



# Saint Katharine Drexel Preparatory School

*"Continuing the Drexel Dream since 1915"*

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Dear Parents,

The **Senior Ring Ceremony** on Sept 25<sup>th</sup> was absolutely beautiful! Students beamed as parents placed the class rings on their daughters' fingers. St. Raymond/St. Leo the Great Church was filled to capacity with relatives, friends, and SKDP faculty and staff who were there to wish them well during their first official event of the senior year. The following day, a small group of us went to the hospital, where Tamara Tate is being treated, to conduct a more personalized version of the Ring Ceremony just for her. Please continue to keep the entire family in your prayers.

Thanks to Mrs. Pazos and her team for presenting an informative **Junior Journey** on September 22nd. The set-up and flow of information gave students, and their parents, an overview of the entire 2018-2019 school year. Certainly, the Juniors who attended this event will be better equipped to meet any challenges that may occur this year.

Ms. Crowley's **Art Students** are painting a mural in the Lower Ninth Ward. This is an exciting time for our Art students as they demonstrate "*Excellence in Art Education*" throughout the community. Please take a moment to thank Ms. Crowley and her students for their outstanding work.

Please remember that your daughter is expected to participate in our mandatory **Tutoring Sessions**, Monday – Thursday, from 3:15 – 4:15, regardless of her current grade. Everyone has the potential to improve, and with a bit more effort, our students will be well prepared to increase their scores on the EOC, ACT, ASPIRE and any other high-stakes standardized test in the future. This is so important that we have scheduled all practices to begin after tutoring. We believe that parental support is also essential to the success of this initiative, so please encourage your daughter accordingly. In the next few days, you will receive a letter regarding the tutoring program, which we ask that you sign and return. Thank you in advance for partnering with us as we strive to provide the best education possible for your daughter.

October is a very busy month for the Prep Family; please note the following important dates and events:

- 10/2..... NACAC College Fair (**Blazers Required**)
- 10/3..... Liturgy (**Blazers Required**)
- 10/8 – 10/10.....ASPIRE Test
- 10/10.....PSAT (**Early Dismissal at 1:00 PM**)
- 10/18.....Report Card Conferences (**Early Dismissal at 1:50 PM**)
- 10/19..... Painting with Preppers
- 10/19.....Cancer Walk (**in support of Tamara Tate**)

We greatly appreciate the SKDP Moms' Club for the many worthwhile activities and events they sponsor throughout the year; and we look forward to the "**Trunk or Treat**" celebration they will host on October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Happy October to each and every one of you!

Jacob J. Owens  
Principal