

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL PARISH

DECEMBER 17, 2023

PARISH OFFICE

1922 SW 20th Avenue, Cape Coral, FL 33991

Office Phone: (239) 283-9501

Website: www.drexelcc.org

Monday to Friday—8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Tuesdays—9:30 am to 4:30 pm

Faith Formation: (239) 283-0525 or

rose@drexelcc.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday—9:00 am

Vigil—4:00 pm

Sunday—8:30 am, 10:30 am and 12:30 pm

Monday-Friday—9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays—After 9:00 am Mass

Saturdays—After 9:00 am Morning Mass

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

First Fridays of the Month—After 9:00 am Mass,
6:00 pm to 7:00 pm or by Appointment

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

BAPTISM: Please obtain a baptism registration form either at the weekend Masses, or visit our website. After reading the requirements and completing the form, return it to Religious Education. For more information please email rose@drexelcc.org. Baptisms are scheduled after consultation with a priest.

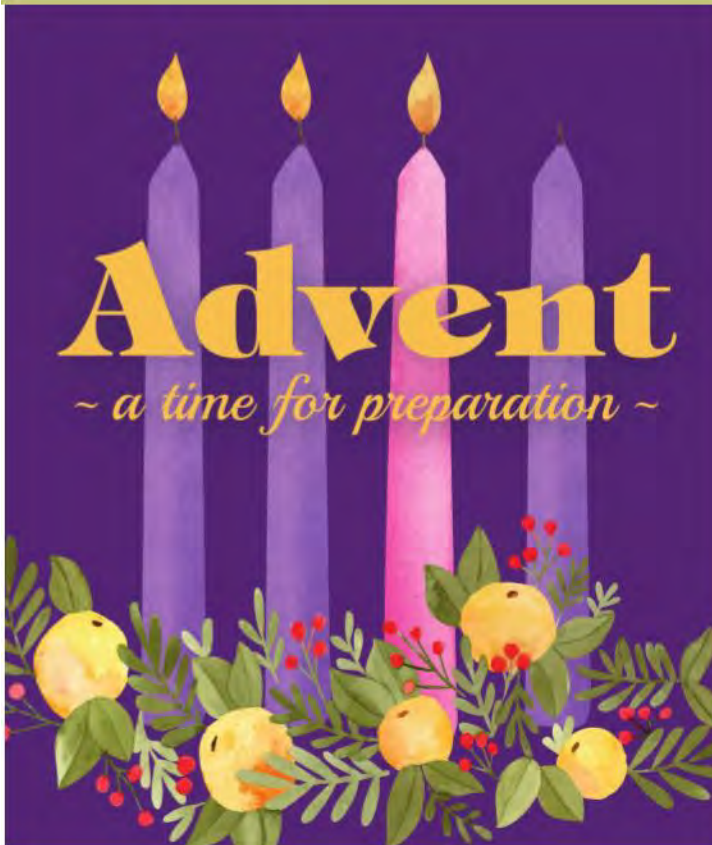
MARRIAGE: Please contact the parish office at least nine (9) months prior to the desired date of the ceremony.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Call Faith Formation at (239) 283-0525.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Are you going for a surgery? Do you need The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick? Please see the priest after any Mass or call the parish office.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: If you'd like a priest to visit you with the sacraments, please call the parish office.

PARISHIONERS IN HOSPITAL: If you are in a local hospital and would like a visit from a priest, please call the parish office. If it is an emergency, please call appropriate church for that hospital.



Advent

~ a time for preparation ~

3rd Sunday of Advent

“Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.”

Matthew 11:10

PARISH STAFF

PASTOR —Father Ricky Varner (varner@drexelcc.org)

PAROCHIAL VICAR— Father Antonio Jean (Jean@drexelcc.org)

ADMINISTRATIVE ASST—Alba Gibbons (office@drexelcc.org)

RECEPTIONIST—Arianna Affatigato (office@drexelcc.org)

BUSINESS MGR—Frank Newcomb (frank@drexelcc.org)

DRE—Rose Marie Talbot-Babey (rose@drexelcc.org)

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC—John Hudak (hudak@drexelcc.org)

DIRECTOR OF YOUTH —Aileen Vasquez (aileen@drexelcc.org)

MAINTENANCE—Ernie Sierocinski (ernie@drexelcc.org)

