

Saint Katharine Drexel Parish

1922 SW 20th Avenue / Cape Coral, Florida 33991
Telephone: (239) 283-9501 / Website: www.drexelcc.org
Email: office@drexelcc.org



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 Mass
and 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

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

FAITH FORMATION

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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday—8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Tuesday—9:30 am to 4:30 pm

October 6, 2024

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 in the church, parish office and on the parish website.

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)
Business Manager—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

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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Offertory: \$11,807.80

Online Giving: \$6,201.87

Maintenance Fund to Date: \$22,006.15

Catholic Faith Appeal 2024

Our Parish Goal: \$241,000.00

Pledged to Date: \$245,904.00

Payments to Date: \$218,213.88

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

SKD PARISH CALENDAR—MINISTRY EVENTS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7:

6:30 pm A A Meeting (FFE)
 6:30 pm Bell Choir (Church)
 6:30 pm Ladies Auxiliary (Hall)
 6:30 pm Knight of Columbus (FFW)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8:

6:30 pm Alpha (Hall)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9:

8:00 am TOPS (Hall)
 10:00 am Walking with Purpose (FFE)
 11:00 am Bible Class (FFW)
 5:30 pm Children Choir (Church)
 6:00 pm Youth Group—HS (FFE)
 7:00 pm TOPS (FFW)
 7:00 pm Adult Choirs (Church)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10:

10:00 am CCW Board Mtg. (FFW)
 11:30 am Pro-Life Mtg. (Library)
 7:00 pm Bible Class (FFW)
 7:00 pm Walking with Purpose (FFE)
 7:00 pm TMIY (Hall)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11:


10:30 am Legion of Mary (FFW)
 6:30 pm Youth Group (FFE)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12:

8:30 am Franciscans (FFW)
 8:30 am Cursillo (FFE)
 5:00 pm Pasta Dinner (Hall)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13:

9:30 am NO Religious Education Classes
 12:00 Noon Rosary for Life (Church)



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, October 7: Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 am †Rosinda Garcia

Tuesday, October 8: Weekday

9:00 am †Mary Suchcicki

Wednesday, October 9: Saint Denis Bishop & Martyr

9:00 am Antoinette Sabatka

Thursday, October 10: Weekday

9:00 am David Klump

Friday, October 11: Saint John XXIII, Pope

9:00 am †Joey Baker

Saturday, October 12: Weekday

9:00 am †Felix Lizzul

4:00 pm †Tom and Mariana Kelly

Sunday, October 13: 28th Sunday Ordinary Time

8:30 am †Lou Fernandez

10:30 am The Dooley Children

12:30 pm SKD Parishioners

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

-Saint Irenaeus

Week of: October 6, 2024

SKD Church Sanctuary Lamp

is lit this week in Memory of

Helen Varner and Blaine Varner

By Meiderdrut Family

Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp

is lit this week in Memory of

Cameron Michael Feig

By Tom and Jan Feig



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.

AA Meeting: Mondays at 6:30 pm F.F. East Wing

Bible Study: Wednesdays 11:00 am and Thursdays 7:30 pm. Call Russ at: (239) 728-1912.

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) 728-1912

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

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

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: Every Wed (6:00 pm to 8:30 pm) Middle school: 1st and 3rd Fridays. (6:00 pm to 8:30 pm)

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for October 2024:

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

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

YOUTH RALLY / IGNITE



BISHOP DEWANE



MARI PABLO



TANNER KALINA



**JOSH BLAKESLEY
BAND**

Did not our hearts
burn within us while
he talked to us ...
Luke 24: 32

Nov. 16, 2024
12:30 pm - 8:30 pm



Charlotte Harbor Event
and Conference Center
75 Taylor Street, Punta Gorda
FL, 33950

www.dioceseofvenice.org 941-484-9543



Music in the Mass

2: "The Choir and Cantor" "Mirror, mirror on the wall..." We've all looked into a mirror at some-point in our life time and hopefully the reflection makes one happy, proud and even **confident** of the image standing in-front the mirror.

That's how I "see" the role of a Church Cantor or Choir... A "reflection" of the praying assembly. The primary ministry of choir or cantor is to "**reflect and return vocal support**" of the **singing Assembly**.

In the early days of the church, especially in Europe, it was the role of the "boy choirs" to **perform** the intricate music of the Mass because of its' musical difficulty and the entire Mass was in Latin.

After Vatican II, and the Church opened its' doors to praying the Mass in the vernacular (**the language of the people and the country they live in**) the role of the choir/cantor shifted significantly and its' primary function was to lend vocal support of the praying Assembly.

Today, as even here at SKD, you will "see" the cantor or choir no longer located in a choir loft away from the assembly. They are physically located in the nave of the Church, in a place dedicated for their ministry but within the praying assembly.

A choir/cantor is primarily there to lead and support the assembly but there are opportunities within the Mass for the Music Ministry to provide "choral selections" for the assembly to "reflect" in quiet prayer.

