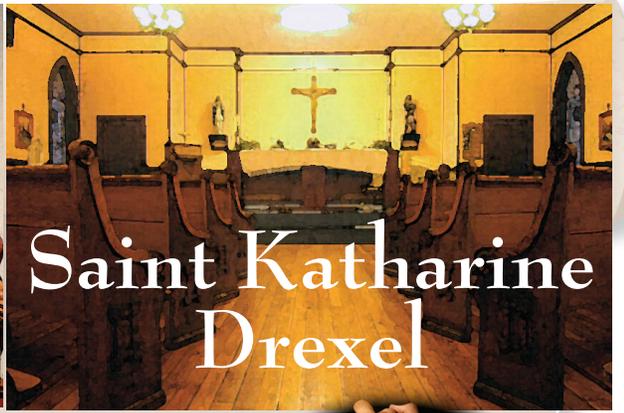




February 28th, 2021



Saint Katharine Drexel

The Weekly Word Welcome!

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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, February 28th, 2021
People of the Parish

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Bulletin Deadlines

By 5pm Monday before Sunday Mass
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BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study on Wisdom continues for two more Wednesdays at 3:00 pm. The last session will be March 10.

THE FOOD DRIVE

The Tri State Food Bank has requested our help. They distribute food twice a month on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of every month. The food boxes are packed on the Wednesday preceding the 1st Friday. Help especially from the men as follows: On the Wednesday to pack boxes beginning at 1:00PM for a couple of hours. On the 1st and 3rd Fridays from 11:00-5:00PM.

THE FISH FRYs

are on the Fridays of Lent from 5:00-7:00pm. Proceeds are given to local charities.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

are on the Fridays of Lent @ 5:00 pm.

POTLUCK LUNCH

is TODAY after Mass. Please join us!

ST KATHARINE DREXEL'S FEAST DAY

is March 3.

POPE FRANCIS' February Prayer Intention

Violence Against Women

We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.



Let us Pray...

PRAYER REQUESTS

JIMMY BROWN
MARTHA BURNS
BETTY COURTE
LAURA RUTH ELLISON
AARON GRAY
ERIKA LEFEVER
MICHAEL MOHR
PAUL NACMANAMAN
DON NICKS
PAUL PALMER
RYAN PAULLET
SUSIE PITTMAN
STEVE POLLARD
PAULA REESE
AL REUTER
DAVID SLIGER
MELISSA SMITH
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LECTOR, USHERS, & ALTAR

FEBRUARY 28TH

LECTOR: PETER CERVELLI
USHERS:

PAUL HOLLIMAN, CHARLIE GRAY
ALTAR CARE:

ERIKA LEFEVER, BETTY GRAY

MARCH 7TH

LECTOR: JOHN MERREL

USHERS:

JOEY FISHER, CHARLIE GRAY

ALTAR CARE:

MELANIE PARRISH, PEG ROBERTSON

WE ARE IN NEED OF LECTORS.

If you are interested please contact
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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Help Us to Love

Loving Father,
you sent us the gift of your Son,
One like us in all ways but sin,
to show us what it means to love as you love.
Listen to him, you tell us.
Provide us with the grace to hear
and respond to his voice,
to look at the world's brokenness and
not feel despair,

but see your promise that all the world
shall be transfigured by your love.
Allow us to be transfigured to do what
you will,
that we might use the life we have been
given to glorify you.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sunday, February 28, 2021

Glimpses of Glory



Today's readings: Genesis 22:1–2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18; Psalm 116:10, 15, 16–17, 18–19; Romans 8:31b–34; Mark 9:2–10. After Jesus first predicts that he will suffer, he takes Peter, James, and John apart from everyone else. These apostles see Jesus in his glory, in gleaming clothing with Moses and Elijah, whose presence communicates that Jesus is the fulfillment of the law and the prophets. Then the apostles hear a voice from heaven, saying, “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” As quickly as the vision appears, it ceases.

As conflicts arose between Jesus and the leaders of the day, the apostles may have taken comfort in knowing that Jesus is God’s “beloved Son.” Walking through the passion with Jesus, they could cling to the glimpse of Jesus’ glory.

