

Mass Readings and Intentions for the Week of February 23, 2020

Saturday February 22 | Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter, Apostle
1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mt 16:13-19
4:30 p.m. Vigil ☩ Elizabeth Rosko (Lawrence & Jean Rosko)

Sunday February 23 | Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48
8:30 a.m. ☩ Edward A. Gannon (George & Beverly Connolly)
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Monday February 24
Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday February 25
Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday February 26 | Ash Wednesday
Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
7:00 p.m. ☩ Robert Steiner (Diane Cassel & Family)

Thursday February 27
Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 9:22-25
9:00 a.m. ☩ Fred Vokish (Bulik Family)

Friday February 28
Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
9:00 a.m. ☩ Chesterann Monko (Connie Burkett)

Saturday February 29
Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 5:27-32
4:30 p.m. Vigil ☩ Florence and Albert Yancoski (Susan Campbell)

Sunday March 1 | First Sunday of Lent
Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 or Rom 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11
8:30 a.m. People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. ☩ Sally Wilt (Marilyn & Tom Sweeney)

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.
1 Peter Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
717-697-8716 www.skdparish.com

**ASH WEDNESDAY MASS
FEBRUARY 26 | 7PM**

There will be one Mass at 7:00 p.m. at St. Katharine Drexel on Ash Wednesday. Many other local Catholic Churches in the surrounding area will have morning Masses. We apologize for any inconvenience.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

John Andrews, Jr., Wendy Bechtel, Lew Bogle, Irene Bourg, Joe Bova, Don Bowers, Marcus Bowers, Matias Bowers, Brooks Boyle, James Boyle, Nelson Bradley, Frances Breen, Liz Chase, Carol Chetaitis, Lisa Coates, Ben Cook, Andy Dapkins, Maria DiRocco, Peter DiRocco, Martha Esposito, Mary Ferrer, Tom Fiorenza, Bob Fisher, Kathleen Fluss, Josey Gaffney, Dick Gainor, 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, Trish Noonan, Alana Perrotta, Mary Phillips, Barbara Root, Diane Ruppert, Elizabeth Schaffhauser, Ruth Schultz, Bob Scott, Jim Sheckler, Barbara Shutter, Fr. Ken Smith, Lois Souza, Clark Swift, Kate Swift, Rita Treon, Sue Trolio, Philip Wilt, Justina Xenakis, Nicole Zomok

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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.

PEACE AND HEALTH | THIS COLD & FLU SEASON
We hope each of you is feeling well. In an effort to minimize the spreading of germs at Holy Mass, please refrain from dipping your fingers in the Holy Water fount or giving the sign of peace handshake. With so many ill with different illnesses lately we want you to be well soon.



February 23, 2020 – “Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God, am holy.” These words challenge us to imitate God in our actions. The word “holy” embraces the concept of wholeness, as opposed to being divided. Leviticus illustrates this meaning: “You shall not bear hatred for your brother in your heart.” Instead, follow the command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”

In Matthew’s account of the Gospel, Jesus clearly builds on this passage from Leviticus. “Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.” To “be perfect” is the same as to “be holy.” Such holiness would mean that the individual is undivided in their interior and exterior lives. Jesus offers three succinct scenarios of humiliation that reflect Mediterranean culture: being struck on the right cheek by a backhanded slap is an insult; being sued in court where one is humiliated by losing property or dignity; and being forced to carry something by Roman soldiers (see Simon of Cyrene carrying Jesus’ Cross [Matthew 27:32]). All these cultural situations required action to defend one’s honor. Instead, Jesus advises a different approach: Find another way to respond that avoids violence. Rise above these insults. Jesus is abrogating a basic law of the Middle East, enduring to the present, known as the Law of Talion, the law of retaliation: “An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth.” Jesus invites his followers to find a third way that rises above humiliation and avoids retaliating in the same way. Use your imagination to discover how best to overcome the insult in ways that rise above it and beyond violence. [source: At Home with the Word]

~ In His love and mine, Father Ken

Join Guest Homilist Father Jonathan Sawicki
for 40 Hours Eucharistic Adoration
Theme “From Tragedy to Selfless Love”

Fr. Jonathan Sawicki has been serving the Diocese of Harrisburg as Director of Vocations since June of 2019, having previously served as pastor of Immaculate Conception Church and chaplain of York Catholic High School in York for seven years. He was ordained in 2009. Fr. Sawicki is a graduate of Our Lady of Lourdes High School in Coal Township, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia, and Mount St. Mary’s Seminary in Emmitsburg.

Save your spot with Jesus during this year’s 40 Hours Eucharistic Adoration, Visit www.ttsu.me/SKD40 or use sign up sheets located at one of the church entrances.



