



St. Katharine Drexel Parish
Come grow with us!

May 2, 2010
5th Sunday of
Easter

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".*

WHAT DO YOU KNOW, FR. JOE?

The Mary, Mary Month of MAY

As Catholics, May is traditionally a month where we give special devotion to the Virgin Mary. Have you ever wondered why? October is already devoted to the Rosary and there are other days of the year when we honor Mary such as the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (January 1st), the Solemnity of the Assumption (August 15th) and the Solmenity of the Immaculate Conception (Dec 8th).



The practice of paying extra special attention to Mary in May started about 700 years ago. May begins the season of new life and growth. As the earth (and we) emerge from the long winter, it makes sense to honor Mary, whose "yes" to God brought the new life of Jesus Christ to the world.

There are many ways to celebrate this special month of Mary:

- **Daily Rosary:** Dedicate 15 or 20 minutes a day to praying the Rosary throughout May. Who knows? Maybe it will become a habit that lasts all year long.
- **May Crowning:** We will be crowning the statue of Mary in the Chapel and in the Mary Garden as part of our 1st Saturday and school celebrations. If you have a statue of Mary at home consider buying or making a wreath of flowers to place on her head.
- **Learn a new Marian prayer this month.** All of us know the "Hail Mary" and most of know the "Hail, Holy Queen", but how about learning the "Memorare", "Magnificat" or the "Angelus"?


We are so fortunate to have a great intercessor as Mary, the Mother of God, the Ever-Virgin, and the Immaculate Conception. Make it a point to do something extra-special this month to strengthen your own Marian devotion.

Deacon's Digest
I'm Awesome?

Some friends of mine recently attended the funeral of their 17-year old nephew who was killed in a car accident. At the end of the funeral, the song "I'm Awesome" was played. (I found the tune on YouTube-If you want to listen to it, get the "clean" version.) This is a rap song where the singer seems to be trying to convince himself that he is not only OK, but awesome. The other voice in the song keeps telling him about all of his downfalls, problems, shortcomings and flaws. Although I'm not much of a rap music fan, this song can give us some insights into the inner life of many teens and young adults. They want very much to be seen by others as viable and significant, but for some reason they don't even see themselves that way.

I have noticed the negative results of this type of self image in many of the kids I visit at the Juvenile Detention Center. I am out there every Monday evening and usually visit four or five of the kids who are residing there. Many of them come from family backgrounds that are anything but typical. Several have been rejected by their dad and mom and live with another relative or are in foster care. Their family situation, and the attitude of life they develop leads them to all sorts of antisocial and self-destructive behaviors. They seem to say with their actions: "Since I'm not worth much, it doesn't matter what I do or who I do it to." Their desire is to be "awesome" in someone's eyes and to be loved for who they are.

In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us a command that should make us sit up and pay attention. He says, "Love one another, as I have loved you." This is no easy task. Jesus is telling you and me that we have to love others the same way Jesus loves them. In other words, we're supposed think others are as awesome as Jesus does. This means we have to love everyone else, even people we don't like very well, to the extent that we would die for them. In truth, we may not be called on to die a physical death for someone else, but we must be willing to serve them in a sacrificial way. What a high calling-to love as God loves! Jesus also says that others will know we are Christians simply because we love each other. So many people in the world are starved for true love: people in our own family, our own neighborhood, our own parish and our own workplace. We need to heed the words of our Savior and show them that they are lovable. Despite all of our own downfalls, problems, shortcomings and flaws, Jesus loved us first and thinks we're awesome.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
FRIDAY, MAY 7TH

Please sign up for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, May 7th. Spend some quiet time with Jesus right here in our chapel. The sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Space.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Our first meeting of the summer-time RCIA program will be Wednesday, May 5th at St. Michael Parish at 7:00 p.m. Call Fr. Joe or Deacon John for registration information.

The **Bread of Life Prayer Group** invites you to praise and worship in the Spirit of Pentecost on Monday, May 3rd. A talk on intercessory prayer will follow. 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. at St. Katharine Drexel Parish. Call Julie Cady at 605-521-5782 for more info.

The Parish Activities Committee will be hosting a **garage sale** in June and they are looking for volunteers to help organize this event. If you are interested, please join them at their next meeting **Mon., May 3rd at 7:30 p.m.** in the conference room or email Abby or Nicole at skdactivities@gmail.com for more info.

