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Mass Schedule

Daily: Mon.—Fri. at 7:30am
Tues. at 6:15pm
Fri. at 12:15pm
Sat. at 8:00am
Weekend: Saturday at 4:30pm
(Temp)-Sunday at 7:00, 9:15 & 11:30am

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Reconciliation: Weekdays 7:00-7:25am
Wed. 8:15-9:15am & 3:15-4:15pm
Sat. 9-10am & 3-4pm, or by appt.
All Other Sacraments: Please contact the pastor at the parish office.

Religious Education

Classes are offered for grades 1-8.
Registration is online.

Prayer Chain

To receive or submit prayer requests,
email hesseling1@sbcglobal.net.

Bulletin Submittal

bulletin@skdmail.org 10 days in advance.



THE HOLY FAMILY



The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:40

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ST. KATHARINE DREXEL MISSION STATEMENT

St. Katharine Drexel's joyful spirit invites us to a deeper appreciation of Christ's love for us and our need to respond as one of His disciples, fostering a welcoming, caring and faithful Catholic community.

Father Bob's Corner

Holy Family: Our Model for Loving

St. Teresa of Calcutta told the story of a little girl she found on the street. She took the child into the Missionaries of Charity children's home and gave her clean clothes, good food, and a nice place to stay. The sisters tried hard to make the girl happy. After a few hours she ran away, and it was a few days before Mother Teresa found her again. She brought her back to the home, but the little girl ran away again.

The sister who followed her discovered that the little girl was fleeing back to her mother, who was so poor that she lived in the street under a tree and had meager food. When asked why she ran away, the girl replied: "I could not live without my mother. She loves me." The whole time the child was with the Missionaries, she did not smile. But with her mother, she was smiling. Why? Because they were family. (Taken from Mother Teresa: No Greater Love)

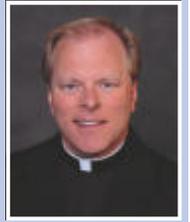
Mother Teresa's story is a good example of the parent/child relationship described in our first reading. Children are a gift from God. Parents are a gift from God. Families in which the parents value their children and children revere their parents will be abundantly blessed by God. We are called to be reflections of God's love.

From the beginning, God willed that children should hold their parents in high regard and that parents should recognize their children as gifts from God. The Holy Family is our model. As we honor the Holy Family today, let us consider our own families and the gift we are to each other despite hardships, disappointments, or disagreements. May our hearts be filled with gratitude as we prepare to unite as one in the Body of Christ.

Peace, love and joy,

Father Bob

Thank you to all who volunteered at our Christmas Masses. I truly appreciate your help to create a safe environment for all who attended.



Film chronicles life and legacy of Fr Patrick Peyton, 'The Rosary Priest'



The life of Fr. Patrick Peyton, an Irish-American priest who traveled the world hosting hundreds of rosary rallies and encouraging families to pray together, is the subject of a new film now available for online purchase. The documentary-style film "PRAY: The Story of Fr. Patrick Peyton", includes footage of Peyton, who lived from 1909-1992, as well as interviews with those who knew him.

During his life, Fr. Peyton became well known as a passionate advocate for the rosary and family prayer; **"the family that prays together stays together"** became one of his signature phrases.

"Fr. Peyton has the ability through his message and through his intercession to work on the level of our individual families, but also to work worldwide," Father David S. Marcham, vice postulator for the Cause of Venerable Patrick Peyton and director of the Father Peyton Guild, told CNA in 2018.

Fr. Peyton made use of T.V. and radio broadcasts to spread his message encouraging family prayer and the rosary. He was born and raised in County Mayo, Ireland, he grew up praying the rosary with his family. As a young man, he had a strong desire to be a religious priest, but was rejected by several orders. He then decided to move to Scranton, Pennsylvania and sell real estate. His father made him promise to remain faithful to God.

Unable to find employment in his desired field, Peyton was hired as a janitor by the local cathedral, and his dreams of priesthood were reawakened. Peyton entered Holy Cross Minor Seminary in 1929 to become a missionary priest.

In 1938, Peyton had professed temporary vows with the Holy Cross order but had not yet been ordained when he was diagnosed with advanced tuberculosis. He was encouraged by a priest and mentor fervently to ask the Blessed Virgin Mary for a cure. By 1939, he was sure he had been cured, and his health returned. In 1941, Peyton was ordained a priest. Because of his miraculous recovery, which he credited to the intercession of Mary, he felt called to spread devotion to the Blessed Mother.

