



# St. Katharine Drexel Parish

*Come grow with us!*

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

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

November 15,  
2009

33rd Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

**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

#### *I hope, I hope, I hope*

A lot of words get used in our day-to-day conversations in ways that can rob them of their true meanings. We say that we "love" the weather, we "love" our dog, we "love" pizza, and we "love" our spouse and children. Can the word "love" really mean the same thing in all of those different contexts? The same thing happens with "hope". We say that we "hope" our football team wins, we "hope" we get an "A" on the quiz, and we "hope" we get to heaven. Can those all mean the same thing?

November is the month for remembering in our Church. We remember those who have gone before us, because we love them so much and we hope they have been granted eternal life in the Communion of Saints. The love we have for them goes beyond words and earthly descriptions. We love them so much that there is nothing we wouldn't do or sacrifice for them in order for all of the hopes we have for them to become reality.

But we have to be careful with "hope". Theologians and Church thinkers tell us that there are two basic sins against hope—despair and presumption. When we despair, we can come to the belief that nothing can save us from our selves and from our sins—nothing can save "so and so" from all the wrong he did before he died. Jesus Christ came to earth, lived a life worthy of imitation and died for EVERYONE'S sins. True hope places the judgment and salvation of the person where it belongs; in the hands of God Almighty.

Presumption can be just as bad. This is when we think that there is absolutely nothing we (or anyone else) can do to merit eternity in hell. We might say "God is so good that He would never send anyone to hell." That statement is true in a way. God doesn't send us to hell, but He won't prevent us from choosing it on our own. God loves us so much that He won't force His love and life on us. When we, in presumption, are absolutely sure that our friends and relatives who have died are already in heaven, we do them a great disservice. We quit praying for them and we don't have Masses offered for them.

Be sure of this: those who have gone before us NEED our prayers, they NEED to be remembered in the Mass. In this month of remembrance, make a list of people you know who have died. Spend time each and every day praying that God would grant them and eternal home with Him. Have a Mass said for them and be sure to attend that Mass. When we have true and virtuous hope, we acknowledge God as savior and judge. Don't despair, don't presume. Pray, remember, and leave the rest in God's hands.



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

Years ago, I heard about a man named Vincent who died penniless. Many of the people who had known him bemoaned this fact and thought it was so sad that Vincent had worked hard all of his life only to die with nothing. But his pastor knew differently. Vincent had prayed to God for the grace of true stewardship. He didn't want to hang on to anything except the things he really needed to survive. He was anonymously generous to many families and charities in his town and continually gave his "excess" to them. The day before he died, he had just written a check to the local soup kitchen. He had intended to write it for \$100 but without thinking wrote it for \$1,000—the entire amount he had in his check book. That night, God called Vincent home to his eternal reward and his prayers were answered – he died penniless.

If you're like me, you want to make sure you always have an extra little bit of money here and there just in case something goes wrong. It seems imprudent to be too generous. In today's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples about the "end times". He wants them to be ready for their own death and for the eventual reappearance of Jesus at the 2nd Coming. He wants them to shed themselves of all the things that might weigh them down and prevent or delay their journey to heaven: things like pride, anger, envy and greed. He loves them (and us) so much that He is willing to give them the grace of truth about life and death. He also reminds them that they do not know the day or time when the end will come.

Warnings like this may seem morbid to us, but the fact is simple—none of us are getting out of here alive. Take some time today and make a list of the "things" that might weigh you down. Possessions, materialism, and selfishness are rampant in our consumeristic culture. Our society would tell us that the most important thing to do is take care of #1 but that is NOT the Christian message. Jesus came to earth to give us a better way. He showed us that life can be lived out in a sacrificial way, always thinking of others first.

He also gave us the example of regular people like Vincent. I hope and pray that I have the courage to be like him by shedding my excess and dying penniless.

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

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Our RCIA Class will meet again this Thursday evening, November 19th at 7:00 p.m. This week's topic is "Places / Practices in the Church & the Liturgical Calendar". Please join us any time the topic interests you.

