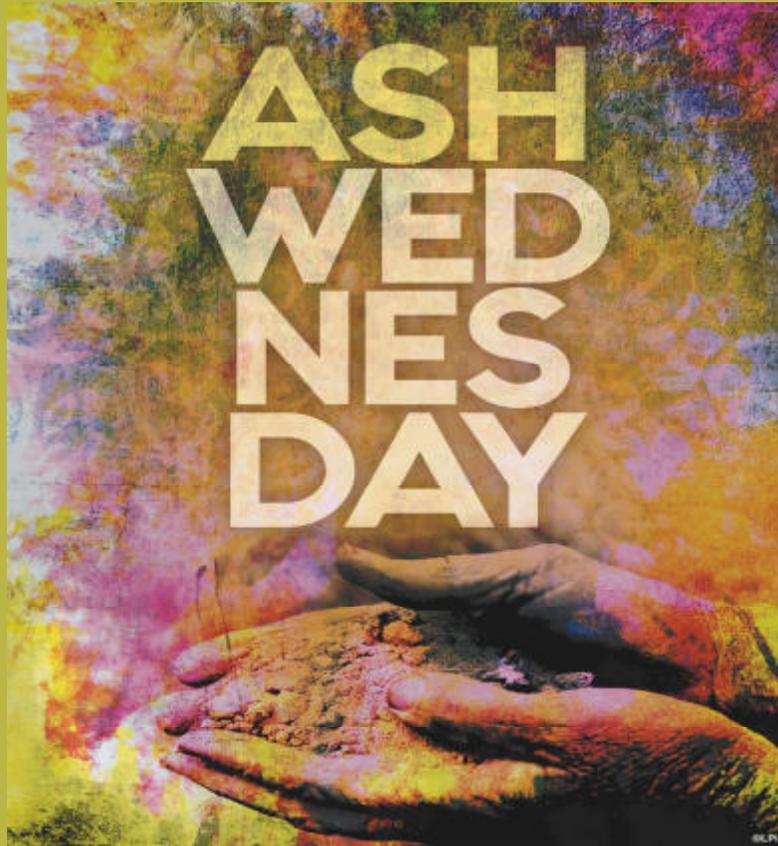




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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Liturgy: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Daily Liturgy:

Tuesday-Friday: 9:30 a.m.

### Reconciliation

Sat. 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

and by appointment;

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**See Christ in All and Be Christ to All**



## Counting On Lent

Numbers fascinate me. As a very young child, I knew my house number 83, the family telephone 467 4347, my zip code 14609, and the population of my city of birth according to the 1960 census: 318,000. (I was so disappointed the 1970 count had us lose people: I hoped we could pass Buffalo for second place in New York State.)

In most religions, numbers have significance. Christianity is no exception. The number looming in the weeks ahead: 40. Among other things, it marks the days of Noah's rainfall, Elijah's walk to Mount Horeb, and Jonah's warning to Nineveh. In the Gospels, the days of the Lord's desert retreat are counted at forty.

And we have forty days of Lent. There are a few different ways of counting them; this is how I was taught. The first Sunday of Lent to sundown on Holy Thursday are forty days. What about Ash Wednesday and the three days that follow it? I was encouraged to think of that half-week as similar to the pre-season in sports. We still have to get serious about playing ball, but it's a time to root out our errors and fumbles, maybe coordinate with our teammates. For example: we might forget it's Friday and grab a burger. Has all of Lent been spoiled? Hardly. We can have mercy on ourselves and resolve to do better next week. Will we need help from a friend to get us through a Lenten resolution? This week it's time to buddy up.

I think it matters less how we count forty days, but that we count on Lent as a season of cleansing, pilgrimage, and repentance. Like the world of Noah, we can experience a cleansing renewal in the forty days of Lent. Like Elijah's long walk to the mountain, Lent is also a journey, a pilgrimage. We are moving through a transitional path to a place where we belong, where God speaks to us. And like Jonah's listeners, we need to take the opportunity to repent seriously. Mercy is promised, but we must do the leg work, so to speak.

