



St. Katharine Drexel Parish

Come grow with us!

September 13, 2009

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Office hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-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 Stewards

Just what is stewardship? It's a word that gets thrown around a lot in Church but isn't always used in the proper context. True stewardship means realizing that everything you are, everything you know, and everything you have is a gift from God. Often times, stewardship is defined simply as tithing. Although this can be a component of stewardship, tithing does not complete the demands of true stewardship.

In modern times, you don't hear a lot about stewards, at least in a formal way, but in most of our history, stewards were common. Many kings had a steward, a person responsible for taking care of the property and wealth of the kingdom. The steward did not own the things he was responsible for, but was held accountable for the proper management of those things. If something was missing or used in a foolish way, the steward was going to hear about it.

That is the way we should think about ourselves—as stewards of all that God has given us. Just because we own something or have possession of it doesn't make it ours. ALL of us will die someday and all of the things God put us in charge of will remain here while we go on to death and judgment. Jesus reminds us in Scripture that at least a part of that judgment will depend on how good a steward we were of the gifts given to us.

True stewardship isn't simply tithing or volunteering: it is a way of life. When we understand that "all is gift", it changes us fundamentally. When we realize that we are just stewards for our Heavenly King, it becomes easier to use the time, talent, and treasure He has given us in ways that benefit others and not just ourselves. If a steward for an earthly king would have used the wealth of the kingdom for his own benefit, he would have been punished and removed from this position of trust. Each of us will be held accountable in a more eternal way for how we "spend" the gift of our lives here on earth. Take a good and honest accounting of your own habits. Do they show an attitude of selfishness or one of stewardship? Use these criteria to assess your own situation:

- *Do I receive God's gifts with gratitude?*
- *Have I cultivated them responsibly?*
- *Have I lovingly and justly shared them with others?*
- *Can I stand before the Lord in a spirit of accountability?*

We are all stewards of God's gifts of life, love, faith, family, time, talent, and treasure. We are all called to return them to Him in service and in love..

WHAT DO YOU KNOW, FR. JOE?

In the daily Mass readings for the past several days we have been reading from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians. Paul wrote this letter to the people of Colossae from prison in order to encourage them in their Christian walk. In Chapter 3, Paul emphasizes the traits of an ideal Christian life in the world. Here are a few of his pointers:

- Think of things above, not just earthly things
- Put to death sinful inclinations such as immorality, impurity, evil desires and greed
- Put away anger, fury, malice, slander, and obscene language
- Stop lying to one another, and live in truth
- Put on heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience
- Bear with one another and forgive one another
- The same love, mercy and forgiveness you have received from God you must practice with others

What great advice! Paul knew what the Colossians needed to do to mend the strife and divisions that were arising among them and that were plaguing their own hearts. His advice is just as relevant today as it was in the first century. Take a few minutes today and go through the list of things to "put away" and "put to death". Do you see any of your own traits in those lists? Pray that God will assist you in ridding yourself of them. Now look at the lists to "put on" and "bear with". These are qualities of a Christian life in today's world. Ask God to bless you and those in our parish with those traits. What a powerful force of love, forgiveness and transformation we will be!

Traveling Prayer Statue Sign Up

Don't forget to sign up for the traveling statues of Mary and St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests. To get families praying for our priests and future vocations, this program provides physical objects to focus on in family prayer. Families sign up to host one of the statues for a week. Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Space for the traveling statues.

Pizza Party & Silent Auction Fundraiser

In appreciation for Fr. Joe and all he has done for us, we would like to send Fr. Joe on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. What greater gift than to sponsor a trip that would give our pastor the opportunity to walk in the footsteps of Jesus! On Saturday, October 10th, (Fr. Joe's birthday) we will be holding a pizza party. On this night, as part of the fundraiser, we will be having a silent auction. We need donated items for this event. If you have any items, please bring them to the Parish Office by Wednesday, September 30th.

Visit our web site at www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Our RCIA Class will meet again this Thursday evening, September 17th at 7:00 p.m. This week's topic is "Faith and My Image of God". Please join us any time the topic interests you.