### COLLEGE SEMINARY FALL OPEN HOUSE WEEKENDS

Calling all young men! See what life at a college seminary is all about. Attend classes, participate in Mass and communal prayer and visit with current seminarians. There is no charge for the weekend and space is limited.

St. John Vianney Seminary in St. Paul, MN  
November 19-21st

Cardinal Muench Seminary in Fargo, ND  
November 20-22

Call Fr. Paul Rutten to register – 988-3763

### Mass Schedule & Intentions for this week:

**Tuesday, Nov. 17th, 6:30 p.m.** David Zimmer (d)  
**Wednesday, Nov. 18th, 8:00 a.m.** Ross Scharffenberg (d)  
**Thursday, Nov. 19th, 8:00 a.m.** Bob Morgan (d)  
**Friday, Nov. 20th, 8:00 a.m.** Thelma Walberg (d)  
**Saturday, Nov. 21st, 5:30 p.m.** Halma Family  
(At All-Occasions in Tea, SD)  
**Sunday, Nov. 22nd, 8:30 a.m.** Jeremiah, Amanda, Scott and  
Shane Lipetzky  
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.

### How to reach us:

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## PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

### Weekly Support:

Needed each week: \$ 10,675.00  
Nov. 8th Collection: \$ 12,955.39  
Surplus / (Shortfall): \$ 2,280.39

### Pew Campaign:

Pledged: \$50,887 (126 families)  
Paid Thus Far: \$48,077

### Building Fund:

Total Pledged: \$1,546,547 (427 families)  
Paid Thus Far: \$1,258,871

### October 2009 Report

	Actual	Budget
<b>Income:</b>	<b>48,887</b>	<b>49,989</b>
Expenses:		
Payroll	16,405	14,142
Administration	7,979	7,226
Facilities	12,853	4,540
Rel. Ed.	786	292
Youth Min.	256	1,100
SFCS Subsidy	19,663	19,663
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>57,942</b>	<b>48,093</b>
Surplus / (Shortfall)	-9,055	1,896

There are 713 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. In October, we added a Youth Minister which increased our payroll. We also paid property taxes of \$5,361.



### ANNUAL FATHER SON BANQUET

The Annual Knights of Columbus Father - Son Banquet will be held on Monday, Nov 16th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Michael School. Tickets will be on sale after all weekend masses. All parish fathers and sons are invited. Monsignor McPhee will be the guest speaker for the evening. For more information, contact Ernie Ortega, 929-2952.

### 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.

### 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 Com-

# Youth Y G Group

**Youth Gathering—November 22nd at 5:00 p.m.**

Food, games and prizes followed by youth Mass  
Come join in the fun and bring a friend!

**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)

**January 6th—Ice Skating**

**February 3rd—Tubing at Great Bear**

skd.youthsf@gmail.com

patti.stkatharinedrexel@midconetwork.com

or call the Parish Office at 275-6870

## **UPCOMING DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS:**

### **YOUTH RETREATS:**

Search: November 20-22, 2009 in Sioux Falls

January 8-10, 2010 in Aberdeen

February 19-21, 2010 in Sioux Falls

March 26-28, 2010 in Aberdeen

June 4-6, 2010 in Sioux Falls

Confirmation Students can attend the Nov. or Jan. retreat  
to fulfill requirements for retreat for Confirmation.

## **2nd Annual Saint Cecilia SING**

*A choral concert performed by Sioux Falls Area  
Catholic Parish Choirs*

Hosted by St. Katharine Drexel Parish

Sunday, November 22nd

Concert at 2:00 p.m.

Reception follows

### **PRAYER FOR PRIESTS:**

*O Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; for Your  
unfaithful and tepid priests; for Your priests laboring at home  
or abroad in distant mission fields; for Your tempted priests;  
for Your lonely priests and desolate priests; for Your young  
priests; for Your dying priests; for the souls of Your priests in  
purgatory.*

Please pray this prayer for the priests of our diocese daily.



Come grow with us!

