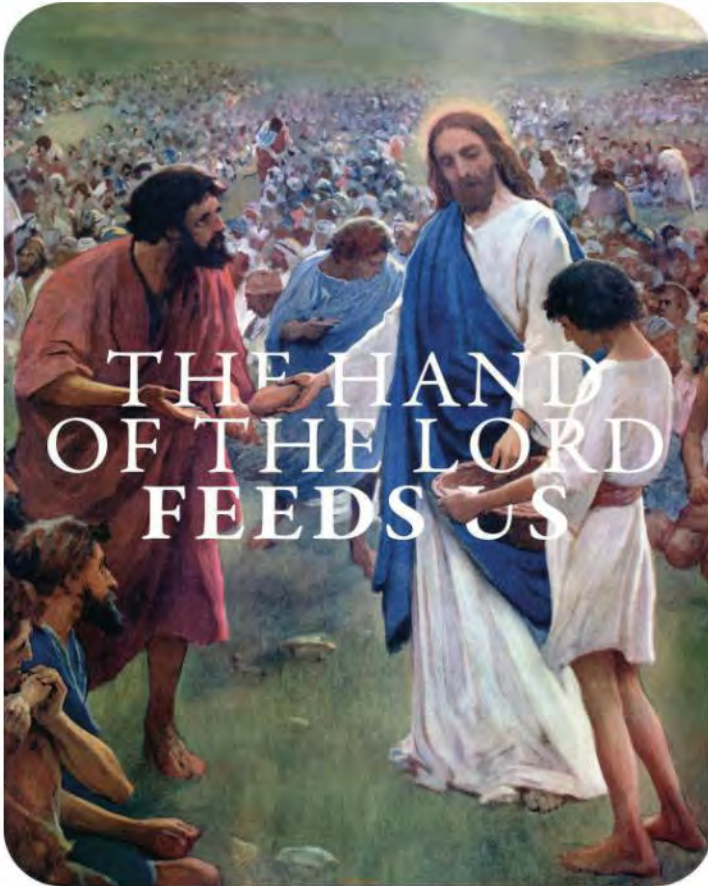


Saint Katharine Drexel Parish

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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.

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Friday—9:00 am

Saturday—9:00 am

Vigil—4:00 pm

Sunday—8:30 am, 10:30 am and 12:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays—After 9:00 am

Saturdays—After 9:00 am Morning Mass
and 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

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

FAITH FORMATION

(239) 283-0525 or email rose@drexelcc.org

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday —8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Tuesday—9:30 am to 4:30 pm

Friday 8:30 am to 12:00 Noon

July 28, 2024

PARISH VISION

Saint Katharine Drexel is a welcoming,
Christ-centered family,
Nourished through the Sacraments,
And chosen, anointed and sent by the Holy Spirit
To grow in holiness and build the Kingdom of God.

PARISH MISSION

We, the family of Saint Katharine Drexel,
Baptized in Christ, anointed by the Holy Spirit, and
nourished through the sacraments and God's word,
Strive to become intentional disciples of Christ,
Who are committed to prayer, learning, and service,
to build the Kingdom of God.

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL FLOCKNOTE

Join our Parish Flocknote. To sign up and receive our
email or events and parish information, please go to
drexelcc.flocknote.com.

SKD PARISH STAFF

Pastor—Father Ricky Varner (varner@drexelcc.org)
Administrative Assistant—Alba Gibbons (office@drexelcc.org)
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DRE—Rose Marie Talbot-Babey (rose@drexelcc.org)
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Director of Youth—Aileen Vasquez (aileen@drexelcc.org)
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Housekeeping—Terry Gastauer (gastauer@drexelcc.org)

FINANCE COUNCIL

Victor Balaj, Peter Barrett, Sr., Steven Cozza, Tom Feig, Kathleen Houghton, Steve Ketteler, Mark Pennington, Steve Shaw, and Phaedra Weiler.

JEREMIAH TEAM

Father Ricky Varner, Timothy Altieri, Peter Barrett, Ken Caserio, Renee Marazon, Anne McCormick, Michelle Plakosh.

