

Katharine Drexel was born in Philadelphia on November 26, 1858, the second child of Hannah and Francis Anthony Drexel.

Katharine was twenty-one when her mother was diagnosed with cancer. For three years she nursed her mother as she was suffering. During this time, she felt the call to religious life.

Katharine and her sisters were soon introduced to the plight of the Native Americans. The young women visited several remote reservations in 1887. They met with tribal leaders and witnessed their dire poverty.

Katharine began building schools on the reservations, providing food, clothing, and financial support. St. Katharine's Indian School in Santa Fe, NM was the first of many.

Katharine embraced her call to serve Jesus in the mission fields and pronounced her vows as the first Sister of the Blessed Sacrament on February 12, 1891.

Katharine and her sisters visited Rome and had an audience with Pope Leo XIII. She described the plight of the Indians in America and begged the Pope to send missionaries. His answer took her by surprise. "why not, my child, you yourself become a missionary?"

Following the miraculous healing of Robert Gutherman's eardrum, St. Katharine was beatified in 1988. The healing of little Amy Wall's deafness opened the way for her canonization by Pope John Paul II on Oct. 1, 2000.

One of their missions is St. Augustine Indian Mission in Winnebago, Nebraska. In July of 2010, our "Young Neighbors in Action" group went there to provide support.

St. Katharine Drexel Parish


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Saint Katharine Drexel Faith Community

Ministry Opportunity Catalog



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St. Katharine Drexel's Mission Statement:

"The mission of St. Katharine Drexel Parish is to continue the mission of Jesus through prayer, service and sharing."

August 2, 2017

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL PARISH

GENERAL INFORMATION

Business Office: 119 West 7th Street Kaukauna, WI 54130

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Website: www.skdchurch.org

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Rectory: 134 Ann Street, Kaukauna 54130

Phone: (920)766-2966

Worship Sites

St. Francis: 433 County Rd. CE, Kaukauna

St. Mary: 119 W. 7th St., Kaukauna

Parish Office Hours

Monday -Thursday: 8:00 AM - 4:00PM

Friday 8:00 AM - Noon

Parish Staff

Parish Leader: Dcn. Steve VandeHey

Liturgical Coordinator: Donna VandenHeuvel

Business Manager: John John Johnson

Secretary: Edie Schneider

Deacon: Randy Haak

Faith Formation Office: 766-5997

Director of Catholic Formation : Elizabeth Verges

Education/Curriculum Specialist: Sue Zwiers

Youth Minister in Training: Nick Wiegert

Maintenance: Tom Kettleson and Tom Diedrich

Scrip Coordinator/Secretary: Paula Huelsbeck

Scrip Assistant Coordinators: Betty Eiting 766-1293



OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

These ministries are committed to the task of strengthening and nurturing our community.

Kaukauna Catholic Social Concerns Committee

This committee is an umbrella for all the social concerns outreach programs of Holy Cross and St. Katharine Drexel. (Examples of activities: lead Bingo at Agape Home; lead Prayer Vigil at Abortion Clinic and Planned Parenthood; Special Olympics; serve dinner at Emergency Center; Bowl for Life for Mother and Unborn Baby Care Crisis Center; Fountain of Life speaker series; Habitat for Humanity; Mother's Day Rose Sale; Meals Ministry.)

St. Vincent de Paul

St. Vincent de Paul provides assistance to needy persons and families. Volunteers are needed as a clerk or cashier at the store, to send cards or make personal or telephone visits.

Loaves & Fishes

Volunteers are needed to help with collection and distribution of food to the needy.

Knights of Columbus

Membership in our local Knights of Columbus offers Catholic men aged 18 or older an excellent opportunity to participate in the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. It is dedicated to the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

Elizabeth Ministry Retreat Center

The Elizabeth Ministry Retreat Center is located at the former St. Mary's Convent. Volunteers are needed for receptionists, gift shop assistants, mentors, librarians, bakers, office and retreat help.

Scouts (Brownie/Girl)

Volunteers are needed to help with our girl scout program.

Scouts (Cub/Boy)

Volunteers are needed to help with our boy scout program.

Men on a Mission

Catholic men continuing the mission of St Katharine through discipleship, leadership, and stewardship.

Dear Parishioners and Newcomers,

All that we have is a gift from God and all that God asks of us is that we will be good stewards of the God-blessings that grace our lives. This booklet provides you with a variety of ways to live out your stewardship. A list of all committees and organizations is included in this ministry opportunity catalogue. Fill out the commitment form for areas of interest to you. Please know that as you hold this booklet in your hands, you are being lifted up in prayer!

St. Katharine Drexel Faith Community

Mass/Liturgy Schedule

The most important aspect of being a parish member is participating in Sunday liturgy with our faith community.

