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From the Desk of Father Paul



Greetings everyone! Now that we have all the Christmas decorations down and put away, and school and normal life (well as normal as we can expect in the midst of COVID) has resumed, the worship life of the Church has returned to “normal” as well. We once again, until Lent, return to ORDINARY TIME. That is a funny name for this time because it is really anything but ordinary, given what the scriptures for the Liturgy of the Word invite us to during these weeks, and what the Eucharistic celebration calls forth from us as well. For us here at St. Katharine Drexel it is in Ordinary time that we always celebrate our anniversary as a faith community. The Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time each year recalls the very first Mass we celebrated together at the PACT Charter School back in January of 2005. This year it is the weekend of January 29-30 that we will celebrate this milestone as a parish. An anniversary is the time to look back and give thanks for what has been, and to look forward with a resounding YES to what is yet to be. We have been through a lot as a community of faith, and we have much for which to be grateful. The anniversary weekend will afford us the opportunity to thank God for all of the ways He has blessed us and an opportunity to petition God for blessings going forward. I hope you will join in the celebration (limited as it will be because of COVID), by coming to help with our parish wide packing of food at Feed My Starving Children in Coon Rapids, 9 am to 11 am, January 29 (you must register in advance); and also, most importantly, joining together for Mass either Saturday evening or Sunday morning. Come one, Come All, Let’s Rejoice! I also offer for your reflection the article below about Ordinary Time. ~ Blessings! **Father Paul**

Ordinary Time ~ Paul Turner

Ordinary Time, the longest season of the church year, fills the weeks “which do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ.” It’s the no-particular-reason season. Christmas Time honors the birth of Christ. Easter Time rejoices in the resurrection. Ordinary Time is devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects.

The number of the weeks of Ordinary Time replaces the old counting of weeks “after Epiphany” and “after Pentecost.” The old calendar suggested that Pentecost ran for six months. The new calendar gives Pentecost a day. Then we return to Ordinary Time.

At first glance the principles of Ordinary Time seem basic enough. Start counting the weeks after Christmas Time. Break for Lent and Easter. Resume after Pentecost and keep counting till Advent. Basically, that’s how it works. But we have a few quirks.

For example, there is no “First Sunday in Ordinary Time”; however, there is a first week. Usually Christmas Time ends on a Sunday with the Baptism of the Lord. The lectionary also calls it the First Sunday in Ordinary Time, but it is part of Christmas Time. (Some years the Baptism of the Lord falls on a Monday, but that’s another story.) Ordinary Time gets underway on a weekday. When the next Sunday rolls around we start week two.

On the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday, we see the last of Ordinary Time until after Pentecost. Even then, it emerges only on weekdays. Trinity Sunday always follows Pentecost Sunday, and the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord comes the next Sunday in the United States. (In countries where this solemnity is a holy day, it falls on a Thursday.) So when the numbered Sundays in Ordinary Time return in summer, we start out a little higher than where we left off.

Sometimes we skip one or two entire weeks of Ordinary Time during the Easter break. We want to close the Sundays of the year with Christ the King, one week before Advent. Christ the King always falls on the 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time. So, we determine the week number after Pentecost not based on where we left off before Lent but counting backwards from Christ the King. One or two weeks may disappear, but Ordinary Time still serves the complete mystery of Christ.

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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 parishioner Lando Kutzke, 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 support of our prayers. Thank**

- ◆ 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
- ◆ Kathy Routson
- ◆ Luke Schmitz
- ◆ Patty Serbus
- ◆ Theresa Skelly
- Richard Taylor
- Mariellen 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.

January Food Drive

We are collecting non-perishable food, personal care items and household items for ACBC Food Shelf during January. There is a table in the entryway for food donations. There is a collection basket in the center aisle for monetary donations. If you are writing a check, checks should be written to ACBC.



You've celebrated a few anniversaries... maybe MANY. You've been through some ups and downs and you have learned a lot about each other. But what if there's more to your marriage than you've ever realized? Experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and discover the beauty of your relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are Feb 11-13, 2022 in Buffalo, MN and May 6-8, 2022 in Buffalo, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: applications@twincitieswwme.org or 612-756-8720.



Do You Shop Amazon?

Online shopping has grown tremendously during this Pandemic. Amazon is one of the online sources many people have been utilizing. Amazon offers a special program that gives a rebate to our parish if you use Amazon Smile. You just need to change your Amazon login to start on the Amazon Smile page for St Katharine Drexel. Once a quarter we get a rebate from Amazon for the purchases made by everyone using our Amazon Smile link. It doesn't cost you anything extra, it is a donation Amazon gives to us. Simply start your shopping at smile.amazon.com/cApril6th2021h/20-2429058 to confirm "Church of St Katharine Drexel" as your charity of choice, and AmazonSmile will donate a 0.5% of your eligible purchase price to our parish. Share this information with others so their purchases can benefit our parish as well.

Support Group Community for Trauma Survivors

Monday, January 24, 6:30-8 p.m., virtual event

One of the best resources available to survivors of clergy abuse are support communities of other survivors who can understand and relate to each other. Members can provide invaluable information regarding their own experience, strength, and hope. Speaker Roberta Izzard will discuss the many positive aspects and possibilities of support communities for all trauma survivors including victims of clergy sexual abuse.

