

Mass Readings & Intentions for the Week of January 19, 2020

Please note that Masses are available each weekend and Wednesday evenings at SKD now through the end of February. Please visit the parish website or Discovermass.org for Daily Mass elsewhere in the Cumberland/Perry deanery.

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)

Monday January 20 | Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr;

Saint Sebastian, Martyr

*1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23;
Mk 2:18-22*

Tuesday January 21 | Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

*1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28;
Mk 2:23-28*

Wednesday January 22 |

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

*1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10;
Mk 3:1-6*

7:00 p.m. ☩ Edward Lynam (Betty Cairo)

Thursday January 23 | Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;

Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin

*1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11,
12-13; Mk 3:7-12*

Friday January 24 | Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

*1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11;
Mk 3:13-19*

Saturday January 25 | Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle

*Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;
Mk 16:15-18*

4:30 p.m. Vigil ☩ Paul Purcell (Susan Campbell)

Sunday January 26 | Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Is 8:23—9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 or Mt 4:12-17*

8:30 a.m. ☩ Robert Steiner (Thomas Lewis Family)

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

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.

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.

Office Hours

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

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As much as possible, please allow the Sanctuary to remain a quiet, reverent space for those who wish to spend time in prayer after Mass. We encourage you to greet neighbors, friends, and fellow parishioners in the Narthex.

BLANKET DRIVE DONATIONS of new and gently used blankets are accepted through the end of February. Please place them in large box located in hallway between office and church.

BOY SCOUT TROOP 88 SOUP SALE | SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH
Please support the scouts with a goodwill donation for quarts of homemade soup, stew and chili. Sale is after 11:00 a.m. Mass

 **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 details.

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 p.m.
Sun May 17th 12:15 to 2:45 p.m.
Sat August 15th 2:00 to 4:30 p.m.
Sat November 14th 2:00 to 4:30 p.m.



MARCH FOR LIFE 2020

January 24, 2020 | Washington, D.C.

JANUARY 2020 PRO-LIFE EVENTS

Diocesan Respect Life Masses

SUNDAY JANUARY 19TH—Good Shepherd Church, Camp Hill | 9:30 a.m. Mass—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!

FRIDAY JANUARY 24TH—Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Mechanicsburg | 9:00 a.m. Mass and Solidarity Day—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.

Cumberland/Perry Deanery

Buses Going to the March for Life

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 6:30 a.m. and will arrive at the Basilica in Washington DC around 9:00 a.m. to attend the 10 a.m. Mass before going over to the March. They will be leaving from the Air and Space Museum at 5:00 p.m. and arrive back at the parish around 7:45p.m.. 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 a.m. 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 a.m. 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

On January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court legalized abortion throughout the United States in its companion decisions *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*. Since that time, millions of children have lost their lives and millions of women and families have been wounded by abortion.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the **"Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children."** The Church directs:

In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or almsgiving. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops provides resources to help parishes, schools, families, ministries, and individual Catholics participate in this important day of prayer and penance.

In addition, the USCCB also sponsors an annual, nationwide novena called **"9 Days for Life,"** which surrounds the liturgical observance of the Day of Prayer. Each day for nine days, a different intention is featured, accompanied by a short reflection, suggested actions, and related information as we pray for the respect and protection of every human life. In 2020, the novena will take place **Tuesday, January 21 – Wednesday, January 29.**



9 DAYS FOR LIFE
JANUARY 21 - 29, 2020
9DAYSFORLIFE.COM

PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE!

4 WAYS:    

Please join the Knights of Columbus and many others for this beautiful 9 day novena for life called 9 Days For Life. A novena is a nine day prayer. This one is for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested action to help build a culture of life in our world today.

Visit 9DAYSFORLIFE.COM today to sign up for emails, apps, texts and to follow online.

Another option is to sign up for myparish app for daily messages during these 9 days and links to the daily intentions, prayers and actions.



Come Join us for
Coffee & Donuts in
the Narthex and
stay for the
**Rosary for
the Unborn**
Jan 26th @9:45am
in Church



Pastoral Reflections

January 19, 2020 – As we begin this new season, our readings remind us of a significant outcome of our Christian faith: we are called to be witnesses. John’s Gospel presents the Baptist differently from the other Gospel accounts: the prophet does not dress in an austere manner or challenge people with a rhetoric of fire and doom. Instead, the Baptist is portrayed as a witness, one of many throughout John’s Gospel, to testify to the person of Jesus. The Baptist identifies Jesus as superior to him: “A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.” The Baptist testifies to Jesus’ baptism and the Spirit descending upon Jesus and concludes by saying: “I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.”

