



St. Katharine Drexel Parish

Come grow with us!

August 23, 2009

21st 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".*

Year of the Priest

Pope Benedict XVI has declared a "Year for Priests", beginning with the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 19, 2009. The year will conclude in Rome with an international gathering of priests with the Holy Father on June 19, 2010. St. Katharine Drexel Parish will be providing opportunities this next year to participate in this great event.

In September, we will be kicking off the events by providing traveling statues of Mary and St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests. How it works: 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. The family gathers daily around the statue, perhaps lighting a candle. They pray the Vocation Prayer followed by any other prayers of their choosing. The statue is returned to the Parish Office at the end of the week and is then passed on to the next family.

One of our parishioners, Dan Gallagher, had an excellent idea. In appreciation for Fr. Joe and all he has done for us, he suggested that the parish send Fr. Joe on a pilgrimage. Fr. Joe would love to go 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!

There will be a number of events throughout the year that will bring us together as a parish family to celebrate Fr. Joe's dedication to the priesthood and to raise funds to help pay for his pilgrimage. The first of these events will be on Saturday, October 10th, (Fr. Joe's birthday). We will be holding a pizza party (more details with come later). On this night, as part of the fund raiser, we will be having a silent auction. We need donated items for this event. If you have any items, please bring to the Parish Office by Wednesday, September 30th. Sign-up sheets will be available after Mass for the traveling statues. Please join us during these events and affirm our pastor and pray for all priests. St. John Vianney said, "A good shepherd, a pastor after God's heart, is the greatest treasure which the Lord can grant to a parish and one of the most precious gifts of divine mercy."

WHAT DO YOU KNOW, FR. JOE?

Today's Gospel is the last of six consecutive readings that have been taken from the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John. They have all been about Eucharist and last Sunday's Gospel summed it all up as it said, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day." For the disciples and many others this sounded like cannibalism and for any Jew to consider eating flesh and drinking blood was the last straw. Because of this we hear in today's Gospel: "As a result of this, many of His disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied Him."

We all know many people who have walked away from the Jesus in the Eucharist and are no longer with Him. We too do this in big and small ways. Maybe we don't go to Mass anymore. We don't pray like we used to, we go to Mass only if we are not busy, we go when we feel like it, we come late or leave early, we don't dress appropriately, we don't prepare for the Eucharist by reading the readings before the Mass, we chew gum, don't observe the Eucharist fast before Communion and many other ways.

If we truly understood the power of the Eucharist, that it is truly the *body, blood, soul and divinity* of Jesus we would make any and all appropriate changes in our lives to get the most love from the greatest source of love, Jesus Christ.

Mother Teresa has a great quote concerning the Eucharist: "Holy Communion, as the word implies, is the intimate union of Jesus and our soul and body. When communicating with Christ in your heart after partaking of the Loving Bread, remember what our Lady must have felt when the Holy Spirit overpowered her, and she who was full of the grace became full with the body of Christ. The Spirit in her was so strong that immediately she "rose in haste" to go and serve. May we do the same."

Visit our web site at www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org

Our parish will be collecting necessities for the Sisters of Perpetual Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament during the month of August. You will find a basket with cards of the suggested items in the Gathering Space. Simply pick up a card, purchase the items, and bring them back (along with the card) to the Gathering Space at the Church. The Social Ministries Committee will deliver the items to the Sisters. The gift of their prayer is a great service to each of us and to our diocese. Please consider giving back to them in this special way. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office: 275-6870.



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, August 25th, 6:30 p.m. Samuel Schaefer (d)
Wednesday, August 26th, 8:00 a.m. Fern Olson (d)
Thursday, August 27th, 8:00 a.m. Warren & Elsie Biegler (d)
Friday, August 28th, 8:00 a.m. Lyn May (d)
Saturday, August 29th, 5:00 p.m. St. Katharine Drexel Staff
Sunday, August 30th, 8:30 a.m. For the people of the parish
10:30 a.m. James & Celestine Mayer (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: \$ 10,675.00
 August 16th Collection: \$ 10,137.34
 Surplus / (Shortfall): \$ (537.66)

Pew Campaign:

Pledged: \$50,887 (126 families)
 Paid Thus Far: \$45,075

Building Fund:

Total Pledged: \$1,546,547 (427 families)
 Paid Thus Far: \$1,200,628

July, 2009 Report

	Actual	Budget
Income:	45,382	47,390
Expenses:		
Payroll	12,785	14,142
Administration	8,866	7,226
Facilities	6,243	4,540
Rel. Ed.	253	302
Youth Min.	0	100
SFCS Subsidy	19,663	19,663
Total Expenses:	47,810	45,973
Surplus / (Shortfall)	(2,428)	1,417

There are 695 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 as well as a summary of income and expenses for the prior month. For July's report it shows that expenses were up from budget. This is due primarily to the payment of extra tuition assistance to the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools.

