

**St. Katharine Drexel Parish**  
*Come grow with us!*

**May 29, 2011**  
**6th Sunday**  
**of Easter**

**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**

#### **Are you a believer?**

Several years ago I met a man named Roger who was a very sincere Christian. No matter who he was talking to he would always eventually ask them "Are you a believer?" The first time I met Roger, he asked me that question. Naturally, I responded with a resounding "YES," but then he said "Why?" and I was surprised at how I stuttered and stammered my way through an answer. I didn't have a quick and easy answer to the "why" of my belief.

Since then, I have always labored to know and understand my faith and be ready to give a reasonable answer if someone should want to know the basis of my beliefs. Today, if asked, I would say that I am a believer because I KNOW I was created by God in love, by love and for love. I KNOW that God sent Jesus Christ to rescue me from the death of sin, to show me how to live and love properly and to establish a mechanism (the Church) to represent Him through the ages. I KNOW that the Spirit of God guides, strengthens, and nourishes that Church to accurately and faithfully pass along the message of salvation and that same Spirit "gifts" believers with a variety of charisms.

In today's second reading from the 1st Letter of Peter, he exhorts the people to "*Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks for a reason for your hope.*" Peter wanted his readers to be good evangelizers, to be people who could explain the reason they were believers. They lived at a time when Christianity was brand new and the message of hope had to be passed along in a convincing manner.

Guess what? That same responsibility is ours today. By the way we live, by the way we speak and act others should KNOW that we are different, that there is something beyond this world that inspires and motivates us. And, when asked, "Are you a believer?", we should be able to respond with a resounding "YES" and also be ready with answer to the "Why?" question. When Jesus left this earth, he counted on His first disciples to pass the message along to the next generation and them to the next and so on. It has been said that our faith, our church, is only one generation away from extinction. We need to pick up the message passed on to us and be sure that those coming up know how and why we believe. This week, take a little time and ponder how you would answer these questions: "Are you a believer? Why?"

### **WHAT DO YOU KNOW, FR. JOE?**

#### **Love That Shows**

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells His disciples "If you love me, you will keep My commandments." That is an interesting statement coming from Jesus at this very crucial time in His life. He and the Apostles are at the Last Supper and Jesus is giving them their final instructions. When a person is about to die, the words they speak to others are the things they truly want them to remember.

With that in mind, just what did Jesus command us to do? I would say many things. He told us to keep the Ten Commandments through his message to the rich young man. He told us not just to follow those commandments, but to bring them to fulfillment as He gave the Sermon on the Mount. But, in my opinion, the most astounding "commandment" that Jesus gave was when He told us to "love others as I have loved them." Wow, what a tall order. Jesus loved each of us and every other person on the earth so much that He actually died so that we could live. His love was sacrificial and directed toward the good of others. You could say that Jesus was telling us to "love as God loves."

Now if Jesus would have just said these things and then left us alone to do our best, we would be in big trouble. But Jesus knew that we couldn't do it on our own, so again in today's Gospel, He promises "another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth." Each of us, as baptized and confirmed Catholics, has the fullness of that Spirit residing in us. That is the only way we can go about doing the will of God—loving the way He loves.

Jesus also said that His disciples would be known by others because of the love they had for each other. Give "flesh" to that love today by feeding the hungry, giving shelter to the homeless, tending to the sick and visiting the imprisoned. If Jesus would have just told us He loved us without doing anything else, we would still be in the same situation that Adam and Eve put us in. The only way that love can truly be communicated as a Christian is through prayer and action. You and I need to put aside our own selfish desires and allow the love of Jesus (the Holy Spirit) to compel us. Left to our designs most of us are pretty self-centered and lazy. Show the love you have for Jesus today by keeping His most important commandment—loving as God loves.

**First Saturday Mass (Saturday, June 4th)**  
will be at 9 a.m. in the Chapel.

**Visit our web site at [www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org](http://www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org)**

### **Summer Adult Confirmation Preparation**

We will once again offer a summer program for adults who are seeking to be confirmed. This preparation program is for adult Catholics who were never confirmed and for those of other faith traditions who are looking into joining the Catholic Church. The classes will be held in the St. Michael Parish Multipurpose Room every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Call 275-6870 for more information. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at the end of August.

Our parish CFSA goal: \$57,000  
Pledges received: \$70,303  
Pledges paid: \$47,359.91  
495 of our 791 households have responded (62% participation). Thank you for your stewardship!

Catholic Family  
*Sharing*  
Appeal

### **STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION**

Fr. Joe will do a special presentation of the "14 Stations of the Resurrection" on Tuesday, May 31st at 7:00 p.m. in the Gathering Space. There is no charge but please call the Parish Office to register: 275-6870.