The times during the Mass appropriate for such presentations of church choral music where a Cantor/Choir may sing something alone would be as Prelude Music, as the Church is gathering before Mass.

The only time appropriate within the Mass for a choral piece to be presented for the assembly to quietly reflect on would be during the Presentation of Gifts. (Where actually within the (GIRM) General Instruction of the Roman Missal doesn't indicate something must be sung by anyone at all.)

A choir also helps bring polyphony (*harmonies*) to the music being sung by the Assembly. It is a way to augment and "reflect" a richer beauty of a melody being sung by all. Cantors/Choirs come in all ages and styles. Here at SKD we are blessed with many parishioners who have dedicated their time and talent in helping to bring beauty to the Music of the Mass. They are members of our Bell Choir, Cantors, Children's Choir, Contemporary Choir and Traditional Choir. **(Over 90 individuals!)**

Outside of Mass, they will share their talents this year in offering a Sacred Christmas Concert, "*Christmas In Song*," on **Friday, December 6 @7pm** and a Sacred Holy Week Concert, "*Moses The Burning Within*," on **Friday, April 11 @7pm**. These concerts are presented for **YOU** in "prayer-formance" to deepen our celebration of our Holy Days in the Catholic Church.

Please join us in **Musical Prayer of the Almighty!**

-*John SC Hudak*, Director of Music



Annual Veterans Day Dinner Dance

The Knights of Columbus Council 11177

is hosting their Annual Veterans Day Dinner Dance

in the St. Katharine Drexel Church Hall

Saturday, November 9th, 2024

from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Agenda:

5-6: BYOB Happy Hour

6-7: Buffet Dinner

7-9: Dancing

8-9: Raffles & 50/50

Dinner catered by Mission BBQ:

(Pulled pork, pulled chicken, and entree)

Music by DJ Frank Gubala

Donations will support Veterans Organizations and our Church Charities

\$25.00 per person — BYOB

Tickets sold after all Masses on Oct. 26 & 27 and Nov. 2 & 3
or contact Tim Kenny at (239) 810-1140.



A Crash Course in Catholic Ethics, Transgender Issues & Gender Dysphoria

Oct 17th

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*"Where Eucharistic life flourishes,
there the life of the Church will blossom."*

-Saint John Paul II

Marriage Retreat

October 11-13, 2024

**A Weekend Retreat May Be
Just What Your Marriage Needs!**

Spend a weekend focusing on your marriage and learn how to reconnect with each other. Retrouvaille is a marriage program that teaches a way to communicate with your spouse on a feeling level. The weekend will provide encouragement, hope, and practical tools to help rebuild a disconnected marriage.



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40 DAYS FOR LIFE™

**Help Save Lives in Fort Myers
October 17th at 6:00 PM**

We are honored to welcome **Dr. Haywood Robinson**, former abortionist, now serving on the Board of Directors for the National 40 days for Life Organization. We hope you'll come to hear the testimony and encouraging word of Dr. Robinson.

*Please join us by Sidewalk outside of Planned Parenthood.
Locate at 6418 Commerce Park Dr.*



Anniversary Blessings Saint Katharine Drexel Parish

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



Tim and Peggy Kenny
39 Years
October 12, 2024



Juan and Veronica Ortiz
24 Years
October 6, 2024

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

*Respect Life
Month*

I CAME SO THAT
THEY MIGHT HAVE

LIFE

October 2024

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL Council of Catholic Women

FALL BAZAAR

Saturday, November 2nd 9:00am to 6:00pm
Sunday, November 3rd 9:00am to 2:00pm

Arts, Crafts, Jewelry, Handmade wares, Silent Auction,
 Bake Sale, 50/50 Raffles, Breakfast and Lunch in our Cafe'
 An activity table for the Kids while you shop.
FREE GIFT for the first 25 shoppers



We are collecting Items for the
SILENT AUCTION

They must be in like new condition with a value of at least \$10.00
 (Not excepting any jewelry or white elephant/garage sale items)

Collections for Silent Auction will be between the Faith Formation Buildings
 on the following dates from 10:00am to 12:30pm
 Tuesday Oct. 15th, Saturday Oct. 19th,
 Tuesday Oct. 22nd, Friday Oct 25th,

Questions? Contact Vicky Parker 239-219-4537 parker0496@yahoo.com

Saint Katharine Drexel
 Church Hall
 1922 SW 20th Ave
 Cape Coral

Pray for Our Military

ENS Nicholas Brasacchio USN
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 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
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 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
 SN Hannanh Hayes USCG
 1st Lt. H. Matthew Hernandez USMC
 Capt. Jesse Hudson USA
 Capt. David J. Jacobs USAF
 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
 SGT Michael Mercer, Jr. USA
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 PV2 Joseph Patton USA
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 PFC Robert Theodore Rosso USMC
 SPC Iliana I. Ruiz USA
 LTJG Dean N. Rye USN
 AB Kelsey Santini USAF
 CPL Anthony Saracino, Jr. USMC
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 CPT Garrett Wadsworth USA
 SPC William A. Wallace USANG
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Email to bulletin@drexelcc.org

 **TOGETHER IN HOLINESS**
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The fourth annual Together in Holiness conference is a great opportunity for all of the engaged and married couples in the Diocese of Venice. The conference brings them together for a day dedicated to prayer, conversation, fellowship, and reflection on the beautiful vocation of marriage. Please join me for this wonderful event, for renewal within our local Church can only flourish to the degree that we have married couples focused on growing in deeper love with their spouse and their vocation.

