

Parish Mission Statement Inspired by the example of St. Katharine Drexel, we strive to serve the Lord by: Making the Eucharist the source and summit of our lives • Building intentional community • Preaching the Gospel to the people of Amador County • Forming missionary disciples • Reaching out to those in need

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVEN T

NOVEMBER 27, 2022



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." - Mt 24:44

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 Giving Tuesday 4-6 PM, SKD

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29 Confessions with visiting Priests 6:30 PM, SKD

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29-30 24 Hour Adoration Begins after the 6 PM Mass, SKD

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 Amazing Advent Outdoor Bazaar After 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7 **OLOP Advent Gathering** 3 PM, Our Lady of the Pines

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation) See Mass schedule on page 4

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, SKD See schedule of events on page 3

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16 Simbang Gabi and Posada (joint celebration) 6:30 PM, SKD





Dear Friends in Christ,

Advent is here! I hope you will join us for some of our Advent events: the 24 Hours of Adoration, the Outdoor Advent Bazaar, or our Posada & Simbang Gabi celebration.

We are also shifting some of the responsibilities of youth and young adult ministry from Chase, our Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. You will still see him around as he continues his discernment and he will be assisting with some youth activities in the parish.

Meanwhile, let us continue with our deepening understanding of the symbols and signs of the liturgy by looking at striking of the breast at the penitential rite in Sacred Signs by Romani Guardini.

he is standing at the foot of the altar, the faithful, or the servers in their stead, say "I confess to Almighty God...that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault," and each time they confess their guilt they strike their breasts. What is the significance of this striking the breast?

All of its meaning lies in its being rightly done. To brush one's clothes with the tips of one's fingers is not to strike the breast. We should beat upon our breasts with our closed fists. In the old picture of Saint Jerome in the desert he is kneeling on the ground and striking



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his breast with a stone. It is an honest blow, not an elegant gesture. To strike the breast is to beat against the gates of our inner world in order to shatter them. This is its significance.

That world, that inner world, should be full of light, strength, and active energy. Is it? We should engage most earnestly in the search to find out how it really stands with us within. What has our response been to the grave demands made on us by duty? By our neighbors, needs? By the decisions we were called on to make? Scarcely anything stirs in answer. We have loaded ourselves with innumerable offences. Do they trouble us? "In the midst of life we are in death." We hardly give it a thought.

"Awake, look into yourself, bethink When the priest begins Holy Mass, while yourself, reflect, repent, do penance." It is the voice of God. Striking the breast is the visible sign that we hear that summons. Let the blow penetrate. Let it rouse up that sleeping inner world. Let it wake us up, and make us see, and turn to God.

> And when we do reflect, what do we see? We see our lives trifled away, God's commandments transgressed, duties neglected, "through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault." A world of guilt lies imprisoned within our breasts. There is but contrite heart. one way to get rid of it, by the wholehearted confession that "I have sinned in thought, word and deed against God most holy, against the communion of

saints." The soul moves over to the side of God and takes his part against herself. We think of ourselves as God thinks of us. We are stirred to anger against ourselves on account of our sins, and we punish ourselves with a blow.

The blow also is to wake us up. It is to shake the soul awake into the consciousness that God is calling, so that she may hear, and take his part and punish herself. She reflects, repents and is contrite. It is for this reason that priest and people strike their breasts when they confess their sins at the foot of the altar.

Before Communion also we strike our breasts when the priest holds up for us to see the Body of the Lord, and we say, "Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof" and again, in the litany when we confess our guilt and say, "We sinners beseech thee to hear us." But in these customs the force of the meaning of the rite has been weakened, as it has been also when the Host or Chalice is lifted up, or in the Angelus at the words, "The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us." The gesture in these instances has come to mean no more than reverence or humility. Its astringency should be restored. It is a summons to repentance and to the self-inflicted punishment of a

May God bless you!

New here? Welcome! Already a St. Katharine Drexel parishioner? Feel free to update your information here.

| □ I am new to St. Katharine Drexel Parish! Please contact me so | NAME |
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| I may register and/or learn more about the parish. | ADDRE |

□ I am already registered and wish to update my profile.

□ I've been in the parish for awhile but never registered. Please register me!

| NAME ADDRESS | |
|-----------------|--------|
| PHONE | (land) |
| | (cell) |
| EMAIL | |

COMMUNITY

SKD Parish Directory Available Online - Or Call To Reserve A Print Copy

If you would like a hard copy of the new Parish Photo Directory, please call the Parish Office to reserve a copy. We are asking for a \$10 donation to cover the cost of the printing. If you have had your There is a short, first-time sign-in

picture taken, the Directory is also accessible online using the email address you provided at: www.instantchurchdirectory.com

procedure to assign you a password. Be sure and use the email address you gave when you had your picture taken. Printed copy reservations can be made with Amy at 209-223-2970.