LifeLight Music Festival is Sept. 4-6th VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Parking Attendants: These volunteers ensure that event attendees are able to find proper parking. There are several shifts to meet anyone's schedule that start as early as 7 a.m. and finish around 11 p.m. Shifts are generally 4 hours each and will start on Friday morning, Sept. 4th and will finish Sunday evening, Sept. 6th. Volunteers need NO TRAINING and need to be at least 16 years old to work by themselves. Younger volunteers could work alongside someone 18 years or older. Please contact Alan DeSchepper at ACDeSchepper@aol.com or by phone at 605-201-1744 and he will assist you in completing the registration form and scheduling you for a shift.

Food Donations: The Life Light Festival organizers are looking for people to assist with providing food for the musicians at this year's event. Call Becky at 261-7280 for all the details.

Please continue to pray for the staff, volunteers and festival.

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

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.

Attention Men - Tailgate Party!

Come join the Men's Group on Tuesday, Sept. 1st following the 6:30 p.m. Mass. Free food and drinks will be provided. Find out what the men's group is about. Wives, encourage your husbands to attend.



Tired of living paycheck to paycheck? Come check out Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University with a short preview of the program at St. Katharine Drexel Parish school on Sun. Aug. 23rd, 4:00 p.m. This is a 13-week course with classes held on Tuesdays 7-9 p.m. starting Sept. 8th or Sundays 4-6 p.m. starting Sept. 13th. Seating is limited and registration is required, so don't delay. For more information on this life-changing program, contact Ted Scheafer at 361-5205 or call the Parish Office at 275-6870.

We use St. Katharine Drexel's passion to guide our way through community development. **Foundation**, a parents group, meets Fridays at 9:30 a.m. Please join us Sept. 4th as we pray the rosary and plan our goals for this year.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Our RCIA classes begin Thursday, Sept. 10th at 7:00 p.m. right here at St. Katharine Drexel Parish. RCIA is for persons interested in joining the Catholic Church, for Catholics who have not been confirmed, or for any Catholic who wants to learn more about their faith. Call the Parish Office for more information at 275-6870.

SIOUX FALLS CATHOLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM POSITION OPENINGS:

After School Teacher Assts: PT/Seasonal positions
All positions posted on SFCS website: www.sfcs.org
Apply by phone to: **Human Resources, SFCS 575-3350**
or e-mail: shurley@sfcs.org



St. Katharine Drexel School News:

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

Starting Mon., Aug. 24th: Preschool
7:45-10:45 a.m. & Jumpstart 11:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

For more information or questions, please call the
School Office at 275-6994.



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:

+Grieving the Loss of a Parent: Six Tuesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Aug. 18th- Sept. 22nd, 2009 at Catholic Family Services. Directed by Dr. Marcie Moran. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 to register. This group is non-denominational. Cost-Freewill offering.

+Healing from sexual abuse...a group program for adults Sept. 9th-Oct. 28th, 8 Wednesdays from 6:30 -8:00 p.m., Catholic Pastoral Center, Sioux Falls. Facilitated by Diane Cogley, MSW-PIP. No fee. Pre-group interview required. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 to register.

+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 Sept. 9th.

+MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) The program meets two Fridays a month from 9:00-11:15 a.m. beginning on Friday, Sept. 11th at Faith Baptist Fellowship (57th & Minnesota). Mothers of children ages birth to Kindergarten are welcome to join! Childcare included. For more information or questions, please contact Meghan Glover at 366-2749 or jmglover@sio.midco.net

+Engaged Encounter Weekends: Sept. 12th-13th and Nov. 14th-15th in Sioux Falls. Call 362-0292 for more information.

+Is your marriage one of "quiet desperation"? Experience a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** and spend some private time reconnecting! Our next scheduled weekend is Sept. 11th-13th at Blue Cloud Abbey. For more info., please contact Curt & Rochelle Lauret at 362-9145 or visit www.WWME.org.

+Broom Tree Retreats: Msgr. Charles Mangan will lead a day of recollection at Broom Tree on Monday, Sept. 14th and will explore the meaning of human suffering. This is a one day event. To register call 605-263-1040.

+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 (south entrance). Cost \$55 for books and materials. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 for more information. No pre-registration needed.