Time to count to 40? Sure. But let's also count on the opportunity Our Lord gives us in this coming season. It will be over before we know it. Let's do it with a friend or two. Let's come out of it transformed, in at least some small way. ~ Todd

## Ash Wednesday Schedule

**Mass:** Ash Wednesday morning mass will be 9:30 a.m.  
Evening mass will be 7:00 p.m. The evening Mass will be live streamed.

There will be an opportunity to receive ashes in cars at 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. WE WILL ONLY DO IT FOR A HALF HOUR EACH TIME. Drive up to the front of the Parish Center building.



## Welcome Guests & New Parishioners

Whether you're a first time guest, occasional visitor, contemplating becoming a registered parishioner or already a member of this community, we're glad you're here! If you would like more information about joining the community here at St. Katharine Drexel, please talk with one of our staff members today, 763.323.4424, check out our website at [www.stkdcc.org](http://www.stkdcc.org) or complete one of the "Welcome" cards found at the entrance to the worship space and give it to one of our ushers. Thanks much for celebrating with us; your presence is both gift and grace.~ **Father Paul Jaroszeski, Pastor**



## Please pray for:



**Please** pray for the repose of the soul of our Parishioners Mary Sturges, Susan Hamilton, Thad Kranz, Robert Ocel, and also for Wayne Bucholz, Don Baker, Father of Parishioner Kathy Minnich, Elizabeth “Betty” Sjoquist, Mother of Parishioner Mike Sjoquist. Jim Tacheny, Father of Parishioner Paul Tacheny, Cindy Kirkwold, Mother of Parishioner Ben Kirkwold, and all our deceased parishioners, relatives and friends. “Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.” **Pray also for those listed below who have asked for the**

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| ◆ Patrick Aumer      | ◆ Jaxon Lila                             |
| ◆ Nate Baggett       | ◆ Timothy Lyngdal                        |
| ◆ Lucas Baker        | ◆ Dennis Madison                         |
| ◆ Carl Beckenbach    | ◆ Wallace, Anna, Otho and Angela McLeroy |
| ◆ James Bernstein    | ◆ Jean Neilson                           |
| ◆ Marlys Borstad     | ◆ Kathryn Patchen                        |
| ◆ Father Dale Bowers | ◆ Del and Wilma Pechan                   |
| ◆ Nadine Brimeyer    | ◆ Bob Peterson                           |
| ◆ Tom Carey          | ◆ Greg Powers                            |
| ◆ Sue Corns          | ◆ Liz Powers                             |
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| ◆ Don Jostock        | ◆ Mary Ann Williams                      |
| ◆ Charry Lass        | ◆ All those serving in the Military      |
| ◆ Jerry Lien         |  |
| ◆ Galina Jaruch      |  |
| ◆ Ivan John          |  |
| ◆ Violet John        |  |
| ◆ Carey Kucera       |  |

*If there is someone you know in need of prayer, please call the office and let us know. Thank you.*

### Natural Family Planning (NFP)

Classes teach couples the Church approved methods on how to achieve or postpone pregnancy while embracing the beauty of God’s gift of sexuality. For a complete list of classes offered throughout the Archdiocese, visit [www.archspm.org/family](http://www.archspm.org/family) <<https://eva.us/0672ecc9>> or call 651.291.4489.

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If you are making a stock donation, the date of the donation is the date you turn the stock over to our broker regardless of when we receive the check for it. With the recent surge in the Stock Market, you can avoid a large tax hit by donating your stock shares to SKD. Talk to your tax advisor or broker to discuss the advantages to donating stock. Contact Deacon Randy to get the information on our broker for making a stock donation.

