Solemn Observance *of* the Canonization *of* Saint Katharine Drexel

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

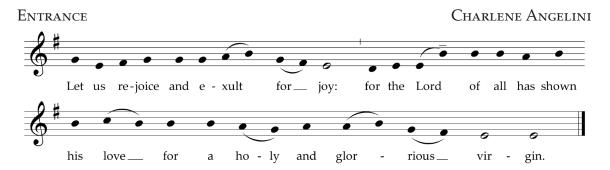
October 4, 2020 at 11:00 AM



Cathedral Basilica *of* Saints Peter and Paul and the Shrine *of* Saint Katharine Drexel 18th and The Benjamin Franklin Parkway Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Prelude

Introductory Rites



Sign of the Cross and Greeting

Penitential Act

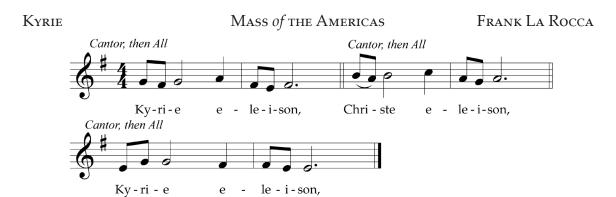
Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord.

People: For we have sinned against you.

Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy. **People: And grant us your salvation.**

Priest: May almighty God . . . and bring us to everlasting life.

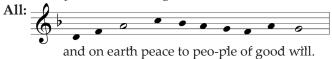
People: Amen



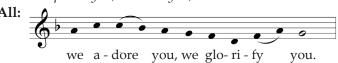
Gloria Richard J. Clark

Mass in Honor of Pope Saint John Paul II

Cantor: Glory to God in the highest



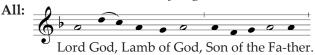
Cantor: We praise you, we bless you,



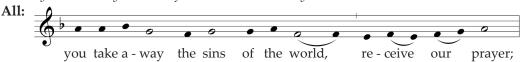
Cantor: we give you thanks for your great glory,



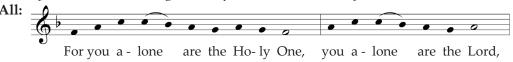
Cantor: Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,



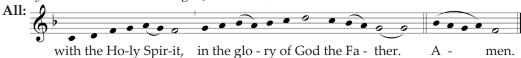
Cantor: you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;



Cantor: you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.



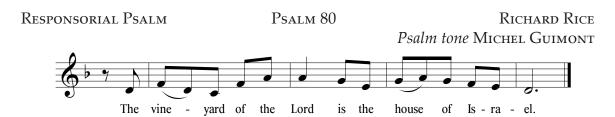
Cantor: you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,



Liturgy of the Word

First Reading Isaiah 5:1-7

The vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel.



Second Reading Philippians 4:6-9

Do these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

ACCLAMATION BEFORE the GOSPEL

JOHN SCHIAVONE



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I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, to go and bear fruit, fruit that will remain.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 21:33-43

He will lease his vineyard to other tenants.

Homily

Profession of Faith Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven

At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man," all bow. and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of Gifts

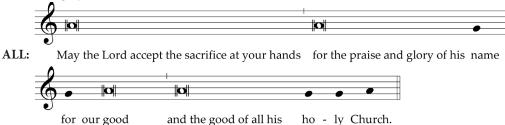
OFFERTORY

God So Loved the World Cathedral Basilica Schola

B. E. Boykin b. 1989

For God so loved the world That he gave His only begotten son that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Priest: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.



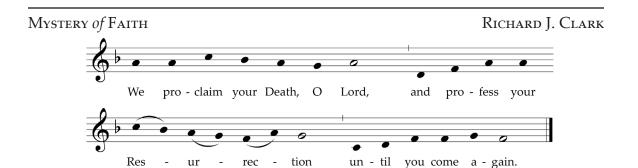
PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sanctus

Mass in Honor of Pope Saint John Paul II

RICHARD J. CLARK Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts.___ Heav en and earth full are___ of your glo ry. Ho - san - na in the high est. Blessed is he who the Lord. comes in the name of Ho - san - na the high est. Ho - san - na in the high. est. in



Amen Richard J. Clark

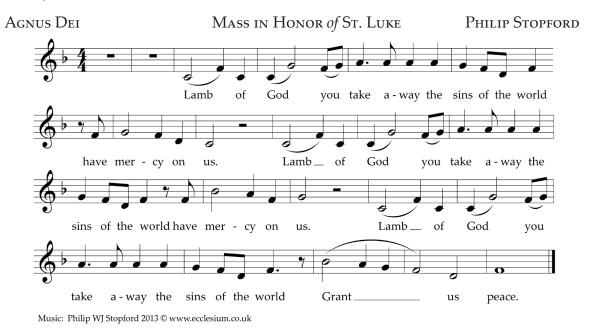
men.

