

Welcome to the Parish Community of St. Katharine Drexel & the Church of St. Francis of Assisi

Church: 135 N. Ogden Street, Buffalo, NY 14206
Rectory: 118 Schiller Street, Buffalo NY 14206

Love Includes Everyone

Our family of faith celebrates the gift of all life and welcomes the faith filled and those who struggle with faith. Everyone is welcome to worship with us: including people of every age, color, ethnicity, origin, ability, marital status, sexual orientation, and life situation. Gathered together we learn to forgive, heal, dream, witness, love and welcome each other unto the Glory of God as Jesus has welcomed and loved us.

Light your lamps and be like
servants who await their
master's return from a wedding.

For at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.

Luke 12:35,40



Mass Schedule:

Sunday 10:00AM
Mon, Wed, & Fri 8:30AM at St. Katharine Drexel
Tues, Thurs 8:30AM at St. John Kanty

Rectory Hours: Mon, Wed, & Thurs. : 9:00 - 11:00AM

PastorRev. James M. Monaco
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Baptism: *"No one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit"*

Parents are asked to make an appointment with Father Jim Monaco

Marriage: *"What God has joined together, no human being must separate."*

We highly recommend making arrangements at least 4 months in advance.

Parish Membership: *"That they may be one."*

Please call the rectory to register to become a part of our community.

Reconciliation: *"Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them."*

Saturday 3 PM or by appointment

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound:

"Come to me, all you who are weary."
Please call the rectory to arrange Holy Communion in your home. Hospitals no longer notify patients' parish community when they are ill. Family and friends please call us!

Letters of Recommendation: *"By their fruits you will know them."*

Letters are issued to registered parishioners, faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, who are living and practicing their Catholic faith at Mass, supporting their parish, and caring for the poor.

"Christ wishes the Christian Community to be a body that is perfect because we work together towards a single end, and the higher the motive which actuates this collaboration the higher, no doubt, will be the union."

—Saint Katharine Drexel

Mass Intentions

Make Holy Mass a part of your daily rendezvous with God

Mon. August 8 ~ St. Dominic
8:30 a.m. - Communion Service

Tues. August 9 ~ St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. John Kanty
10:00 a.m. Centering Prayer Meditation at
St. Katharine Church

Wed. August 10 ~ St. Lawrence
8:30 a.m. - All Souls

Thurs. August 11 ~ St. Claire
8:30 a.m. Mass at St. John Kanty

Fri. August 12 ~ St. Jane Frances de Chantal
8:30 a.m. - Thanksgiving

Sat. August 13 ~ St. Pontian & St. Hippolytus
No Mass

Sun. August 14 ~ Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 a.m. - Pro Populo
Toni Morcelle (M/M Michael Morcelle)
Lucille Stiglmeier (John Paul, Vincent, & Tina)

Please remember in your prayers...



Please join together in prayer remembering in a special way the Ukrainian people, the sick, those confined at home, medical personnel, first responders, those whose livelihoods are in jeopardy, all victims of violence, abuse, and neglect, racial injustice, natural disasters, those written on our prayer list, and those who have no one to pray for them.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

The Office of Worship of the Diocese of Buffalo will host a training session for individuals who wish to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Saturday, August 20 at 9:30 am at St. Jude the Apostle Parish Hall, 800 Niagara Falls Blvd., North Tonawanda. Please first discuss the possibility with your pastor/parish administrator. Once your pastor approves, complete an application form (available from your parish office or the Office of Worship) and present it to your parish office for final approval, pastor's signature and parish seal. Forms should then be sent to the Office of Worship, 795 Main St., Buffalo, NY 14203 no later than 7 days prior to the training. When attending a formation session, please bring your personal Bible and a means of taking notes. For more information, email worship@buffalodiocese.org or call 716-847-5545.

Everyone Belongs

A Welcoming Table

Father Richard understands Jesus' eating habits as a model for the kind of "open table" fellowship we might practice as Christians:

God's major problem in liberating humanity has become apparent to me as I consider the undying recurrence of *hatred of the other*, century after century, in culture after culture and religion after religion.

Can you think of an era or nation or culture that did not oppose *otherness*? I doubt there has ever been such a sustained group. There have been enlightened individuals, thank God, but seldom established groups—not even in churches, I'm sorry to say. The Christian Eucharist was supposed to model equality and inclusivity, but we turned the Holy Meal into an exclusionary game, *a religiously sanctioned declaration and division* into groups of the worthy and the unworthy—as if we were worthy!

Before Christianity developed the relatively safe ritual meal we call the Eucharist, Jesus' most consistent social action was eating in new ways and with new people, encountering those who were oppressed or excluded from the system. It seems Jesus didn't please anybody by breaking rules to make a bigger table. Notice how his contemporaries accused Jesus: one side criticized him for eating with tax collectors and sinners (see Matthew 9:10–11). The other side judged him for eating too much (Luke 7:34) or dining with the Pharisees and lawyers (Luke 7:36–50; 11:37–54; 14:1). Jesus ate with all sides. He ate with lepers (Mark 14:3), he received a woman with a poor reputation at a men's dinner (Luke 7:36–39), and he even invited himself to a "sinner's" house (Luke 19:1–10). How do we not see that?

It seems we ordinary humans must have our other! It appears we don't know who we are except by opposition and exclusion. "Where can my negative energy go?" is the enduring human question; it must be exported somewhere. Sadly, it never occurs to us that we are the negative energy, which then sees and also creates that negative energy in others. The ego refuses to see this in itself. Seeing takes foundational conversion from the egoic self and most have not undergone that transformation. We can only give away the goodness (or the sadness) that we ourselves have experienced and become.

