The Chronicles of Narnia” 7:30-10:30 p.m.

Join us for this adventure
to the fabled land of Narnia.

Youth Day at the Birdcage

Sunday, August 2nd at 2:05 p.m. \$6.00

Ticket fee and Consent Form due by Thursday, July 30th

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UPCOMING DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS:

2009 Youth Rallies

Junior High—October 11th

Senior High—November 1st

Both will be held in Huron

For more information, call 988-3763.

Gas Stop Cards Special Donation

The Gas Stop will donate an extra 3% of the value of every one of their cards sold through the SFCS Certificate Program. This extra money will go to the Building On Excellence Campaign that is funding the construction at O’Gorman High School.

SIOUX FALLS CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM POSITION OPENINGS:

Custodian: FT/Year Round (12:30 p.m.-9 p.m.) for Holy Spirit School.

Assistant Site Manager/Cook: FT/Seasonal (7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.) for O’Gorman High School

Study Hall Monitor: PT/Seasonal (10:45 a.m.-1 p.m.) for O’Gorman Jr. High School

Food Service: PT/Seasonal (9 a.m.-1 p.m.) for O’Gorman Jr. High School

Preschool Educational Assistants: PT and FT/Seasonal positions

After School Teacher Assistants: PT/Seasonal positions

All positions posted on SFCS website: www.sfcss.org

Apply by phone to: Human Resources, Sioux Falls Catholic Schools - 575-3350 or e-mail: shurley@sfcss.org

St. Katharine Drexel School News:

School Open House Sessions:

4yr. old pre-school, K, 1, 2:

Sunday, August 9th, 11:30a.m.-1 p.m.

3 yr. old pre-school:

Sunday, August 9th, 1:30-3 p.m.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Youth Retreats

Search-November 20-22, 2009 in Sioux Falls

February 19-21, 2010 in Sioux Falls

June 4-6, 2010 in Sioux Falls

October 23-25, 2009 in Aberdeen

January 8-10, 2010 in Aberdeen

March 26-28, 2010 in Aberdeen

Confirmation Students can attend the Oct., Nov. or Jan. retreat to fulfill requirements for retreat for Confirmation. Get your forms in early!

COMMUNITY NEWS:

+Broom Tree Silent Retreats: Women Aug. 13-16th, Men—Sept. 24—27th.

+Other Broom Tree Retreats: Msgr. Charles Mangan will lead two days of recollection at Broom Tree. The first will be Tuesday, August 11th, and will focus on the greatness of God the Father. The other will be on Monday, September 14th and will explore the meaning of human suffering. Both of these are one day events. To register call 605-263-1040.

+Retrouvaille—Help for marriages: The next Retrouvaille weekend will be September 25-27th in Sioux Falls. Call the Family Life Office at 988-3763 for information. Strict confidentiality is respected.

+ St. Michael Cemetery Summer Hours: 8 a.m.—8 p.m. daily.

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

+Do You Feel Called to the Priesthood or Consecrated Life? Contact our Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr. Paul Rutten, at 988-3749 or email frpaul@sfdatholic.org

+You can support vocations to the priesthood and religious life by joining the Serra Club. Call Sam Nastase at 334-6492 any day after 6:00 p.m.

+\$5,000 Mount Marty Scholarship: The Catholic Daughters have contributed to a scholarship fund at Mount Marty College that will be awarded this fall. Contact Christine Tudor at Mount Marty for more information: 605-668-1292

+Men’s Spiritual Luncheons with Fr. Jim Mason are held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in the Cathedral Parish Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The next one will be August 12th.

+Just like a spectacular fireworks show on the Fourth of July, so is attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter-- A Weekend of Discovery... A Lifetime of Love! Put the fun, spark and romance back into your relationship! Come and see what all the excitement is about. Register to attend our next scheduled weekend September 11-13th at Blue Cloud Abbey. For more information, please contact Curt & Rochelle Lauret at 605-362-9145 or visit www.WWME.org. Early registration is recommended as space is limited.