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.

“Cheerfulness strengthens the heart and makes us persevere in a good life. Therefore the servant of God ought always to be in good spirits.”
 —Saint Philip Neri

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Stewardship July 21, 2024

Offertory: \$10,862.10

Online Giving: \$5,442.79

Maintenance Fund: \$4,604.00

Catholic Faith Appeal 2024

Our Parish Goal: \$241,000.00

Pledged to Date: \$226,904.00

Payments to Date: \$182,577.70

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

SKD PARISH CALENDAR—MINISTRY EVENTS

MONDAY, JULY 29:

6:30 pm Bell Choir (Church)

TUESDAY, JULY 30:

Faith Formation buildings closed for annual maintenance and cleaning.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31:

8:00 am TOPS (Hall)

6:00 pm TOPS (Hall)

6:30 pm Adult Choirs (Church)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1:

6:30 pm Holy Spirit Group (Hall)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2:

10:30 am Legion of Mary (Chapel)



Time



Talent



Treasure

Prayers for Eternal Life

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
 and let perpetual light shine upon them.
 Please pray for the souls of:*

Helen Varner

Blaine Varner

Dennis Wassermann



HOLY HOUR

Every Tuesday
 with the parish staff
 8:30 am Adoration
 in the SKD Chapel
 9:00 am Mass

What is Spiritual Direction?

Spiritual direction is “help given by one Christian to another which enables that person to pay attention to God’s personal communication to him or her, to respond to this personally communicating God, to grow in intimacy with this God, and to live out the consequences of the relationship.” (William A. Barry and William J. Connolly, *The Practice of Spiritual Direction*)

Spiritual direction focuses on religious experience. It is concerned with a person’s actual experience of a relationship with God.

Spiritual direction is about a relationship. The religious experience is not isolated, nor does it consist of extraordinary events. It is what happens in an ongoing relationship between the person and God. Most often this is a relationship that is experienced in prayer.

Spiritual direction is a relationship that is going somewhere. God is leading the person to deeper faith and more generous service. The spiritual director asks not just “what is happening?” but “what is moving forward?”

The real spiritual director is God. God touches the human heart directly. The human spiritual director does not “direct” in the sense of giving advice and solving problems. Rather, the director helps a person respond to God’s invitation to a deeper relationship. Learn more by contacting:
Rose Marie Talbot-Babey, M.A.A.T., C.S.D. (239) 283-0525 or rose@drexelcc.org

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 29: Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus
9:00 am † Richard Canny

Tuesday, July 30: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop
9:00 am † Robert Bloom

Wednesday, July 31: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest
9:00 am † Barry Stanley

Thursday, August 1: St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop
9:00 am † Rosemarie Nardi

Friday, August 2: St. Eusebius of V. & St. Peter Julian
9:00 am † Ronald Pirnat

Saturday, August 3: Weekday
9:00 am † Guy McCormick

4:00 pm † Richard and Pat Berry

Sunday, August 4: 18th Sunday Ordinary Time

8:30 am SKD Parishioners

10:30 am † Frank Gubala Sr.

12:30 pm † Armando and Nicholas Sambrato

“Jesus taught a new sacrifice which the Church received from the Apostles and offers throughout the whole world.”

-Saint Irenaeus

Week of: July 28, 2024

SKD Church Sanctuary Lamp

is lit this week in Memory of

Araceli Q. Alvarez

By Noemi Mescallado

Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp

is lit this week in Memory of

Julie C. Weaver

By Nicholas Weaver

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

Saint Katharine Drexel, pray for us.



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

Bible Study: Wednesdays 11:00 am and Thursdays 7:30 pm. Call Russ at: (239) 574-0020.

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

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

Young Adult Rosary: 1st Saturday of Month, at 9:30 am Contact Kerri Houghton at: kahoughton1998@gmail.com

Council of Catholic Women: Meets First Thursdays September to May. Contact Madeline DeBlois at: (207)754-2215 or email at: mmcdeblois@gmail.com

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

Gift Shop: Open Sundays after weekend Masses.

