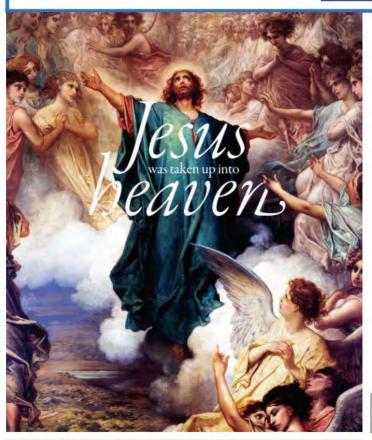
# Saint Katharine Drexel Parish

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### **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 Mass
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

# June 1, 2025

# SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

<u>BAPTISM</u>: 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 <u>rose@drexelcc.org</u>. Baptisms are scheduled after consultation with a priest.

<u>MARRIAGE</u>: 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 homebound or in the hospital? Do you need The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick? Please call the parish office for more information.

**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 <u>drexelcc.flocknote.com</u>.

# SKD PARISH STAFF

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

Administrative Assistant—Alba Gibbons (office@drexelcc.org)

Receptionist—Jason Bleers (jason@drexelcc.org)

**Business Manager**—Frank Newcomb (frank@drexelcc.org)

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

**Director of Music**—To be determined

**Director of Youth**—Aileen Vasquez (aileen@drexelcc.org)

Maintenance—Ernie Sierocinski (ernie@drexelcc.org)

Housekeeping—Gilma Avalos (gilma@drexelcc.org)

Housekeeping—Martha Mendoza (martha@drexelcc.org)

### **FINANCE COUNCIL**

Victor Balaj, Peter Barrett, Sr., Tom Feig, Kathleen Houghton, Kathy Scott, Mark Pennington, Ed Puisis, and Phaedra Weiler.

#### **JEREMIAH TEAM**

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

# COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Date: Sunday, June 29, 2025

Offerings to the Holy Father via Peter's Pence support Church needs, aid efforts, and the work of the Holy See.

# SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL ENDOWMENT FUND

Visit Parish Website to Donate

The Fund supports a Catholic legacy, aiding schools, poor parishes, capital investments, and major expenses at St. Katharine Drexel.

# Thank you for your Generosity!

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

#### Stewardship May 25, 2025

Offertory: \$11,809.68 Online Giving: \$6,240.87

Maintenance Fund to Date: \$87,110.30

# Catholic Faith Appeal 2025

Our Parish Goal: \$250,000.00 Pledged to Date: \$166,372.00 Payments to Date: \$114,009.96

Visit parish website: <a href="www.drexelcc.org">www.drexelcc.org</a> and click on the Online Giving link!

#### SKD PARISH CALENDAR—MINISTRY EVENTS

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 2:**

6:30 pm AA Meetings (FFE) 6:30 pm Ladies Auxiliary (Hall) 7:00 pm K of C Meeting (FFW)

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 3:**

### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4:**

8:00 am TOPS (Hall)

11:00 am Bible Class (FFW) 6:00 pm TOPS (FFW)

6:00 pm Youth Group (FFE)

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 5:**

6:00pm Holy Spirit Prayer Group (Hall)

6:30 pm TMIY (FFE)

7:30 pm Bible Class (FFW)

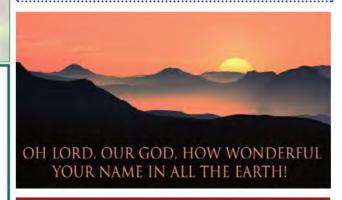
#### FRIDAY, JUNE 6

10:00 am Legion of Mary (FFW)

## **SATURDAY, JUNE 7:**

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 8:**

8:00 am Totus Tuus (Hall)



# **Maintenance Fund**Scan to donate



# 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, June 2: Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

9:00 am Ludovico DiPaolo

Tuesday, June 3: Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions,

Martyrs

9:00 am 🕆 Frank Muto

Thursday, June 5: Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

Friday, June 6: Easter Weekday

9:00 am Deacon Edison Gibbons (10 years anniversary)

Sunday, June 8: PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:30 am SKD Parishioners