## EVENTS AND MINISTRY UPDATES

Given the latest message from Governor Walz on Wednesday, November 18th there could be some confusion or mixed messaging that just needs a little clarification. While he is asking that everyone execute a four- week pause on “social gatherings” he did also say that Church services could continue as they have been. Meaning at 50% of the capacity of the worship space and with all the other COVID-19 pandemic protocols in place. This means that we will be able to continue our Mass schedule as usual – we would kindly ask, however, that if you wish to attend any scheduled Mass that you:

- a) Sign-up on the web page,
- b) be sure to wear your mask,
- c) follow the seating instructions as they are given so the social distancing requirements can be fulfilled.

**For Religious Formation**—We will continue with in-person classes.

**First Reconciliation/First Communion**—With the mask and social distancing requirements.

**Confirmation**—will remain as is, the option for in-person (masks and social distancing as instructed by the catechists) or remote by way of ZOOM.

All other parish meetings will remain as is – meaning the option of either in-person or Zoom

If you have questions or concerns, not covered by this email/letter please feel free to contact me either by email [pjaroszeski@stkdcc.org](mailto:pjaroszeski@stkdcc.org)\* <[pjaroszeski@stkdcc.org](mailto:pjaroszeski@stkdcc.org)> or phone at 763.323.7044.

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## Stewardship Corner

The fate of a leper is a great tragedy at any time and place. In Jesus' time, lepers were considered condemned, part of the plagues God sent as punishment. They were cast out of society and abandoned. Saint Mark's Gospel reveals the unthinkable. Jesus reaches out and touches a leper. He risks catching the contagious disease and heals the man. As the Gospel story teaches, no one is abandoned by Christ. Are there those in our society or in our personal lives for whom we ascribe no hope, who we have abandoned, treated like lepers? Or as Christ's stewards of our sisters and brothers, do we risk reaching out and touching those who may seem to us to be "unclean" or not worthy of our time or attention?

## Financial Gifts

<b>February 7, 2021</b>	
Sunday Envelope (Including Loose)	\$3,309.00
Youth/Children	\$ 4.00
Needy	\$ 500.00
<b>Total Online February 7, 2021</b>	<b>\$3,833.00</b>
<b>February 7, 2021 Online</b>	
Sunday Envelopes (Including loose)	\$ 110.00
Donation for Credit Card Fees	\$ 4.88
Building Fund	\$ 735.00
<b>Total February 7, 2021</b>	<b>\$ 849.88</b>

## Building for Eternity - NOW

### Feeling disconnected?

Every married couple deserves the gift of a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekend! The next virtual weekend in this area will be held Feb 18-28 2021. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [twincitieswwme.org](http://twincitieswwme.org) or <<http://twincitieswwme.org>> or contact Brent & Tracy at [applications@twincitieswwme.org](mailto:applications@twincitieswwme.org) or [wmandbethnickles@hotmail.com](mailto:wmandbethnickles@hotmail.com) or 612.756.8720

### Monthly Food Drive

In February we are collecting for the Franciscan Brothers of Peace. They need donations of non-perishable food, personal care items and household items. Cash donations are also needed. If making a cash donation, make checks payable to Franciscan Brothers of Peace. Bags of items can be left on the table near the bulletin board in the entry area. A basket for cash donations is in the front of the worship area. We will be collecting through February 28.

### Fratelli Tutti

Four sessions remain: February 24, March 23, April 27, and May 25, 7-8:30 p.m. via Zoom

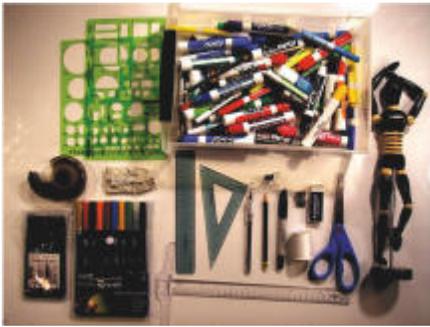
The Center for Mission is hosting a five-part series of presentations and discussions to dive into this very important encyclical from Pope Francis. This online series will feature specially selected speakers to lead us to discern how Fratelli Tutti can influence and enrich our lives. This series is open to all. Visit [centerformission.org/whats-new/](http://centerformission.org/whats-new/) (<https://eva.us/debebf11>) to sign up! Contact Adam Fitzpatrick for more information at [Fitzpatricka@archspm.org](mailto:Fitzpatricka@archspm.org) (<https://eva.us/57f595fd>), or 651.291.4410.

