

**MASS READINGS AND INTENTIONS FOR
THE WEEK OF JANUARY 12, 2020**

Saturday January 11

*1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b;
Jn 3:22-30*

4:30 p.m. Vigil ☩Rick Yancoskie (Susan Campbell)

Sunday January 12 | The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

*Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 9-10;
Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17*

8:30 a.m. ☩Kevin Andres (Ken & Carol Decker)

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Monday January 13 | Saint Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

*1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19;
Mk 1:14-20*

Private Mass ☩Chesterann Monko (Camille Marince)

Tuesday January 14

*1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd;
Mk 1:21-28*

9:00 a.m. ☩Yelina Dorta (Dennis & Colleen Fickel)

Wednesday January 15

*1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a,
8b-9, 10; Mk 1:29-39*

7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving for Stella Kulp's Birthday (Hansie)

Thursday January 16

*1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25;
Mk 1:40-45*

No Mass

Friday January 17 | Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbott

*1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-17, 18-19;
Mk 2:1-12*

No Mass

Saturday January 18

*1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1; Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7;
Mk 2:13-17*

4:30 p.m. Vigil ☩Spencer Kubala (Cynthia Kubala)

Sunday January 19 | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10;
1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34*

8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

11:00 a.m. ☩Sally Wilt (The Madden Family)

Requiescat in Pace

Pray for the repose of the soul of

John Gill Sr, Parishioner

Rosemary Casserly, Mother of Parishioner Colleen Fickel

**THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED DECORATE
OUR CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS**

Members of the Maintenance Committee, Ushers, and others helped put up the creche and trees in the church, as well as trees in the Narthex, and the creche in the faith formation area. Great job!

Love the trains, Tom Sweeney! Thanks to Tom, Marilyn, helpers and members of Boy Scout Troop 88 for setting up such a wonderful display. It was certainly enjoyed by all.



Many thanks to the youth and parents who decorated the altar with poinsettias and completed the creche with the Holy Family, shepherds, animals and more. The church looked beautiful!

Our church, Narthex and faith formation area were abundant with Christmas joy! Thanks to all!

**Welcome to
Saint Katharine Drexel Church**

SKD is the only Catholic Church in Silver Spring Township, one of the fastest growing geographical regions in Pennsylvania. We offer a variety of opportunities to worship and to become involved in parish life. When you are ready to join the parish, simply [click here](#) to register, this link takes you to the registration portal on our church website. You may call the office too for assistance. We are happy to help.



Father Kenneth G. Smith, Pastor

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717-697-8716

Office Hours:

9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

www.skdparish.com

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT



The Saint Katharine Drexel Parish Family, guided by the Holy Spirit, commits itself to reaching out and sharing with all people the love and service modeled by our patroness, with the Eucharist as our source of strength. Through prayer and action, we will serve God, our Lord and Savior, and our community, exhibiting a special concern for the poor, oppressed and marginalized of our society, especially those among the African-American & Native-American peoples.

BAPTISM

*With great joy the Saint Katharine Drexel Family welcomes
SCARLET QUINN SMITH
into the family of God through the waters of Baptism. Please pray for
Scarlet and her family.*



BAPTISM WORKSHOP—All families looking to have a child baptized in 2020 should take note of the dates for Baptism Workshops. It is encouraged that parents attend the workshop before the birth of their child. Baptisms typically occur on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please contact Becky for more information at rdavis@skdparish.com

Class Dates

Sat February 15th 2:00 to 4:30 pm
Sun May 17th 12:15 to 3:45 pm
Sat August 15th 2:00 to 4:30 pm
Sat November 14th 2:00 to 4:30 pm



Entrance Antiphon—After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. (Matthew 3:16-17)



Pastoral Reflections

January 12, 2020 – Today marks the end of the Christmas season. Matthew describes the baptism and anointing by the Holy Spirit of the adult Jesus in a richly symbolic way that expresses Jesus' acceptance of the mission that the Father has given him as God's suffering servant. Jesus' baptism unfolds in the form of a drama in two parts. The first part focuses on Jesus' acceptance of his mission. Jesus comes to John to be baptized, but John objects: "I need to be baptized by you." Although Jesus is the Lamb of God who is without sin, by this action, Jesus, as the Lamb, identifies himself with humanity in order to take away the sins of the world (John 1:29). Jesus' baptism looks forward to his death. When saying that by accepting baptism he fulfills all righteousness," Jesus submits himself to his Father's will, consenting to a path leading to suffering, death, and Resurrection for the forgiveness of humanity's sins. The second part of Matthew's drama focuses on the Father's response to Jesus' acceptance. God identifies Jesus unambiguously as "my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Finally, "the heavens were opened" at Jesus' baptism, reversing what happened through Adam's sin. Adam's rejection of God destroyed the intimate relationship between humankind and God. Now Jesus' baptism restores God's relationship with humankind intended at the beginning of creation.