To register email Paula Kaempffer, Outreach Coordinator for Restorative Justice and Abuse Prevention for the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, kaempfferp@archspm.org <<https://eva.us/5e3ec18a>>.

Episcopal Ordination of the Most Reverend Joseph A. Williams

Tuesday, January 25, 1 p.m., Cathedral of Saint Paul, Saint Paul

On December 10, Pope Francis named Father Joseph Williams, a priest of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, as Auxiliary Bishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis.

The ordination of Joseph Williams to the Episcopacy will take place on the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, with a public reception to follow. If you plan to attend in-person, please remember that Archbishop Hebda has strongly encouraged mask-wearing at Mass, in light of the pandemic. The ordination will also be livestreamed on the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis' Facebook page and aired on Metro Cable Channel 6.

Learn more about Bishop-elect Williams, watch video interviews, and find details on the ordination at [archspm.org/newbishop](https://eva.us/42d68454) <<https://eva.us/42d68454>>.

Please join us in praying for our new auxiliary bishop!

Stewardship Corner

Today's reading from the Gospel of Luke offers us the first words of Jesus as he begins his public ministry. The words reflect his understanding of his Spirit-anointed mission. His words are his "Mission Statement." Good stewards rejoice in being followers of Jesus. They realize that Jesus' commission is their commission as well. They embrace it and adopt it as their own. We, too, have "glad tidings" to bring to a suffering world. This year, how will we fulfill Christ's commission in the world in which he has placed us, using the gifts he has entrusted to us?

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.

Help SKD Earn; Recycle Ink Cartridges

SKD is now set up to collect empty ink cartridges for recycling and get paid for doing it. Cartridges can earn up to \$2.50. We will collect cartridges from HP, Canon, Dell and Lexmark. Simply drop your used ink cartridges off at SKD. You can leave them at the front desk. We will soon have a cartridge collection box to drop them in.

Video Message from Sacraments for Seniors

While COVID-19 social distancing and isolation policies have been hard on everyone, the consequences have been especially difficult for seniors living in long-term care facilities. Watch the video at [youtube.com/watch?v=R2icUavkGYI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R2icUavkGYI) or <https://eva.us/87e632f6> to learn how you

HOW TO REGISTER AT St. KATHARINE DREXEL

If you would like to register as an individual, couple, or family at our parish, please fill out the form at stkdc.org, "Resources" then; 'Become a Member.' You can also find hard copy registration forms at the Parish Office: 7101 143rd Ave NW, Suite G Ramsey, MN 55303. We welcome you!

Financial Gifts

January 16, 2022 Giving

Sunday Offering	\$ 2,670.00
Youth and Children	\$ 19.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 20.00
Building Fund	\$ 700.00

Total January 16 Giving

\$ 3,409.00

January 16, 2022 On-Line Giving

Sunday Offering	\$ 355.00
Donation for credit card fees	\$ 6.38
Building Fund	\$ 125.00

Total January 3-9, 2022 On-Line

\$ 486.38

Auto Withdraw January 15

Sunday Offering	\$12,490.42
Building Fund	\$ 6,819.44

Total AutoWithdraw January 15

\$19,309.86

Building for Eternity - NOW

A Time of Giving

We often look at Christmas as a time of giving. That certainly was the case for all of Advent and December thanks to the generosity of the people of St Katharine Drexel. You responded to the tags on our Advent Giving Tree and provided dozens of cookies and other items needed by Anoka County Family Promise for homeless families. You provided needed clothing for the elderly on our appeal for Granny's Closet.

\$3,500 in Scrip Gift Cards were donated to assist 12 local families make Christmas a brighter time for them. You provided \$2,400 in Wal-Mart Scrip cards for our sister parish, St. Mary's Mission in Red Lake. The KC's donated two cases of winter jackets to the children of Red Lake that were delivered by John and Linda Smetana. Our monthly tithe of 2% of our Sunday offering also went to St Mary's Mission in December. That amounted to \$1,124.89. Our monthly food drive for the Franciscan Brothers of Peace generated \$1,080 in monetary donations. There was also 6 turkeys and 15 bags of groceries donated for their food shelf.

You were also very generous in your December donations to the parish. Contributions and memorials for December were \$58,979.52. There was \$1,015 donated for Christmas flowers. Your total donations in December for our Building for Eternity-NOW capital campaign were \$184,566.03.

December truly was a time of giving for the wonderful people of St Katharine Drexel. Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

Sunday 1/23

Stewardship Sunday
Monthly Food Drive
10:00 a.m. Mass - **Thomas Ouellette+**
Live Stream

Monday 1/24

7:00 p.m. - SKYM
7:00 p.m. - KC District Meeting

Tuesday 1/25

9:30 a.m. **NO Mass**
6:30 p.m. - Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. - Women's Bible Study
7:00 p.m. - Youth Discipleship Group

Wednesday 1/26

9:30 a.m. Mass - **James Bernstein+**
6:15 p.m. - . Dinner - 7:00 p.m. - Generations of Faith

Thursday 1/27

9:30 a.m. **Mass - Sister M. Emilia Wojciak, OSF+**
7:00 p.m. - Liturgy Committee
7:00 p.m. - Middle School EDGE

Friday 1/28

9:30 p.m. Mass - **For the People**

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