10:30 am 
⊕ Eric Kampi

12:30 pm Blaine and Helen Varner

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

-Saint Irenaeus

# Week of: June 1, 2025

SKD Church Sanctuary Lamp

is lit this week in Memory of

**Rosemary Noll** 

By Noll Family

Adoration Chapel Sanctuary Lamp

is lit this week in Memory for

John Dennis Holland

By Kimberly Koza

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

AA Mondays at 6:30 pm FFE contact phillyid@att.net

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: Second and Fourth Saturdays at: 6:30 pm, email Anthony Rivera at: arofficial23@outlook.com

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

Anthony Rivera at: arofficial23@outlook.com

Council of Catholic Women: Meets First Thursdays September to May. Contact Mary Ann Bedell at: (239) 458-2778 or email at: brumary77@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: <a href="mailto:renee@marazon.com">renee@marazon.com</a>

Homebound Ministry: Contact Parish Office at: (239) 283-9501

or email at: office@drexelcc.org

Hospitality: Call Virginia Hinspeter at: (239) 410-7653

**Knights of Columbus:** First Monday, 6:30 pm. Contact Bob Snyder at: 239-321-9012 or <a href="www.SKDgrandknight">www.SKDgrandknight</a>

11177@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 Furderer at: (239) 691-2233.

Legion of Mary: Contact JoAnn Piacente at: (239)

258-0666.

Music Ministry: To be determined.

Prayer Network: Call Parish Office at: (239) 283-9501

**Prayer Team Ministry:** Contact Renee Marazon at: <a href="mailto:renee@marazon.com">renee@marazon.com</a>

**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.

St. Katharine Drexel Endowment Fund: Contact Tom Feig

at feigtom@gmail.com or call (618) 322-3632.

Secular Franciscans: Second Saturday, 9:30 am.

Contact Doug Elliott at: (585) 370-6178.

Sons of Saint Joseph: Mike Vasquez at: <a href="mailto:qyllr@me.com">qyllr@me.com</a>

**Spiritual Direction**: Rose Marie Talbot-Babey email at:

Rose@drexelcc.org

SKD Family Life: Contact Rose at: <a href="mailto:skdfamily@gmail.com">skdfamily@gmail.com</a>

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: <a href="mailto:judydesch@gmail.com">judydesch@gmail.com</a>

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

# Pope Leo's prayer Intention for June 2025: That the world might grow in compassion

Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

**Abuse Reporting** 

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If the alleged abuser is a diocesan employer/clergy/volunteer,

also notify Victim Assistance Coordinator – Susan Benton at (941) 416-6114

## THE WORD IN OUR LIVES:

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD: COMING OR GOING?

The Gospel of John that is read on the Vigil of Pentecost says that "there was . . . no Spirit yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified" (John 7:39). Obviously the Spirit is co-eternal with the Father and the Son, so John is trying to get our attention. He means that we could not experience the gifts of the Spirit until Jesus had died and risen from the dead. One way of looking at the Ascension is that Jesus can do much more for us in his glory than he could while on earth. How does this work? It happens in two steps. First, he sends the Holy Spirit to the disciples. Second, the disciples become his witnesses to all the nations. So let's look at the first step.

While Jesus walked the earth, he chose to be limited in time and space, so that a few people could get to know and love him. But after his resurrection, he could be more effective by sending his Spirit to all believers. Because he is ascended into glory, he can live in all of us. And that leads to the second step.

Before his death, Jesus began to collect a group of followers. Some got to know him more deeply and became disciples. The rest of the followers were merely curious, or attracted by stories of miracles he had performed. But after his ascension the disciples began to experience Jesus in each other. They could not help but be excited about that and spread that excitement to others. May we all experience that presence in the Spirit, seeing Jesus in ourselves and others.