HOUSEKEEPING—Gilma Avalos (gilma@drexelcc.org)

FINANCE COUNCIL

Peter Barrett, Sr., Barbara Borders, William Carty, Deborah Eppinger, Tom Feig, Kathleen Houghton, Steve Ketteler, Mark Pennington and Steve Shaw

JEREMIAH TEAM

Father Ricky Varner, Timothy Altieri, Matthew Harkness, John Hudak, Renee Marazon, Rose Talbot-Babey, and Sandy Wilkin

NEW PARISHIONERS Registration forms are available in the church narthex, parish office and on the parish website.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

9:00 am Marie Duchatellier

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

9:00 am Thomas Delahunt

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

9:00 am † Lou Fernandez

6:30 pm Mary Carroll

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21: Saint Peter Canisius Priest/Doctor

9:00 am † Robert Lang Jr

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

9:00 am George Kelly

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23: SAINT JOHN OF KANTY, PRIEST

9:00 am Evelyn Sulenski

4:00 pm Saint Katharine Drexel Parishioners

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24: 4th Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Adolph E. Vallieres

10:30 am Margaret McGarry

4:00 pm Saint Katharine Drexel Parishioners

6:00 pm Batungabacal Garcia

11:59 pm † Anthony LaPerna, Sr.

“Jesus taught a new sacrifice which the Church received from the Apos-

SKD PARISH CALENDAR—MINISTRY EVENTS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

9:00 am Religious Education (FFE/FFW)

3:00 pm Simbang Gabi (Church)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

2:00 pm Bereavement (FFE)

5:30 pm Bell and Kids Choir (Church)

6:00 pm Redeemer Retreat (FFW)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

6:30 pm Ark College Students (FFE)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

8:00 am TOPS (Hall)

11:00 am Bible Study (FFW)

12:30 pm ProLife (Library)

6:30 pm Youth Group (FFE)

6:30 pm TOPS (FFW)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

11:30 pm CCW Bunco (Hall)

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (FFE)

7:00 pm TMIY (FFE)

7:30 pm Bible Study (FFW)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

Parish Office Closed

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23 –NO EVENTS

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Third Friday of Every Month - 9:00 am to 12 Noon



1922 SW 20th Avenue Cape Coral, Florida



Week of: December 17, 2023

SKD Church Sanctuary Lamp

is lit this week in Memory of
Josephine Pusateri

By Mr. and Mrs. Dino Janis

Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp

is lit this week in Memory of
Vivieros and Faries Families

By Joao Soares

The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind
 us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ.

Saint Katharine Drexel, pray for us.



Thank you for your Generosity!

Your gift to the Catholic Faith Appeal will continue to make a
 difference in the lives of others!

Stewardship December 10, 2023

Offertory: \$18,867.88

Online Giving: \$5,920.37

Catholic Faith Appeal 2023

Our Goal: \$221,000

Pledged to Date: \$221,807.71

Payments to Date: \$211,003.04

Want to try online giving?

Visit parish website: www.drexelcc.org
 and click on the Online Giving link!

Saint Katharine Drexel Parish Ministries

Adoration Chapel: Open 24 hours. Please call the parish office for more information at: (239) 283-9501.

Altar Servers: Call Rose at: (239) 283-0525.

Ark Young Adult: Third Tuesday at: 6:30 pm, Email Kerri Houghton at: kahoughton1998@gmail.com

Bereavement Schedule: First Friday at 5:30 pm and third Monday at 2:00 pm. Contact Carrie Daniels at: (239) 770-1510 or carriebereavement@hotmail.com

Bible Study: Wednesdays 11:00 am and Thursdays 7:30 pm. Call Russ at: (239) 574-4743.

Embrace Grace-Mom & Dad Support Groups: Contact Rose Talbot-Babey at: rose@drexelcc.org

Church Decorators: Contact Donna Frys at: (239) 540-7568.

Children's Rosary: 2nd Saturday of Month, Contact Gina Moreno at: gmdibagno@gmail.com

Council of Catholic Women: Meets First Thursdays September to May. Contact Vicky Parker at: (239) 219-4537 or email at: parker0496@yahoo.com

Cursillo/Ultreya: Vicki Minervini: vickiminervini@gmail.com

Gift Shop: Open Sundays 9:30 am to 11:45 am.