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 Bob Snyder at: 239-321-9012 or www.SKDgrandknight11177@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary: Contact Sandy Wilkin at: swilkinfl@aol.com

Lay Augustinians Every 2nd, 4th Mondays at 7:00 pm. Call Russ Summerton at: (239) 574-0020.

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

Legion of Mary: Contact JoAnn Piacente at: (239) 258-0666.

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 Saint 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

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

TOPS: Weight loss support, Wednesdays at 9:00 am, Contact Toni Bryant at: 239-225-8093 or Tonichief912@gmail.com

TOPS: Weight loss support, Wednesdays at 6:00 pm, Contact Joe Dever at: (239) 851-6442 email: nanukfla@aol.com

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 : Contact Connie Orr at (239) 565-8969

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 July 2024: For the pastoral care of the sick
We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

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



FLORIDA'S PRO-ABORTION AMENDMENT EXPLAINED

Why Floridians Should Vote NO on Amendment 4

Titled "Amendment to Limit Government Interference with Abortion," Amendment 4 would enshrine **UNREGULATED ABORTION** in our state constitution, making Florida one of the **MOST PRO-ABORTION** states in the nation. The amendment language is **MISLEADING**, and its proposed outcomes are **DANGEROUS**.

WHAT IT SAYS

BALLOT SUMMARY

No law shall prohibit, penalize, delay, or restrict abortion

before **viability**

or when necessary to protect the **patient's health,**

as determined by the patient's **healthcare provider.**

This amendment does not change the Legislature's constitutional authority to require **notification** to a parent or guardian before a minor has an abortion.

WHAT IT DOES

PUTS WOMEN AT RISK

Amendment 4 would jeopardize existing laws and prohibit new ones that voters on both sides of the abortion issue support, including health and safety laws that protect women.

ALLOWS SECOND AND THIRD TRIMESTER ABORTIONS

Though not defined in the amendment, "viability" is defined in Florida law as the stage of development when the life of a fetus is sustainable outside the womb (Ch. 390.011(15)), generally accepted to be 22-24 weeks of pregnancy, or about 6 months.

CREATES A BROAD "HEALTH" LOOPHOLE

"Patient's health" is not defined in the amendment, allowing post-viability, extremely late-term abortions for treatable, temporary health concerns. Emotional health would justify an abortion when a child could survive outside the womb.

WEAKENS MEDICAL DOCTOR REQUIREMENT

"Healthcare providers" – not just physicians – could determine if an abortion is "necessary" to protect the mother's "health." Even some employees of abortion clinics, such as nurses and counselors, could approve late-term abortions.

ELIMINATES PARENTAL CONSENT

While preserving parental *notification* in our state constitution (Article X, Section 22), the amendment would invalidate the current law that requires parental *consent* for a minor to have an abortion (Ch. 390.0114(5)), making abortion the only medical decision for which parents have no say.



Scan to learn more:

World Day for Grandparents and Elderly

"By cherishing the charisms of grandparents and the elderly, and the contribution they make to the life of the Church, the World Day seeks to support the efforts of every ecclesial community to forge bonds between the generations and to combat loneliness," the statement said. Cardinal Kevin J. Farrell, prefect of the Dicastery for Laity, the Family and Life, said the theme is a reminder "that, unfortunately, loneliness is a widespread reality, which afflicts many elderly people, often victims of the throwaway culture and considered a burden to society."

Families and parishes, he said, "are called to be at the forefront in promoting a culture of encounter, to create spaces for sharing, listening, to offer support and affection: thus, the love of Gospel becomes concrete."

"Our communities, with their tenderness and affectionate attention that does not forget its most fragile members, are called to manifest the love of God, who never abandons anyone," the cardinal said.



**Do not cast me off
in my old age**

Cf. Psalm 71, 9

July 28, 2024
World Day
for Grandparents and the Elderly



Religious Education Announcements

Sign ups begin July 1st

Classes begin in September for Grades PreK, K-Grade 10.