By accepting Baptism, we embrace what Jesus accomplished for us. Through the waters of Baptism, we become a new creation, our sins are forgiven, and we enter an intimate relationship as a beloved child of God, Father, Son, and Spirit, together with all who, like us, have become a new creation through the waters of Baptism. [source: At Home with the Word 2020]

In His love and mine, Father Ken

Hi, this is Johnny Haver. Thank you so much for your help with Hugs of Hope. We collected over 250 stuffed animals and delivered them to the hospital in time for Christmas. We are extremely thankful for our parish's wonderful support! I was wondering if the following message could be placed in the bulletin to thank everyone who donated to Hugs of Hope: Thank you so much to everyone who donated a brand new stuffed animal to Hugs of Hope! In total, we collected over 250 stuffed animals. You helped the children at Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital have a very Merry Christmas! Thank you for your continued generosity.

ST KATHARINE DREXEL CALENDAR PLANNING MEETING

*2020 Winter/Spring Scheduling Meeting for
all parish ministries and organizations*

MONDAY JANUARY 13TH | 6 TO 8 P.M.

**Sign up for your organizations time slot this week*

ttsu.me/uzyasw



"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ"... these are phrases you know from the Mass. But do you understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context?

Do you know many of the terms have Old Testament roots? Are you able to explain why Catholics know the Eucharist to be the literal body, blood, soul, and divinity of Jesus Christ? Let's learn together the Scriptural roots of the Eucharist using Dr. Brandt Pitre's 10-week study on FORMED! Groups will start meeting on **Thursday January 9th at 9:45am** and **Sunday January 12th at 12:15pm**. Both groups meet in the parish library. Contact Becky at rdavis@skdparis.com for more information.



THIS WEEKEND SECOND COLLECTION

Aids the Catholic Church in Central and Eastern Europe, Latin America and Africa.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Month of December 2019

| Actual | Budget | Difference | YTD Difference |
|-------------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| \$77,539.48 | \$75,500.00 | \$2,039.48 | \$14,778.15 |

Do you find that you are giving God your leftovers rather than your first fruits? Would you like to be more intentional in your giving in 2020? Online giving is an easy way to do this. Many are already using it. It is a convenient way to setup stewardship for weekly contributions, capital replacement reserve, a legacy of faith, and youth & young adult ministry. All major credit cards are accepted as well as Visa debit cards. How do you sign up? Simply visit the parish website. On the right hand side of the home page is the Online giving button. Click it and proceed as directed. You decide how much to give and how often. You have access to change your contributions at any time. If you have a question please contact the office at 717-697-8716. Be blessed this year as you contribute to the blessings of Saint Katharine Drexel Church.

 **ONLINE GIVING**

[CLICK HERE TO SUPPORT
SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL](#)

REQUEST FOR SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP 2019

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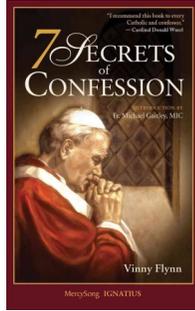
Email
Address:

In order to receive a statement detailing your financial stewardship to Saint Katharine Drexel Parish for the 2019 calendar year, please complete this form and submit it to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket. A statement will be emailed to you unless otherwise indicated. Thank you for your generous support.



*January No Pressure Book Club
Jan 14th 6:30 p.m.*

7 Secrets of Confession by Vinny Flynn



The understanding that many Catholics have of the Sacrament of Confession is so limited and narrow in its focus that it keeps them from discovering the real beauty and value of this Sacrament -- beauty and value that even a young child can understand if it's presented properly. For too many Catholics, Confession is just a means to an end: cleaning us up from sin so we can receive Communion. But, as Pope Francis tells us, Confession is much more than going to the dry cleaner. It's an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us as we are. In his years of speaking all over North America, Flynn saw that many Catholics have this limited appreciation of Confession, and the urgent need for clear teaching about this great Sacrament. If you have not yet experienced Confession as a wonderful, personal encounter with Christ; if you do not yet look forward to going to Confession with the same eagerness and expectation with which you receive Holy Communion, this book is for you. It will be a whole new way of going to Confession, inviting you to begin an exciting personal journey to healing and holiness. It may change your life.