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.

"FIREPROOF" MOVIE AVAILABLE

Due to the generosity of a parishioner, we have a copy of "Fireproof" available. Any St. Katharine Drexel Parish member can borrow this DVD free of charge.



Just come to the Parish Office to check it out. After viewing the movie, there is a discussion group starting Sunday, Sept. 20th at 3 p.m. Contact Gae to order the study guide for group.

Mass Schedule & Intentions for this week:

Tuesday, September 15th, 6:30 p.m. Cheryl & Lynn LaDassar

Wednesday, September 16th, 8:00 a.m. Julie & Tim

Thursday, September 17th, 8:00 a.m. Bob Morgan (d)

Friday, September 18th, 8:00 a.m. Sid

Saturday, September 19th, 5:00 p.m. Ray & Albina Soukup

Sunday, September 20th, 8:30 a.m. Julie & Tim

10:30 a.m. For the people of the parish

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:	\$ 10,675.00
Sept. 6th Collection:	\$ 11,046.06
Surplus / (Shortfall):	\$ 371.06

Calling All Cooks, Bakers, and Those Who Try!!!

Gather up your favorite recipes, it's time for our first

St. Katharine Drexel Parish Cookbook!



Please submit your name and recipes to

skdcookbook@gmail.com or drop them in the

collection box located in the Gathering Space

by **Sunday, Sept. 13th**. Blank recipe forms are

also available in the Gathering Space. All proceeds will

go to St. Katharine Drexel School. Questions? Contact

Jenny Konechne (361-6365) or Jill Pellicotte (362-5882).

Foundation, a parents' group, meets Fridays at 9:30

a.m. in the Conference Room.



Knights of Columbus Steak Fry

Parish men are invited to our Knights of Columbus

Semi-Annual Steak Fry on Monday, September

14th at 5:30 p.m. It will held at the St Michael

Parish Rectory. The monthly Knights of Colum-

bus meeting will be held at the end of the Steak Fry. For

more details, contact Ernie Ortega @ 929-2952.

10th Annual Sioux Empire Life Chain will be on **Sunday,**

October 4th, 2-3 p.m. on 41st Street in Sioux Falls. People

from all faiths will assemble on both sides of 41st Street from

Kiwanis Avenue to Sertoma Avenue and pray for an end to

abortion in our land and a renewed respect for all human life

from conception to natural death. Please join us.

AUTOMATIC DEDUCTIONS

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.

PRAISE AND WORSHIP!

The Bread of Life Prayer Group invites you to praise

and worship with them on Monday, September 14th at

7:30 p.m. at St. Katharine Drexel Parish. Refreshments

and fellowship will follow. If you have any questions,

please call Brandon Voss at 351-9955.

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

Wednesday, October 7th—7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Meet us at Carousel Skate! Cost: \$4.00 (includes quad skates; in-lines are \$3.00 extra) Check the Carousel Skate website for coupons and directions! <http://www.carousel-skate.com/> Consent forms must be turned in by Tues., Oct. 6th (Grades 6-12)

Wednesday, November 4th—6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Join us at St. Katharine Drexel Parish as we make dog treats and cat toys for the Sioux Falls Humane Society! (Grades 6-12)

Wednesday, December 2nd—7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Join us at the Empire Mall to volunteer at the gift-wrap booth! There are several jobs, not just wrapping! (Grades 6-12)

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or call the Parish Office at 275-6870

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

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!

The O'Gorman-Cathedral Alumni Hall of Fame Luncheon will be Friday, Sept. 18th at noon at Westward Ho Country Club. All are welcome to attend. Tickets may be purchased by calling **336-6354**.



St. Katharine Drexel School News:

Please join us for School Mass at 8 a.m. on Wednesdays.

Do you want to help the school but don't know how? Turn in your used cell phones, iPods, and other electronic items—they will be refurbished and sold or recycled. 100% of the proceeds goes to our school! Don't forget to turn in your Boxtops for Education labels, Campbell's Soup labels and Land-O-Lakes Milk caps. Every little bit helps.

