



St. Katharine Drexel Parish
Come grow with us!

**March 15th,
2009
Third Sunday of
Lent**

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".*

TWO GREAT SAINTS

This week we have the great privilege to honor two popular saints. On Tuesday, March 17th, we celebrate the Commemoration of Saint Patrick and Thursday, March 19th is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph.

Saint Joseph was the husband of the Virgin Mary and dedicated his life to the protection of the Holy Family. It was from his lineage that Jesus is connected to the family tree of King David. It was Joseph who took Mary to be his wife even though she had been found with child. Luke's Gospel tells us that an angel appeared to him in a dream and told him to not be afraid. He trusted God and did what the angel instructed. This act alone shows what a courageous and compassionate man he must have been.



Joseph was a carpenter and probably taught Jesus that trade as well. Little else is known for certain about his life and death. Scripture describes him as a "righteous man" (Mt.1:18) He is the patron of our Diocese, the universal Church, carpenters, fathers and social justice.

Saint Patrick was born in Scotland in the year 387. When he was about 16 years old, he was kidnapped and sold into slavery to a cruel master in Ireland. While tending sheep, he prayed often and found the strength and courage to escape and return to Scotland. He knew God was calling him to a religious vocation and was ordained a priest early in the fifth century. He studied for many years under St. Germanus. At prayer he heard the people of Ireland calling him back "*We beg you, holy youth, to come back and walk among us once more.*" Patrick was ordained a bishop and returned to the Emerald Isle to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to the Celtic people. He and his disciples converted thousands to Christianity. Sometimes, entire kingdoms would convert when they heard him preach. Patrick ministered to the Irish for 40 years before dying at Saul, the place where he had built his first church.

Saint Patrick was a humble, pious, gentle man whose love and trust in God should be an inspiration to all of us. He is the patron of Ireland. Instead of participating in the usual St. Patrick's Day celebration of partying and drinking, spend some time on Tuesday thanking God for this great saint. Pray for his intercession regarding the issues you are facing in your own life.



PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH:

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. Oh, St. Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me and ask him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls - pray for me.

BREASTPLATE OF ST. PATRICK (PARTIAL)

I arise today through God's strength to pilot me:

God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me,
God's eye to look before me,
God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me,
God's way to lie before me,
God's shield to protect me,



God's host to save me
From snares of demons
From temptations of vices,
From everyone who shall wish me ill,
Afar and anear,
Alone and in multitude.

Christ to shield me today
Against poison, against burning,
Against drowning, against wounding,
So that there may come to me abundance of reward.
Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.



ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER?

If you have an issue or situation in your life that could use some extra prayer, please contact us at the Parish Office by phone or email. Our staff will pray for you and we will notify others in our parish of the need as well. We respect your confidentiality by using only first names—or no names if you prefer.

PASSION AT THE CATHEDRAL

An Experience of Hope: Sat., April 4th—7:30 p.m.

This is a dramatic musical depiction of the last hours of Christ's life and includes images from the movie "The Passion of the Christ". Featured performers include the South Dakota Symphony Strings under the direction of Henry Charles Smith, with special guest soloist Ben Sieverding and actor Tom Roberts. Tickets can be obtained on the web at sfatholic.org or by calling 1-888-246-3386.

Mass Schedule & Intentions for this week:

Tuesday, March 17th, 6:30 p.m. *Rose DeGiorgio*
7:00 p.m. **Stations of the Cross**
Wednesday, March 18th, 8:00 a.m. *Lee LaFollette (d)*
Thursday, March 19th, 8:00 a.m. *Terry & family*
8:30 a.m. **Stations of the Cross**
Friday, March 20th, 8:00 a.m. *Elsie Biegler (d)*
6:00 p.m. **Stations of the Cross**
Saturday, March 21st, 5:00 p.m. *Harold & Margaret Kelly*
Sunday, March 22nd, 8:30 a.m. *For the people of the parish*
10:30 a.m. *For the souls in purgatory*

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
March 8th Collection: \$ 10,166.80
Surplus / (Shortfall): \$ (333.20)

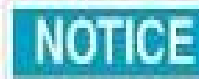
Pew Campaign:

Campaign Goal: \$75,000
Pledged Thus Far: \$50,147 (122 families)

Building Fund:

Total Pledged: \$1,545,922 (419 families)
Paid Thus Far: \$1,000,174

There are 655 families currently registered at St. Katharine Drexel. 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.



There will NOT be a **PRAISE AND WORSHIP** session this Sunday evening. The next one will be March 29th.

PRAYER TO THE AUTHOR OF LIFE

Father of us all, Author of life: I thank you for my life and your presence in it. Please help me to always respect the lives of all your children, from conception to natural death. Let your Spirit enlighten the minds and open the hearts of those who do not fully respect human life according to your will. Grant peace to all women and everyone affected by past abortions. Lighten the burden of all pregnant women; bless them, keep them safe.