Most Rev. Frank J. Dewane

WHERE SPOUSES DISCOVER GOD'S PLAN FOR THEIR FAMILY

OCTOBER 19, 2024 | 8:00 AM - 2:45 PM
 CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD
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 IN FLORIDA

Prayers for Eternal Life

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

*Peggy Shanahan
 Silvia Lopez*



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]



Pasta Dinner

Saturday, October 12

5pm-7pm

Music Ministry Fundraiser

Adult Tickets \$17

Children Under 10 Tickets \$10

Tickets available after Masses or at the Parish Office from 9am-12noon Monday-Thursday!

Includes: Penne Pasta, Homemade Sauce, John's Homemade Meatballs, Salad, rolls, beverage & dessert in support of your parish Music Ministry! Dine In OR Carry-Out is available!



The National Catholic Mental Health Campaign is a year-round initiative of the USCCB in response to the ongoing mental health crisis across the United States.

Novena for Mental Health is an opportunity for all the People of God to join together in prayer for women and men experiencing or impacted by mental health issues and for all those who accompany them. The Novena can be prayed at any time of year.

The entire Church in the United States is especially encouraged to pray this Novena in solidarity with Catholics across the country from October 10 to October 18 each year, beginning on World Mental Health Day and concluding on the feast of Saint Luke the Physician, the patron of health care. Please visit <https://www.usccb.org/mentalhealth>.

“God created human beings in his image and likeness to be life-giving, happy, and whole. In John’s Gospel, after his resurrection, our Lord tells his disciples three times “Peace be with you” (Jn. 20:19, 21, 26). Similarly, in Matthew’s Gospel, he tells them “Do not be afraid.” (Mt. 28:10). In the light of the Word of God, the foundation of our hope, the Church faces the serious mental health crisis spreading across the United States, as well as around the world.”

Amendment 4

Please join us in our battle to defeat Amendment 4.

Time is running short!... Urgent we need your help!

Opportunities to join our volunteer army are many and we would like to enlist the help of all parishioners if possible. Whether from the comfort of your own home or out in the front lines, YOU can help us win this fight against the culture of death here in Florida.

Be strong and steadfast! Do not fear! Joshua 1:9

Place **VOTE NO ON 4** signs in prominent locations

Catholic Vote Phone Calls - CatholicVote.org/volunteer

Catholic Vote Texts - CatholicVote.org/volunteer

Catholic Vote Post Cards/Host Card Party CatholicVote.org/volunteer

Distribute materials during early voting October 21-November 2 (2 hr. slots)

Onward Christian Soldiers!!

Additional ways to armor ourselves:

- ◆ Attend daily Mass for the intention of defeating Amendment 4
- ◆ Pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet – Intention of Amendment 4
- ◆ Visit the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel – Intention of Amendment 4
- ◆ **Special Hour of Adoration and Reparation on **October 18 at 7:00 pm (at SKD Chapel)****
- ◆ **24 hour adoration Fridays starting September 6–November 1 at Saint John XXIII parish, Fort Myers**
- ◆ Watch “Sarah’s Choice or “Unplanned” with older children and discuss. Help younger children draw “life” sidewalk messages with chalk. **Fasting and family prayer!**

For more information or to enlist, please contact Michele Eskritt at 715-630- 6942 or email eskritt@gmail.com.



PRAY! PRAY! PRAY! TIME IS RUNNING SHORT!

We have less than 2 weeks before mail in voting begins and the possibility of unregulated, unrestricted abortion with no parental consent is closer than ever! The greatest weapon we have on our side is prayer.

Please join in praying a **Holy Hour of Reparation** for the defeat of *Amendment 4*, on **Friday, October 18, from 7:00 -8:00 PM** in the chapel.



To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him, the greatest human achievement” -Saint Augustine



ROSARY RALLY

Saturday, October 12th at 12:00 Noon

The Legion of Mary and Council of Catholic Women will lead the recitation of the Holy Rosary in the Prayer Garden in front of the church (or under cover if raining). Please bring a chair if you are unable to stand for the Rosary. We will be praying for our country, and thanksgiving for our Blessed Mother Mary and her Divine Son Jesus.

Praying the Rosary, especially in a group setting, is a beautiful way to enhance our spiritual wellness. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to join us. The Queen of Heaven and Earth is delighted when she hears the whispers of the Holy Rosary. Hoping to see you Saturday October 12, 2024 @ Noon.

For any inquiry, contact: JoAnn Piacente at (239) 258-0666



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