### **Mass Schedule & Intentions for this week:**

**Tuesday, May 31st, 6:30 p.m.** Francis L. Cannon (d)  
**Wednesday, June 1st, 8:00 a.m.** Hollie Lam (d)  
**Thursday, June 2nd, 8:00 a.m.** Carrie & Paul Clarey  
**Friday, June 3rd, 8:00 a.m.** Lane, Laree & family  
**Saturday, June 4th, 9:00 a.m.** Tony & Kathy Anderson  
**Saturday, June 4th, 5:00 p.m.** Sunshine & Pat Silver  
**Sunday, June 5th, 8:30 a.m.** Orville Hogan (d)  
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

**Baptism Preparation:** 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Office Conference Room

**How to reach us:** phone: 275-6870 fax: 275-6998

Fr. Joe Vogel, Pastor, ext. 202

frjoe.stkatharinedrexel@midconetwork.com

Deacon John Devlin, Pastoral Assistant, ext. 201

deacondv@gmail.com

Jennifer Hartmann, Dir. of Liturgy & Music and

Volunteer Coordinator, ext. 203

jennifer.stkatharinedrexel@midconetwork.com

Gae French, Dir. of Religious Ed, ext. 204

gae.stkatharinedrexel@midconetwork.com

Laree Giovannettone, Administrative Assistant, ext. 200

laree.stkatharinedrexel@midconetwork.com

Mary Jo Gallagher, Youth Minister, ext. 205

skd.youthsf@gmail.com

St. Katharine Drexel School 275-6994

**E-mail us at:**

### **PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### **Weekly Support:**

Needed each week:	\$ 12,025.00
May 22nd collection:	\$ 11,196.18
Surplus /(Shortfall):	\$ (828.82)

### **Totus Tuus Volunteers Needed**

St. Katharine Drexel will host their first Totus Tuus the week of July 31st—August 5th. We need volunteers for the following:

- Two families—one to host the men's team (2 men) and one to host the women's team (2 women) in their homes for the week
- Lunches for the team during the week (Mon.-Fri.)
- Dinner in the homes of parishioners for the entire team of four (Sun.-Fri.)
- Assistants during the day with the younger children especially between 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.)

Please contact Gae at the Parish Office if you can help with any of these needs.



The Knights of Columbus will have their monthly meeting on Sunday, June 12th at the 41st St. Pizza Ranch. Join us for a meal at 6:30 p.m. or come just for the meeting at 7 p.m. All Knights and interested men welcome. Contact Dean Karsky at 351-8571 for more information.

**The Divine Mercy Chaplet** will be prayed in front of Planned Parenthood every Friday at 3 p.m. Please join Fr. Joe and other St. Katharine Drexel parishioners as they come together at the hour of mercy to pray for mercy for the clinic employees and the mothers and fathers who have chosen abortion.



Also, please join us at the Planned Parenthood Clinic on the 1st, 10th, and 15th of each month at noon to pray the Rosary for an end to abortion. Prayer makes a difference!



**St. Katharine Drexel Parish** now offers Online Giving! Visit our parish website to sign up for Online Giving and begin donating to our parish in this easy, automatic way. Use the Internet for the good of the parish through this secure and convenient process. Online Giving can be effectively used on its own or with regular offering envelopes. For a list of FAQs or for more information, please go to the parish website at [www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org](http://www.stkatharinedrexelsfsd.org)

### **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 Y G Group

**Youth Group - Sunday, May 29th:** No Youth Group—Youth Group will resume on June 5th. Grades 6—12 from 6:30—8:30 p.m.

**Note:** Starting in June we will combine Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group for the summer months. We will meet from 6:30—8:30 p.m. Updated schedules are in the church entry.

**Needed:** Youth Group is collecting used towels for our summer car washes. Please place donated towels in the bin marked "Towels" in the Gathering Space.

**Steubenville North Youth Conference:** Would you be willing to donate the use of your vehicle for the Steubenville North Youth Conference? We are in need of 2 more vehicles and an enclosed trailer to haul luggage. Please contact Mary Jo if you can help.

**Meeting for youth and parents:** There will be a mandatory meeting for all youth attending the Steubenville North Youth Conference and their parents on Wednesday, June 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the Gathering Space. Come prepared to sign up for your fund raising events.

**Car Wash:** The Youth Group will be hosting a car wash on Sunday, June 12th from 12:00—2:00 p.m. Tickets on sale after Mass today! Tickets are \$5 or free will donation.

**Register for D-Camp** on the Diocesan website ([www.sfcatholic.org](http://www.sfcatholic.org)) High School: July 10th-13th and July 14th-17th; Jr. High: July 18th-21st. There are still spots available.