Sacramental Preparation
First Reconciliation,
First Holy Communion & Confirmation.

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(Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)

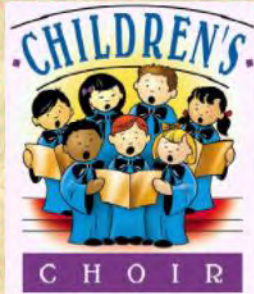
Adults who desire to enter the Catholic Faith or
need completion of their Sacraments.

Sessions begin in October.

Formation Options

Grade class sessions meet Sundays,
Family Sessions meet monthly on Saturdays,
Homeschool and Independent Study

Contact the Faith Formation Office (239) 283-0525 or email rose@drexelcc.org



Calling ALL Kids!

THIS JULY and AUGUST will be open enrollment for our Parish Children's Choir and we are looking for any child **Ages 6-13** to be a part of this special Music Ministry at SKD! **NO Auditions**, just come and sing!

The **Children's Choir** will be rehearsing on **Wednesdays from 5:30pm—6:30pm** starting in late August and will begin to learn music for the Fall and Christmas!

The kids will minister on Sundays twice a month *primarily* at the **Sunday 10:30 am Mass** **BUT** will do a few rotations during the season so that our entire parish family may experience the Children leading us in song!

The Children's Choir will also be a part of the **Parish Christmas Concert on Friday, December 6** and minister at the **4:00 pm Christmas Eve with the Parish Bell Choir!**

In January the Children's choir will join in preparing with our Adult Choirs for "Moses, the Burning Withing" the parish's Holy Week Concert on Friday, March 11, 2025.

We've got a **LOT** planned musically, we have a **LOT** of room in the Choir Area; all we need is a **LOT** of children to shape our choir.

SIGN UP FORMS are on the counter in the Narthex of the Church. Sign up today!!!

Anniversary Blessings Saint Katharine Drexel Parish

Offers Blessings and Congratulations to
it's Couples Celebrating their Anniversary

Fred and Cindy Glasenapp

49 Years

August 2, 2024



Carl and Joan Reid

54 Years

August 2, 2024



Would you like to include your Anniversary in our bulletin?
Please send your information to bulletin@drexelcc.org.

Prayer for Safety In Hurricane Season

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.

Composed by Most Rev. Maurice Schexnayder (1895-1981), Second Bishop of Lafayette (1956-1973), following Hurricane Audrey in 1957]



Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." - Mt. 19: 14.

When we bring our children to Mass, we are bringing them (as well as ourselves) to Jesus, to His perfect Sacrifice offered to God the Father for the salvation of mankind. We are bringing them to Jesus - Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. We are bringing them to the fountain of grace flowing from His Paschal Mystery! Don't miss the grace!

God does not take a break from you! Dear Dad and Mom, remember to come to Mass with your children every weekend. Even when we have a break in our classes of Religious Education. Jesus is still waiting for you and your family in the Sunday Mass.

Pray for Our Military

- SFC Ortiz-Lopez Juan Carlos USA
- SPC Joe Cecil USA
- A1C Matthew J. Clarke USAF
- Lt. Col. Zachary Robert Clarke USAF
- Maj Michael J. Clifford ARNG
- SFC Steven J Cole USA
- 1LT Brent Cox, III, USA
- Maj Hayes M. Cozza USMC
- Capt. Santino E. Cozza USAF
- AM3 Jayden Curr USN
- A1C Hunter Daly, USAF
- ENS Tyler Dunnagan USN
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- GySgt Evan Fancher USMC
- Maj Shaun Floersch USAF
- Lt. Col. James Hannigan USA
- SN Hannanh Hayes USCG
- 1st Lt. H. Matthew Hernandez USMC
- Capt. Jesse Hudson USA
- Capt. David J. Jacobs USAF
- SRA Richard K. Jones USAF
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- PVT Kole Kalisch USA
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Saint Katharine Drexel
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Thursday
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 CAPE CORAL, FL 33991-3569

For info, Email Rita at:
skd_prayers_for_military@yahoo.com or
bulletin@drexelcc.org





Prayer Retreat-Workshop

Saturday, August 10, 2024
9:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

All Are Welcome!