+Evening in Paris: St. Therese Parish invites you to dinner at Café Lisieux on Sept. 18th. The adult event begins with a social at 6:00 p.m., followed by a catered French dinner at 7:30 p.m. The evening will include a Silent Auction. Crazy Cash Raffle ticket sales will end at 6:30 p.m. and winners will be announced (Cash prizes up to \$1,000)! Seating is limited, reserve by calling the St. Therese Parish at 338-2433. Visit www.st-therese.ws for more details.

+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. Directed by Dr. Marcie Moran, Catholic Family Services, and guests. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 to register or email moran@sf catholic.org. Cost: \$165/person or \$250/couple which includes room, meals, materials and retreat directors. Registrations limited.

+Broom Tree Silent Retreats: Women: Sept. 17th-20th, Men: Sept. 24th-27th.

+The Sandwich Generation: Free workshop for children of aging parents at Trail Ridge near 69th and Louise Ave. on Thurs., Sept. 24th at 6 p.m.

+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

August 29-30 Liturgical Ministers

5:00 p.m. Mass

Lector 1: Cindy Dougherty
Lector 2: Henry Evans

Altar Servers: Nick & Reece Mimmack

Book Bearer: Abby Denning

EOM's: M, J & M Denning,
 L Mimmack, R Schaefer, M Shields,
 J Skibinski

Greeters: Doughertys, Voss, Sebastian

Gift Bearers: John & Laura Zumhofe

Ushers: Mike & Janet McConnell,
 Mike & Marlene Sebastian

Sacristan: Steve Scherer

SFCS Cert.: Michelle Shields

Rosary: Henry & Candace Evans

Nursery: Jessica Bauers, E Fudali

Wknd Mass Reception: K Thompson

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lector 1: Kori Dinges
Lector 2: Megan Bartel

Altar Servers: H Zeigler, E Hertz

Book Bearer:

EOM's: D & M Gallagher, L Krump

Greeters: Crains & DJ Dangel

Gift Bearers: Britt & Twila Roman

Ushers: J Bartel, C Moriarty,
 G & B Krump

Sacristan: Dan Gallagher

SFCS Cert.: Hayley Zeigler

Rosary: Kevin & Pat Ordalen

Coffee & Rolls: Corey & Joni Blauwet
Bakers: S Kaltved, P Kleinsasser,
 L Kolda, J Konechne

Nursery: Heather Johnson,
 A Kleinsasser

Wknd Mass Reception: A Trent

10:30 a.m. Mass

Lector 1: Cassidy Stalley
Lector 2: Angie Lynch

Altar Servers: T Baker, J Hemmer

Book Bearer:

EOM's: M & T Baker, D Dubbelde,
 J Earll, M Garry, G Green, A Trent

Greeters: Dockrys & Garrys

Gift Bearers: A, J & L Fleck

Ushers: P Dockry, J Slunecka,
 G & S Green

Sacristan: Mike Baker

SFCS Cert.: Ann Fleck

Coffee/Rolls: Jeff & Debbie Ptacek

Bakers: A Drake, D Dubbelde,
 M Garry, R Green, A Haggerty

Nursery: S Oldenburg, J Gapp

Next week's readings: August 24-30
 Monday: Revelation 21:9b-14, John 1:45-51
 Tuesday: 1 Thess 2:1-8, Matthew 23:23-26
 Wed: 1 Thess 2:9-13, Matthew 23:27-32
 Thursday: 1 Thess 3:7-13, Matthew 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thess 4:1-8, Matthew 25:1-13
 Saturday: 1 Thess 4:9-11, Mark 6:17-29
 Sunday: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8,
 James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27,
 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**RELIGIOUS
 EDUCATION
 REGISTRATION**

It is time to register your child for Religious Education for the 2009-10 term. Forms are available in the Gathering Space. Please fill out the form and return it to the Parish Office. Registrations DO NOT carry over from one year to the next. PARENTS MUST REGISTER THEIR CHILDREN EVERY YEAR. If you have any questions, please contact Gae at 275-6870.

WE NEED TEACHERS! - PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR THIS IMPORTANT MINISTRY.



PICNIC

DON'T FORGET! - PARISH PICNIC
TODAY (Sunday) at SERTOMA PARK
 4:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
 Grilled hamburgers will be provided.
 Don't miss out on the food, fun and fellowship!
 Please bring the following if your last name start with:

- A through H—salad
- I through M—hot dish
- N through Q—chips
- R through Z—dessert

BRING NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND LAWN CHAIRS FOR YOUR FAMILY.