We need these items for our emergency kit: sm. garbage bags, lg. garbage bags, gallons of water, shower curtains, sm. cups, crackers, mints, toilet paper, Scotch Tape, and 7 empty ice cream tubs.

Reminder: On Monday, Sept. 14th at 7:00 p.m. we will have our SFO Meeting and Ice Cream Social in the school lunchroom. All school families are welcome! Child care will be provided.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education classes start this week. Sunday, Sept. 13th (grades 1-6 at 9:30 a.m.) and Wednesday, Sept. 16th (grades 1-6 at 5:30 p.m. and grades 7-10 at 6:45 p.m.) Registration forms are available on the table in the Gathering Space or online on our parish website.

*NOTE: If the registration fee is a problem for your family, please visit with Fr. Joe or Gae French, our DRE. Please do not let it stop you from registering your children for Religious Education classes.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

+St. Nicholas Church Annual Chicken Dinner will be held on Sunday, Sept. 13th from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$3 for children 5—10 yrs old. Come and see the new Parish Hall!

+DWS Support Group for divorced, widowed and separated: Open to people of all faiths. A ten week program led by volunteers who have been through the program and want to give back after experiencing help with their grief and pain. Registration Mon., Sept. 14th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral School. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 for more information.

+O'Gorman High School OPEN HOUSE! All are invited to come tour O'Gorman's newly completed classrooms, administrative areas, and chapel! Sat., Sept. 19th from 9 a.m. to noon.

+Grieving the loss of a loved one: Retreat for adults who have lost a loved one and are trying to understand and reconcile their grief. Starts Friday, Sept. 18 at 7:30 p.m. and concludes Sunday, Sept. 20 at 1:00 p.m. at Broomtree Retreat Center. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 to register or email moran@sfcatholic.org. Registrations limited.

+St Michael Cemetery Fall Hours begin on September 16th. M-F 8 a.m.—6 p.m. and Sat. and Sun. from 9 a.m.—6p.m.

+“THE SANDWICH GENERATION”: Free Evening Workshop for Children of Aging Parents at Trail Ridge (605-339-4847) on Thurs., Sept. 24th at 6:00 p.m.

+Trinity Heights Bus Trip: Fri., Sept. 25th Tour beautiful Trinity Heights Shrine in Sioux City. Meet in St. Michael parking lot at 9:30 am. Lunch at Green Gables Restaurant. The tour will end with Mass in the Chapel at 3:15 p.m. with Msgr. Doyle. We will arrive home approx. 5:30 p.m. A fee of \$25 (covers the cost of the bus and lunch) is due at the time of registration. Call St. Michael Parish Office 361-1600 by Mon., Sept. 21st. Limited seating!

+Retrouvaille—Help for Troubled & Strained Marriages: The next weekend is Sept. 25th-27th in Sioux Falls. This is a confidential weekend that offers hope and help for a couple to heal and renew their marriage relationship. Please contact the Catholic Family & Children Faith Formation Office, 988-3776. For general information: www.retrouvaille.org

+Inner Healing Weekend Offered at Broom Tree September 25th-27th: This is designed to help individuals who are struggling with feelings of rage, fear, anxiety, loneliness, worthlessness, and shame. To register (deadline Fri., Sept. 18th), contact Jane Barz at cottonwoodfrm@santel.net or 605-940-4101.

+31st Annual ECHO Symposium for seniors: Tues., Sept. 29th 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the Center for Active Generations. Cost is \$20 including lunch. Keynote Dr. Roger Reed on the gift of diversity; breakout sessions on Alzheimer caregivers, cultural diversity, aging challenges & opportunities, living options, prayer. Call 336-6722 for more information & to register.

+Serra Club Fall Fun'd Fest: All you can eat Dad's Belgian Waffle brunch on Sat., Oct. 3rd from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Christ the King School Gym. Proceeds help support vocations. There will also be arts and crafts for sale.

