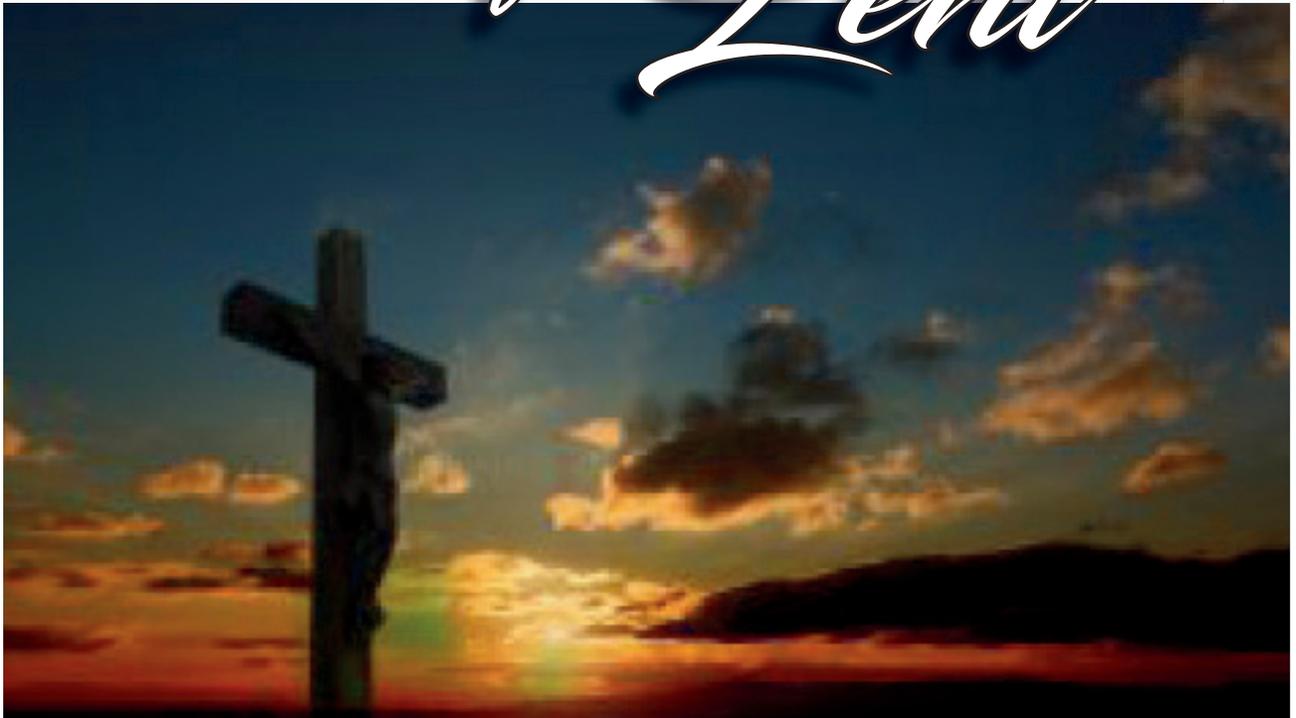


4th Sunday of Lent



For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. – John 3:16 –

ST. ROSALIE CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 14, 2021

The Pastor Gets It Down

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Rosalie and St. John Bosco Parishes and School,

Greetings in the Lord as we continue our journey with Jesus in this Lenten Season.

Recently, I came across the words St Paul wrote to the Ephesians (Eph 4:23-24): “Your hearts and minds must be made completely new. You must put on the new self, which is created in God’s likeness, and reveals itself in the true life that is upright and holy.” (TEV by the American Bible Society)

The entire Lenten Season is a time for renewal. A call for all Christians and all Christian families to deepen their relationship with Jesus...to put on Christ for our own benefit as well as to build up the Body of Christ in our homes, neighborhood, schools, parish and places of work. There is nothing more powerful than good example, and nothing more destructive than bad example.