Please join Bishop Swain for prayer in front of the Planned Parenthood abortion facility on Wed., March 18th, at noon.



Knight of Columbus Fish Fry will be held during Lent at St. Michael Parish on Mar. 27th following the 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross and at St. Katharine Drexel Parish on Apr. 3rd following the 6 p.m. Stations of the Cross.

Each spring the Catholic Daughters sponsor the LifeSavers Project which draws our attention to abuse awareness. On Mar. 21st-22nd, we will be accepting your donations before and after each Mass.



Mmmmm QDOBA !! We have Qdoba Mexican Grill Community Fund Raiser cards available at the Parish Office and after Masses (at the same table as the SFCS Certificates). The cards are \$10 each, and have 9 coupons for more than \$60 worth of great food deals at all SD & NE Qdoba Mexican Grill locations. Great gift idea!

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

Sunday, March 15th—5:30-7:00 p.m.

Faith Lens—Discussing current events through the Lens of Faith at St. Katharine Drexel Parish (Grades 9-12) Food, Fun & Faith

Wednesday, March 18th—7:30-9:00 p.m.

Grades 10 & up and Catholic School Students
Ice Skating at Sioux Falls Ice and Rec Center (meet there)
Consent forms are available on our website.

Monday, March 30th—6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

Youth Council Meeting at St. Katharine Drexel Parish

patti.stkatharinedrexel@midconetwork.com
or call the Parish Office at 275-6870



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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. Thank you for your donations of Campbell Soup labels (bar code needed) and Land O Lakes lids. We are now accepting Capri Sun juice packets as well. If you have any questions, please contact Anne at 275-6994.

Living Stations of the Cross

The Confirmation class of 2010 will be presenting the Living Stations on Good Friday. Any other student who is interested in being in the play or helping out, please contact Gae at 275-6870. Practice will be on Sunday at 1:00 pm to 2:45 pm.



SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE: Catholic Daughter Ct. Mother Teresa has a local scholarship for a student entering or attending a post-secondary school in the fall 2009. Deadline is Apr. 15th.

Applications are available at the Parish Office or by calling Mary Gibson at 543-5802.

Cayman Court Assisted Living is looking for volunteers to provide transportation for their residents to and from doctor appointments. If interested, please contact the Parish Office at 275-6870.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

This Lent, our parish will be participating along with other cities in the 40 Days for Life campaign to bring an end to abortion. There are sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space. For more information, please contact Carrie Sanchez at 359-4562 or go online: www.40daysforlife.com/siouxfalls
Planning Life is looking for volunteers during the 40 Days for Life event to greet participants and serve hot chocolate. Please call Carol at 361-3275 to sign up.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sun., March 15: Class for grades 1-6

Wed., March 18: Class for grades 1-10

Sun., March 22: Class for grades 1-6

Wed., March 25: Class for grades 1-10

Our Confirmation students will be attending the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral on Wednesday, March 25th. Bishop Swain blesses the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick at this Mass and consecrates the Sacred Chrism. These are the oils used in all of the parishes of the diocese throughout the year for Baptism, Confirmation and Anointing.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

+Solemn Vespers will be celebrated on the Sundays of Lent beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Cathedral. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction will follow. The dates are: March 15th, 22nd, 29th, April 5th & 19th.

+Anniversary Mass: Couples celebration 25, 50, 60, 65 (or more) years of marriage are invited to attend this special Mass and reception at the Cathedral on June 7th at 2:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required in the Parish Office by March 20th.

+Sioux Falls Koinonia Retreat: March 20th-22nd at St. Michael Parish. If you are looking for a Lenten Retreat to refresh your soul, come spend the weekend with us. Koinonia centers around the Paschal Mystery of Jesus. It starts Friday at 5:00 p.m. and runs through Sunday. Call Anne at 361-1600 to register.

+Life in the Spirit Seminar will be offered at St. Lambert Parish March 27th-28th. Come to appreciate the presence of Jesus Christ in your life through the power of the Holy Spirit. Call Joan to register: 332-9009.

+Finding God Retreat: Single women are invited to attend the retreat at the Presentation Sister's Convent in Aberdeen on Friday, March 27th from 6—9 p.m. Pre-register by March 20 by calling Jan: 605-229-84145

+Retrouaille (help for troubled marriages): March 27th-29th at Blue Cloud Abbey. This is a confidential weekend that offers hope and help for couples to heal their relationship. Call 988-3763 to register.

+Cathedral Chrism Mass: You are invited to join Bishop Paul Swain during the annual Blessing of Sacred Oils at Saint Joseph Cathedral on Wed. Mar. 25th at 7:00 p.m. Confirmation students will be in attendance and will bring back the oils for display and use in our parish.

+8th Annual Shamrock Run: Sat., Mar. 28th at O'Gorman High School. The race begins at 11 a.m. 5k race or 2mile fun run / walk.