+37th Annual March for Life: This youth and family pilgrimage will take place from January 16-23, 2010. Space is limited so make plans now for this Diocesan sponsored journey to Washington, D.C. for the annual March for Life. Call 605-988-3763 for registration information.

Grounds Committee

Many thanks to the volunteers who work so hard at maintaining our parish grounds.

Please help out with this effort if you can.

The group gathers on Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m. to mow and trim the lawn and are usually finished by 11:00 a.m.



From the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

“The human body shares in the dignity of the ‘image of God’: it is a human body precisely because it is animated by a spiritual soul. It is a temple of the Holy Spirit.” CCC364

July 25-26 Liturgical Ministers

5:00 p.m. Mass

Lector 1: Stacy Stefani
Lector 2: Cindy Dougherty

Altar Servers: Mackenzie Phillips,
Marie Today

Book Bearer: John Garcia

EOM's: R Dunn, H & C Evans,
S Miller, M Pruss, T Riedel, S Rieger

Greeters: Berrys & Kastens

Gift Bearers: T Kattke/T Riedel

Ushers: Jeff Hauck,
Brent & Ed Kelly,
Monty Miller

Sacristan: Mike Sebastian

SFCS Cert.: Dorothy Garcia

Rosary: Kathy Halma

Nursery: Melissa Phillips, C Phillips

Wknd Mass Reception: C Dougherty

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lector 1: Mary Jefferis
Lector 2: Katie Johnson

Altar Servers: C Moriarty, H Elsinger

Book Bearer:

EOM's: M & K Brown, J Crain

Greeters: Moriartys & Walters

Gift Bearers: Bob & Kathy Kessler

Ushers: B, A, W & E Behm

Sacristan: Amy Klein

SFCS Cert.: Dawn Elsinger

Rosary: Jessie DeGiorgio

Coffee & Rolls: S & D Zimmer

Bakers: J Blauwet, K Brown,
K Casanova, J Dangel

Nursery: Scott & Angela Harvill

Wknd Mass Reception: K Peters

10:30 a.m. Mass

Lector 1: Rob McCoy
Lector 2: Pat Nelsen

Altar Servers: B McCoy, N Byrd

Book Bearer: Jessica Johnson

EOM's: T Haggerty, L Volk,
K Ward, J & T Polkinghorn,
D & D Wolf

Greeters: Timmermans & Volks

Gift Bearers: Jeff & Debbie Ptacek

Ushers: J & J Ptacek, J & G Ries

Sacristan: Jenny Vavra

SFCS Cert.: Angie Lynch

Coffee/Rolls: Misars

Bakers: D Ptacek, L Timmerman,
K Turek, D Wolf, J Ziemer

Nursery: Alice Beyer, D Thompson

Next week's readings: July 20-26

Monday: Exodus 14:5-18, Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday: Exodus 14:21-15:1, Matthew 12:46-50

Wed: Exodus 16:1-5, 9-15, John 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b, Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Exodus 20:1-17, Matthew 13:18-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15, Matthew 20:20-28

Sunday: 2 Kings 4:42-44,

Ephesians 4:1-6,

John 6:1-15

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING WEEK JULY 19—25, 2009

SPECIAL SEMINAR

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22ND, 7:00 p.m.
St. Katharine Drexel Parish
Gathering Space

Don't miss out on this opportunity to hear Dr. Glenn Ridder's presentation on Natural Family Planning. Dr. Ridder will explain the science and methodology of NFP. He will also answer questions concerning all methods of family planning. You owe it to yourself *and your marriage* to attend to this seminar.

Attention Liturgical Ministers:

Please check your e-mail! The new ministry schedules and calling lists for Aug.-Oct. 2009 have been sent to you via e-mail (if you have it.) If you have any problems opening the attachments or other concerns, please contact Jennifer at the Parish Office. The ministry schedules will continue to be available on the St. Katharine Drexel Parish website: www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org.

Thank you!