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**Episode focus** – on the Saints, highlighting Katharine Drexel, Thérèse of Lisieux [the Little Flower], Edith Stein, and Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

**BASIC RESOURCES FOR THIS EPISODE:**
- **Journal Book** containing the first round of questions with related web links, glossary, connections for additional diocesan help, links for further study, and a short prayer; and the
- **Prayer Book** containing a copyright free Opening Prayer for this episode of song, reading, and prayer.

**MORE QUESTIONS:**

7. Katharine Drexel is an example of transfigured justice. Who do I know in my parish, town, or diocese who works for charity and justice? When have I stood up for justice? What impact does it have on my life?

8. Thérèse of Lisieux, the Little Flower, is an example of transfigured prudence. Who do I know in my parish, town, or diocese who does simple and ordinary things out of great love? When have I acted that way? What impact does it have on my life?

9. Edith Stein is an example of transfigured courage. Who do I know in my parish, town, or diocese who acts courageously? When have I been courageous? What impact does it have on my life?

10. Mother Teresa of Calcutta is an example of transfigured temperance. Who do I know in my parish, town, or diocese who works at “disciplining of the desires that goes far beyond the requirements of justice so as to serve the infinite demand of love?” When have I disciplined my desires? What impact does this have on my life?

**A CENTRAL THEME FOR IN-DEPTH WORK:**
Father Barron provides us a quote in which he says, “there is only one real sadness in life; not to be a saint.”

1. Do I believe this? Why or why not?

2. What must I do if I truly desire to be a saint?

3. What is preventing me from devoting the whole of my life to this quest for sainthood?
MORE LINKS TO RELATED BARRON MATERIAL:

- Only real sadness is not to become a saint; sanctity is becoming a friend of Christ
- A saint is someone who has allowed Jesus to get into his or her boat
- On the Roman Calendar:  1 November, Solemnity

“St. Thomas More and the Bishop of Rome” [6:51]:  http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q4GgN6D8mGI
- On the Roman Calendar:  22 June, Optional Memorial

“St. Thomas Aquinas” [7:46]:  http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_eyF0PiY_o
- Important for our time:  (1) truth is one and comes from God, no conflict between faith and science; (2) living things that exist need to be explained, God is source and answer; (3) no higher claim than Christian claim to share in divine life
- On the Roman Calendar:  28 January, Memorial

And National Prayer Breakfast:  http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OXn-wf5ylgo&feature=related

OTHER LINKS:

Saint of the Day, on the American Catholic.org site, a service of Franciscan Media.  Available in text and audio formats; application for iPhone.  Direct link:  http://www.americancatholic.org/Features/SaintofDay/default.aspx


MORE GLOSSARY:

virtue:  An habitual and firm disposition to do the good.  The moral virtues are acquired through human effort aided by God’s grace; the theological virtues are gifts of God (1803).  Catechism of the Catholic Church

virtues, cardinal:  Four pivotal human virtues (from the Latin, cardo, “pivot”):  prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance.  The human virtues are stable dispositions of the intellect and will that govern our acts, order our passions, and guide our conduct in accordance with reason and faith (1805, 1834).  Catechism of the Catholic Church
**virtues, theological:** Gifts infused by God into the souls of the faithful to make them capable of acting as his children and of meriting eternal life. The theological virtues are faith, hope, and charity (1813). *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

**OTHER:**

**Books:**


Religious Art Work in the Diocese:
St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church, Memorial – 01 October
aka St. Thérèse of Lisieux, the Little Flower

Art glass; 36 ft. high and 22 ft. wide.
Designed and made by Robert E. Harmon, Emil Frei Studios of St. Louis
The primary colors and stains of glass are so variegated by firing and thickness as to produce
more than a thousand tints and hues.
Little Flower Church, Springfield IL; a brochure that describes this art work is in a rack at the
back of the assembly seating area

Dorothy Day (1897-1980) was a devout Catholic convert, social justice activist, and cofounder of the
Catholic Worker movement. Excerpt from her work, Loaves and Fishes.

It Is Hard

It will be hard for one who is rich to enter the Kingdom of heaven. . . . It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle.
Daily, hourly, to give up our own possessions and especially to subordinate our own impulses and wishes to others—these are hard, hard things; and I don’t think they ever get any easier. You can strip yourself, you can be stripped, but still you will reach out like an octopus to seek your own comfort, your untroubled time, your ease, your refreshment. It may mean books or music—the gratification of the inner senses—or it may mean food and drink, coffee and cigarettes. The one kind of giving up is no easier than the other. Occasionally—often after reading the life of such a saint as Benedict Joseph Labre—we start thinking about poverty, about going out alone, living with the destitute, sleeping on park benches or in the city shelter, living in churches, sitting before the Blessed Sacrament as we see so many doing who come from the municipal lodging house or the Salvation Army around the corner. And when such thoughts come on warm spring days, when children are playing in the park and it is good to be out on the city streets, we know that we are only deceiving ourselves: for we are only dreaming of a form of luxury. What we want is the warm sun, and rest, and time to think and read, and freedom from the people who press in on us from early morning until late at night. No, it is not simple, this business of poverty. Over and over again in the history of the Church the saints have emphasized voluntary poverty. Every religious community, begun in poverty and incredible hardship, but with a joyful acceptance of hardship by the rank-and-file priests, brothers, monks, or nuns who gave their youth and energy to good works, soon began to “thrive.” Property was extended until holdings and buildings accumulated; and, although there is still individual poverty in the community, there is corporate wealth. It is hard to remain poor.

Liturgical Songs and Poetry:

**By All Your Saints Still Striving**

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Tune: ST. THEODULPH, 7 6 7 6 D; Melchior Teschner, 1584-1635.

*The second stanza may be replaced by an appropriate stanza for 21 particular feasts.*

**For All the Saints**


Tune: SINE NOMINE, 10 10 10 with alleluias; Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958.

**For All the Saints Who’ve Shown Your Love**

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Tune: O WALY WALY, LM; arr. by John L. Bell, b. 1949.

**For the Faithful Who Have Answered**


Tune: PLEADING SAVIOR, 8 7 8 7 D; Christian Lyre, 1830; harm. by Richard Proulx, 1937-2010.

Tune: BEACH SPRING, 8 7 8 7 D; The Sacred Harp, 1944.

**Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones**

Text: John Athelstan Riley, 1858-1945.

Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, LM with alleluias; Geistliche Kirchengasänge, Cologne, 1623; harm. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958.
Prayer for All Saints – Votive Mass 19, For All Saints, Collect Prayer

O God, fount of all holiness,
make us each walk worthily in our vocation,
through the intercession of your Saints,
on whom you bestowed
a great variety of graces on earth
and a single glorious reward in heaven.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.


Extra Resources from the Office for Worship and the Catechumenate:

1. Handout – Litany of the Saints for Solemn Intercession
2. Handout – All Saints
3. Handout – All Saints Praying for Us
4. Roman Missal, Third Edition texts for All Saints Day, Solemnity – 01 November – and The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day) – 02 November

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