A photograph of two tulips in a garden. The tulip in the foreground is a large, double pink flower with many layers of petals. The tulip in the background is a single red flower. The background is dark soil with some green leaves.

*"I came so that they might have life and
have it more abundantly." John 10:10*

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1:00 pm (Nigerian Community)

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



JN 10: 11-18

"Quietly, tranquilly, let the grace of God work in you."

ST. K.D.

LECTORS

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	Larry Anderson
04/26	10am:	Moy Arneaud	Stacie Holmes
	1pm:	Sr. Christiana O. Chinwe Kate Okoye	Tina Kamalu

Sunday	8am:	Marion Peters	Robert Gittens
05/03	10am:	Pat Smith	Sr. Christine S.
	1pm:	Sr. Christiana O.	

Scripture for the week of April 26th

26 SUN Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18
 27 Mon Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10
 28 Tue Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
 29 Wed Acts 12:24-13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
 30 Thu Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
 1 Fri Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
 2 Sat Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
 3 SUN Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8



EVERY THURSDAY 7PM-8PM
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APRIL 30TH

GEN: 37: 3-4; 12-13a; 17b-28a
THE ENEMY FROM WITHIN!



MIDWEEK REFRESHER

READ: John 10: 11-18

REFLECT: Jesus' claim to be the true shepherd, the only pastor, has nothing idyllic about it. It completes his break with the mercenary religious leaders in whose eyes the sheep matter little. "I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord God. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal shepherding them rightly." (Ezk. 34:15-16) This is God's way of acting, and the way of Christ, who gave his life for those the Father entrusted to him.

Many do not appreciate being compared to a flock of sheep. Nevertheless, the image of the sheep suggests clearly what we are: defenseless before the ravaging wolf. Of all creatures, sheep possess the weakest sense of direction. So they entrust themselves by instinct to their shepherd to defend and guide them.

PRAY: Pray for God's guidance.

ACT: Imitate the shepherd in Ezekiel and search out the lost.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass Intentions  for the Week

APRIL 26TH

1PM

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 numerous blessings, protection and good health.

Requested by: Mama Catherine Achukwa

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

Requested by: Mama Beatrice Chikeluba

Thanking God for His numerous blessings on the family.

Requested by The Family of Ita Madu

Praying for the repose of the soul of Akunne Vincent Onochie. 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



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"Mary, Mother of Sorrows, help us to understand God's will in moments of great suffering."

Pope Francis



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Cleophus G. Bynoe

Clarine Fenton

Alicia (Renee) Fullerton

Marilyn Hicks

Sr. Joanne McGovern

Mary Ramos

Herb Stephens

Mavis Walker



COMMISSIONING OF NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Join us in congratulation our six new Extraordinary 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



HOLY FATHER'S APRIL PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

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

NIGERIAN COMMUNITY
www.nigeriancatholicboston.org

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PRAYER FOR NIGERIA

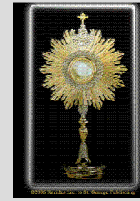
All powerful and merciful Father, You are the God of Justice, Love and Peace. You rule over all the nations of the earth. Power and might are in Your hands and no one can withstand You. We present our country, Nigeria, before You. We praise and thank You for You are the source of all we have and are. 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.

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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.

Fashion Show

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE FASHION SHOW

Fashion Show

OUR THEME

Embrace The Vision - Elevate and Illuminate Your Brand

I praise you, so wonderfully you made me; wonderful are your works! Psalms 139:14

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 three uplifting 2 hour workshops and two 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 three workshops will be held Saturdays starting April 25th through May 9th from 2:00PM-4:00PM and the rehearsals will be held May 23rd and May 30th from 2:00PM-4:00PM. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

For more information, please see:

Donnetta Andrews, Violette Emile, Damaris Johnson, Felicia Okonkwo Tshitenge
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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 JUNE 29TH. The camp runs from JULY 7TH-AUGUST 7TH.

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

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Jeremiah 31:15-17



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