Holy Spirit group: First Thursday at 6:30 pm Hall. Contact Renee Marazon at: renee@marazon.com

Homebound Ministry: Contact Debbie Eppinger at: (330) 716-3108 or at: buhlcm2@gmail.com

Hospitality: Call Virginia Hinspeter at: (239) 283-3880.

Knights of Columbus: First Monday, 6:30 pm. Contact Lazaro Miel at: www.kofc11177.org or miell@bellsouth.net

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary: Contact Lizzy Paredes at: (239) 233-9050 or lizzy@lpins.org

Lay Augustinians Every 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday at 7:45 pm. Call Russ Summerton at: (239) 574-4743.

Lectors: Contact Laura Furderer at: (239) 691-2233.

Legion of Mary: Contact Patricia Crowder at: (239) 573-8318.

Mom's Group: Bethany Normoyle at: (239)980-6537 or brnormoyle@gmail.com

Music Ministry: Bell Choir, Cantors, Children's Choir, Contemporary Choir, Traditional Choir.

Contact: John Hudak at: hudak@drexelcc.org

Prayer Network: Call Jean Triplett at: (239) 699-2624

Prayer Team Ministry: Contact Renee Marazon at: renee@marazon.com

Prayer Shawls Ministry: Meeting third Thursday at: 2:00 pm Call Tessa Buechler at: (904) 583-3298

Pro-Life Commission: Jeanine Pennington-Chairperson Contact at: SKDprolife@gmail.com

Redeemer Associates: Fourth Mondays at: 6:30 pm. Contact Barbara M. at: bmeiderdrut@hotmail.com

Respect Life: Email Maria at: RespectLifeSKD@gmail.com

Rosary: After Weekday Mass and Sundays at: 12:00 Noon.

Secular Franciscans: Second Saturday, 9:30 am. Contact Doug Elliott at: (585) 370-6178.

Sons of the Joseph: Mike Vasquez at: gyllr@me.com

Spiritual Direction: Rose Marie Talbot-Babey email at: Rose@drexelcc.org

SKD Family Life: Contact Rose at: skdfamily@gmail.com

Table of Plenty Food Pantry: Contact Ron Curr at: (239) 281-8833 or Kathy at: (239) 770-3551

TMI -Timothy J. Altieri, Esq. (239) 810-1093 Email: timothy.altieri@altierilawfirm.com

TOPS: Weight loss support, Wednesdays at 9:00 am, Contact Janice Gainer at: jgainer396@yahoo.com

TOPS: Weight loss support, Wednesdays at 6:00 pm, Contact Debbie Baker at: (937) 626-6247

Vocations: Call Parish Office at: (239) 283-9501

Welcoming Committee: Contact Judy Ketteler at: (816) 809-2227 or at: judydesch@gmail.com

Wedding Coordinator: Karen at: karenrn1008@gmail.com

Women Bible Study- Walking with Purpose : Connie Orr Francesca E. (239) 565-8969 or (239) 600-0470

Youth Group: Aileen Vasquez Email: aileen@drexelcc.org
High school: 1st & 3rd Fridays & Every Wed (6 pm to 8:30 pm)
Middle school: 1st and 3rd Fridays. (6:00 pm to 8:30 pm)

Pope Francis prayer intention for December 2023- We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Abuse Reporting

An allegation of sexual abuse of a minor by anyone should be reported immediately to: **Florida Department of Children and Families Child**

Abuse Hotline: 1-800-96abuse (800-962-2873) or visit <https://reportabuse.dcf.state.fl.us>.

If the alleged abuser is a diocesan employer/clergy/volunteer,
also notify Victim Assistance Coordinator – Susan Benton at (941) 416-6114

Saint Katharine Drexel Parish – Phone: (239) 283-9501

December 8—*The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary* [Holy day of Obligation]

9:00 am—Mass and Confessions afterwards

6:30 pm—Mass and Confessions afterwards

ADVENT INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS:

Wednesdays—December 6, 13 and 20

After 9:00 am Mass in Adoration Chapel

6:00 pm Family Holy Hour with Confessions

Fridays—December 1 and 15

After 9:00 am Mass in Adoration Chapel

6:00 pm Family Holy Hour with Confessions

Saturdays

After 9:00 am Mass and 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

December 21 and December 22

After 9:00 am Mass in Adoration Chapel

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in Adoration Chapel



December 24—*Christmas Eve*

[1/2 Hour Sacred Music before each Mass]

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm—Confessions

4:00 pm—Children’s Mass

6:00 pm—Mass

12 Midnight—Mass



December 25—*Christmas Day*

[1/2 Hour Sacred Music before each Mass]

8:30 am—Mass

10:30 am—Mass

12:30 pm—Mass

December 31—Feast of the Holy Family

8:30 am—Mass

10:30 am—Mass

12:30 pm—Mass

4:00 pm—Vigil Mass (Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God)



January 1—Solemnity of *Mary, the Mother of God*

9:00 am—Mass

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2024!