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COMMUNION RITE

LORD'S PRAYER

RITE of PEACE



Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.



ALL: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter un-der my roof,



but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Cathedral Basilica Schola

Chant

The five wise virgins took oil in flasks with their lamps; at midnight there was a cry:

"Behold the bridegroom is here; come out to meet Christ the Lord."





A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally,

Come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there

And unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

Hymn of Praise

O SACRUM CONVIVIUM Cathedral Basilica Schola

Domenico Bartolucci 1917-2013

English translation, sung in Latin
O sacred banquet in which Christ is received,
the memory of his passion is recalled,
the mind is filled with grace,
and the pledge of future glory is given to us. Alleluia!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITES

GREETING AND BLESSING

DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL AND POSTLUDE

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SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL

The Drexel household was a happy one, in a large but simple home at 1503 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Francis Anthony Drexel was hard working and a successful banking partner with his brother, Anthony. Emma M. Bouvier Drexel, his wife, proved to be very loving, faith-filled and a caring parent to their three daughters, Elizabeth, Katharine (Katie) and Louise. It was here that these young women realized that their lavish wealth was to be shared, not only with neighbors in need, but also with Missionaries throughout the world who were serving the poor and destitute.

When they moved to the Torresdale section of Philadelphia they befriended Fr. James O'Connor, pastor of the Church of Saint Dominic. Soon he was ordained a bishop and sent to Nebraska. His pastoral work to the Native Americans made it necessary for him to seek financial help from the Drexel family. Kate, now known as Katharine, who was following the plight of the native groups, saw the injustices they were suffering at the hands of the federal government. She noted as well, the severe racial injustices and torture of black people in the South, for whom she grieved. Clearly, priests were needed for both races to offer pastoral care and spiritual conversion to Christianity. On one of her final trips abroad, she begged and was granted an audience with Pope Leo XIII to make a request for missionary priests. The Holy Father, asked her to personally become a missionary which sealed her own desire to enter Religious Life. On her return to America, at the suggestion of Bishop O'Connor, she went to the Novitiate of the Sisters of Mercy in Pittsburgh, PA in May, 1889, at age twenty-nine.

She entered for the purpose of founding a new congregation which would serve the Native and African American people, tending especially to their conversion to the Catholic faith. Her deep love for the Blessed Sacrament was at the heart of her mission. She would not only take the three vows of Chastity, Poverty and Obedience, but a 4th vow of Service to the "Indian and Black Races". While in the Novitiate, Katharine gave focused attention to her personal religious development and even excelled, but often reflected on her past visits to the Native Americans, and to Sioux Chief Red Cloud. Her novice director, Mother Mary Inez, RSM guided her toward her goal and also helped in the formation of 10 novices and 3 postulants who would travel with her to their own Novitiate in Cornwells Heights, PA. When Mother Katharine professed her vows, February 12, 1891, in the presence of Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia, the Foundation of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament became a reality.

As a consecrated religious, Mother Katharine Drexel, SBS wasted no time in moving onward to the West and South establishing missions. By 1940, more than 30 Foundations were made in seventeen states, where 400 of her sisters were serving. These great accomplishments happened in spite of the challenges of the Great Depression, vicious activities of the KKK and the challenges of World War II. These hardships compounded with the fierce winters, long, arduous journeys which Katharine continued to make, all contributed to her declining health. Her final years came after several heart attacks which then confined her to the Motherhouse, which she called "her little Nazareth". She lived there from her 84th year until her last breath. She died peacefully at age 96 on March 3, 1955.

"All is vanity except knowing, loving and serving God.

This alone can bring peace to my soul."

Mother Katharine lived these very words, the heart of her spirituality. The Church recognized her holiness, which was confirmed by two miracles or cures to persons not able to hear, attributed to God through her intercession. She was beatified November 20, 1988 then canonized a saint on October 1, 2000.

St. Katharine Drexel, pray for us.

Sister Eleanor McCann, RSM Pastoral Associate Cathedral Parish of Saints Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Please see this new website, **saintkatharinedrexelshrine.com**, for information updates on activities surrounding the Tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel, for catechetical information, and media resources.