Amazing Advent Outdoor Bazaar: Sunday, December 4

The Amazing Advent Outdoor Bazaar and Gingerbread House Contest is coming to SKD on Sunday, December 4, following all Masses. Activities include a Gingerbread House Contest, cookie and ornament decorating, Christmas tree

silent auction, cornhole and other games. Warm up with delicious tamales, Mass you usually hot chocolate, and mulled wine. All proceeds benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Parish Office at 209-Society and their charitable works. Be sure to bring your gingerbread house

creation before the attend. Call the 223-2970 for more details.



OLOP Advent Gathering: Wednesday, December 7

The Our Lady of the Pines Society is hosting its annual Advent gathering on Wednesday, December 7, at 3 PM. There will be a very short OLOP Society

meeting followed by pizza, salads, and dessert. Sign up to come by November 30 (so we have a head count) or to bring Note: There will be NO 11:30 AM Mass a salad or dessert. Sign up after

Wednesday Mass or call Shirley Coombs at 209-295-5175. on this day.

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe: Monday, December 12

The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated on Monday, December 12, at SKD, with the following events:

- 6 AM Mañanitas
- 5 PM Procession
- 6 PM Mass
- 7 PM Dinner



All are welcome to join in the festivities!

Simbang Gabi AND Posada Celebration: Friday, December 16

On Friday, December 16, we will celebrate the first night of Simbang Gabi. Simbang Gabi is a novena of Masses celebrated in preparation for Christmas day. Generally, especially in the Philippines, the Masses are celebrated early in the morning. In our case,

based on schedules, etc., we will celebrate in the evening and also only do the first one! There will be Mass at 6:30 PM only.

Following the Mass we will add on the custom of our Spanish-speaking community and celebrate the first night of the Posada, where we journey with Joseph and Mary looking for a place to rest and prepare for the Child to be born. After that, we will feast! And as the custom goes, we will break some piñatas. All are welcome to join in the festivities.

SCRIP: Giving and Receiving Go Hand-in-Hand

to buy gifts or to give as gifts, our parish receives a small portion of every purchase. Every little bit helps our Youth AM to 4 PM, after Sunday Mass, by Ministry! Order SCRIP cards now for

When you purchase SKD SCRIP, whether your holiday shopping. SCRIP is available by calling Linda at 209-223-1156. for purchase at the Reception Desk in the Parish Center Tuesday - Friday, 9 email at scrip@amadorcatholic.com, or

www.shopwithscrip.com

All first time orders must be paid with cash or debit card.

PRAYER

24 Hours of Adoration + Extra Confession Time: Tues-Wed, Nov 29-30

Once again, we will celebrate 24 Hours of Devotion before the Blessed Sacrament. The 24 hours begin after Mass on Tuesday, November 29, and continue through Wednesday, November 30.

Sign up for an hour of Adoration after Mass or by calling the Parish Office, (209)223-2970. We will also have two visiting priests available to hear confessions on

Tuesday evening, November 29, beginning at 6:30 PM.



DISCIPLESHIP

Holy Day of Obligation — Immaculate Conception: Thursday, December 8

The Mass schedule for this Holy Day of Obligation is as follows:

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7 6:30 PM-Vigil Mass, SKD NO 11:30 AM Mass at OLOP this day **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8** 8 AM—SKD, Martell 9:30 AM-OLOP, Pioneer 6:30 PM—Immaculate Conception Church, Sutter Creek, immediately followed by a Eucharistic Procession



FEELING SICK? If you are feeling under the weather, stay home and feel better. The Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 2181, says: "The Sunday Eucharist is the foundation and confirmation of all Christian practice. For this reason, the faithful are obliged to participate in the Eucharist on days of obligation, unless excused for a serious reason (for example, illness, the care of infants) or dispensed by their own pastor."

OUTREACH

Amador County's "Giving Tuesday" is November 29

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will participate in Giving Tuesday on November 29, from 4-6 PM. This showcase of local non-profits is sponsored by the Amador Community Foundation and held at St. Katharine Drexel.



Donations made on November 29 qualify for partial matching funds. Come by and visit, learn what we're doing, and include us in your giving that day. You can also give online at giveamador.org. For more information, call Terri Works at 209-418-5615.

