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Mass Times:

8:00 am & 10:00 am

1:00 pm (Nigerian Community)
Daily Mass 9:00am Monday-Saturday
(Ruggles Street)



Rosary: Sundays 12:30 pm

St. Katharine Drexel Parish is a Black Catholic Community of believers, celebrating and rejoicing





in the love of GOD

LK 24: 35-48

"The Heart of Jesus is a school of sanctity in which the bitterness of trials and the practice of virtue is sweetened."

ST. K.D.

LECTORS

Sunday 8am: Larry Anderson Lorraine Valentine 04/19 10am: Joyce Rene George Montgomery 1pm: Nt Izuchi Azuka Onwuama

Sunday 8am: Joe-Ann Fergus Felix Okonkwo
04/26 10am: Jumaada Smith Anthony Santio
1pm: Okey Izuchi Chinassa Obijiaku

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday 8am: Marion Peters Felix Okonkwo

04/12 10am: Maurice and Agnes Tshitenge

1pm: Sr. Christiana O. Francis Ibili

Sunday 8am: Marion Peters Larry Anderson 04/26 10am: Moy Arneaud Stacie Holmes 1pm: Sr. Christiana O. Tina Kamalu

Chinwe Kate Okoye

Scripture for the week of April 19th

19 SUN Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

20 Mon Acts 6:8-15/Jn 6:22-29 21 Tue Acts 7:51-8:1a/Jn 6:30-35 22 Wed Acts 8:1b-8/Jn 6:35-40 23 Thu Acts 8:26-40/Jn 6:44-51 24 Fri Acts 9:1-20/Jn 6:52-5923

25 Sat 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20

26 SUN Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18



EVERY THURSDAY 7PM-8PM PARISH CENTER, RUGGLES ST.

APRIL 23RD

1KINGS 21: 1-16 THE WIDENING GAP!







MIDWEEK REFRESHER

READ: Luke 24:35-48

REFLECT: Luke reports one of the appearance of the Risen One to the apostles. In order to convince them, them, the Lord allows them to touch him and he eats before their eyes. It is really he, the Crucified, alive once more. It is he, altogether different and yet the same. He casts the light of his Passover upon the sacred scriptures in order to illumine the past and announce the future: "In his name, penance for the remission of sins is to be preached to all the nations beginning at Jerusalem." "They were all incredulous for sheer joy..." Still today, divided as we often are between doubt and belief, we find it difficult to recognize in faith the person of the One who lives in our midst. Yet we encounter him at Eucharist. We see him in the assembly gathered in his name. We shear him in the words of those who have borne witness to him in the scriptures. We know him once again in the breaking of the bread. We experience the power of his Spirit as we are sent out into the world to spread the good news from person to person. As we live our daily lives, then, nourished by the word and the bread we have shared, we recognize indeed that he is risen and living among us.

PRAY: Lord, I believe, help my unbelief.

<u>ACT</u>: The next time we listen to the Scripture proclaimed in the church assembly imagine Jesus speaking to his disciples and opening their minds to understand them.

PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

Dear Lord, we are happy for life here on earth! Heavenly Father, we are deeply concerned about peace in the world, especially in our communities. We know that true peace is not merely the absence of tension, it is the presence of justice. We ask for the power of the Holy Spirit to descend upon our communities to eradicate the injustices. We know that injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere and that what affects one directly affects all indirectly. Send down your rain so the children will be refreshingly bathed. Send your sunshine so they may bask in the rays. Spread your rainbow so the children will be delighted of its beauty. Let them drink of lemonade from the lemons of life. Our faith is strong in you Dear Lord. We thank you for the power of the Holy Spirit who you gave us as our Advocate. May you inspire us in our mission as St. Katharine Drexel Social Justice Committee to bring about the peace and love of Jesus Christ that will truly be an example of Social Justice both locally and globally. It is well with our soul that you will hear our prayer. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ARROURCEMERTS



APRIL 19TH

10AM

Mass is being offered for <u>Benjamin A. Monteiro</u> on the 36th Anniversary of his Death.

Requested by: His mother, Lillian Monteiro

Mass is being offered for Mary Pina for the One Year An-

niversary of her death.

Requested by: Her son, Jonathan Pina

1PM

Thanking God for His kindness to her brother, <u>High Chief Godwin Ukandu Onyekwere</u> for a successful surgery and praying for more blessings and favors.

Requested by Lady Mrs. Eunice N. Ogbonna

Thanking God for numerous blessings, protection and good health.

Requested by: Mama Catherine Achukwa

Thanking God for His numerous blessings on her an dher family and for her special intentions.

Requested by: Mama Beatrice Chikeluba

For the One Year Death Anniversary of the repose of the soul of their husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather and also for God's continuous guidance and protection on the family.

Requested by:

The Family of Sir Peter & Lady Ogoo Onyemelukwe

Thanking God for His numerous blessings on the family. Requested by The Family of Ita Madu

Praying for the repose of the soul of <u>Akunne</u>
<u>Vincent Onochie</u>. May his gentle soul rest in peace.
Requested by: The Family of Augustine Onochie

Praying for their special intentions.

Requested by:

The Family of Chief & Lolo Ambrose Ojimba

Thanking God for His goodness and mercies upon him.