### **St. Katharine Drexel School News:**

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

Wed. Nov. 25th—Early Dismissal  
at 11:30 a.m. (Kindergarten—2nd grade)

Questions: Please call the school office at 275-6994 or  
e-mail Anne at aswim@sfcss.org.

### **Sioux Falls Catholic School Certificate Program**

Please support the school and your student by purchasing  
certificates after Mass or Monday & Wednesday - Friday  
in the Parish Office. There are certificates available from  
35 local businesses. New to the program are: Honey-  
Baked Ham, Qdoba, and Payless Shoes.



## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Wednesday, Nov. 18th** Class for all grades

**Sunday, Nov. 22nd** Class for Grades 1-6

Reminder—1st Reconciliation Retreat is Saturday,  
November 21st from 9:30—11:30 a.m.

## **COMMUNITY NEWS:**

**+St Michael Cemetery Winter Hours:** St. Michael Cemetery is now open  
from 8a.m.—4 p.m. Mon thru Fri. and 9 a.m.—4 p.m. Sat. and Sun.

**+Men's Spiritual Luncheons with Fr. Jim Mason** are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Wednesday of each month in the Cathedral Parish Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00  
p.m. The next one will be Dec. 9th.

**+Old Fashioned Bazaar & Bake Sale** at St. Nicholas Church in Tea on Sun-  
day, Nov. 22nd from 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Homemade soup and sandwich  
lunch costs just \$5.

**+Program for Parents:** Saturday, Nov. 21st from 9:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Dr.  
Thomas Phelan, clinical psychologist & author will present his "1-2-3 Magic  
Program for Parents of Ages 2-12" via DVD with Group discussion & exer-  
cises. Call 988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 to register. Space limited. No cost.

**+Grieving Loss During the Holidays:** Six Tuesday evenings from November  
17th to December 22nd. For information or to register, please call 988-3775.

**+Broom Tree Day of Recollection:** Join Msgr. Mangan on Mon. Dec. 6th for  
this one day retreat about "The Four Giants of Advent". Call 605-263-1040 to  
register.

**+Considering the Priesthood?** Join Fr. Paul Rutten and others on a visit to  
Cardinal Muench College Seminary in Fargo, ND November 20-22<sup>nd</sup>. Time will  
be spent with the seminarians in Eucharistic Adoration, participating in the  
Liturgy of Hours and Holy Mass. Call Fr. Paul to sign up: 988-3763.

**+37th Annual March for Life:** This youth and family pilgrimage will take place  
from January 16<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010. Space is limited so make plans now for this Di-  
ocesan sponsored journey to Washington, D.C. for the annual March for Life.  
Call 605-988-3763 for registration information.

**+Broom Tree Silent Retreats:** Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> for women, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> for men.

**+Natural Family Planning & Fertility Care:** For information and a list of in-  
structors and physicians, call the Family and Children Faith Formation Office at  
988-3776.

## **PLEASE NOTICE:**

**There will NOT be Mass on Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 26th) or on Friday, Nov. 27th. The Parish Office will be closed both these days.**



## **PRO-SANCTITY LECTURE SERIES Tools for Holiness – The Examen Prayer Monday, November 16th, 7:00—8:30 p.m. St. Katharine Drexel Parish**

Join Fr. Scott Traynor for this presentation on the rich benefits  
of examining your life each and every day to find God's pres-  
ence with you. Call Theresa at 366-2748 for more information.

## **WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP**

Holy Spirit Parish will host this group beginning Monday,  
November 16th at 7:00 p.m. Vocations Promoter, Therese  
Ivers, will lead the group and assist women of our diocese  
in discerning their vocation. For more information, contact  
Therese at 988-3779.