After World War Two ended, Peyton began a radio show in New York to pray in thanksgiving for peace. His show reached wide audiences with his passionate calls for family prayer, and it featured prominent public figures, from President Harry Truman to New York's Archbishop Spellman. A strong proponent of the rosary and a firm believer in its power, Fr. Peyton had each guest pray the rosary for the world to hear.

"Rosary Rallies" around the world- from Peru to the Philippines to Papua New Guinea- earned him the title "The Rosary Priest." After years of promoting the rosary, Fr. Peyton's health was failing and he went to live with the Little Sisters of the Poor in California. He died at the age of 83 on June 3, 1992. His last words were **"Mary, My Queen, My Mother."**

In 2017, Pope Francis recognized the heroic virtues of Fr. Peyton, declaring him "Venerable." The priest's information is currently under review for further advancement toward canonization.

Excerpts from the article by CNA Staff website, Dec 14, 2020 (CNA).



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions
Week of December 28
 Hesed House Helpers
 Requested by: Bill & Jane Brickert

Monday, December 28

7:30am † Diane Beary
 Requested by: Tom & Mae Ernst



Tuesday, December 29

7:30am Nicole Snopko & Cheryl Fredricksen
 Requested by: Bill & Cheryl Fredricksen
 6:15pm † Deceased Hesed House Helpers
 Requested by: Bill & Jane Brickert

Wednesday, December 30

7:30am † Carol Wood
 Requested by: Ted & Susan McCannon

Thursday, December 31

7:30am † Rev. Perfecto Vasquez
 Requested by: The People of SKD
 4:30pm † Glenn Wensch
 Requested by: Bill & Cheryl Fredricksen

Friday, January 1

9:00am † Darlene Galloy
 Requested by: Don Galloy

Saturday, January 2

8:00am † Margaret Ryan
 Requested by: Gail Quinn
 4:30pm † Deborah Testin
 Requested by: Jim and Mary Kidd & Family

Sunday, January 3

7:00am † Larry Brown
 Requested by: Bill & Jane Brickert
 9:15am † Ted Farbisz
 Requested by: Bill & Jane Brickert
 11:30am For the Living and Deceased Members
 of the Romo Family
 Requested by: Steve & Stephanie Hill



**WHY AND WINE
 AND WHO!!**

Get to know Fr. Steven Sabo

Friday, January 8, 2021
 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Start the new year with an evening of fun and fellowship as we reconnect with each other and get to know our new Parochial Vicar, Fr. Sabo!

Join us using the Zoom Meeting Code 837 9102 9411 and Password Fr. Sabo or contact the Parish Office and we'll email you the link!

From Our Parish Community Life Commission...

**Nursing our Bodies...Nursing our Faith
 Notes from our Faith Community Nurse**

Peace Begins With You
(Adapted from the Christopher's)

This New Year, peace seems more important than ever to reflect upon. Here is a bit of ancient Chinese wisdom that's worth a little reflection: "If there is righteousness in the heart, there will be beauty in the character; if there is beauty in the character, there will be harmony in the home; if there is harmony in the home, there will be order in the nation; when there is order in the nation, there will be peace in the world."

It's difficult to realize that peace in the world actually begins with each of us. Yes, it is within the power of one individual to do something, however slight, to make the world a trifle better. God Himself planned it this way. He assigned a special role for every human being to play as His instrument in supplying the goodness, truth and beauty which He intended for mankind.

Each of us can be a Peace Maker, and actually be a co-partner with God in helping not only our own little corner, but the entire world.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you" John 14:27.

Wishing each of you a New Year that is filled with peace, surprises, and blessings.

For any questions, assistance, or resources to improve your health, contact me at 630-466-0303 ext-113 or mary.stola@amitahealth.org.

Peace,

Mary Stola, RN, Faith Community Nurse



Monday, December 28th from 2:30pm—6:30pm
Saint Katharine Drexel Blood Drive * 8S055
Dugan Rd. Sugar Grove, IL
Drive will be held in room 105-106

To schedule an appointment email Stephanie@skdmail.org or call 800-786-4483 or visit www.versiti.org/IL.

Appointments strongly encouraged so please pre-schedule. Walk-ins welcome as social distancing allows. All donors will receive a \$10 e-gift card as a thank you.

Antibody Testing – Please be advised that the SARS COV-2 antibody test, AKA COVID-19 Antibody Test (CAT), will be performed on all blood donations as part of our standard testing.