St. Katharine Drexel Parish Food Pantry: **Items needed:** Kids' breakfast cereals, granola bars, non-refrigerated juice, jelly, boxed mac & cheese, and canned Spaghettios & ravioli. **Thanks!**

Mass Schedule & Intentions for this week:

Tuesday, May 4th, 6:30 p.m. *Special Intention*
Wednesday, May 5th, 8:00 a.m. *Nick & Alma Bruck (d)*
Thursday, May 6th, 8:00 a.m. *George & Mickie Lipetzky Family*
Friday, May 7th, 8:00 a.m. *Bill Leitheiser (d)*
Saturday, May 8th, 5:00 p.m. *For the people of the parish*
Sunday, May 9th, 8:30 a.m. *Dickes Family (living & deceased)*
10:30 a.m. *Don and Mary Schroeder*

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Baptism Preparation

Second Thursday of each month
at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center Conference Room

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PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Support:

Needed each week:	\$ 11,025.00
April 25th Collection:	\$ 10,633.58
Surplus / (Shortfall):	\$ (391.42)

CDA Ct. Mother Theresa #2510, Sioux Falls, invites you to their annual Spring Luncheon on Saturday, May 8th @ St. Michael Parish Gym @ 11:30 a.m. Menu: lasagna, salad, breadstick & Italian ice cream. Tickets available at St. Michael and St. Katharine Drexel Parish Offices and at the door the day of the luncheon. Cost: Adults-\$7; Children 4-12-\$3; 3 & under-Free. Theme: "Accessorize Yourself"



The Knights of Columbus will meet on Sunday, May 2nd at St. Michael School at 7:15 p.m. All parish men are invited to participate.

Habitat for Humanity Apostles Build

St. Katharine Drexel Parish is partnering with six other Sioux Falls Catholic parishes and nine local Christian churches to help build a Habitat for Humanity house for an Ethiopian refugee family with 7 children. Everyone is invited to attend the Citi-Apostles Build Ground Breaking Ceremony on Tuesday, May 4th at 4:30 p.m. Located at 4412 W Kogel Drive (build site). You will have a chance to meet the Nejash and Musa family, for who we are building the home. *Bad weather alternate site will be Citibank Bldg 1. Our parish is looking for 10 volunteers (ages 18 or older, previous construction experience is **not** required). Each volunteer is asked to sign up for one 3-hour shift. Our parish's scheduled volunteer dates and shift times are as follows:

Wed., May 19th: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Sat, May 22nd: 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. and noon to 3 p.m.

We are also scheduled to help on Aug. 25th and 28th. Sign-up sheets and more information are in the Gathering Space.

Clean and Green Sign Up

We need assistance with our grounds maintenance. There are sign up sheets on the table outside the Parish Office for mowing, watering trees, pulling weeds, spraying and trimming. The mowing will be done on Thursdays at 6 p.m. If that time doesn't work with your schedule, other options are available.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE WISHLIST

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.

- Heavy duty gas trimmer \$250
- Push mowers
- Gas-powered pressure washer \$300
- Vice \$80
- Grinder \$100

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 St. Katharine Drexel Parish.

Youth YG Group

Wednesday, May 5th 6:30—8:00 p.m.

Year-End Party - Meet Me at the Pit

We will roast hotdogs and marshmallows, play yard games and just hang out. The Pit will be set up just south of the school playground.

Youth Trip:

Steubenville North in St. Paul, MN

Fri., July 30th - Sun., Aug. 1st

Only two spots left - sign up now!

St. Katharine Drexel Parish youth pay \$50 registration fee and the parish will pay the rest of the cost of the trip which consists of \$115 conference fee and transportation in return for service hours. Registration forms by the youth bulletin board.

Email skd.youthsf@gmail.com

or call the Parish Office at 275-6870

UPCOMING DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS:

YOUTH RETREATS:

Search: June 4-6th in Sioux Falls

Sr. High D-Camp: July 11-14

Jr. High D-Camp: July 15-18

RETIREMENT RECEPTIONS

Please join us for Donna Zimmer's Retirement Reception on Wed., May 12th after the 8:30 a.m. Saint Mary School Mass in the St. Mary Parish Hall. Help us celebrate her 30 years of teaching in the SF Catholic School System. Cards may be sent to: Donna Zimmer, 5612 W. Circle Dr., Sioux Falls, SD 57106.