Blessings and Thanks from the Pregnancy Center

The Amador Pregnancy & Family Resource Center would like to extend our thanks to the SKD Respect Life Committee and to each parishioner who families who are struggling in these took a card with one of our needed items and fulfilled that need. Together you donated goods valued at more than their children. We also are well stocked

\$3200, which included almost 390 dozen diapers!! We are well stocked to meet the needs of young mothers and challenging economic times and have to choose between food and diapers for

with warm winter clothes – just in time for the coming cold weather. Thank you for blessing our community!

Sue Allred, Executive Director Heather Mayfield, Client Services Director

Sunday Scripture Readings November 27: Is 2:1-5 • Rom 13:11-14 • Mt 24:37-44

December 4: Is 11:1-10 • Rom 15:4-9 • Mt 3:1-12



PARISH INFORMATION

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Finance Council *Chair:* Doug Ferreira *Members:* Frank Verardi, Patrick Crew, Diane Matich, Dorothy Semenoff

Amador Catholic Cemeteries cemeteryadmin@amadorcatholic.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society Hotline: 209-223-5865 svdp@amadorcatholic.com

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PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

Small GroupsDan OlenchukVarious Times throughout week209-223-2970

Discovering Catholicism *Tuesday Evening*

SKD Bible Study Wednesdays, 9:00 AM, SKD

Foundations of Faith Next one begins February 9

Hispanic Prayer Group 1st & 3rd Fridays, 7 PM, SKD

> Melissa Sanders 209-245-3482

Special Friends for Jesus 3rd Saturday, 1 PM, SKD

Respect Life Committee

Call for meeting info

Joan Pickering 209-267-0538

Break Bread with FriendsJoe LangSaturdays 8:30-10:30 AM, St. Patrick Hall209-296-3154

St. Pat's Pantry Thursdays 4-6 PM, St. Patrick Hall

Sacred Heart Ladies Club *Call for meeting info*

Our Lady of Hope #258 Young Ladies Institute 1st Monday, 6 PM Kirsten Lawrence 916-213-4666

Maryanne Pulley 209-274-2810

Marilyn Bustillos 209-296-4828

Knights of Columbus #1849Justin Machovec 2^{nd} Tue, 6:30 PM, SKD (business mtg)209-223-2970 1^{st} Wed, 6 PM, St. Patrick Hall (officers' mtg)

St. Katharine Drexel Men's ClubMatt PowersTBA; call parish office for meeting info209-223-2970

| Committee of Gente Puente | Soledad Pineda |
|---|----------------|
| 3 rd Friday, 6 PM, SKD | 209-781-5094 |
| Our Lady of the Pines Society | Kevin Darr |
| 1 st Wednesday, 12:30 PM, OLOP | 530-748-7315 |

St. Patrick SocietyJeannine Crew4th Tuesday, 9 AM, St. Patrick Church209-223-3623

St. Katharine Drexel Gift ShopCarmen MorenoOpen after each Mass Sat. & Sun.209-223-2970

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Sue DuBois

Mass Schedule and Intentions for this Week

| DAY | DATE | MASS | CHURCH | INTENTION |
|------------|--------|---------------------|--------------------|--|
| Saturday | Nov 26 | 5:00 PM | SKD | All Souls |
| Sunday Nov | Nov 27 | 8:00 AM | SKD English | All Souls |
| | | 10:00 AM | SKD English | All Souls |
| | | 12:00 PM | SKD Spanish | All Souls |
| Monday | Nov 28 | 7:00 AM | SKD | All Souls |
| Tuesday | Nov 29 | 6:00 PM | SKD | All Souls |
| Wednesday | Nov 30 | 7:00 AM 11:30 AM | SKD OLOP | All Souls All Souls |
| Thursday | Dec 1 | 12:00 PM | SKD | Sophia & Natalie Sage (Special Intentions) |
| Friday | Dec 2 | 8:30 AM | SH | Fr. Relihan (L) |
| Saturday | Dec 3 | 5:00 PM | SKD | Pro Populo |
| Sunday | Dec 4 | 8:00 AM | SKD English | Matthew & Eric Runte ++ |
| | | 10:00 AM | SKD English | Lorenzo & Mary Marne ++ |
| | | 12:00 PM | SKD Spanish | Roberto Cardona † |

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL (SKD)

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OUR LADY OF THE PINES (OLOP)

26750 Tiger Creek Road, Pioneer

SACRED HEART OF JESUS (SH)

20 Relihan Drive, Ione

Names stay on the prayer list for two months unless otherwise requested.

