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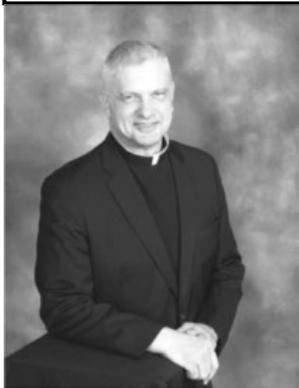
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From the Desk of Father Paul



It is hard to believe that it is already November and that we are nearing winter so fast. This whole month has traditionally been dedicated to remembering – remembering the Saints given us as models of apostolic and holy living that we might exemplify in our journey of faith. Remembering our loved ones and others who have died and have gone before us into the fullness of the kingdom, upon whose shoulders we stand today as we seek to live our Baptismal promises. Remembering the men and women who have served our nation faithfully in military service, many of whom have paid the full measure of their dedication by giving their very lives for our freedom and those who live among us as veterans of military service, to whom we owe honor, respect and gratitude. And remembering how graciously we have been blessed so we might both give “thanksgiving” for those blessings and be moved to bless the lives of our brothers and sister who stand in want and need. I

invite you to keep this all in mind as I continue our exploration of the Eucharistic Prayer as the centerpiece of our Worship of God. The reflection offered below is on the fourth Eucharistic Prayer which is beautiful, powerful and poetic. All the Eucharistic Prayers are about “remembering” God’s gracious presence in our lives – remembering that calls forth from us praise, thanksgiving and blessing. Know that you all remain daily in my prayers as we together build up the Body of Christ here in Ramsey. Peace and All Good!

Father Paul

Eucharistic Prayer IV Paul Turner

Doing nothing. We yearn for that kind of leisure. But doing nothing can also be one of the hardest jobs we face. Take Mass, for example. The parts of the Mass where we do nothing permit us to be distracted by anxieties over kids, the hair color of a choir member, plot developments in tomorrow’s soaps, or the possibility of a pennant race.

Perhaps the chief zoning out period is the Eucharistic prayer, that long solo prayer that the presider recites in all-too-familiar tones, which incongruously is the most important prayer in the history of the planet.

When kids object that Mass is boring, they know they’ve got you on this one. Even chess masters find it challenging to concentrate during a Eucharistic prayer.

Understanding the parts of the prayer may help us to pray it better. Of the 10 Eucharistic prayers approved for use in the United States, one of the most beautiful is prayer four.

The prayer is structured as most Eucharistic prayers are. An opening dialogue between priest and people leads into a preface and concludes with the “Holy.” This is followed by a prayer for the Holy Spirit to bless the bread and wine (epiclesis). Then a recounting of the work of Christ precedes the story of the Last Supper. The second half includes an anamnesis, or remembrance, of Christ’s activity; the actual offering of the sacrifice; a second prayer for the Holy Spirit (epiclesis), this time to come not over the gifts, but over the people; and the intercessions, or prayers for the members of the church and the world.

What distinguishes prayer four is the long exposition that follows the “Holy.” It tells of humanity’s place in creation, our need for redemption and the mission of the Son and Spirit.

This prayer also carries its own preface, which praises and describes the mystery of God. You usually hear prayer four more during ordinary time. Seasons like Lent and Easter carry their own prefaces, as do most feasts. These work with other Eucharistic prayers but not with Prayer IV.

This prayer loosely adapts one by St. Basil, prayed by our church in the fourth century and still in use in some of the Eastern Rites. When we hear the story of salvation history, we remember also our own history as a church and recognize Christ, whose eternal presence rescues us from all that could keep us from him—including the boredom of doing nothing.

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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 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 RoseMary Havel, Mother of Parishioner Paul Havel, David Harry Soltis, Father of Parishioner Jay Soltis and for all 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 support of our prayers. Thank You!**

- ◆ Susan Anderson
- ◆ Patrick Aumer
- ◆ Nate Baggett
- ◆ Lucas Baker
- ◆ Carl Beckenbach
- ◆ Marlys Borstad
- ◆ Nicole Borstad
- ◆ Nadine Brimeyer
- ◆ Bob Crane
- ◆ Tom French
- ◆ Tom Gerlach
- ◆ Kelly Hill
- ◆ Jerry Lien
- ◆ Galina Jaruch
- ◆ Ivan John
- ◆ Violet John
- ◆ Don Jostock
- ◆ Carey Kucera
- ◆ Patrick Lampert
- ◆ Jaxon Lila
- ◆ Dennis Madison
- ◆ Wallace, Anna, Otho and Angela McLeroy
- ◆ Jean Neilson
- ◆ Kathryn Patchen
- ◆ Del and Wilma Pechan
- ◆ Bob Peterson
- ◆ Greg Powers
- ◆ Liz Powers
- ◆ Luke Schmitz
- ◆ Patty Serbus
- ◆ Theresa Skelly
- ◆ Maryellen Trimble
- ◆ Bob Teachman
- ◆ Anne Valerio
- ◆ Bernie Waldorf
- ◆ All those serving in the Military

If there is someone you know in need of prayer, please call the office and let us know. Also, in an effort to keep this list updated, please let us know of any names that could be removed. Thank you.