The Sioux Falls Catholic Schools, St. Mary Parish, and the Staff of O'Gorman Junior High invite you to the retirement open house for Colly Broveleit. Colly has selflessly given 35 years of service to the Catholic Schools in Sioux Falls and we wish to recognize her dedication and commitment to our students and families. Please join us on Sun., May 16th in the St. Mary Parish Hall (2109 South 5th Avenue) from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

The Parish Activities Committee will be hosting a Blood Drive on Sunday, May 2nd, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the St. Katharine Drexel Parish parking lot. Please sign up for a donation time on the table in the Gathering Space.



St. Katharine Drexel School News:

Please join us for school Mass on

Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m.

Teacher Appreciation Week May 3 – 7th

Preschool Music Program 10:15 a.m. on Thurs.,

May 6th. 2010-2011 School year registration for Preschool and Kindergarten is currently available.

Questions: call the school office at 275-6994 or e-mail Elaine at ehearst@sfcss.org



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Totus Tuus registration forms are on the table in the Gathering Space. Registration is \$30. Jr.

High & Sr. High meet Sunday, June 21st-

Thursday, June 25th from 7-9 p.m. Grades 1-6 meet Monday, June 22nd-Friday, June 26th from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

ATTENTION CURRENT FIRST GRADE FAMILIES:

There will be a mandatory First Reconciliation and Communion meeting on Wed., May 5th at 5:30 p.m. in the Gathering Space.

Confirmation Retreat at BroomTree on Sept. 11th.

Registration forms by the youth bulletin board.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

+Roast Beef Dinner at Christ the King Parish this Sunday, May 2nd. Cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children 5-12 and under 5 is free. Serving family style from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the school gym.

+Free Skin Cancer Screening: Mon., May 3rd from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Lewis Drug Store on 41st & Minnesota. Appointments are required and can be made by calling Avera McKennan Call Center at 1-877-AT-AVERA (1-877-282-8372). For more information on this topic, please contact Avera Dermatology Clinic at 605-322-6960.

+Going Home to the Father: A talk on end of life issues with Travis & Kelly Benson is on Tues., May 4th at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Room at Holy Spirit Parish.

+“Rockin’ Jerusalem” – Enjoy an evening of song & praise! O’Gorman High School’s Choral Department presents its annual spring concert Thursday, May 6 at 7 p.m. in the O’GHS Theatre. Tickets: \$3/Adult, \$2 K-12 & Seniors. Free with a Performing Arts Pass.

+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. - 1:00 p.m. The next one will be May 12th.

+Feast of Faith-Faithful Citizenship: On Thurs., May 13th, Travis Benson will explain how we are obliged to be faith-filled citizens: Catholics who bring the truth of Jesus Christ and His Church into the political process, whether that be in the voting booth, into city hall or into our state & national capitol. The event will be at Cherry Creek Bar & Grill, East 26th St. at 6:30 p.m.

+19th Annual O’Gorman Golf Classic on Fri., May 14th at Willow Run Golf Course. Call Pam at 336-6354 for registration information.

+Program for Parents featuring Dr. Thomas Phelan designed to help you develop positive behaviors, self worth, and independence in your children will be held at the Chancery from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, May 22nd. Call 988-3775 for more information.

+Single Women’s Spirituality and Discernment Group: Come and join us for fellowship, prayer, talks/discussions on topics relevant to Catholic women, mutual support, and to celebrate God's gift of womanhood and what it means in our Church. Upcoming gatherings will take place June 17th and July 21st at 7 p.m. at Holy Spirit Parish Fireside Room.

+St. Michael Cemetery now has a 48-niche columbarium for cremation burials. You may purchase a single or double inurnment. Call 338-3376 for info.

+Adult Summer Class: Deepen your understanding of Catholic Church teachings and strengthen your spiritual life. Joe Rutten, O’Gorman HS Theology teacher will teach 2 separate, 6-week adult summer courses: Catholic Spirituality (Monday nights) and Catholic Beliefs (Tuesday nights). Sessions start June 21st & 22nd at 7 p.m. Cost is \$70. For more information or to register, contact Joe Rutten at jrutten@sfcss.org or 201-3240.