Please Pray For

Marilyn Alarcon, Richard Amunden, Conni Boyd, Facundo Campoy, Jessica Clay, Sherry Coviello, Ruth Crain, Delores Depio, Mary Margaret Dillon, Tony Donatelli, Sue DuBois, Dorothy Duclos, Bonnie DuFrene, Catherine Emery, Cal Erhman, Taletta Evans, Connie Ezra, Joan Flanary, Sharon Galligan, Sally Gill, John Grady, Deborah Gsell, Carolyn Hand, Matt Heidecker, Matt Hutchinson, Francoise Kardash, Daisy Kasun, Shannon Todd Kirkendall, Sharon Kirkman, Ken Koch, Bill Kramer, Marie Kwoka, Cynthia Liebelt, Junie Lopes, Vincent Martin, Jerry & Gail May, Shirley May, Carmela Mazzella, Anne McCune, Judy McLeod, Allan & Kathy Miner, Christine Moore, John Nolan, Floramaeh Villavelez Orear, James Orear, Steven Orear, James V. Paisano,

Alan Pantle, Dick Poe, Susan Poe, Deacon Ed Pogue, Jack & Martha Quinn, Vincent Ragaini, Gene Riddle, Ron Rose, Loretta Sanchez, Janet Saust, Mike Shockey, Murray Shubaly, Diane Smith, Cornelia Smithson, Alexander Smylie, Linda Smylie, Carole Sooy, Peter Souza, Aaron Spardon, Jane Terra, Sharon Thompson, Bobby Sue Torio, Isabel Trujillo, Lowell Tucker, Eddy Walsh, Pat Woodard, Edward Wuelfing, Teresa Yeakey, Wilma Zekan

† Repose of the Soul **†**

Lydia Ellsworth Maggi Goldman Will Pearce

The Gift of Life *Please pray for these expectant Mothers:*

Jessica Clay, Chloe Famularo, Shelbie Vicari

Serving in the Military

Pray for these men and women serving our country. We thank them for their service:



David Claveran, Brett Cleary, Thomas Condon, Samantha Corner, Zach Davenport, Pvt. Lena Higgins, Glen Getz, James Kapp, Drew Martin, Anthony Moreno, Christian Mullan, William Mullan, Stephen Oneto, John Pent, Eric Perez, James William Porter, Rey Del Rosario, Sam Ruttschow, LCDR Benjamin Smith, Nathan Sliver, Miguel Serrato, Navy CDR Samuel Trassare, Tyler Vinson, Brett Wade, Tyler J. Young

Devotions

Thursdays 12:30 - 5:30 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Hour on Tuesday 5 - 6 PM at SKD and 3rd Wed 10:30 - 11:30 AM at OLOP **Divine Mercy Chaplet** on Wednesdays 11:15 AM at OLOP

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

SKD - TUE 5:00 - 5:45 PM THUR 11:15 - 11:45 AM SAT 3:30 - 4:30 PM

WEDDINGS

Call the Parish Office at least six months in advance.

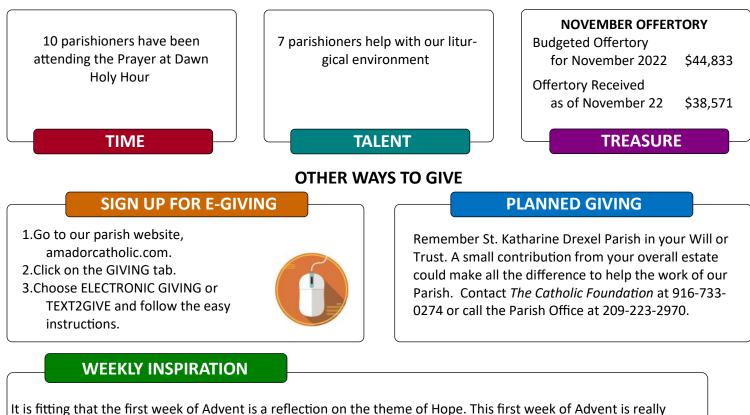
BAPTISMS

Call Parish Office for required preparation

EUCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Call Jeff & Marilynn Dillon at 209-296-8011 to have Holy Communion brought to those unable to attend Mass due to illness or disability.

A GLANCE AT OUR WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP



It is fitting that the first week of Advent is a reflection on the theme of Hope. This first week of Advent is really about confidence in God's promises. It's not a wish. It's a knowing.

This first week of Hope reminds us of the assurance we have that God will fulfill all His promises through the birth of Jesus. You may often see a candle being lit for the first week of Advent. This candle is also called a Prophet's Candle or Prophecy Candle. It symbolizes all the prophesies that were fulfilled with the birth of Jesus.



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