**SEARCH:** June 3-5 in Sioux Falls. Register online at [www.sfcatholic.org/youth](http://www.sfcatholic.org/youth)


Email [skd.youthsf@gmail.com](mailto:skd.youthsf@gmail.com)  
or call the Parish Office at 275-6870

## Breakfast at The Banquet

St. Katharine Drexel Parish is scheduled to serve breakfast on **Wed., June 22nd** at The Banquet. We need workers to help prepare the meal at 5:30 a.m. and more to help serve at 6:30 a.m. Please sign up to help on the sheets in the Gathering Space.



St. Michael Cemetery will be celebrating their annual Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 30th at 9 a.m. at the cemetery. In case of rain, Mass will be held at St. Joseph Cathedral Gym, 5th & Duluth, at 9 a.m. A priest from St. Joseph Cathedral will be the celebrant of the Mass. Yellow programs for this Mass can be picked up in the Gathering Space.



**St. Katharine Drexel School News:**  
Don't forget to keep saving your Box Tops and Campbell Soup labels. You can drop them in the container located in the *Gathering Space*.  
We are still accepting registrations for Pre-school - 4<sup>th</sup> grade for next school year.  
Questions? Call the School Office at 275-6994 or e-mail Elaine at [ehurst@sfcss.org](mailto:ehurst@sfcss.org)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



1st Communion make-up meeting (for those who did not attend the May 11th meeting) will be on Sun., June 5th at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

We will have our very own **TOTUS TUUS** program this year from July 31st-August 5th. Cost is \$35 per student. Registration forms are available by the Youth bulletin board in the entryway.

**SISTERS' CATECHESIS CAMP AT HOLY SPIRIT PARISH:** June 13-17th (9 a.m.-2 p.m.) A unique opportunity for our elementary-aged children to experience! The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, is a Community of Religious Sisters based in Ann Arbor, MI, whose primary apostolate is the education and formation of young people. Kindergarten thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. Deadline is Wed., June 1st. Cost: \$35. For online registration: [www.holyspiritsf.org](http://www.holyspiritsf.org) Go to quick links on left of screen. Registration forms are in the Gathering Space on the table by the Parish Office.

## COMMUNITY NEWS:

**+The Office of the Marian Apostolate** will host the recitation of the Most Holy Rosary on Tues., May 31st (the Feast of the Visitation) at 6:30 p.m. in the Mothers' Garden near St. Joseph Cathedral. All are invited. Then, at 7 p.m. in the Sacred Heart of Jesus Chapel, there will be the ceremony for those who are consecrating/reconsecrating themselves "To Jesus Through Mary" as proposed by St. Louis Marie de Montfort.

**+Our Post-Abortion Healing Program** is having a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat June 3-5<sup>th</sup>. Strictly confidential. A safe, loving, non-judgmental environment. Scripture-based retreat exercises. Open to men & women of all faiths. Sponsored by the Catholic Church and includes the sacraments. Call 605-988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 for registration materials & more information or email [mmoran@sfcatholic.org](mailto:mmoran@sfcatholic.org).

**+The next Men's Spirituality Luncheon** is scheduled for Wednesday, June 8th from 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Cathedral School cafeteria. Lunch is provided with a freewill offering.

**+Bishop's Annual Charity Fishing Tournaments** benefiting seminarian education will be Monday, June 6th at Big Stone Lake (Lakeside Park) and on Monday, June 13th at West Whitlock Resort on Lake Oahe near Gettysburg. For more information contact the Catholic Foundation at 605-988-3765.

**+Presentation Sisters 125th Anniversary** will be celebrated on Saturday, July 16th in Aberdeen. Please save this date and plan on joining them for tours, activities and lunch. If you see a Presentation sister, be sure to thank them for their many years of service to our diocese.

**+Scott Hahn tickets are ON SALE NOW!** Dr. Hahn will be speaking on Saturday, August 27th at the O'Gorman Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$20 per person, and may be purchased at <http://scotthahnsf.eventbrite.com> or in the St. Lambert Parish Office. For more information, contact Theresa Wallace at 338-4728 or [twallace@sfcss.org](mailto:twallace@sfcss.org)

**+St. Michael Cemetery Spring-Summer Hours beginning May 1st:** Gates will be open: 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

**+St. Vincent De Paul Store** is currently seeking a manager who is a motivated individual with a service-oriented attitude and has strong communication skills. Please email a letter of interest and resume to [svdpon-cliff@midconetwork.com](mailto:svdpon-cliff@midconetwork.com) or send them to SVDP, 431 N. Cliff Avenue, Sioux Falls, 57103

**+Pregnant? Alone? Afraid?** Call Catholic Family Services 988-3775 in Sioux Falls or 1-800-700-7867 outside of Sioux Falls or the Alpha Center at 361-3500.