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Take Some Time Out For Yourself! Come Away With The Lord!

Join us as we...

- Discover the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives!
- Listen for and hear God's Voice for our lives!
- Experience the Power of the Holy Spirit as we pray with and for others!
- Identify Our God-Images!
- Explore Blocks to Healing!



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Life is challenging for sure, and learning to hear what God is saying to us transforms life's challenges into grace.

PRAY TO PROTECT THEM BOTH

Vote No on Amendment 4

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Prayer to Defeat Florida's Abortion Amendment

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Florida from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn, pray for us!

A Walk with Jesus for Grieving Parents

WEEKEND RETREAT
Friday, October 11-13
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Retreat Center, 3989 S. Moon Drive, Venice

Cost: \$150/person double occupancy
\$250/person single occupancy.
Financial assistance available.

This Catholic (faith-based) retreat offers a safe place to seek peace and comfort, and will be led by Deacon Henry de Mena and a team of parents who have walked this path.

TO REGISTER, PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT
[HTTPS://DIOCESEOFVENICE.REGFOX.COM/GRIEVING-PARENTS-RETREAT-2024](https://dioceseofvenice.regfox.com/grieving-parents-retreat-2024)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE DIOCESE OF VENICE OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE AT 941-484-9543

SCAN ME



It's like praying... **TWICE!**

In the very words attributed to Saint Augustine might add that not only "SINGING is like praying twice" but being a part of YOUR parish Music Ministry might even make it "THRICE!" And that's what this article is all about... becoming more ACTIVE here at SKD!

The month of August all of our ADULT Choirs (Bells, Contemporary, and Traditional) will be ministering TOGETHER so that you can experience what our choirs sound like and how you might want to share YOUR talents with us!

We will minister Masses: Saturday, August 3 at 4 pm * Sunday, August 11 at 8:30 am
Sunday, August 18 at 10:30 am and Sunday, August 25 at 12:30 pm.

This is an opportunity for us to begin a "soft-start" into our 2024-2025 Music Ministry Season AND a chance for you to consider seeing who we are, and perhaps joining one of the choirs!

There are NO Auditions for vocal choir members to sing in either choir.

Bell Choir members must be able to read music. Notation and Rhythms.

Instrumentalists: Bass Guitar, Cello, Clarinet, Flute, French Horn, Harp, Guitar, Oboe, Violin are welcome to join! A brief EASY audition/jam-session would be scheduled with me before joining our ministry. But you CAN do it!

Weekly Rehearsals are required to sing for the upcoming Weekend Masses.

The Music Ministry also does have FUN

- Annual Back To Choir Picnic
- Annual Fall Pasta Dinner
- Christmas Concert & Gathering
- Holy Week Concert & Gathering

So, what are you waiting for???
PLEASE stop down after ANY Mass in August and let's chat & get YOU signed up for Music Ministry here at SKD!!!

John SC Hudak
Director of Music





Catholic School Student Tuition Assistance

Our parish family encourages and supports your decision to send your children to Catholic Schools. Financially, it is a sacrifice for many families and our Diocesan Schools do offer a discount to members of our parish who actively and faithfully attend Sunday Mass and support our parish financially.

In order for Father Ricky to validate your active participation here at SKD, as required on the form from the Catholic School you are choosing to attend, there is some necessary criteria for consideration for tuition assistance.

Active Parishioner Status includes:

- Being formally registered and participating at the parish for at least three months.
- Faithful attendance to Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.
- Support the Parish by using the Sunday envelopes or online giving.
- Involvement in at least one ministry or organization in the Parish.

The monetary sacrifice is insignificant as much as your family participation in attending Sunday Mass each week. Consideration for the school discount depends on online giving or using the Sunday Envelopes to show participation in the Sunday Mass. Some school families give online supporting the parish. However, school families who choose to financially support the parish by using the Sunday Envelope need to do so each week by placing it in the basket, if you are applying for the school discount.

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