Requested by: Ralph Ilona

Thanking God for His faithfulness, for all favors received and for special intentions for the year 2015 and forgiveness of sins.

Requested by: Anonymous



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Cleophus G. Bynoe
Clarine Fenton
Alicia (Renee) Fullerton
Marilyn Hicks
Sr. Joanne McGovern
Mary Ramos
Herb Stephens
Mavis Walker



<u>COMMISSIONING OF</u> NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Join us in congratulation our six new Extroardinary Ministers of Holy Communion!

Pauline Coulter
Joyce Durst
Marion Peters
Jumaada Smith
Jackie Townes
Veltina Worrell

The have successfully completed their training sessions and will be Commissioned during the

10:00AM LITURGY, APRIL 26th



ST. KATHARINE DREXEL PARISH SENIOR CITIZEN CYBER CAFÉ PROGRAM TIMOTHY SMITH FOUNDATION SECOND SEMESTER 2015

Day: Fridays (Bi-Weekly) Time: 10:00am-Noon

Place: Computer Room, 2nd Floor

175 Ruggles Street

Dates: April 24th (Last Class)

Instructors are Sister Karen Hokanson, SND, Ed.D. and students from Emmanuel College. Lessons are one-to-one tutoring and include assistance with the Internet, Email, and Microsoft Office.

NIGERIAN COMMUNITY

www.nigeriancatholicboston.org

Chaplain: Rev. Jude Thaddeus Osunkwo

Pastoral Associate: Sr. Christiana Onyewuche, EHJ

Vice Chairman: Mrs. Chinwe Okoye

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Organization: President

Nigerian Catholic Women's Mrs. Uche Uchendu

Women's Organization: President

Nigerian Catholic Youth Miss Gloria Iheuwa

Organization: President

PRAYER FOR NIGERIA

All powerful and merciful Father, You are the God of Justice. Love and Peace. You rule over all the nations of the earth. Power and might are in Your hands and no one can withstand You. We present our country, Nigeria, before You. We praise and thank You for You are the source of all we have and are. We are sorry for all the sins we have committed and for good deeds we have failed to do. In Your loving forgiveness keep us safe from the punishment we deserve. Lord, we are weighed down not only by uncertainties, but also by moral, economic and political problems. Listen to the cries of Your people who confidently turn to You. God of infinite goodness, our strength in adversity, health in weakness, our comfort in sorrow, be merciful to us your people. Spare this nation, Nigeria, from chaos, anarchy and doom. Bless us with Your kingdom of justice, love and peace. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

> OFFICE HOURS AT THE PARISH CENTER (175 RUGGLES STREET)

> > TUESDAY: 10AM-2PM THURSDAY: 10AM-2PM FRIDAY: 9:30AM-12PM

ALL OTHER TIMES, CALL IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH, EVERETT

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Beginning at 7:00PM every Friday, St. Katharine Drexel Parish is pleased to make the Blessed Sacrament available for Adoration for <u>ONE HOUR</u> before Holy Mass.



REMEMBER OUR FOOD BARREL IN THE CHURCH VESIBULE

Try to drop something in once a month. It will be well used.

PLEASE: NOTHING OUTDATED

Thank You!



HOLY FATHER'S APRIL PRAYER INTENTIONS

GENERAL: That people may learn to respect creation and care for it as a gift of God.

<u>MISSION</u>: That persecuted Christians may feel the consoling presence of the Risen Lord and the solidarity of all the Church.



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"The Lord never tires of forgiving us. It is we who get tired of asking for pardon."

Pope Francis



SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE FASHION SHOW



Casting Call: The Social Justice Committee is calling all Women and girls from 12 to 50+, to appreciate your gifts, to see yourselves as made in God's image, and to value your contributions to community and society.

Come and participate in 3 uplifting 2 hour workshops and 2 rehearsals leading up to a fashion show on June 6th, where you will have the opportunity to bond with fellow parishioners and uplift yourselves spiritually, physically and mentally.

The 3 workshops will be held Saturdays starting April 25th through May 9th from 2 to 4pm and the rehearsals will be held May 23rd and May 30th from 2 to 4pm. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

For more information, please see: <u>Donnetta Andrews</u>, <u>Violette Emile</u>, <u>Damaris Johnson</u>, <u>Felicia Okonkwo Tshitenge</u>, <u>Sr. Christiana Onyewuche</u>, <u>Jumaada Smith</u>, <u>Lorraine Valentine</u>



SR. MARY HART SUMMER CAMP SUMMER CAMP COUNSELORS

The camp has openings for counselors. We are looking for teenagers 15yrs and older who enjoy working with children, are responsible, energetic, creative and team players.

The counselors are required to attend a 2 day orientation/training the week of <u>JUNE 29TH</u>. The camp runs from <u>JULY 7TH-AUGUST 7TH</u>.

If you have any questions or you are interested in applying for the counselor position:

Sr. Mary Hart Children's Program St. Katharine Drexel Parish Center 175 Ruggles Street Roxbury, MA 02120

Email: srmaryhartprogram@gmail.com

Juliette Toulon (857-236-4379) Julie McGovern (978-376-3715

All completed applications are due by MAY 1ST.

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Rachel mourns her children; She refuses to be consoled, because her children are no more. Thus says the Lord: "Cease from your cries of mourning. Wipe the tears from your eyes...There is hope for your future." Jeremiah 31:15-17





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