Daily Mass—Monday to Friday 9:00 am
 Wednesday Masses—9:00 am and 6:30 pm
 Saturday Masses—9:00 am and 4:00 pm (Vigil)
 Sunday Masses—8:30 am / 10:30 am / 12:30 am



24-Hour
 Eucharistic Adoration

ADVENT CALENDAR [ADVENT GIVING TREE - Return all Gifts by Tuesday, December 12 to the parish hall.]

Wednesday, December 20 –

9:00 am Mass and Confessions afterwards
 6:00 pm Family Holy Hour with Confessions
 6:30 pm Mass

December 21 and 22 –

9:00 am Mass and Confessions afterwards
 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Confessions in the Adoration Chapel

December 24 – Fourth Sunday of Advent –

8:30 am and 10:30 am Mass
NO 12:30 pm Sunday Mass because of Christmas Eve Vigil Masses.



Hospitality Ministry

New parishioners, longtime member's Of Saint Katherine Drexel Church Would you like to meet new parishioners?

Hospitality Ministry is the fun way to go. Ministers at all Masses 8:30 am, 10:30 am, 12:30 pm and 4:00 pm meet and greet all attendees at church, assist them as needed and answer questions about our parish.

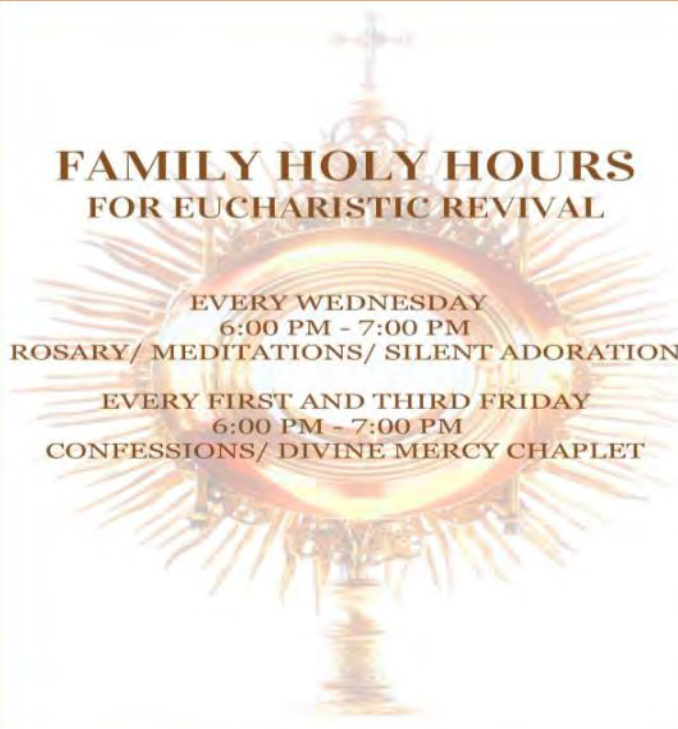
Interested in joining,
 contact Virginia Hinspeter
 at email: firstdreamteam@yahoo.com



HOLY HOUR

EVERY TUESDAY WITH THE PARISH STAFF

8:30 am Adoration in the Chapel
9:00 am Mass



FAMILY HOLY HOURS FOR EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

EVERY WEDNESDAY
 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
 ROSARY/ MEDITATIONS/ SILENT ADORATION

EVERY FIRST AND THIRD FRIDAY
 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
 CONFESSIONS/ DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET



SERVE

"Your commitment to the altar is not only a duty,
 but a great honor, a genuine holy service..."
 St. John Paul II the Great

For more information contact
QYLLR@me.com



Sign Me Up

**SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11177
PRESENTS**



1st



**Annual Charity
CAR SHOW**

SATURDAY 1-13-24 8AM-1PM

Judging and Prizes

a portion of the proceeds go to
Disabled Veterans of America

Food Trucks

Vendors

Music by DJ Frank Gubala!