+Spiritual Warfare conference by Fr. John Corapi will be held on Sat., Sept. 11th at the Qwest Center in Omaha, NE. Joining him will be Archbishop George Lucas and master of ceremonies Jerry Usher. The best seats are going fast. This event is sponsored by St. Peter Parish. Get details and tickets at www.fathercorapiomaha.com or 1-800-745-3000.

May 8 & 9 Liturgical Ministers

5p.m. Mass

Lector 1: Carol Deering
Lector 2: Abby Denning

Altar Servers: Doug Todey,
Reece Mimmack

Book Bearer: Nick Mimmack

EOM's: L Mimmack, T Riedel,
M & S Rierson, S Scherer, M Shields,
A Tobin

Greeters: Easthouses & Novaceks

Gift Bearers: M & J McConnell

Ushers: Henry & Luke Evans,
Vincent Pinell,
Ryan Schaefer

Sacristan: Mike Rierson

SFCS Cert.: Candace Evans

Rosary: Kathy Halma

Wknd Mass Reception:
J VanDenHemel

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lector 1: Kathy Anderson
Lector 2: Megan Bartel

Altar Servers: K & J Stork
Book Bearer: Rachael Edwards

EOM's: C & J DeGiorgio,
Kathy Oberbroekling

Greeters: Kuhle, Leitheiser, Srstkas

Gift Bearers: Mike & Sheryl Berry

Ushers: T Northrup, M & D Stork,
Kelly Oberbroekling

Sacristan: Mary Bills

SFCS Cert.: Darla Deslauriers

Rosary: Jessie DeGiorgio

Coffee & Rolls: K & P Ordalen
Bakers: C Running, K Schneider,
S Siemonsma, R Smidt

Nursery: Angie Woolridge, A Bills
Wknd Mass Reception: J Sunderland

10:30 a.m. Mass

Lector 1: Sherry Olson
Lector 2: Stacy Stefani

Altar Servers: Sydney Wilson,
Ryan O'Connell
Book Bearer: Rachel Wilson

EOM's: B Adamson, B Dumdie,
M Garry, T Haggerty, M Nielson,
J & T Polkinghorn

Greeters: Garcias, Buckmiller/
Tommeraasen

Gift Bearers: Eric & Kim Ward

Ushers: N Bohr, K Feterl,
B Nielson, T Stahl

Sacristan: Jan Feterl

SFCS Cert.: Diane O'Connell

Coffee/Rolls: D & A Anderson
Bakers: S Steffes, J Struck, K Turek
B Thompson, L Timmerman

Nursery: C Dembele, L Hoekstra
CLOW: Jenny/Alyssa

Next week's readings: May 3-9

Monday: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8, John 14:6-14

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28, John 14:27-31a

Wed: Acts 15:1-6, John 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21, John 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31, John 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10, John 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29,

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23,
John 14:23-29



We welcome these new members of our faith, baptized in April:

Taylor Sue Forstner, daughter of Jason & Trisha
Jessica Lynn Forstner, daughter of Jason & Trisha
Jason James Forstner, son of Jason & Trisha
Nicole Lynn Johnson, daughter of Kathy
Charles Eugene Novacek, son of Richard & Dolores
Grace Ann Weeg, daughter of Charles & Violet
Lynsey Ann Weeg, daughter of Jim & Grace
Austin Blake Tegethoff, son of Craig & Kristina
Brooke Marie Hendricks, daughter of Ted & Rachel
Lucy Elizabeth Kappel, daughter of Patrick & Sarah
Hailey Jo Redwing, daughter of Clayton & Debbie
Treyson Thomas Richter, son of Justin & Allisa

Sienna Rose Silver, daughter of Pat & Sunshine
Jude Monroe Miller, son of Steve & Sarah
Lucas Lee VanDuyn, son of Casey & Becky
Ava Jean Meyer, daughter of Cody & Stacey

1st Ever Perennial Sale & Fundraiser!

On May 8th & 9th we will be hosting a fundraiser for our stained glass windows and you can help. If you have perennials that can be divided and you would be willing to donate them, please call the Parish Office.

On the weekend of May 8th & 9th, we will have those items available for sale after all the Masses.