## November 21-22 Liturgical Ministers

<u>5:30 p.m. Mass at All Occasions</u>	<u>8:30 a.m. Mass</u>	<u>10:30 a.m. Mass</u>
<b>Lector 1:</b> Eric Sammons <b>Lector 2:</b> Jennifer Sammons	<b>Lector 1:</b> Sara Siemonsma <b>Lector 2:</b> Rachael Ruba	<b>Lector 1:</b> Curt Olson <b>Lector 2:</b> Jim David
<b>Altar Servers: HELP NEEDED!</b>	<b>Altar Servers:</b> E Hertz, M Peters	<b>Altar Servers:</b> N & A Byrd
<b>Book Bearer:</b> Anissa Wichman	<b>Book Bearer:</b> Tanner Groshens	<b>Book Bearer:</b> Bri Gerads
<b>EOM's:</b> R Dunn, J VanDenHemel, L Welbig	<b>EOM's:</b> P Bunkers, C Buthe, C Nielsen	<b>EOM's:</b> P Andersen, C Anderson, D Anderson, C Dendinger, M Nielson, S Olson, D Wolf
<b>Greeters:</b> Riersons & Ziebells	<b>Greeters:</b> Durbins & Groshens	<b>Greeters:</b> Byrds & Drakes
<b>Gift Bearers:</b> S & A Kary/T Kattke	<b>Gift Bearers:</b> R & C Hallstrom	<b>Gift Bearers:</b> C & L Fisher
<b>Ushers:</b> John Gullikson, Jeff Hauck, Troy Holt, Rick Kruthoff	<b>Ushers:</b> M, R & M Edwards, T Goehring	<b>Ushers:</b> D Haga, M Jaspers, B Nielson, T Stahl
<b>Sacristan:</b>	<b>Sacristan:</b> Darryl Dubs	<b>Sacristan:</b> Sonja Olson
<b>SFCS Cert.:</b>	<b>SFCS Cert.:</b> Drenda Groshens	<b>SFCS Cert.:</b> Michelle Haase
<b>Rosary:</b>	<b>Rosary:</b> Tony Goehring	<b>Coffee/Rolls:</b>
<b>Nursery:</b>	<b>Coffee &amp; Rolls:</b> P & L Bunkers <b>Bakers:</b> J DeGiorgio, M DeYoung, S & A Durbin, P Geraets	<b>Bakers:</b> L Fisher, V Frye, J Garcia, M Garry, B Girouard
<b>Wknd Mass Reception:</b>	<b>Nursery:</b> Melissa Nielsen, A Byrd <b>Wknd Mass Reception:</b> D Hertz	<b>Nursery:</b> K Schroeder, I Garcia

### Next week's readings: November 16-22

Monday: 1 Mac 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63,  
Luke 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mac 6:18-31, Luke 19:1-10

Wed: 2 Mac 7:1, 20-31, Luke 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mac 2:15-29, Luke 19:41-44

Friday: 1 Mac 4:36-37, 52-59, Luke 29:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mac 6:1-13, Luke 20:27-40

Sunday: Daniel 7:13-14, Revelation 1:5-8,  
John 18:33b-37



**Heavenly Father,**  
Over the past five years, You have united  
the people of St. Katharine Drexel as one  
parish family. You have blessed us with

a dedicated, purpose-driven holy priest and holy deacon. You  
have blessed us with a beautiful church building.

Thank You. Again we say, thank You.

Give us strength, give us generosity, give us grateful hearts to  
work as we "Continue the Journey"

These things we ask in Jesus' holy and mighty name.

St. Katharine Drexel, pray for us.

**Attention Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans,  
Nursery Workers and Ushers:** We will have training  
sessions for your ministries on Sunday, November 15th  
at the following times:

**Ushers and Nursery Workers: 5:30 p.m.**

**Sacristans: 6 p.m.**

**Eucharistic Ministers: 6:30 p.m.**

**Lectors: 7 p.m.**

If you are unable to attend the sessions, please contact  
Jennifer to set up an alternate time to receive training.

**Training for NEW ALTAR SERVERS** will be Sun-  
day, Nov. 15th following 8:30 a.m. Mass and Wednes-  
day, Nov. 18th at 5:30 p.m. You need to attend ONE of  
these sessions. If you cannot make either time, please  
contact Jennifer to set up an alternate time to receive  
training. Thanks

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

Mass will be at 5:30 p.m. at All Occasions in  
Tea, SD. There will NOT be a 5:00 p.m. Mass  
at the church.