50/50 Drawing every hour

Car entry \$10.00

Guests \$5.00

Kids under 12 are free!

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Call Kevin Croak @ 317-459-7887 for details



Music in the Mass

#13: Music Ministry...a calling to share your talents!

I remember the very first time I ever sang at Mass. I was in 2nd grade at Assumption of Mary School and the "Folk Choir" Director was looking for a boy soloist for the Confirmation Mass with James Cardinal Hickey (*He was Bishop of Cleveland before becoming a Cardinal*). I remember Sr. Kathy coming into our classroom and asking for any volunteers and for some unknown reason (*because I was shy...NOT!*) my hand shot up!

I remember the song and rehearsing it for weeks: "**He Has Anointed Me.**" Looking back now over 40 years ago was it just a song or was it the **holy spark of the Spirit** that ignited me to share my voice with Christ in His Church?

In Baptism, we are all **anointed** with the Holy Oil and thus become part of the royal family of Christ. As members of His Body, the Church, our primary call is to prayer in the greatest prayer of our Catholic Faith: **Sunday Mass.**

But I would also say by this Baptism we are initiated into a family. And in every family each individual has been blest with different gifts and talents. These talents are **welcome and wanted** in the Church, **especially at Sunday Mass.**

Just think about it...if we didn't have the Sacred Mass what would be on these grounds? Everything, every ministry, every group, every organization is an offspring of that holy nucleus: **Sunday Mass.** Without it, we wouldn't be SKD!

This Christmas, our Music Ministry shared their beautiful gifts of voice, bells, guitars, flutes and piano in our 3rd annual Parish Christmas Concert. We began rehearsing in **August** and spent many, many evenings working to perfect the musical prayers that we would present at the Concert. I have been blest over the years in past parishes and now here at SKD in seeing the joy and excitement choir members show when they finally master a piece of music. It truly is an awesome witness of God working through them and helping them let their musical talents shine!

As we are just a few days away from Christmas I wanted to share that our choirs will be ministering at the following Masses:

4th Saturday of Advent: December 23rd

4pm Mass the combined voices of the Traditional & Contemporary Choirs.

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th

4pm Christmas Eve Mass with the Children's Choir & Bell Choir starting @3:30pm with Christmas Preludes

6pm Christmas Eve Mass with Two Tenors starting @6pm with Vocal Christmas Preludes

Midnight Mass: starting @11:30pm with Christmas Preludes by our Bell, Contemporary & Traditional Choirs

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25th

8:30am Christmas Day Mass with Cantor Schola starting @8am with Vocal Christmas Preludes

10:30am Christmas Day Mass starting @10am with Christmas Preludes by our Contemporary & Traditional Choirs

12:30pm Christmas Day Mass with Cantor starting @12:15pm with Vocal Christmas Preludes

Anointed...At the top of this article I talked about Baptism and being anointed, and I would like to ask you to pray and consider sharing **YOUR** musical gifts and talents here at SKD.

The 2nd half of our Music Ministry Season will begin with rehearsals:

Children's Choir resumes rehearsals on Wednesday, January 3rd @5:30pm-6:30pm in the Church

Adult Choirs resume their combined rehearsals on Wednesday, January 3rd @7pm-8:30pm in the Church.

We will begin to work on our Holy Week Concert: "The Song of Mark" that will be presented in the Church on Friday, March 22, so **now** is the time to join us!

If you are interested in being a part of the Musical Family of SKD I would ask you to contact me at the Parish Office @239.283.9501 or Hudak@drexelcc.org. to see how you can share your gifts with us!

Merry Christmas!

John SC Hudak, Director of Music

Pray for Our Military

2024 NEW YEARS EVE PARTY

December 31, 2023, 7PM • St. Katharine Drexel



Roast Beef Au Jus • Chicken Cacciatore

Garlic mashed potatoes
and vegetables

Salad • Roll and butter

Dessert

Gently prepared by Chef John

\$40 per person Cash or Check

Doors Open 6:30 pm • Appetizers 7:15 pm

Dinner Served 8:00pm • BYOB

Music by: RIVERBOAT JAZZ BAND

For Tickets Call:

John 549-7337 • Mike 800-4629

Irving 917-734-3847 • Jack 707-9015

BOOK EARLY! Sells Out Fast!