+Soup and Pie Supper at St. Magdalen Church in Lennox on Sunday, Oct. 4th from 4:00—7:00 p.m. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$3 for youth.

+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 Oct. 13th.

+3 in 1 Catholic Conference held at Watertown Event Center Sat., October 24th, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. For information and registration call 605-881-3247 or visit www.3in1catholicconference.com

+Engaged Encounter Weekends: Nov. 14th-15th in Sioux Falls. Call 362-0292 for more information.

September 19-20 Liturgical Ministers

5:00 p.m. Mass	8:30 a.m. Mass	10:30 a.m. Mass
Lector 1: Cindy Miller Lector 2: Monty Miller	Lector 1: Britt Roman Lector 2: Blair Roman	Lector 1: Sherry Olson Lector 2: Peg Bennett
Altar Servers: Charlie & Teddy Steffl	Altar Servers: A Linneman, R Lipetzky	Altar Servers: A & N Byrd
Book Bearer: John Garcia	Book Bearer: Justin Kautz	Book Bearer: Alyssa Brazil
EOM's: H & C Evans, C Miller, M Pruss, E, J & R Sammons	EOM's: M & K Brown, K Dinges	EOM's: B Adamson, C Dendinger J & T Polkinghorn, P Schwebach, J & G Ries
Greeters: McConnells & Ziebell	Greeters: Dinges & Ordalens	Greeters: Lynches & Nielsons
Gift Bearers: Larry & Jackie Kasten	Gift Bearers: M & D Edwards	Gift Bearers: W & S Kooima
Ushers: Troy Holt, Gloria Paulin, Andrew & Elliot Sammons	Ushers: J Cannon, J Crain, T Dinges, M Hauger	Ushers: L Brazil, T Cogley, D Haga, C Olson
Sacristan: Mike Sebastian	Sacristan: Steve Reichelt	Sacristan: Sonja Olson
SFCS Cert.: Dorothy Garcia	SFCS Cert.: Sara Siemonsma Rosary: Jim & Donna Cannon	SFCS Cert.: Michelle Shields
Rosary: Sheila Kelly	Coffee & Rolls: M & D Hertz Bakers: K Oberbroekling, D Obr, P Ordalen, L Turney	Coffee/Rolls: M & K Schroeder
Nursery: A & A Rieger	Nursery: Scott & Angela Harvill	Bakers: J Jasper, L Mauney, N Loofbourrow, P McBreen, J Mieras
Wknd Mass Reception: C Dougherty	Wknd Mass Reception: C Dembele	Nursery: C & S Green

Next week's readings: September 14-20

Monday: Num 21:4b-9, Philemon 2:6-11, John 3:13-17

Tuesday: 1 Tim 3:1-13, Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wed: 1 Timothy 3:14-16, Luke 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Timothy 4:12-16, Luke 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Timothy 6:2c-12, Luke 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Timothy 6:13-16, Luke 8:4-15

Sunday: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20,

James 3:16-4:3,

Mark 9:30-37

It's CHOIR TIME!

And we'd love to have you sing with us!

Adult choir: Ages 7th grade-adult; rehearses each Thursday evening, 7-8:30 p.m. & sings 3 weekends each month

Children's choir: 2nd-6th grade; rehearses each Wednesday evening, 6:30-7:15 p.m. & sings once a month

The Messengers: 7th-9th grade; rehearses each Wednesday, 5:30-6:30 p.m. & sings once a month at Mass

Practices begin Wednesday, Sept. 2nd & Thursday, Sept. 3rd.

New members are always welcome!

Questions? Call or e-mail Jennifer at the Parish Office

Prayer for Priests

Dear Lord,

We pray that the Blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry.

We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words,

"Do whatever He tells you." (Jn 2:5)

May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse.

May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross. May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love, seeking nothing but your greater glory for the salvation of souls. Amen

St. John Vianney, pray for us.

Indulgences are available for all the faithful who offer prayers for priests during this "Year for Priests".