Tom Schmidt

# **INSPIRATION DAILY:**

## **RISE UP**

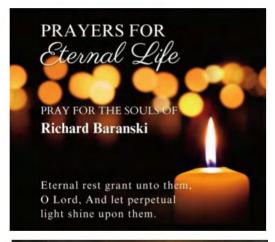
"You are witnesses of these things. And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high." (Lk 24:48-49)

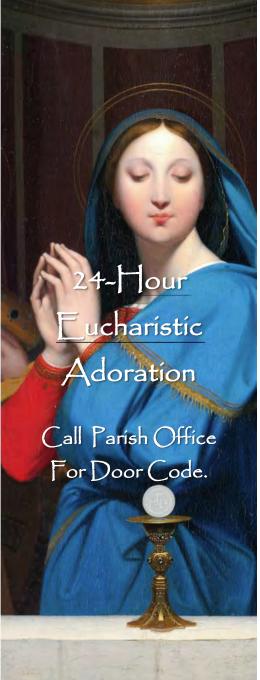
So many of us struggle with knowing why we're here, asking ourselves "What is my purpose?" It can be especially challenging recognizing our identity as a child of God. Christ came into the world so that we could know God's love and follow in his footsteps. In similar fashion we must take a stand to fight for all that his goodness entails.

We are not of this world but must live intentionally, being disciples full of peace, joy, and love. Knowing the Gospel message empowers and strengthens us to endure in times of difficulty. We can take the next steps, set ablaze by the Holy Spirit, and testify that Jesus Christ's love is enough to surpass any worldly anxieties.

The Ascension reminds us that we are blessed with power as Christ's witnesses in today's world. We can rise up and make a difference in whatever role God has assigned us within our family and our community.

By Alexis Dallara-Marsh







# SAINT OF THE WEEK:

# SAINT CHARLES LWANGA AND HIS COMPANIONS, (MARTYRED 1886-87)

"Master of Pages," reputedly the handsomest man in all Uganda, Charles Lwanga, lay catechist, courageously led about forty teenaged boys, Catholics and Anglicans, on a forty-mile forced march to martyrdom for their common Christian faith. Teaching each other the hymns of their different churches, they strengthened one another for the ordeal ahead. King Mwanga, himself barely twenty, had ordered them executed for being "those who pray." But these royal pages were the king's male harem, who, now Christians, refused what pious accounts demurely describe as his "unreasonable demands." Some were clubbed to death, most burned alive; the youngest, thirteen-year old Saint Kizito, whom Charles had often shielded from the King's lust; the most tragic, Saint Mbaga, whose father was his executioner! In 1964, Paul VI canonized the young Catholics and praised their Anglican companions, recalling the heroism of early Christianity's African martyrs, which we modern Christians of far less faith never expected to see repeated. Forty years after the pope's words, what does our faith cost us? Heroism aside, how generous is our response?

Tom Schmidt



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# Saint Katharine Drexel Parish Pilgrimage to

# MEDJUGORJE



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# CATECHISTS NEEDED

MATTHEW 19:14



Help lead the children of Saint Katharine Drexel Parish to Jesus by joining our Religious Education team!

Prayerfully consider sharing your faith by being a Catechist for the upcoming 2025-2026 year.

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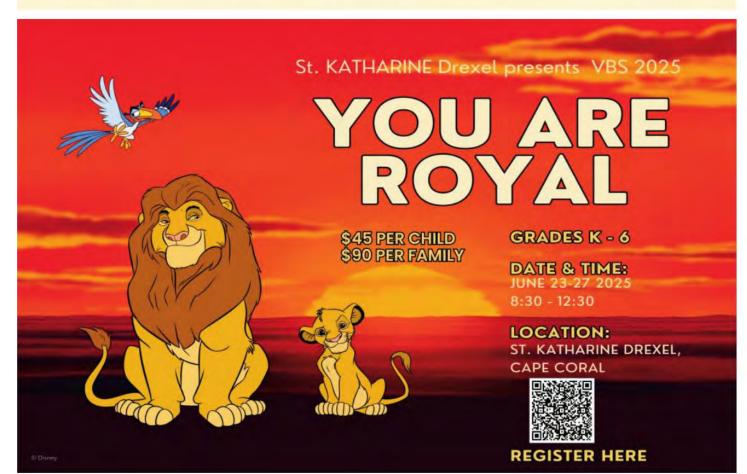


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Grades 1-6: 9am - 3pm Grades 7-12: 6:30 - 8:45p

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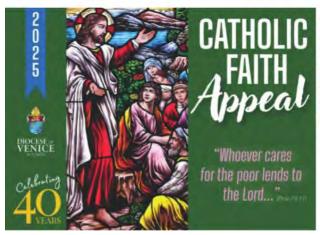
6:30PM-8:30PM in the Faith Formation East Building

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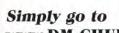
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