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:00 PM St. Mary Site

Sunday: 8:30 AM St. Francis Site

8:30 AM St. Mary Site

10:30 AM St. Mary Site

5:00 PM St. Mary Site

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday 8:30 AM St. Mary Site

Wednesday 8:30 AM St Francis Site

Friday 8:30 AM St. Mary Site

Liturgy of Word with Communion:

Thursday 8:30 AM St. Francis Site

Holy Day:

Holy Day Vigil 6:30 PM St. Mary Site

Holy Day 8:30 AM St. Mary Site



Sacraments

Reconciliation:

Saturday 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

St. Mary site or by appointment.

Baptism: Contact the Parish Office at least 2 months prior

Marriage: Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior.

Sacrament of the Sick: Call anytime 766-2966

ADMINISTRATION

These ministries provide the needed skills to sustain the mission and ongoing development of our parish community.



Pastoral Council Member

Volunteer to be considered for a membership on the parish council, one of two governing bodies of the parish.

Finance Council Member

Volunteer to be considered for a membership on the finance council, one of two governing bodies of the parish.

Worship Committee

The worship committee reflects on and evaluates the parish liturgy so that it leads people to full, conscious and active participation in liturgical celebrations.

Stewardship Committee

Members help increase the awareness of the importance of prayer, service and sharing as an expression of gratitude for God's countless gifts.

Cemetery Committee

Volunteers help take care of the parish cemeteries.

Building & Grounds - Committee

Members help plan and make recommendations to maintain the parish facilities and properties.

Building & Grounds - Helper

Volunteers assist with work around the properties.

Building & Grounds - Cleaners

Volunteers help clean as needed.

Building & Grounds - Gardens

Volunteers plant and weed gardens.

Building & Grounds - Snow Removal

Volunteers help shovel or plow for snow removal.

Parish Office - Helper

Volunteers assist with projects in office.

Parish Office - Inserts and Mailings

Volunteers help with bulletin inserts, labeling, sorting etc.

Parish Office - Phone Caller

Volunteers assist with calling parish members. (Script provided.)

SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING

These ministries come together to promote community building and expand needed financial resources.

Men of St. Katharine Drexel

Participate in projects, programs, events and retreats for men.

Women of St. Katharine Drexel

Participate in projects, programs, events and retreats for women.

St. Katharine Drexel Fest (July)

Donate raffle baskets and items for the live and silent auctions, run food and other booths, donate and prepare food, assist with mass, help with set-up and cleanup. (Once a year commitment.)

Feast of St. Katharine Drexel (March)

Help distribute raffle tickets and with a social gathering after a mass on the weekend of the Feast of St. Katharine Drexel.

Pancake/Porkie Breakfasts

Men and youth prepare and serve pancake and porkie breakfasts two times a year. (fall and winter)

Fall Salad Luncheon (October)

Women put on a fall salad fundraising luncheon open to the community. Volunteers are needed to help promote event, provide salads, serve, decorate and clean up. (Once a year commitment.)

Popcorn Ball Factory

Volunteer to boil syrup, form balls, wrap and sell popcorn balls made in parish kitchen on Mondays, starting at 8:00 a.m. in November and December.

Doughnut Sunday

Parish members are needed to help organize, serve and cleanup when coffee and rolls are served after mass.

Make Baked Goods

Parish members are needed to bake snacks for meetings, fundraisers, events or the needy.

Welcoming Committee

Members of this committee plan and prepare activities to welcome new members.

Newcomer Mentor

Meet with new members, show them the parish sites and be a contact person to welcome individuals and families to our parish community.



FAITH FORMATION

These ministries promote the fostering of Christian development for all parishioners.

Catholic Formation Committee

Members of this committee meet quarterly to discuss our parish faith formation program.

Formation Sessions

Babysitters and Hall Monitors are needed for sessions once a month. Retreat helpers and chaperones are needed once or twice per year. Catechists, aides, substitute catechists are needed twice per month for first, third and fifth grade. Catechists, aides, substitute catechists are needed once per month for sixth through tenth grade.

First Reconciliation/First Communion

Helpers are needed for retreats and meals once or twice per year.

Confirmation

Chaperones, retreat helpers and meal assistance is needed once per year. Small group leaders are needed 1 - 2 hours a month. Leaders and confirmation sponsors are needed to meet with youth as needed during the course of the year.

Liturgy of the Word With Children

Leaders, planners, aides, and musicians are needed 6 - 7 times per year at all sites for Sunday liturgy.

Youth Ministry Committee

Middle and high school youth on this committee meet 1 - 3 hours per month.

Youth Ministry Event Chaperone Adults are needed to chaperone on youth ministry trips and outings. Join us for one event or more!

Adult Leader for Young Neighbors

Adults are needed for the Young Neighbors in Action Mission Trip one week per year.

Youth Ministry Fundraiser - Adult Help

Adult help with fundraising activities two to three times per year

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Church members are needed to help with the process through which interested adults are gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic faith and way of life.

Adult Faith Formation

Volunteers are needed to plan, prepare and implement adult faith gatherings.



Parish Office - Money Counter

Volunteers count the offering collections on Sundays and/or Holy Days.