During this Lenten season, we must ask ourselves: What kind of Christian example is my life showing forth to our children, grandchildren, fellow students, neighbors, co-workers, and all the others we may meet in daily life: the postal worker, the cashier at the store, the office receptionist, the telemarker, etc.

St Paul tells us in his 1st Letter to Timothy: Be an example in your speech, your conduct, your love, your faith, and your purity. Our Lenten practices should help us become more Christlike in these areas of our life.

We’re now midway through the Lenten Season. This is a good time to examine our Lenten practices. Am I following through with the Lenten practice(s) that I have chosen? If not, it’s not too late to start. If I have not taken Lent seriously so far, again, it is not too late. Also, we can ask ourselves: Are the Lenten practices chosen really helping me and my family to grow in our love for God and neighbor?

Again, I recommend that families worship together at Sunday Mass re-claiming the importance of the Sunday Eucharist and growing in holiness

together. The example of school children’s parents faithfully attending the Sunday Eucharist will greatly re-enforce what our children are learning in school regarding the obligation and the importance of Sunday Mass. The same holds true for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Again, I stress the importance of families approaching Confession as a family during this Lenten Season.

Both last year and this year, two Catholic Elementary Schools on the Westbank announced their closings because of dwindling enrollments. Let’s not let this happen to St. Rosalie School. I invite each and every family in the parish to join in the marketing efforts to make our wonderful school known throughout the Westbank for its quality Catholic Salesian Education. See the next page for ways that you can be part of this marketing campaign. May your efforts on behalf of St. Rosalie School help many more families come to realize the faith and educational benefits of sending their children to St. Rosalie School.

Thank you for all your efforts to happen to make this Lenten Season the best ever for you and your family members and for a bit of boasting about our wonderful parish school.

God loves you!



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Marketing: Talking, Sharing, and Doing

1. Like St. Rosalie School Page on Facebook, Twitter & Instagram

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<https://twitter.com/SRShawks>

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2. Share St. Rosalie School posts with your FB and Twitter friends.

3. Talk up St. Rosalie School

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b. St Rosalie School will be certified by Discovery Education in STEM Education in June 2021.

4. Share what St. Rosalie School has done for you, your children, your grandchildren, your great grandchildren...

5. Display a St. Rosalie School Magnet on your car. Let's flood the Westbank with St. Rosalie Hawk Magnets. After Mass this weekend magnets will be free while the supply lasts for those who will display them on their vehicles.

6. If anyone would like to sponsor a newer colored version of the St. Rosalie School Magnet to further our marketing efforts on behalf of school, please see Fr. Mark or Caren Creppel.

Cost of magnets: 500 \$1,075; 1000 \$1,650; 2500 \$2,750, 5000 \$\$4,500

7. Sponsorship of Billboards on Barataria and Westbank Expressway is also a possibility, please see Fr. Mark or Caren Creppel.



ST. KATHARINE DREXEL

St. Katharine Drexel's story began with a family that was "schooled in good works." Katharine's father ran the world's largest investment house but he believed his wealth belonged to God. He was entrusted to share it with the poor. So when his young daughter gave her allowance to Tacoma Native Americans, dad said, "It's the right thing to do, Katie." That was just the beginning.

Not only did Katharine believe that the greatest was the servant; she spent her \$14 million inheritance (\$200 million in today's dollars) on those who were off the radar of social services at the time. No one was educating African Americans or Native Americans. Drexel started their first school staunchly vowing, "nothing too good for my students!"

The wicked plotted against her. The Ku Klux Klan burned a cross on her lawn in 1926 and called her community "nigger sisters."

Undeterred by the KKK as she was by contracting typhoid fever, Drexel briskly observed that what wasn't in her plans must have been in God's. But a bitter drink of the chalice must've come in 1935, when a severe heart condition forced Katharine to relinquish travel and activity. Trading a vast area for a small infirmary, she spent the last twenty years of her life, marveling, "God has let me see with my own eyes the good results of God's desire."

