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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays

Wednesday 9:00 am

First Friday of each month 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration has been suspended until further notice due to the weather.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Friday of each month 8:30 am

First Saturday of each month 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm

Or by appointment

March 5, 2017

INTRODUCING ST KATHARINE

Saint Katharine Drexel was an American heiress, philanthropist, religious sister, educator, and foundress. She was born November 26, 1858 into a prominent Philadelphia family. The daughter of the extremely wealthy railroad entrepreneurs and philanthropists Francis Anthony and Emma (Bouvier) Drexel, she was taught from an early age to use her wealth for the benefit of others. Her parents even opened their home to the poor several days each week.



Following the death of her mother Emma in 1883, Katharine became imbued with love for God and neighbor. She took an avid interest in the material and spiritual well-being of black and Native Americans. She began by donating money, but soon concluded that more was needed, and that the lacking ingredient was people. Katharine founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Black and Native Americans, whose members would work for the betterment of those they were called to serve. Interested in the condition of Native Americans, during an audience in 1887, Katharine asked Pope Leo XIII to send more missionaries to Wyoming for her friend Bishop James O'Connor. The pope replied: "Why don't you become a missionary?"

She visited the Dakotas, met the Sioux chief, and began her systematic aid to Indian missions, eventually spending millions of the family fortune. She entered the novitiate of the *Sisters of Mercy*. She also founded the *Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored*, now known simply as the *Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament* in Santa Fe, New Mexico in 1891.

In 1894, Mother Drexel took part in opening the first mission school for Indians, in Santa Fe. Other schools quickly followed for Native Americans west of the Mississippi River, and for the blacks in the southern part of the United States. Advised by Mother Frances Cabrini on getting the Order's rule approved in Rome. She received the approval in 1913. In 1915 she also founded Xavier University in New Orleans, Louisiana the first United States University for blacks. By 1942 she had a system of black Catholic schools in 13 states, 40 mission centers, 23 rural schools and 50 Indian missions.

Segregationists harassed her in her work. Following a heart attack, she spent her last twenty years in prayer and meditation.

From the age of 33 until her death on March 3, 1955, she dedicated her life and a fortune of 20 million dollars to this work. At her death there were more than 500 Sisters teaching in 63 schools throughout the country. Mother Katharine Drexel died at the age of 96, on March 3, 1955, at her order's motherhouse, where she is buried. The order continues to pursue their original apostolate, working with African-Americans and Native Americans in 21 states and Haiti. Her shrine at the mother-house was declared a National Shrine in 2008.

Her cause for beatification was introduced in 1966. Pope John Paul II formally declared Drexel "Venerable" in 1987 and beatified her in 1988. Mother Drexel was canonized on October 1, 2000, one of only a few American saints and the second American-born saint (Elizabeth Ann Seton was the first native-born US citizen canonized in 1975).

Article Courtesy of Bob Rawson, Guest Writer

PARISH NEWS

Encounter Innovation

We encounter the Singh family in India, where a mother and father are using innovative farming techniques to feed their family amidst a flood. How is God inviting us to think outside the box in service to others this Lent? Visits crs-ricebowl.org for more.



If you missed picking up a Rice Bowl on Ash Wednesday, they are available in church on the table by the elevator.

CCW

Prayer Shawls are available. If you or someone you know is in need of a prayer shawl please contact the Parish office at 358-4370.

Next CCW meeting will be **Tuesday, April 18 at 6:30pm** in the church basement. All women of the parish are welcome.

Faith Formation

Feed My Starving Children –March 11th Update

Transportation is provided and will leave Sacred Heart at 7:30 am and returning at 12:15pm.

There is a change in our schedule for Wednesday, March 8. Grades 5 thru 10 are to attend with a parent the presentation by Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosia, "Dr. Italy" at 7:00pm at St. Gregory's. Students are to attend this presentation in place of their class for this evening. Their teachers will be there and will be taking attendance. Grades 1-4 will still be having



their regular classes at Sacred Heart.

The pictures above are of the confirmation class making dinner to deliver to the Homeless Shelter "A Place for You" in Pine City.

FRIDAY FISH FRY

SACRED HEART LENTEN FISH FRY

Sacred Heart Parish in Rush City will be serving a delicious fish fry dinner on these Fridays:

March 10, 17, 24 & 31

Serving time is 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The cost is \$10.00 per adult

Children 5 thru 12 years are \$6.00.

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, March 11, 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Wayne Herberg
Communion: Mary Stenger, Liz Herberg
Gifts: Herberg Family
Ushers: Derrick Murphy, Kevin Murphy
Servers: Elena Herberg

Sunday, March 12, 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: 2- Youth
Communion: David Prickett, Jean Peno, Mary Pat Hestbeck
Gifts: Peno Family
Ushers: Craig Peterson, Ron Peltier, Bill Peno
Servers: Isabelle Harer, TJ Roth

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Totals for the week of 2/28/2017

Plate199.80
Envelopes (55)..... 1481.00
Bldg. Maint. Env..... 40.00
Food Shelf 25.00
EFT Money.....490.00
Schlangen Family..... 20.00
Cemetery Fund..... 5.00
Ash Wednesday 20.00

Total.....\$2340.80

**Thank you for your generosity
in supporting our parish!**

VIRTUS TRAINING RESCHEDULED

The Virtus: "Protecting God's Children" safe environment awareness session has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 18 from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Adult volunteers who have either regular or unsupervised interaction with children and youth are required to attend as well as those planning to assist with youth events and activities. Also, this class is open to any adult who would like to gain greater awareness among our children and those most vulnerable. Register for this session at www.virtus.org. For more information contact the Faith Formation Office at 651.674.7382.

MASS INTENTIONS



March 7
March 11
March 12

Open
Raegan Ball
Open

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 8

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, March 11

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 4:00 pm
Fr. Nygaard St. Gregory's 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 12

Fr. Nygaard St. Gregory's 8:30 am
Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am
Fr. Nygaard St. Gregory's 10:30 am

Please Note:

There will not be Eucharistic Adoration until further notice due to the weather.

NEEDING OUR PRAYERS

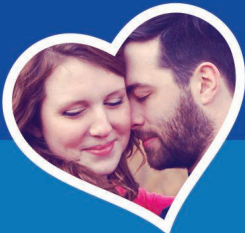
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Marjorie King	Margarette Brooker	Kim Sarago
Jean Amunson	Marvin Johnson	Jim Kirchberg
Bill Peno	Arlene Greenhagen	Ethel Thomas
Mary Knack	Bev Hurley	Tom McKenzie
Wayne King	Jim Mitchell	Sue Roth
Robby Murry	Judie Peltier	Abby Larson
Heidi Blatz	Eileen Kost	Betty Erickson
David Gaul	Jim Noon	Rose Peloquin
Cecilia Shinler	Nick Cieminski	Colleen Najewski
Joan Parkin	Betty Anderson	Lenny Anderson
Cathy Gamache	Gerald Mollberg	Tom Solorz
Ariel Thull-Rulfzen	Phyllis Swanson	

Please advise the office if any of these names can be removed. Thank you.

"Loving God, we ask that you enfold in your tender compassionate care all those in our community whose hearts are breaking and whose worries consume them."



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