The prophet Isaiah testifies to another figure, the servant, whose task is to lead the Israelites back to God. He reminds them that they are to be witnesses to all the nations of the world: “I will make you a light to the nations / that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.” This servant foreshadows Jesus’ mission of witnessing to all people God’s plan of salvation.

In greeting his community in Corinth, Paul identifies himself as an Apostle, sent to testify to the message of Jesus Christ throughout the world. Paul reminds the Corinthians that they are “called to be holy” and that their lives are transformed by the person and message of Jesus Christ. [source: At Home with the Word 2020]

In His love and mine, Father Ken



BLESSED BRUNCHES

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. Sign up here: <https://blessedisshenet.com/blog/blessed-brunch-mechanicsburg-pennsylvania/>

REQUEST FOR SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP 2019

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

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.

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. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish to share. Tickets are \$15* 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.

*correction from 1-12-20 bulletin



COME JOIN THE MEN OF THE PARISH THIS SATURDAY JANUARY 25TH AT 6:30 A.M. TO ANSWER THESE THOUGHT-PROVOKING QUESTIONS

- How strong is my conviction that God my Father stands by me and is watching over me in all circumstances?
- Do I believe that God is leading my life and that I am following His lead?

All men of the parish are invited to this breakfast meeting on Saturdays. The group has a continental breakfast, a video presentation followed by discussion. We are done by 8:00 a.m. so you have the time for your family activities.

Knights of Columbus

SUPER BOWL HOAGIES

12" ITALIAN, TURKEY or HAM & CHEESE

\$7 each or 3 for \$20

Pick up is February 1/2 after Mass

Come to the Knights’ Table in the Narthex over the next two weeks to pre-order your hoagies to guarantee availability

All Hoagies Prepared fresh by the Knights

Safety and Security Corner

Now that we've had our first "practice run" for winter, please keep these things in mind.

- Take your time and drive slower and even more cautiously in inclement weather. Leave a bit early so you can reach your destination safely and on time.
- Be respectful of other drivers, and be prepared for the unexpected.
- Use your headlights in inclement weather. You may not need them to see clearly, but they will certainly make you more visible to other drivers.
- Continue to follow the arrows for the one-way system and obey the "Do Not Enter" signs in the church parking lot. We have noticed an appreciable improvement in parking lot etiquette in recent months. *THANK YOU!*

February's No Pressure Book Club

Feb 11th 6:30 p.m.

Good Man is Hard to Find

by Flannery O'Connor

A Good Man is Hard to Find, first published in 1953, is among the most famous stories by Georgia writer Flannery O'Connor. O'Connor was a staunch Catholic, and like most of her stories, "A Good Man is Hard to Find" wrestles with questions of good and evil and the possibility of divine grace.

There are a variety of resources available containing this story and other short stories by O'Connor. There is a pdf version available online also. If interested in learning more please contact Sandy Fulmer about this February meeting at middlef48@icloud.com

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

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



PLEASE KEEP FATHER KEN IN YOUR PRAYERS

Father Ken's foot surgery was this past Thursday and is now recovering off campus for the next several weeks. During this time local priests will assist with Mass. Please call the parish staff for assistance.

- **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 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Neill Funeral Home

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

7-DAY PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday January 19

8:30 a.m. **Mass** | Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. **Mass** | Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration | Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. Adult Faith Formation | Library

Monday January 20

No Mass
7:00 p.m. Women's Cursillo | Room 1

Tuesday January 21

No Mass
7:00 p.m. Mats for the Homeless | MSCR

Wednesday January 22

5:40 p.m. Youth Faith Formation | Fr. O'Brien Center
6:15 p.m. Confessions | Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Adoration
7:00 p.m. **Mass** | Sanctuary
7:30 p.m. Men's Cursillo | MSCR

Thursday January 23

No Mass
9:00 a.m. Adoration
9:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet
9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation | Library
6:30 p.m. Scripture Study | Library

Friday January 24

No Mass
6:00 p.m. Iconography Class | Library

Saturday January 25

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

PEACE AND HEALTH THIS COLD & FLU SEASON

Before you reach across the pew please refrain if you have to achoo! If you have a cold, as a courtesy to others at Mass, please refrain from dipping your fingers in the Holy Water fount and giving the sign of peace handshake, etc. If you have to cough please do so into the crook of your arm. If you have the flu please stay home. St. Katharine Drexel has free standing hand sanitizing stations in the narthex for quick disinfecting. We look forward to celebrating at Mass with a healthy you. Some other helpful tips are to avoid sugar which suppresses your immune system. and consume foods rich in Vitamins C and E which boost your immune system's response to germs.

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 Gainor, Joe Gill, Ayden Gora, Elizabeth Gora, Anne Grasha, Charlotte Infantino, Fr. John Kemper, Peter Korch, Claire Hine, Bob Kearney, **Patrick Kennedy**, 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