A Valentine's Day Party - The Parish Council of Catholic Women will again host the Annual Valentine's Day Party in our Parish Social Hall, on Saturday, February 15, starting at 5:30 p.m. Turkey will be provided, and those attending are asked to bring a covered dish to share. Tickets are \$10 a person. A Silent Auction will be held that night with proceeds going to Saint Michael's Indian School in Saint Michael Arizona – school founded by Saint Katharine Drexel. **Donations for the Silent Auction will be greatly appreciated.** For further information please contact Stella at 766-3436.

 **CONGRATULATIONS** to the 6 engaged couples preparing for Marriage in 2020. Please remember them in your prayers. If you are looking to be Married in 2020 but have not yet contacted the parish, please do so ASAP. Those looking to be Married in 2021 should contact the parish about a year in advance. Please call the office or contact Becky, rdavis@skdparish.com for more information.



BLESSED IS SHE—All women over 18 are invited to a Blessed Brunch on Sunday January 26th at 12:30pm following the 11am Mass here at Saint Katharine Drexel Parish. Join with other women for a potluck brunch, prayer, and fellowship as we grow together as sisters. Future Blessed is She meetings will be determined at this Brunch. Contact Becky, rdavis@skdparish.com for more information. All women welcome!



Gentlemen, your seat is saved at the next session of THAT MAN IS YOU Saturday January 18th at 6:30 am.

PLEASE KEEP FATHER KEN IN YOUR PRAYERS as he undergoes foot surgery this Thursday and recuperates away from the parish for the next six weeks.

- **MASS & CONFESSIONS** : Visiting priests will say Mass and hear confessions on Wednesday evenings and weekends.
- **ANNOINTING OF THE SICK** : If you have a medical emergency and require a priest, please contact the hospital chaplain on duty and let them know you are Catholic and need a priest. In the case of other emergencies requiring a priest, please contact Becky to help coordinate this.
- If you would like to send cards and well wishes this can be coordinated through the church office. The staff is here Mondays—Fridays from 9 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm.



Hospitality is the gift of making someone feel welcomed. The **SKD Welcoming Committee and Ushers** have this gift and graciously makes us feel at home when we gather to worship at Mass. Whether we are greeted by individuals, couples or families we are made to know that we are welcomed in this parish family. What a blessing! If you would you like to be on the Welcoming Committee please contact **Lorraine Turicik** at terrific0536@yahoo.com for details. If you are interested in becoming an usher please contact **Tom Esposito** at tesposito2930@gmail.com

7-DAY PARISH CALENDAR

MARCH FOR LIFE 2020

January 24, 2020 | Washington, D.C.

JANUARY 2020 PRO-LIFE EVENTS

Diocesan Respect Life Mass

January 19 @ 9:30 a.m. at Good Shepherd Church, Camp Hill. This Mass is celebrated every year to commemorate the lives lost to abortion since 1973 and to pray for the building up of a culture of life in our nation from conception to natural death. Bishop Ronald Gainer will be the celebrant and homilist. All are welcome!

Cumberland/Perry Deanery

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Mechanicsburg
March for Life Solidarity Day

Friday, January 19

Unite with those who are attending the march in Washington. The day begins at 9:00 with Mass, followed by a light breakfast, a religious movie, lunch, viewing of speeches from the March, and the recitation of the Rosary once the March starts in Washington. For more information, or to register please contact coordinator Pete Fludovich at redhorse50@aol.com.

BUS TRIPS to WASHINGTON DC—Mark your calendars for Friday, January 24th for the Annual March for Life in Washington DC. The March for Life is an experience that you will never forget and is an important way for Catholics to stand up for the sanctity of all human life. Students attending the march will receive an excused absence from school. All students must be accompanied by an adult who will be responsible for the student. There will be charter buses going down from 3 local parishes.