The words *beloved Son* also may have called to mind for them the sacrifice of Isaac. Abraham had been obedient to God and had not withheld his beloved son. Abraham knew God and, therefore, knew that God is a keeper of promises. Somehow, even when it seemed impossible, God’s promise would be fulfilled. Abraham would be the father of many through Isaac. He believed in God’s promise, even when it seemed that the promise could not be kept. In this moment we see another prefiguration of what is to come, the impossible hope that endures through Good Friday and is vindicated on Easter morning.

Where have you glimpsed resurrection? How can you hold to these moments in your times of trial?



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, March 1

Mercy

Jesus instructs his followers to do the seemingly impossible: be merciful just as God is merciful. God's mercy is endless. How can we ever manage to love as he does? Living in a world that overflows with brokenness, we have endless opportunities to bring mercy to another. In our families, we have so many chances to forgive. How can you extend mercy to someone today? *Today's readings: Deuteronomy 9:4b–10; Psalm 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Luke 6:36–38.*

Tuesday, March 2

The Greatest among You

From birth, human beings prefer to look at other human faces more than anything else. We come into the world ready for relationships of love. Yet as we seek out that love, we miss the mark. Rather than authentic love, which both affirms us and challenges us, we seek out approval, acclaim, and status. We look for relationships that reflect us back to ourselves in a positive light. Humility is opting out of this unwinnable game. It is knowing that we have an identity that cannot be taken away from us: beloved child of God. Once we accept that this is the love we are looking for, the love that grounds our being, we no longer worry about where we fit. We can instead imitate the one who humbled himself, who came in our likeness, who lived in love. *Today's readings: Isaiah 1:10, 16–20; Psalm 50:8–9, 16bc–17, 21 and 23; Matthew 23:1–12.*

Wednesday, March 3

St. Katharine Drexel

St. Katharine Drexel was an heiress in Philadelphia who felt incredibly moved by the plight of Native Americans and African Americans in the United States in the late nineteenth century. She recognized this pull on her heart as a call from God, and she gave up her fortune and founded a religious

order, establishing missions and schools that served these groups. She listened for God's voice and responded. How can you do the same? *Today's readings: Jeremiah 18:18–20; Psalm 31:5–6, 14, 15–16; Matthew 20:17–28.*

Thursday, March 4

St. Casimir

St. Casimir was a Polish prince with legendary generosity to the poor. Is there a sacrifice you could make today in order to give generously to the poor in his honor? Consider what Abraham said at the end of today's Gospel reading. How has Christ's rising from the dead persuaded you to be merciful? *Today's readings: Jeremiah 17:5–10; Psalm 1:1–2, 3, 4 and 6; Luke 16:19–31.*

Friday, March 5

Act with Justice

Over and over, the prophets and Jesus call us to give up our sinful ways and act with justice. We fail to recognize that the goods of creation are intended for all people and cling tightly to what we have when many do not have enough. Today choose to eat a simple lunch or dinner, and donate the cost savings to a charity that serves those who are food insecure. *Today's readings: Genesis 37:3–4, 12–13a, 17b–28a; Psalm 105:16–17, 18–19, 20–21; Matthew 21:33–43, 45–46.*

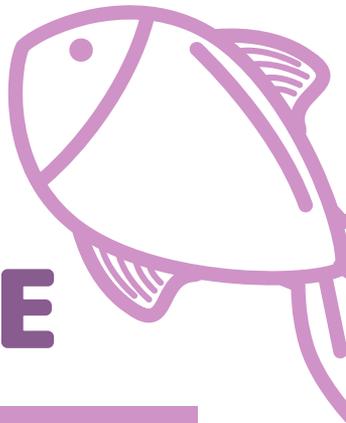
Saturday, March 6

Merciful Love

Spend some time reflecting on the words of Jesus in the parable of the prodigal son, and allow yourself to hear it with new ears. The son behaved as though his father were dead, yet the father watched for the son, ran to him, embraced him, and threw a feast to celebrate his return. What does that tell you about the vastness of God's merciful love for you? Is there anything you could do for which God could not forgive? *Today's readings: Micah 7:14–15, 18–20; Psalm 103:1–2, 3–4, 9–10, 11–12; Luke 15:1–3, 11–32.*



LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE



Fasting

Ash Wednesday
Good Friday

Ages 18-59

Abstinence

Every Friday
during Lent

Ages 14+

How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the **physically** or **mentally ill** including individuals suffering from **chronic illnesses** such as **diabetes**. Also excluded are **pregnant** or **nursing women**.

For more information on fasting and abstinence, visit usccb.org.

