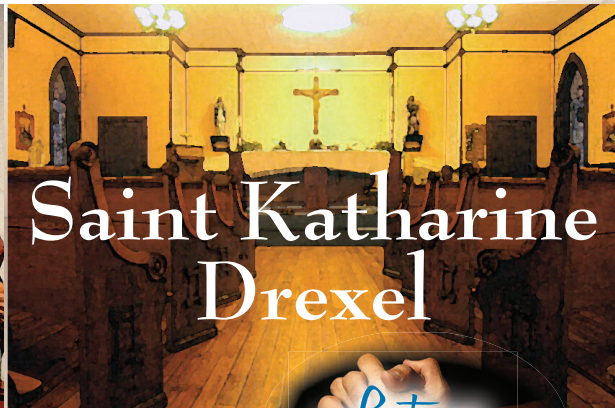


April 30th, 2023



Saint Katharine Drexel

Year A

The Weekly Word

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

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Mass Times

Sunday 11:30 am;
Wednesday 5:00 pm
Confessions Wednesday 4:00 pm

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday 4/30
Herb Leinberger (d)
Wednesday 5/3
People of the Parish

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Bulletin Deadlines

By 5pm Monday before Sunday Mass
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4/23/23

Attendance80
Offertory: \$1544.00

Second Collections

4/30 - CATHOLIC HOME MISSION

**Please observe a 10 minute
QUIET TIME before Mass.**



POTLUCK LUNCH, & BABY SHOWER

Potluck Lunch is today after Mass.
We are also having a Baby Shower for
Anne Marie & James Eckhardt
at lunch. Please join us!
All are welcome!



VOLUNTEER CLEANING

is next Saturday,
May 6th at 9:00 am.
Please consider
helping care for our church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The last PRE class for this season
will be Sunday, May 7.
Classes will resume in September.

HOT MEALS MINISTRY

is now collecting these items for the
people in the tent communities:
travel size hygiene/toiletries/body
wipes, new socks and underwear in
various sizes for men and women, large
garbage bags. Any of these items may
be left in the blue container in church
narthex. (or Nethery Hall at
St. Katharine Drexel)

You are needed to be a lector, EMHC, and help
with altar care. Please consider helping out.
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PRAYER REQUESTS

- CHARLES ALSBROOK
- MARK ANDERSON
- DAVID BLEVINS
- JIMMY BROWN
- BOB COLEMAN
- TERRY COTTER, JR.
- MARCIA AND AL FRASER
- STACEY HARRIS
- JUSTIN HOLLIMAN
- RICHARD HOLLIMAN
- TOD MICHAEL
- CAROL MOCKENHAUPT
- SUZIE & FRED PITTMAN
- NAYOMIA ROGERS
- JAMES STONE
- JOY TENNY
- MELISSA WOMACK

For prayer list contact
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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Jim Rodgers 4/6
Fred Pittman 4/24

ANNIVERSARIES

John and Joy Merrell
4/9
Anthony Emanuel &
Patti Nethery 4/13

LECTOR, USHERS, & ALTAR

APRIL 30TH

LECTOR: CHARLIE GRAY
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
PATTI NETHERY, BETTY GRAY
USHERS:
PAUL HOLLIMAN, JIM RODGERS
ALTAR CARE: JOY MERRELL

MAY 7TH

LECTOR: PEG ROBERTSON
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
DANA NETHERY, PATTI NETHERY
USHERS:
JOEY FISHER, CHARLIE GRAY
ALTAR CARE: JOY MERRELL



Holy Communion

As we return to offering Holy Communion in both species (Body and Blood of Christ), it is fitting that we should have a brief review of our Roman Catholic understanding of the Eucharistic gift. Here are a few of the basics to keep in mind: One receives the fullness of Christ's Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Consecrated Host, or any fragment thereof. It is not necessary that one partake of the Blood of Christ as the fullness of the Sacrament has already been received in the Consecrated Host. If one chooses not to drink from the auxiliary chalice, one simply returns to one's seat after receiving the Body of Christ. Why, one might ask, is the Precious Blood offered at all if the fullness of Christ's Body and Blood is received by consuming the Consecrated Host? Because the sign of the Eucharistic meal appears to the faithful more clearly when given under both kinds since Christ's words at the Last Supper indicate that those at table with him were to "take and eat" (Body); "take and drink" (Blood). Thus, offering the Precious Blood is commendable but not required (Many Catholic parishes do not offer the option of drinking from the chalice—it is left to the pastor's discretion). In some parts of the world there is not enough sacramental wine available to consecrate and share with the faithful at any Mass! As always, what is most important is one's disposition to receive Communion in either species. "Am I well-disposed on this day at this Sacred Liturgy to receive the gift of the Eucharist (examination of conscience), or am I in need of the Sacrament of Confession first?" This is the question one ought to ask oneself frequently. Finally, there is nothing wrong with remaining in the pews during Communion if one is not in a state of grace. It is fitting and reverent that you do so! The other option is to come forward in the Communion procession and cross one's arms so that the priest (or the EMHC) knows that you will not consume the Body of Christ at the Mass that day, also fitting and reverent.

Next week: a little history about reception of Holy Communion over the past 2,000 years.