+Healing from sexual abuse...a group program for Adults: April 1st - May 20th - 8 Wednesdays from 6:30 -8:00 p.m. at Catholic Pastoral Center. Facilitated by Diane Cogley, MSW-PIP. No fee. Pre-group interview required. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 to register and schedule interview.

+Annual Salad Luncheon & Card Party: Held on Apr. 4th, 11:30 a.m. — 3 p.m. at St. Nicholas, Tea. \$7 per ticket. Call Jerene Atkins at 368-2613 for reservations by Mar. 29th.

+Matt Maher is coming to Pierre: Sat., Apr. 4th at TF Riggs Theatre 7 p.m. concert. Limited seating available. Purchase tickets at Diocese of Sioux Falls, ask for Bob Siemens, or at Hurley's Religious Goods in Sioux Falls, or contact Lisa Fahey at 605-224-8969 or email Lisa lisafahey@pie.midco.net.

EASTER FLOWERS

Watch your April parish support mailing for an envelope for Easter flower memorial giving. These flowers will be used to decorate our church for the Easter season.

Operation Rice Bowl Continues

Please pick up a rice bowl in the Gathering Space and make deposits into it throughout the Lenten season. This is a great family project. The money raised goes to alleviate hunger through the ministry of Catholic Relief Services.



March 21-22 Liturgical Ministers

5:00 p.m. Mass

Lector 1: Christina Brennan
Lector 2: John Brennan

Altar Servers: Emily Runge,
 Tahia Mitzel

Book Bearer:

EOM's: R Dunn, S Lammers,
 E, J & R Sammons, M & M Sebastian

Greeters: Doughertys & Skibinskis

Gift Bearers: Charles & Brenda Kelly

Ushers: Nancy Bohr,
 Collin Moriarty,
 Tim & Tyler Mitzel

Sacristan: Mike Sebastian

SFCS Cert.: Cindy Dougherty

Rosary: Terri VanDenover

Nursery: Jessica Bauers, E Fudali

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lector 1: Teresa Frederick
Lector 2: Tyler Northrup

Altar Servers: A Behm, C Bell

Book Bearer:

EOM's: C & R Lauret, R Smidt

Greeters: Peters & Sorensens

Gift Bearers: Keith & Janice TerMeer

Ushers: W & E Behm, G Vanhove,
 K Oberbroekling

Sacristan: Jessie DeGiorgio

SFCS Cert.: Rochelle Lauret

Rosary: Jim & Donna Cannon

Coffee & Rolls: S & D Zimmer

Bakers: R Loftesness, A Luther,
 J Miller

Nursery: Heather Schenkel, L Olson

10:30 a.m. Mass

Lector 1: Seth Loofbourrow
Lector 2: Nancy Loofbourrow

Altar Servers: A Rademacher,
 E Schuster

Book Bearer: Jessica Johnson

EOM's: T Haggerty, R Koletzky,
 S Meylor, M Nielson,
 L VanMeeteren, R & E Wuebben

Greeters: Horsts & Nelsens

Gift Bearers: Dave & Leah Bechtel

Ushers: K Koletzky, J Robbins,
 J & J Ptacek

Sacristan: Eric Thompson

SFCS Cert.: Michelle Haase

Coffee/Rolls: C Running/S Steffes

Bakers: K Mikuska, M Nielson,
 B Nilges, L Oligmueller, D Wolf

Nursery: NO NURSERY

Next week's readings: March 16-22

Monday: 2 Kings 5:1-15b, Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday: Daniel 3:25, 34-43, Matthew 18:21-35

Wed: Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9, Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16,

Thurs cont.: Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22, Luke 2:41-51a

Friday: Hosea 14:2-10, Mark 12:28-34

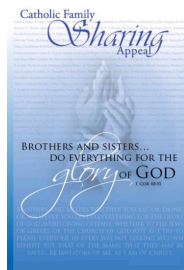
Saturday: Hosea 6:1-6, Luke 18:9-14

Sunday: 2 Chron 36:14-16, 19-23, Eph 2:4-10,
 John 3:14-21

CATHOLIC FAMILY SHARING APPEAL

Your generosity to this annual appeal is greatly appreciated. Please turn in your card as soon as possible. Our Diocesan Offices count on the annual CFSA campaign to fund their programs. You can mail it to the Parish Office or drop it in the Sunday collection. Even if you cannot contribute financially, we need your card back. We will be making phone calls in April to those who have not turned in their pledge cards. Please pray for the success of this appeal so that all Diocesan programs will remain available.

CFSA Parish Goal: \$43,000.00
Pledged Thus Far: \$29,122.00
Paid Thus Far: \$18,514.00
Number of Families pledged: 181 out of 650



Second chance for "FIREPROOF"

For those of you who missed the first showing or for those who would like to see it again, this blockbuster movie will be available for another viewing at St. Katharine Drexel Parish on Sunday, Mar. 29th at 3:00 p.m. This event is sponsored by Knights of Columbus. Please join us. For those of you who have already seen the movie, study groups are being formed where books and study materials will be available. Please call the Parish Office if interested.