Eucharist is meant to identify us in a positive, inclusionary way, but we are not yet well-practiced at this. We honestly do not know how to do unity. Many today want to make the Holy Meal into a "prize for the perfect," as Pope Francis observed. Most Christians still do not know how to receive a positive identity from God—that they belong and are loved by their very nature! The Eucharistic meal is meant to be a microcosmic event, summarizing at one table what is true in the whole macrocosm: we are one, we are equal in dignity, we all eat of the same divine food, and Jesus still and always "eats with sinners," just as he did when on Earth.

by Fr. Richard Rohr, OFM

Peace & Everything Good,
Father Jim

What is Your Passion?

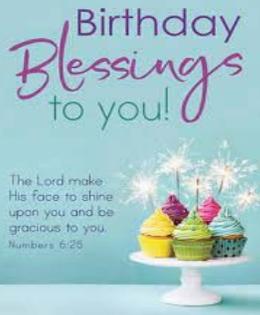
The first time I met my friend Ardeth, she reached out to clasp my hands, looked directly at me, and asked with a gleam in her eyes: “What is your passion?” All this before she even knew my name. I don’t remember my answer. I imagine my introverted self was searching frantically for a reply and I hope it was somewhat coherent.

I have pondered and prayed with Ardeth’s question over the years since that encounter. It’s an important question because located within our passion is our heart. Jesus makes this clear in the Gospel reading for the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. He says to his disciples – and to us: “For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.” Locate the passion, locate the heart.

We cannot see what is in another’s heart nor can they see what is in our heart. But we can see what comes out of the heart. Most simply, the things and people to which we give our resources, prayer, time and attention are the things our hearts will care about. Even more importantly, we need to know what and who is in God’s heart. What is God’s passion? Throughout Scripture, God’s heart is always with the anawim, the little ones: the orphan, the sick, the stranger, the widow, those who are forgotten. Jesus embraced these little ones as bearers of the Reign of God. “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the Kingdom of God.”

Who are the anawim in God’s heart today and how will we advocate with them? They are the asylum seekers with few resources arriving on buses in a number of cities in our country, wondering whether anyone will greet and assist them. They are people of all ages who are going without needed medications or care because they have inadequate or no health insurance. They are the people who live in Cancer Alley, the 85 mile stretch along the Mississippi River between New Orleans and Baton Rouge, who suffer multiple times the rate of cancer as other Americans. They are Native Americans who seek to preserve their culture and sacred places while more and more mining companies seek to drill on tribal lands for critical minerals. They are house cleaners, nannies and home health aides, many of whom are women of color and immigrants, who seek written contracts and workplace safety. What is your passion? Where is your heart?

What will you do to feed that passion?
 Sr. Louise Lears, SC FAN Creation Care Advocacy



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 Aaron Hayes.....8/12

When I think of the happiness that is in store for me, every sorrow, every pain becomes dear to me.

Minister Schedule for August 14

Lector

Sun. 10:00 am B. Delenkitis, R. McDivitt

Eucharistic Minister

Sun. 10:00 am M. Morcelle, A. Snyder

SCRIPTURE READINGS 2022

19TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 7	Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1+12, 18-19, 20-22/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40
MONDAY Aug 8	<i>Saint Dominic, Priest</i> Ez 1:2-5,24-28c/Ps 148:1-2,11-12,13,14/Mt 17:22-27
TUESDAY Aug 9	<i>Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr</i> Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/ Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
WEDNESDAY Aug 10	<i>Feast of Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr</i> 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
THURSDAY Aug 11	<i>Saint Clare, Virgin</i> Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57,58-59,61-62/Mt 18:21—19:1
FRIDAY Aug 12	<i>Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious</i> Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/ Mt 19:3-12
SATURDAY Aug 13	<i>St Pontian, Pope, Martyr, and St Hippolytus, Priest, Martyr</i> Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/ Mt 19:13-15
20TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Aug 14	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18/Heb 12:1-4/ Lk 12:49-53

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

... the sick of our parish especially:

Michael M.	Adam K.	Janet	Pam R.
Mary W.	Betty R.	Kim C.	Chris R.
Jerry & Pearl	Diane M.	Anthony M.	Eleanor S.
Nancy U.	Michael A.	Pat D.	Donna S.
Mary D.	Rodney S.	Cheryl H.	Frank B.
Deanna S.	Josephine M.	David B.	Bill S.
Kitty H.	Paul M.	Max T.	Rob M.
Jeffrey P.	Mary Jane	James T.	Rosalie
Phyllis C.	Richie B.	Jerry S.	Emily
John W.	Annalise F.	Ed S.	Bella
Marty B.	Sandy K.	Carol S.	Irv G.

... their caregivers, those in Nursing Homes, Rehabilitation, in Assisted Living and for those listed in our prayer basket. ,

... all the recently deceased. May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Resurrection and the Life, welcome them into the joy of eternal life.

If someone you know is being hospitalized or is seriously ill, please inform the Rectory.

... our military serving us

Sgt. Matthew Keene & Cory Zachrietz

Worried about affording school supplies? We can help. Ladies of Charity, a volunteer organization affiliated with Catholic Charities, can provide back-to-school items like backpacks, pencils, crayons and more. To connect with the program, please call 716-895-4001. Need assistance with other essentials like food and clothing? We can help with that, too. Please call 716-856-4494 if you reside in Erie County, or your local Catholic Charities office if you reside outside of Erie County.



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