Bootstraps Homeless Ministry Celebrates Thanksgiving

St Katharine Drexel volunteers had the opportunity to cook and serve a meal to the homeless population in Cape Coral. We recently fed 125 homeless for Thanksgiving

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Isaiah 58:10

- SFC Ortiz-Lopez Juan Carlos USA
- SPC Joe Cecil USA
- A1C Matthew J. Clarke USAF
- Maj Michael J. Clifford ARNG
- SFC Steven J Cole USA
- 1LT Brent Cox, III, USA
- Capt. Hayes M. Cozza USMC
- Capt. Santino E. Cozza USAF
- ESN Jayden Curr USN
- A1C Hunter Daly, USAF
- ENS Tyler Dunnagan USN
- PVT Zachary Dunnagan USA
- GySgt Evan Fancher USMC
- Maj Shaun Floersch USAF
- Lt. Col. James Hannigan USA
- 1st Lt. H. Matthew Hernandez USMC
- Capt. Jesse Hudson USA
- Capt. David J. Jacobs USAF
- CAPT Barbara A. Joe, USN
- SRA Richard K. Jones USAF
- Capt Armand Kalugdan USA
- PVT Kole Kalisch USA
- SSgt Kole J. Koontz USAF
- Maj Joseph M. LaPointe USA
- SGT James Losh USA
- MSgt. Brian Lynn USMC
- SSgt Jonathan Mamott USAF
- CPT Ryan McMahon USA
- Capt. Sean McMahon USAF
- PFC Chance McQueen USA
- SGT Michael Mercer, Jr. USA
- Maj Christopher Miller USAF
- LCpl Mark Moreno, USMC
- SPC4 Quinn Ogdon USA
- Lt. David Orłowski USN
- PV2 Joseph Patton USA
- GySgt Paul L. Perez USMC
- SGT Alexander Private, USA
- TSgt Taylor M. Purvis USAF
- Lt.Col. Tim Ravas, USAF
- LtCol Christopher Richardella USMC
- Capt Patrick Riley USA
- CPL Gabriel J. Roesler USMC
- PVT Robert Theodore Rosso USMC
- SPC Iliana I. Ruiz USA
- LTJG Dean N. Rye USN
- AB Kelsey Santini USAF
- CPL Anthony Saracino, Jr. USMC
- SGT Nicholas Sbarra USA
- SGT Aaron J Seminara USMC
- Seaman Jeremy Sheppard USN
- Lt. Jeremy Sheppard
- PV2 Alexander Smith USA
- SN Andrew Tank USN
- CPT Christopher Turley USA
- SGT Madison Valdivia USA
- TSgt Erika Velasco USAF
- SGT Robert Christopher Volski USN
- CPT Garrett Alden Wadsworth USA
- SPC William A. Wallace USANG
- AB Zachary Wheeler USAF
- LT Brad Wilkin USN
- ENS Alex Wowk USN

For info, Email Rita at:
skd_prayers_for_military@yahoo.com





Children's Christmas Nativity Presentation

Before December 24th (4pm) Vigil Mass

We are excited to announce that we will be having a live children's nativity presentation prior to the 4:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass. All children in the SKD Religious Education Program are encouraged and invited to participate in this event celebrating the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

MEN'S MORNING OF REFLECTION WITH ST. JOSEPH

A MINI RETREAT AND INTRODUCTION TO THE CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH



SATURDAY- JANUARY 6, 2024

Begins w 9:00am Mass

Ends at 12:30pm

Location: Faith Formation Building West
Coffee & Breakfast will be served

St. Joseph silently and diligently provided for the needs of the Holy Family to welcome Jesus into the world. Similarly, the job of the sacristan is to prepare for the celebration of the Mass where Jesus descends upon the altar that we might receive Him. May we prepare for consecration to St. Joseph, mirroring the same spirit of diligence, holy silence, & humility that our Lord's foster-father also had in providing for every need of the Christ Child. Through the intercession of Our Most Blessed Mother, we pray. Amen.



REGISTER HERE

Walking On Sunshine

CCW Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon
Feb. 3, 2024 At SKD Hall

Fashions by ~Anthony's

Luncheon Provided by ~RUMRUNNERS
Bag Raffles and Top Prize Raffles

Doors open @ 10:30 AM Lunch served 12:00 PM

Tickets Now On Sale! \$35

Reserve your tickets before they sell-out!