Edited from the Kathy Coffey article in the March 2021
Issue of Give us This Day.



Xavier's origins date back to 1915, when then Mother Katharine Drexel, a former Philadelphia socialite who founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and devoted her life to the education of African Americans and Native Americans, opened a high school on the site previously occupied by Southern University. A Normal

School, offering one of the few career fields (teaching) open to Blacks at the time, was added two years later. Ten years later, in 1925, Xavier University of Louisiana became a reality when the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences was established. The first degrees were awarded three years later. In 1927, a College of Pharmacy was opened.

Today Xavier remains committed to its founding mission of serving the underrepresented Black population and the “the promotion of a more just and humane society.” And yet its doors have and still are, open to all races and creeds. The current student population is 71.6 percent black and 19 percent Catholic.

From the Xavier University Website

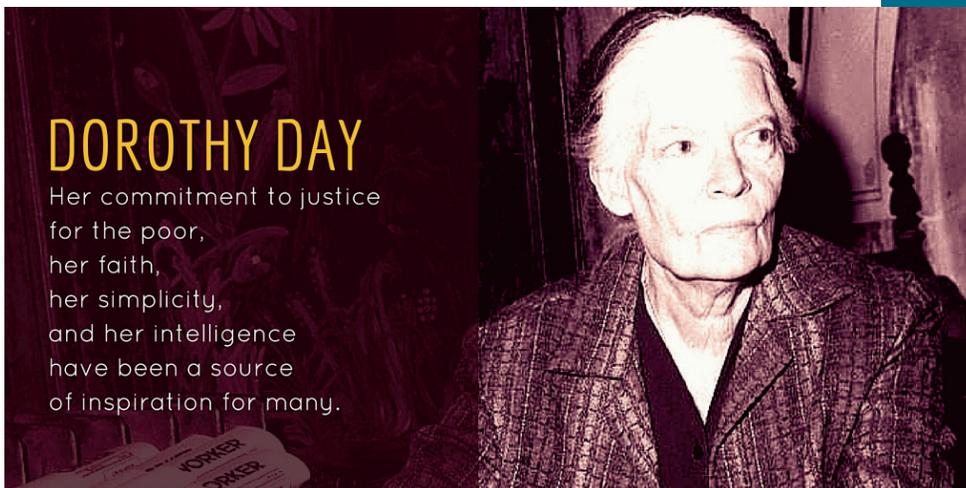


The school was founded by St. Katharine Drexel and the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament in 1915 under the name Xavier University Preparatory School. Drexel Prep gave African-American teenagers in the New Orleans metro area an opportunity to receive a quality Catholic education that would prepare them for life’s challenges at a time when segregation was still in effect.

From the SKDP website

DOROTHY DAY

Her commitment to justice for the poor, her faith, her simplicity, and her intelligence have been a source of inspiration for many.



Recently, there was an article in the parish bulletin on Dorothy Day. As a PS to that article: Dorothy Day’s influence abides. So much so that some have seen her as the seminal Catholic figure across the 20th century. Her cause for sainthood has been initiated even in the wake of a lifetime that included allegiance to the Communist party, affairs, an abortion, divorce, an out-of-wedlock birth, two suicide attempts and a youth colored by excessive drinking, chain-smoking and a lurid vocabulary, as well as estrangement from her father and older brothers. At one point in her life, Dorothy heard the voice of God calling her to a change of heart and went on to lead a saintly of service to those in need. If she could experience a change of heart and turn her life over to God, why not me. Si ille, cur non ego.

Announcements

LENTEN MISSION

Kevin J. Fitzpatrick, Director of Office of Justice and Peace, Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans will offer a reflection on the Lenten themes of **Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving.**

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH & SHRINE

610 Sixth St. Gretna, LA

Monday, March 22, 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, 6:30 p.m.

The Office of Justice and Peace works to address the root causes of poverty in our city, state and nation, and is a support for parishes for their social ministries.

SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND

On March 20 and 21, the Archdiocese of New Orleans will host a very important second collection to raise funds to offset the costs of educating seminarians at Notre Dame Seminary and St. Joseph Seminary College. This is the first time this collection has been held in the archdiocese and all funds will go directly to supporting the educations and formation of the 30 men currently studying to be priests in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. The annual cost to fund one seminarian is \$45,000 and this total is one of the largest budgetary items in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. Please continue to pray for these men and those who work with them on their priestly formation and please give generously to this very important fund that will provide monetary support to those men who will minister to the people of God in New Orleans for many years to come.

CONGRATULATIONS

We would like to offer a sincere congratulations to Mrs. Guyann Murphy, this year's recipient of the Order of St. Louis IX medallion. Thank you for your years of service and dedication to St. Rosalie.

We ask for your prayers



March 18-24

please pray for

Michael Nguyen

(from the SUO Province)
who is in Pre-Novitiate
and in formation at
Don Bosco
Preparatory High School
in Ramsey, NJ.



SEMINARIAN EDUCATION FUND SECOND COLLECTION MARCH 20-21, 2021

"Dear Brothers and Sisters... I urge all the faithful to assume their responsibility for the care and discernment of vocations."- Pope Francis (Evangelii Gaudium)

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- Few realize that the Archdiocese has to pay for men to attend Notre Dame Seminary and St. Joseph Seminary College. This constitutes one of the largest line items in the annual budget for our local Church.
- One seminarian costs about \$124 per-day, \$3800 per-month, \$45,000 per-year. We have 30 men.
- Out of the hundreds of seminarians at both seminaries, these 30 men will be serving in our local Church, serving our children and grandchildren as priests for generations to come. We need them.
- Why is it so expensive? They receive the very highest levels of training and formation, from academic and pastoral care along with services to aid their personal development. We are committed to this mission and believe now more than ever that the faithful need and deserve the very best the Church can provide.

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, MARCH 13

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased
 4:00p.m. Charles & Carmen Austin
 Wayne Oubre
 Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
 Craig LeBlanc
 Marvin Bankston
 Dominick & Conchetta Bellipanni
 Hilton Lirette
 Calogero & Loreta D'Amico
 Alexis & Beverly Vicari
 Joan Jones

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

8:00a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving
 10:30a.m. Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois, Sr.
 Gary Pratt
 William & Mamie Treadaway
 Mauro & Hepting Families
 T-Van Falgout
 Sandy & Garin Hernandez
 Kevin Fitzhenry
 Byron S. LeJeune
 Agnes & Sidney Rotolo
 Rotolo & Michel Families
 Godfrey E. Boudreaux, Sr.
 All Souls in Purgatory

MONDAY, MARCH 15

7:00a.m. Diane Bourg
 12:10p.m. Richard Broad

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

7:00a.m. Saladino & LeBlanc Families deceased
 12:10p.m. Antonio Balbuena

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

7:00a.m. Cabra Dominicans deceased
 Bob Higgins
 12:10p.m. Fred Gerstner, Jr.

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

7:00a.m. Josie Palermo
 12:10p.m. Antonia Balbuena

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

7:00a.m. Steve Tassin
 12:10p.m. Al & Diane Bourg

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased
 4:00p.m. Charles & Carmen Austin

Wayne Oubre
 Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
 Troy Dean Williams II
 Hunter & Guastella families
 Hidalgo, Tassin & Simoneaux families
 Estanislao & Maria Ana Gongora
 Juan B. & Marcela Rodriguez
 Hilton Lirette
 Diane Bourg
 Sen. J. Chris Ullo
 Alexis & Beverly Vicari
 Joan Jones
 Artney J. Morvant

MASS FOR HEALING: Brady & Grayson Hernandez

Jackie Morvant Bush, Colleen Martin,

Julie Kirkland, Brittany LeJeune

SPECIAL MASS: For conversion of sinners.



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