Parish Office - Scrip Sellers

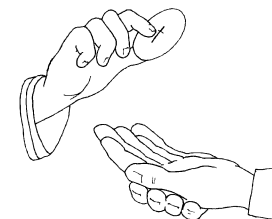
Volunteers are needed to help with Scrip program.

Parish Office - Pictorial Directory Committee

Volunteers are needed to help with our parish pictorial directory.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

These ministries are dedicated to providing prayerful and inspiring celebrations which praise God and revitalize personal and community faith.



Extraordinary Minister of Eucharist

Distributes Holy Communion at weekend liturgies as scheduled on a rotating basis throughout the year. Confirmed parishioners over 18 years old in good standing are eligible. Training is provided and participation in opportunities for spiritual growth is expected.

Reader

Proclaims the scripture readings at weekend liturgies as scheduled throughout the year. Confirmed parishioners over 18 years old in good standing are eligible. A certain proficiency is expected, training is provided and participation in opportunities for spiritual growth is expected.

Hospitality Ministers - Ushers

Assist in greeting at Masses and serve the assembly at Mass (i.e. seating, collection, handing out Bulletins). Scheduled on a monthly rotating basis. All men, women, teens and other family members are welcome.

Hospitality Ministers - Greeters

Greeters welcome parishioners upon entering the church. Men, women, families, teenagers are all welcome. Already active at St Francis Church would like to begin at St Mary's church also. Scheduling is on a rotating basis.

Altar Servers - Weekends

Assists the presider at the altar during Mass as scheduled. Training is provided. Parishioners third grade and older are eligible.

Altar Servers - Funerals

Men and women willing to be called on short notice to assist at Funeral liturgies. Training is provided.

Music Ministry - Choir Member

Various choirs provide music leadership for the congregation at the three different sites, for funerals and other special events. The choirs strive to encompass the congregation in the ideals of sung participation. They also enhance the liturgical music with choral arrangements.

Glory and Praise Choir: Choir sings weekend Masses and Holy Days from September through May,. Choir practices on Thursday at St. Mary site 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Parishioners interested in singing or who play instruments are welcome.

Radiant Light Choir: Choir sings weekend Masses and Holy Days from September through May. Choir practices Monday 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Parishioners interested in singing or who play instruments are welcome.

Men's Choir: Sings at the St. Francis Hollandtown site every other Sunday year round. No regularly scheduled practices. Any man with singing ability and rhythmic sense is welcome.

Mixed Choir: Sings at the St. Francis Hollandtown site alternate Sundays with the Men's Choir. Choir practices 2 Wednesdays a month from 6:30 pm to 8:00pm. Everyone is welcome.

Funeral Choir: No formal practices. Anyone who sings is welcome.

Music Ministry - Instrumentalists

Skilled musicians interested in playing for Masses (flute, oboe, guitar, organ, piano, strings, or other instruments.)

Music Ministry - Cantor

Song leaders are needed for liturgies.

Sacristan - Vessels

These sacristans clean vessels and other religious items.

Sacristan - Laundry

These sacristans wash and iron all linens, towels, altar cloths, and garments as needed.

Sacristan - Sewing

These sacristans create and/or mend various church items.

Sacristan - Flowers & Plants

These sacristans maintain plants and flowers in the church.

Cana Sunday

Volunteers help with this special blessing mass and a meal for couples married 50 years or more. (Held once a year.)

Church Decorators Help decorate church for special feasts and seasons. Opportunities are available in the areas of altar banners and other banner artwork, plant care and arranging. All parishioners good at art, sewing or constructing

displays would be an asset.

Church Cleaners

Cleaners dust and vacuum church either one weekend per month or every week for one month each year.

Votive Candle Monitor

Monitor candles once a week, remove spent candles, clean glass candleholders, add new candles and maintain inventory.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES

These ministries are committed to helping those among us in special times of need.

Eucharist to the Homebound, Nursing Homes and Hospitals

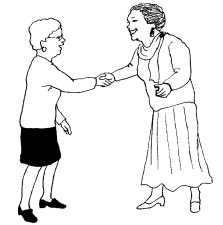
Holy Communion is brought to sick members, the homebound or to nursing homes by parish volunteers.

Visit the Homebound, Nursing Homes and Hospitals

Volunteers are needed to visit parish members in the hospital, homebound or in nursing homes.

Prayer Chain/Net Member

Parish members are needed to pray for the intentions listed on the parish prayer chain or website.



Marriage Prep

Parish members are needed to help with preparing engaged couples for marriage.

Respect Life Committee

Members get involved with a variety of community activities to promote respect for all life.

Elizabeth Ministry - St. Katharine Drexel Chapter

Volunteers help celebrate pregnancy, birth, adoption and baptism, mourn miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, infant or child death, support those suffering infertility and assist families experiencing an infant or child illness, crisis or special need. People are needed to make items for our gift and resource kits.

Funeral Luncheons

Volunteers are needed to help prepare, serve and cleanup funeral lunches.

Sewing & Knitting Projects

Volunteers are needed to sew, crochet or knit blankets for newborns, prayer shawls and other items.