For information Call ~ (239) 671-7184
or email ~ Eileen.Sadlo7@icloud.com



Spiritual Adoption Program

MONTH 6

Developing Baby –

“I’m sitting up straight now!”

Your spiritually adopted baby is developing quite beautifully now. Her weight is approaching 2 pounds. She sits up straight now to accommodate her internal organs which have moved into their final place in her little body. Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving. The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed. Don't forget to pray for your baby. Abortion is legal through all nine months and her mom might still feel pressure to abort.

"Thus says the Lord, your redeemer, who formed you from the womb: I am the Lord, who made all things, who alone stretched out the heavens, I spread out the earth by myself."-Isaiah 44:24



Marriage Troubles? If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you have grown cold and distant; even if you are divorced or separated, or are thinking about it, Retrouvaille can help, as it has helped tens of thousands of others. Our next program begins **January 26-28, 2024**. For more information, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, or call (727) 343-6701. Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.

SAVE
THE
DATE

CANA DINNER & DANCE

COME TO A CELEBRATION OF FAMILY
WHERE ALL ARE WELCOME

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024

St. Cecilia
3632 Sunrise Drive
Immediately following
4pm Mass

Marian Hall-Building D
Blessing for all married couples at event

Dinner
Champagne Toast
One Glass of Wine
Full Cash Bar
Wedding Cake

Tickets \$40 per person
Advance purchase only-cash/check
Family and Friends are invited
RSVP4ParishDance@gmail.com

CATHOLIC MEDICINE IN A SECULAR SOCIETY

FEBRUARY 17, 2024 | 9:15 AM - 6:45 PM
ST. LEO THE GREAT CATHOLIC CHURCH
BONITA SPRINGS, FL

PRESENTATION TOPICS

Truth, Conscience, and Religious Liberty in Health Care

Approaching Gender Dysphoria with Compassion
and in Light of the Science

The Role of the Sacraments and Prayer in
the Care of the Sick and Dying

and more!

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CREATE YOUR CATHOLIC LEGACY

HELP ENSURE THE LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY
OF ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

Through the vision and generosity of a few Parish families, St. Katharine Drexel has established a small general endowment fund with the Catholic Community Foundation of Southwest Florida. The endowment fund is designed to help provide long-term stability and sustainability far beyond our lifetimes, and is open to anyone wishing to contribute to the future of our Parish. It is my prayer that fellow parishioners will contribute to this fund and help it grow over time.

The endowment fund is structured so that the original gift amount (or principal) remains intact, while a portion of the investment earnings are used to support the Parish. This creates a reliable, consistent revenue stream to help provide support for Parish needs such as: capital investments, major repairs or maintenance, reduction of debt and other extraordinary expenses now and for generations to come.

Many endowment funds are supported and/or created through gifts from wills or trusts, however, a number of donors choose to fund endowments while they are still living so they can see the impact of their gifts. There are numerous ways to fund an endowment including gifts of cash, securities, property, distributions from your IRA and more.

Please consider supporting our general endowment fund or establishing your own named endowment fund in support of our Parish, program or ministry about which you care most. Your gift can help provide a legacy to future generations seeking to grow in faith, wisdom and holiness.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Fr. Ricky

For more information on contributing to the current endowment fund, or on establishing your own named fund to benefit St. Katharine Drexel, please contact:

Michael Morse, Executive Director
Catholic Community Foundation of Southwest Florida
941-441-1124 or morse@dioceseofvenice.org



DECLINE TO SIGN

Know the facts!

2024 Florida ballot proposal:
"Amendment to Limit Government
Interference with Abortion"

FACT # 4

This proposed amendment could eliminate abortion clinic safety regulations putting women's health at risk.

Women deserve better care!

DECLINE TO SIGN the petition for this dangerous pro-abortion amendment!

Questions? Go to dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife.



Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress

**INDIANAPOLIS
JULY 17 - 21, 2024**


with the Most Rev. Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of Venice



Participate in this pivotal moment in the Church and draw into a deeper intimacy with our Lord. Join the Diocese of Venice by registering today! Scan the QR code or click the Book Now button to attend this historic event.





BOOK NOW!



Eucharistic Conference

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