### Callings of Women in the Church: A Young Feminist Perspective

It's an experience many women share: they are talented and passionate about discipleship, but they serve a church that puts limits on their participation simply because of their gender. Who can Catholic women turn to for encouragement? How is God calling people of all genders to speak their truths and stand up to the patriarchy? Presented through a young feminist lens, this presentation welcomes people of all genders to consider how the church can grow into a more inclusive, empowering community. Thursday, February 18, Webinar presentation from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Event is Free. Registration is required (register at least five days in advance of the event); please visit [www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday](http://www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday), call 320.363.3560, or email [theologyday@csbsju.edu](mailto:theologyday@csbsju.edu) to register.



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interior decorating are the obvious ones. But can you write? Do computer rendering? Contact Todd Flowerday </staff> 816.838.6579 to explore putting your art to the service of the Gospel.

## Synod at Home: Tips and Tools for Growing in Faith

New sessions posted weekly February 18 – March 18

While the COVID-19 pandemic has delivered many struggles, it also yielded unexpected benefits - such as increased time for reflection and, in many cases, connection with those in our immediate families. As we see glimmers of hope for emerging from the pandemic, we may soon find ourselves caught up in the whirlwind: work functions, sports and social gatherings, with dinner table conversations becoming a rare occurrence once again. How can we continue making time to reflect and prioritize the most important aspects of our lives, even as our lives “return to normal”?

The Synod at Home series takes helpful videos, tips and tools for growing in faith, and pairs them with family-friendly activities based on four pillars: Prayer & Sacraments, Lifelong Learning, Generosity & Service, and Traditions & Fun. Families, couples and individuals will find their faith and relationships strengthened by Synod at Home.

Find weekly videos and materials at [archspm.org/synod](http://archspm.org/synod) <<https://eva.us/2ffc584d>>, sign up for emails ([archspm.org/synod/updates](http://archspm.org/synod/updates) <<https://eva.us/ce31fc21>>) or access through the Synod app: text APP to 88202, then in the app search for Archdiocesan Synod.



## Living God's Love Marriage Preparation

Weekends beginning February 19  
(Online February-April)

This weekend program is offered monthly (except for October and December) 7:30 - 9 p.m. Friday evening and 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. Saturday. The online retreat will be hosted live via Zoom. In person retreats are scheduled to resume in May. For more information and to register visit [archspm.org/marriage](http://archspm.org/marriage) <<https://eva.us/911726ea>>. Questions? Call 651.291.4488.

## SKD Calendar, February 14, 2021

### Sunday 2/14



10:00 a.m. Mass In Person and Live Stream  
**Albert Lindenfelser+**

### Monday 2/15

7:00 p.m. - SKYM  
7:00 p.m. - Kate's Sisters

### Tuesday 2/16

9:30 a.m. Mass - **Donald Schnitz+**  
6:30 p.m. - Choir  
7:00 p.m. - Finance Committee

### Wednesday 2/17

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

9:30 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass - **For the People**  
6:15 p.m. - First Eucharist  
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass - **Shirley Sibilski+**

### Thursday 2/18

9:30 a.m. - **Cheryl Ann Nasiedlak+**  
6:00 p.m. - Capital Campaign Committee  
7:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study ZOOM  
7:00 p.m. - Parish Council

### Friday 2/19

9:30 a.m. Mass - **James Bernstein+**  
7:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

### Saturday 2/20

3:00 p.m. - Sacrament of Reconciliation  
4:30 p.m. Mass - **For the People**

## Readings for the Week of February 14

- Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/  
1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45
- Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21  
[14a]/Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b  
and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17  
[cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/  
Lk 9:22-25
- Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/  
Mt 9:14-15
- Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]  
Lk 5:27-32

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