- The bus from **Our Lady of Lourdes**, Enola leaves at 6:30am and will arrive at the Basilica in Washington DC around 9:00 am to attend the 10 am Mass before going over to the March. They will be leaving from the Air and Space Museum at 5:00 pm and arrive back at the parish around 7:45pm. Cost for a spot on the bus is \$25 for adults and \$10 for students, or \$50 for a family of 4 or more. Please contact Walt Kilmer at 717-728-3310 by January 15th to register. Checks can be made payable to Our Lady of Lourdes.
- The bus for **Saint Bernard in New Bloomfield** will depart at 7:45 a.m. (after the 7:15 a.m. Mass) and returning at approximately 9:00 p.m. A second pick up at Boscov's Camp Hill at 8:30 am is possible if additional attendees from Camp Hill need it. To register, please call Tom Polcha 717829-4543. Cost: \$20.00 Adults, \$10.00 School Age Children K -12.
- The **Saint Patrick Church** Knights of Columbus Council #4057 will be sponsoring a bus down to Washington DC for the March. We will leave St. Patrick Parish Activity Center at 5:30 am in order to attend mass at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle and return that evening after the March. The cost for a seat is \$30 and is non-refundable. Please make checks out to Knights of Columbus Council #4057. For more information about the March for Life see www.marchforlife.org. For more information about the bus, please email Steve Phillips at dr.stephen.phillips@gmail.com.

“You are called to stand up for life!” ~Pope St. John Paul II

Sunday January 12 | Baptism of the Lord

8:30 a.m. Mass | Sanctuary
9:40 a.m. Youth Faith Formation | Fr. O'Brien Center
11:00 a.m. Mass | Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration | Sanctuary

Monday January 13

* Private Mass

6:00 p.m. Calendar Planning Meeting | MSCR
6:30 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting
7:00 p.m. Women's Cursillo | Room 1

Tuesday January 14

9:00 a.m. Mass | Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. No Pressure Book Club | MSCR

Wednesday January 15

5:40 p.m. Youth Faith Formation | Fr. O'Brien Center
6:15 p.m. Confessions | Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. Mass | Sanctuary

Thursday January 16

No Mass

9:00 a.m. Adoration
9:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet

Friday January 17

No Mass

Saturday January 18

6:30 a.m. That Man Is You | MSCR
3:30 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. Mass | Sanctuary
5:45 p.m. Confessions

Remember to pick up a copy of the **2020 SKD Church Calendar** and **At Home with the WORD 2020** Scripture Study in the Narthex after Mass.

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We thank you
for sponsoring an advertisement in our weekly bulletin.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY THIS CHRISTMAS

Steve Carocci, Nathaniel Connolly, Paul Harrington, Corey Masse, Gina Mentzer, Aerick Paxton, Eric Sellman, Leah Sweeney, Darren Troche, Nicholas Vogel



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

John Andrews, Jr., Wendy Bechtel, Lew Bogle, Irene Bourg, Don Bowers, Marcus Bowers, Matias Bowers, Brooks Boyle, James Boyle, Nelson Bradley, Liz Chase, Carol Chetaitis, Lisa Coates, Sam Colucci, Ben Cook, Andy Dapkins, Peter DiRocco, Martha Esposito, Mary Ferrer, Tom Fiorenza, Bob Fisher, Kathleen Fluss, Josey Gaffney, Dick Gainer, Joe Gill, Ayden Gora, Elizabeth Gora, Anne Grasha, Charlotte Infantino, Fr. John Kemper, Peter Korch, Claire Hine, Bob Kearney, Reinhard Kress, Rita Kress, Jeannine Kuhn, Nicole Kulchar, Rosemary Langley, Afra Maffey, Constant Maffey, Veronica Malesic, Kathleen McHugh, Terry Miceli, Donna Miller, Fr. Daniel Mitzel, Olda Mondragon, Jan Monismith, Courtney Oppel, Susan Oppel, Alana Perrotta, Mary Phillips, Barbara Root, Diane Ruppert, Jim Sheckler, Elizabeth Schaffhauser, Ruth Schultz, Bob Scott, Pat Sellman, **Fr. Ken Smith**, Msgr. Vincent Smith, Lois Souza, Clark Swift, Kate Swift, Rita Treon, Sue Trolio, Clarey Wendt, Philip Wilt, Susan Womer, Justina Xenakis, Nicole Zomok