**+Broom Tree Retreat Schedule for 2011:** Women's Silent Retreats held June 9-12, Aug. 18-21, Sept. 15-18, Oct. 20-23, & Nov. 3-6; Men's Silent Retreats held July 14-17, & Sept. 22-25.

**+Is God calling you to the priesthood or religious life?** Call or email Fr. Paul Rutten, Director of Vocations for the Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls, for more information 988-3772 or [frpaul@sfcatholic.org](mailto:frpaul@sfcatholic.org).

## June 4-5 Liturgical Ministers

<u>5p.m. Mass</u>	<u>8:30 a.m. Mass</u>	<u>10:30 a.m. Mass</u>
<b>Lector 1:</b> Sean Catangui <b>Lector 2:</b> Monty Miller	<b>Lector 1:</b> Teresa Frederick <b>Lector 2:</b> Christina Brennan	<b>Lector 1:</b> Katie Kerkvliet <b>Lector 2:</b> Renee Koletzky
<b>Altar Servers:</b> Adam Catangui, Caroline Moriarty	<b>Altar Servers:</b> J & M Roman <b>Book Bearer:</b> Brady Krump	<b>Altar Servers:</b> F Rogers, B Nelson <b>Book Bearer:</b> Nathan Byrd
<b>Book Bearer:</b> <b>HELP NEEDED</b>	<b>EOMs:</b> K Anderson, B & D Honner, C & J DeGiorgio, C & R Lauret	<b>EOMs:</b> K Dumdie, J Lorang, J & W Herrmann, D Rogers, J & T Polkinghorn
<b>EOMs:</b> C Kuntz, J Mitchell, S, A & A Rieger, J & L Zumhofe	<b>Greeters:</b> Krumps & Romans	<b>Greeters:</b> Byrds & Haverkamps
<b>Greeters:</b> Deerings & Hermansons	<b>Gift Bearers:</b> Scott & Angela Harvill	<b>Gift Bearers:</b> D & M Hennings
<b>Gift Bearers:</b> H & C Evans	<b>Ushers:</b> B Honner, J Larson, B Lauret, T Northrup	<b>Ushers:</b> N Bohr, J Slunecka, M & E Volk
<b>Ushers:</b> Mike Catangui, Burt Storley, Collin Moriarty, <b>ONE MORE NEEDED</b>	<b>Sacristan:</b> Kristi Wittrock	<b>Sacristan:</b> John Polkinghorn
<b>Sacristan:</b> Steve Scherer	<b>SFCS Cert.:</b> Tonia Honner	<b>SFCS Cert.:</b> Angie Lynch
<b>SFCS Cert.:</b> Ciony Catangui	<b>Rosary:</b> Laurie Krump	<b>Coffee/Rolls:</b> G & R Green <b>Bakers:</b> M Haase, M Honerman, D Horst, V Lonneman
<b>Rosary:</b> Gary Lamberty	<b>Coffee/Rolls:</b> C & J Schulte	<b>Nursery:</b> Allison Adamson, D Mammenga, K Paasch
<b>Nursery:</b> Kara Riedel, E Riedell	<b>Bakers:</b> J Blauwet, J Cady, K Oberbroekling, J DeGiorgio	<b>CLOW:</b> Jackie/Meghan Mc.
<b>Wknd Mass Reception:</b> D Cranmer	<b>Wknd Mass Reception:</b> W Strang	

Next week's readings: May 30-June 5

Monday: Acts 16:11-15, John 15:26-16:4

Tuesday: Zeph 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16, Luke 1:39-56

Wed: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1, John 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8, John 16:16-20

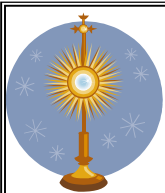
Friday: Acts 18:9-18, John 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28, John 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 1:12-14,

1 Peter 4:13-16,

John 17:1-11a



**1st Friday Eucharistic Adoration** this Fri., June 3rd from 6 a.m.-7 p.m. in our Chapel. Please sign up on the sheets in the Gathering Space to come and spend an hour in adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

### St. Katharine Drexel Parish 2nd Annual Rummage Sale Saturday, June 11th 9a.m.-7 p.m.

We are looking for donations of GENTLY USED clothing and household items. NO electronics including TVs and VCRs, please.

Drop off your items at the Multipurpose Room beginning Saturday, June 4th, 4-7 p.m., Sun., June 5th, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Mon.-Tues., June 6-7th, 9 a.m.- 5 p.m., Wed-Fri. June 8-10th, 9 a.m.- 9 p.m.

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!** We are looking for volunteers to assist in marking and displaying the items prior to the sale and others to help on Saturday, June 11th during the rummage sale and after for cleanup. Please sign up on the sheets in the Gathering Space.

**PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED Monday, May 30th  
in observance of MEMORIAL DAY.**