Helpful tip: Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating. **PHOTO ID REQUIRED** questions? Text Dom at 224-622-6365.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Jesus asks "Could you not spend one hour with me?"

2021 New Year Resolution
Spend one hour in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on
Wednesday at least once a month.

On 12/31/2021, how will you answer the question Jesus asks?

Wednesday Adoration December 30, 2020
8am ending at 6pm. (Last entry 5pm)
Come-He is waiting for you!

From Our Evangelization Commission...



YOUTH MINISTRY



On behalf of Deb Surmin, John Lamperis, and the entire adult youth ministry team we wish you a blessed 12 Days of Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year



Sister Faustina Quote

Excerpts from the diary of St. Faustina "Divine Mercy in My Soul"



(28) + Virtue without prudence is not virtue at all. We should often pray to the Holy Spirit for this grace of prudence.

Prudence consists in discretion, rational reflection and courageous resolution. The final decision is always up to us. We must decide; we can and we ought to seek advice and light.. (Diary 1106)

Saint Faustina pray for us!



LORD, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Amen.

German Arroyo, Collin Backus, Max Brien, David Buttery, Tony Chavez, Nick Carlstrom, Richard Hauser, Fr. Jason Hesseling, Jack Hinterlong, Samuel Keilty, Brad Komes, Audrey Krantz, Joshua Ledbetter, Eric Martin, Eric Ortlund, Ryan Quinn, John Reiland, Raymond Ritter, Jayson Rischl, Matthew Rischl, Alexander Schaefer, Jacob Smith, Bradley Wilson.

If you would like to add a name, call the parish office or email bulletin@skdmail.org.

From Our Justice & Service Commission...

Pro-Life Corner THE HOLY FAMILY



"It is in the family that love is learned as a gift of self, a gift first received by the child from the father and mother and then given back and shared with others."

"Christ himself was born, raised, and formed "in the bosom of the holy family of Joseph and Mary." "In their life together, the Holy Family of Nazareth is an example and intercessor for all families."

Excerpts from "Love Is Our Mission; The Family Fully Alive"

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM YOUR ST. KATHARINE PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

Hesed House Dinner-December 29th

Reminder: All food donations are due to the parish hall no later than 3:45pm this Tuesday, December 29th. Please be sure all meatloaves are fully cooked before delivery.

Extraordinary Stories for Children



Children as young as five and adults of all ages will enjoy the colorful, engaging film. The film features eleven different stories that introduce children to this humble priest's spirituality and ministry. Each segment features a child who tells a fascinating and true story about Blessed Solanus. As the story unfolds, another child colors a large drawing that is eventually revealed to be a colorful illustration of the segment.

Although ordained a priest, Bl. Solanus Casey never received permission to hear confessions or preach a sermon. He celebrated the Eucharist each day and carried on his apostolic work not in a pulpit or confessional, but in a tiny office. He was the friary doorkeeper whom people by the thousands visited, seeking counsel and spiritual guidance. Bl. Solanus spent his life in the service of people. He was always ready to listen to anyone at any time, day or night. He faithfully served the people by providing soup for the hungry, kind words for the troubled, and a healing touch for the ill. Because of his holiness, St. John Paul II declared him Venerable in 1995. In May 2017, Pope Francis announced that Fr. Solanus would be Beatified. Venerable Solanus was elevated to Blessed November 18 at Ford Field, Detroit.

To join go to www.FORMED.org, select sign up, choose I belong to a Parish or Organization and then locate St. Katharine Drexel in Sugar Grove. Then create login & password.

Online Entrance Exam at Marmion Academy



Marmion Academy is hosting an Online Entrance Exam on Saturday, January 9th at 9am for any 8th grade boy who was unable to take the Scholarship Qualifying Exam on Dec. 5th. Students interested in taking the January exam can register at www.marmion.org/admissions.

In addition to academic scholarships, Marmion Academy offers need-based assistance to families that qualify. Over \$710,000 in tuition assistance was awarded for the 2020-2021 school year. Contact the Office of Admissions at 630-897-6936 ext. 227 for additional information.

While students are taking the exam, parents are invited to join members of Marmion Academy's administration, faculty and staff for an informal Zoom Q&A beginning at 9am. Parents in attendance will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 tuition deposit voucher (valid for the 2021-2022 school year). Please visit www.marmion.org/admissions for the Zoom login information.



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