TIMELINE of SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL'S LIFE AND SERVICE

- November 26, 1858 Born in Philadelphia, PA. Her mother dies shortly after giving birth.
- February 15, 1885 Katharine's father dies, bequeathing an estate valued at \$15 million to his children and various charities.
- 1886-1887 Katharine finances the opening of St. Catherine's Indian School in Santa Fe, NM, to serve the local Pueblo-American Indians.
- January 27, 1887 During audience with Pope Leo XIII in Rome, the Holy Father asks Katharine to consider becoming a missionary.
- March 1889 Katharine answers God's call to the religious life. Under the direction of her spiritual advisor, she seeks to found a religious order dedicated to serving African Americans and American Indians.
- May 7, 1889 Katharine enters religious life as a postulant with the Sisters of Mercy in Pittsburgh, PA.
- February 12, 1891 Pronounces first vows, founds the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored People, and becomes Mother M. Katharine Drexel.
- 1892 Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament move into new motherhouse and open Holy Providence School in Bensalem, PA.
- June 13, 1894 Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament go to Santa Fe to staff and run St. Catherine's Indian School.
- January 9, 1895 Mother Katharine pronounces perpetual vows.
- Fall 1899 St. Francis de Sales School, a boarding school for African-American girls, opens in Powhatan, VA.
- December 3, 1902 Founding of St. Michael Indian School in St. Michaels, AZ, to serve the Navajo Native Americans.
- September 5, 1905 Immaculate Mother Academy, a boarding school for African-American girls, opens in Nashville, TN.
- 1906 Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament sent to Carlisle, PA, to teach religious education to African-American and American-Indian students.
- 1915 Mother Katharine purchases buildings in New Orleans and opens Xavier Preparatory School.

- 1925 Founding of Xavier University of Louisiana, the only historically black Catholic college in the United States.
- 1935 Failing health leads to Mother Katharine's resignation as superior. She leads a life of contemplation for the next twenty years.
- March 3, 1955 Mother M. Katharine Drexel dies of pneumonia.
- February 27, 1964 John Cardinal Krol, Archbishop of Philadelphia, officially introduces Mother Katharine's cause for sainthood.
- January 26, 1987 Named Venerable.
- November 20, 1988 Beatified.
- October 1, 2000 Blessed Katharine Drexel canonized by Pope John Paul II, becoming the second recognized American-born saint. Her feast day is March 3.
- August 2, 2018 Translation of the Sacred Remains of Saint Katharine Drexel from the motherhouse of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

The Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament Today

In February 1891, St. Katharine Drexel, listening to the desires God placed in her heart, professed vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, and became the first Sister of the Blessed Sacrament. Today, the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament continue to vow themselves to God through a free and total gift of self. They remain faithful to the mission Christ has entrusted to them – to prayer and service among the Black and Native American people.

The Eucharist is at the heart of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament's Charism and Mission. Through the gifts of community and service, they are called to address the hungers of the world and to share the bread of their lives in a spirit of generosity, joy and gratitude. The desire to effect unity and community among all peoples impels them to oppose all forms of prejudice, racism and oppression.

Since the beginning of the Congregation until today, the Sisters' trust in God's faithfulness and goodness continues to empower and energize them each day. The spirituality of the Sisters is enriched and strengthened by partnering with diverse cultures of people who share their lives and love with them - *a mutual blessing*.

THE TOMB of SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA of SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, PHILADELPHIA

The Tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel is open for visits and prayer during Cathedral Basilica hours. Information about these hours can be found on the Cathedral Basilica website, http://cathedralphila.org/

Pilgrimages to the Tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel are encouraged. Outside of the parish Mass schedule, it is possible to offer Mass at the Drexel Family altar adjacent to the Tomb of Saint Katharine Drexel.

You are welcome to present intentions and petitions to be placed at the Tomb of Saint Katharine, asking her heavenly assistance. You may place these intentions and petitions in the offering basket at Mass or send them to the Cathedral Parish Office, 1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

NOVENA TO SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL

The Novena to Saint Katharine Drexel will begin on Monday, February 22 and conclude on Tuesday, March 2, 2021.

FEAST OF SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL

The Feast of Saint Katharine Drexel is Wednesday, March 3, 2021. A special celebration of the feast will take place at the 12:05 PM Mass that day in the Cathedral Basilica.

THE CATHEDRAL SHOP

Our Cathedral Shop is open on Sundays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. The shop carries religious and devotional articles of Saint Katharine Drexel as well as biographies of our Philadelphia Saint. These same items in larger quantities can be ordered through our Cathedral Shop.

DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Cathedral Basilica Parish are profoundly grateful to the Connelly Foundation for their most generous gift that provided for the translation of the sacred remains of Saint Katharine Drexel to the Cathedral Basilica, and the construction of the new Tomb. There is additional work that needs to be completed, such as the installation of new lighting and signage. Funds will also be needed to develop this new shrine location at the Cathedral Basilica. If you would like to make a contribution to this Development Fund, you may do so by mailing it to the Cathedral Parish Office, 1723 Race Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.



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