November Food Packing

Our next volunteer day at Feed My Starving Children is Saturday, December 18, 9:00-11:00. Help us fill all 10 positions. You can sign up to volunteer on either the SKD website or the Feed My Starving Children website. The SKD website sign up is under the "Get Involved" tab, select "Volunteer & Service Opportunities" and then "Feed My Starving Children". All of our future scheduled packing dates are listed there, so you can sign up for any of our upcoming sessions by clicking on the *Volunteer Link* for the date you want to volunteer. To sign up on the FMSC volunteer website, www.fmsc.org/join-group, click on "Volunteer" and then scroll down to "Looking for a Specific Group" and enter the Join Code 1790X2 for December 18 or enter SKD as the Group Name. You can also contact Deacon Randy to volunteer, nandrb@comcast.net or 763.205.1528.

It is not too early to sign up for our January 29 Anniversary Food Packing, We have signed up for all 84 volunteer spots for the 9:00-11:00 shift. The Join Code for January 29 is NLDW6Y.

Stewardship Prayer

St Katharine Drexel is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will be prayerful, if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring others into worship, if I invite and bring them. It will be a parish of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being all things that I want St Katharine's to be. Amen.

Liturgy Committee Discernment

Mark your calendar: Thursday evening December 2nd, we'll have a discernment evening for the re-forming Liturgy Committee. What is this? If you are interested in worship and liturgy at SKD, either as a minister or volunteer, or as a person in the seats, we will look at the role of the committee in our parish, and have some reflection time together to gather a membership of about 8 to help move things forward. Contact Todd 816.838.6579 or by email tflowerday@stkcc.org for more information.

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November Food Drive

Our November Food Drive is for the ACBC Food Shelf in Anoka. We will be collecting non-perishable food items during the month of November. There is a collection basket for financial donations in the front of the Worship Space. Checks should be made payable to ACBC. Donations of items can be left on the table in the entryway.

Stewardship Corner

How would you spend your day if you knew it was the last day you would spend on earth? Undoubtedly, it would not be a normal day. The point of today's Gospel reading is that the end-time is always imminent. The good steward remains prayerfully alert, ready to give an accounting; and living each day in the awareness of the coming judgment and salvation. How do we exercise stewardship over our daily lives? Are we prepared to give an accounting? How will we allow Christ to work in and through us to prepare for the reconciliation of the heavens and the earth?

Bible Study

The books for our Fall Bible Study, *Angels in the Bible*, are still on backorder. They are scheduled for delivery in mid November. Our start date for this Bible Study has been moved to December 1. There will be three sessions in December and three in January. There is still an opportunity to sign up for either the Wednesday morning or the Wednesday evening session. Contact Deacon Randy if you are interested or have any questions, nandrb@comcast.net or 763.205.1528.

"Cuppa Joe"

In this Year of Saint Joseph, join Deacon Dan Gannon virtually as he explores this amazing saint in his title as Patron of a Happy Death, hosted by the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Carondelet in Saint Paul. This is part of the Cuppa Joe series: 10 talks by 10 theologians on the 10 wonders of Saint Joseph, taking place at 10 locations in our Archdiocese entrusted to the patronage of our spiritual father. These talks come just in time for your afternoon coffee. All talks are posted on Facebook, YouTube and Instagram – and at archspm.org/cuppajoe



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St. Mary's Mission Article from St. Mary's Mission School News March 2021

Volume 4, Issue 1 - Fr. Jerry's letter.

How do you love a teenager?? With every bit of patience and compassion and concern that you can summon...you love them with every bit of empathy you're capable of feeling...you love them soundly and you love them profoundly. You love them, not with the love for someone who is little and cute and fun to show off to your admiring friends, but with love without condition because they need it so desperately. You love them gently because at times they hurt so inside. You love them with a sense of humor, because humor helps you keep your perspective and because, at times, it is better to laugh than to scream. You love them with respect, because in case you haven't noticed, they have minds of their own. You love them openly, silently, vocally, firmly, tenderly, continuously, patiently, affectionately, proudly, deeply, but most of all, unconditionally.

Financial Gifts

October 31, 2021

Sunday Envelope (Including Loose)	\$1,943.00
Youth/Children	\$ 14.00
All Saints	\$ 85.00
All Souls	\$ 20.00
World Mission	\$ 40.00
Building Fund	\$2,515.96

Total October 31, 2021

\$4,617.96

October 31, 2021 Online

Envelopes	\$5,120.00
Donation for Credit Card Fees	\$ 7.00
St. Mary's Mission	\$ 100.00
Building Fund	\$ 410.00

Total October 31 Online

\$5,637.00

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Recent Events in Dollars and Cents

SKD Finance Council invites every parishioner to go to STKDCC.org web site and under the heading ABOUT click Finance Council and see our monthly Scorecards showing SKD's financial monthly status.

This last weekend was Stewardship Weekend. Your Finance Council is always looking for new members to help monthly review of our parish's financial resources. We meet once a month on the 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested please contact either Deacon Randy Bauer, rbauer@stkdcc.org or Richard Taylor, kndtaylor@hotmail.com. We are always interested in new points of views.

Thank you for your commitment to SKD and your Greater Community. Your gifts help us live our mission" See CHRIST in All and be CHRIST to All."

Sunday 11/14

10:00 a.m. Mass - *Edward O'Hara+*
In Person and Live Stream

Monday 11/15

6:30 - Kate's Quilters
7:00 p.m. - SKYM

Tuesday 11/16

9:30 a.m. NO Mass
6:30 p.m. - Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. - Finance Council

Wednesday 11/17

9:30 a.m. Mass - *Arthur Hughes+*
7:00 p.m. - Generations of Faith

Thursday 11/18

9:30 a.m. Mass - *Sister M. Benigna Kostick, OSF+*
6:00 p.m. - Capital Campaign
7:00 p.m. - Parish Council

Friday 11/19

9:30 a.m. Mass - *Father Ralph Huar+*

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