SUNDAY MARCH 1
Opening Mass at 11AM
followed by Adoration
Liturgy of the Word at 7PM

MONDAY MARCH 2
Morning Prayer and
Adoration at 9AM
Mass at 7PM

TUESDAY MARCH 3
Feast Day of Saint Katharine Drexel
Mass at 9AM followed by Adoration
Solemn Evening Prayer and
Benediction at 7PM

2020 SEASON OF LENT

ASH WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 26 | 7PM

DAILY MASS
TUES-THU-FRI | 9AM
WEDNESDAYS | 7PM

CONFESSIONS
WEDNESDAYS | 6PM
SATURDAYS | 3PM & 5:45PM

FAMILY PENANCE SERVICE
MARCH 29 | 2PM

SOUP & SPEAKER SERIES
WEDNESDAYS | 12PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS | 7PM

FORGIVEN FAITH FORMATION
SUNDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

FORTY HOURS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
MARCH 1, 2, 3

ST KATHARINE DREXEL FEAST DAY
MARCH 3

FISH FRY DINNERS
MARCH 6 & 20 | 5 to 7PM

LENTEN EVENING OF REFLECTION
MARCH 10 | 5 to 7PM

CONFIRMATION
MARCH 11 | 7PM

SEDER MEAL
APRIL 8 | 5:30 to 7PM

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE FORTHCOMING

FISCAL UPDATE—our current monthly budget (2019-20) need is \$60,000. We ask that you continue to be as generous as you can be. We are on the threshold of the last quarter (March-June) of the current fiscal year. Our income and expenses are being examined along with projected income and expenses for 2020-21. Please try to do your fair share and give in prayer and faith from what God has given you! Thank you so much! ~Father Ken



Can you spare your pocket change?

ANNUAL DIOCESAN CAMPAIGN 2020 – The 2020 Diocesan Annual Campaign kicks off the weekend of March 7 and 8, with our “In-Pew” program. The theme for this year is Rooted in Faith. During these challenging times, our faith is central to who we are. Just like the Disciples, we are called to remain faithful, demonstrate our commitment to our faith by word and deed, and spread the Good News. As you prayerfully consider your pledge in support of our Parish goal of \$116,884, you will be supporting important ministries and services that the Diocese provides to our Parish, parishioners and community. In fact, we reach it by donating our daily pocket change. Yes, that’s right! **For less than than \$1 a day (\$150/family or member) we collectively support our local Catholic ministries and reach the parish goal.** Better yet, we have 8 months to spread out our commitment.

Please note that *none* of these funds are directed to the Survivors Compensation Fund *or* to cover legal fees. **Any funds collected in excess of our Parish goal will be returned to our Parish to be used for Faith Formation programs and Safety/Security issues for the campus.**

“In-Pew” program will occur March 7/8, March 14/15, and March 21/22. Response envelopes can be found at the end of each pew. Please take a few minutes to fill out with your pledge any pertinent information. You may make a down payment or pay in full. Please make all your 2020 Diocesan Appeal gifts payable to Saint Katharine Drexel. You can also pay your pledge by credit card. If you want to get started today you can pay by credit card (Visa or Master Card), simply visit <https://hbgiocese.formstack.com/forms/dac>. Remember to select “Saint Katharine Drexel Church, Mechanicsburg” as your parish.

Thank you so much for your generosity! Please remember that any amount raised above our goal stays in this parish.



You are invited to attend the Priestly Ordination and First Mass of Deacon Michael Bovino

ORDINATION

Saturday June 27, 2020
Time: 10 a.m.
St. Patrick’s Cathedral
201 Broadway
Norwich, CT 06360

FIRST MASS

Sunday June 28, 2020
Time: TBD
St. Michael the Archangel Church
60 Liberty Street
Pawcatuck, CT 06379



Parent Faith Formation—In line with Lent and also First Penance on March 28th, we will be doing a study on Forgiveness and the Sacrament of Penance. We are offering a 3 session video-based study on formed.org. It is a beautiful presentation of the transforming power of Confession. No matter what you have done, no matter how long you have been away, Jesus is waiting for you in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Sundays | February 23, March 8 and 15

Wednesdays | March 4, 18 and 25

Parent Faith Formation Classes coincide with Youth Faith Formation Classes and are in the Monsignor Smith Community Room. Any parishioner is welcomed to attend these session. Contact Becky for more information. <https://watch.formed.org/videos/forgiven-trailer>

Save the Date...An Lenten Evening of Reflection with SKD’s first ordained priest, Father Andrew St. Hilaire, on Tuesday March 10th at 7PM. A social will follow the talk.

FEBRUARY 29TH | 6:30 A.M.



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.

DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG 2020 MEN'S CONFERENCE

Online Registration Now Open

Register now for the 2020 Diocese of Harrisburg Men’s Conference, being held March 28 at Bishop McDevitt High School, Harrisburg. To register, go to www.hbgiocese.org/men and click ‘Register Online.’ Early-Bird price is \$35 per man. Dr. William Donohue, President of the Catholic League is keynoting. The conference includes more than 45 workshops, Priests hearing Confessions, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and many Catholic vendors and time for food and fellowship. Bishop Gainer will be celebrating Mass as well as presenting a workshop. The conference is open to any man, Catholic or non-Catholic. Be one of 1,000 or more men to register for this fantastic Catholic Men’s Conference.

ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

Mark your calendar for the 42nd Men’s Retreat sponsored by Corpus Christi Parish! Set for July 31 and August 1 and 2 -- Friday evening through early Sunday afternoon, the event is again being held Mount St. Mary’s University, Emmitsburg, MD. Reservations will be accepted beginning in May. Watch the bulletin for updates. It will be a great spiritual boost to spend this time with the men in our area parishes.

ONLINE GIVING

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Safety and Security Corner

Once again we find it necessary to remind everyone of parking lot safety and courtesy. Although the vast majority of us are following the arrows, obeying the signage, and thinking of our fellow parishioners, there are still a few individuals who insist in placing their interests ahead of the rest of us.

- When leaving the church after Mass or another event, please follow the arrows that define the one-way system and drive around the church to the lower parking lot. If we all do this, traffic flows more smoothly and we minimize the potential collisions.
- There are still a very few individuals who apparently do not understand the meaning of "DO NOT ENTER". Please observe these signs so we do not eventually have a head-on collision that requires us to call the Township Police.
- Parents bringing your children to Faith Formation, please pull into a parking space and walk your children into class. And after class, again pull into a parking space and go into class to pick up your children. Don't double park in the driving lane.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR INTERFAITH SHELTER FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES (a Catholic Charities residential program in suburban Harrisburg) is looking for volunteers on an on-going basis to help with: picking up donations, sorting/putting away donations, light cleaning and organizing. For more information contact Lisa Peck, Director at lpeck@cchbg.org or 717-652-8740.

Donate gently used shoes in the box between sanctuary and office for Carlisle Area Family Life Center fundraiser through mid-March.

TRINITY'S Peter Pan

Meet the Characters & Spring Musical Dates

Children are invited to meet the characters of Trinity's spring musical on Sunday February 23 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Join Peter Pan, Wendy, Tinkerbell, Hook and others for fun and games the weekend before our show hits the stage. There is no cost to attend. Join us in Trinity's auditorium.

Join Trinity High School and the St. Genesius Players for the spring production of Peter Pan on February 28 and 29 at 7:30 p.m. and March 1 at 2:00 p.m. You won't want to miss seeing our students take flight! Purchase tickets on Trinity's website.

TRIP TO CREATION MUSEUM AND ARK ENCOUNTER

"A Tour of Biblical Proportions" is the title for the summer 2020 tour of the Saint Joseph Leisure Club. The June 23-26 trip includes a number of popular Kentucky destinations, including the Creation Museum, Petersburg, KY, a 75,000-square-foot facility featuring biblical history and exhibits, botanical gardens, a planetarium, a zoo, and more; the Ark Encounter, Williamstown, KY, featuring a full-size Noah's Ark, built according to the dimensions given in the Bible; the 19th century German neighborhood, Mainstrasse Village, Covington, KY, listed on the National Historic Register, and home to the Carroll Chimes Bell Tower, the Goose Girl Fountain and unique shops and galleries; a private dinner cruise on the Queen City Riverboat; and dinner and a live performance of American traditional-style music at Washington Platform Restaurant, Cincinnati, OH. For more information, contact trip coordinators at 717-737-8600.

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS (AOH) ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

The AOH of Cumberland County invites you to its annual St. Patrick's Day Celebration on Sat., March 14 at the West Shore Elks Club. The party features an Irish dinner including corned beef, bangers (Irish Sausage) and cabbage. Dinner at 6 o'clock will be preceded by a social hour beginning at 5. The event will feature The Lena McGinley Irish Dancers and music by Down by the Glenside. A cash bar is available. Proceeds go to the division's Trinity H.S. Scholarship Fund. Tickets are \$35 per person and must be committed to purchase by March 1. For tickets or information, contact Tom Zugay at 717-761-2950 or Tzugay1958@gmail.com

7-DAY PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday February 23 | 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:30 a.m. Mass | Sanctuary**
- 9:40 a.m. Youth Faith Formation | Fr. O'Brien Center
- 9:40 a.m. Parent Faith Formation—FORGIVEN | MSCR
- 11:00 a.m. Mass | Sanctuary**
- 12:00 p.m. Scam Awareness Seminar | MSCR
- 12:15 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration | Sanctuary
- 12:15 p.m. Adult Faith Formation | Library
- 1:00 p.m. Confirmation Interviews
- 6:00 p.m. Troop 88 | MSCR

Monday February 24

- No Mass**
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Cursillo | Classroom 1

Tuesday February 25

- No Mass**
- 12:00 p.m. SKD Office Closed for Staff Meeting
- 6:30 p.m. Maintenance Committee Meeting | Conference Room

Wednesday February 26 | Ash Wednesday

- 10:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word | Bridges of Bent Creek
- 5:40 p.m. Youth Faith Formation | Fr. O'Brien Center
- 6:00 p.m. Adoration
- 6:00 p.m. Confessions | Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Mass | Sanctuary**
- 7:30 p.m. Men's Cursillo | Classroom 1
- 7:45 p.m. Blessed is She | MSCR

Thursday February 27

- 9:00 a.m. Mass**
- 9:30 a.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 9:45 a.m. Adult Faith Formation | Library
- 6:30 p.m. Scripture Study | Library

Friday February 28

- 9:00 a.m. Mass**
- 6:00 p.m. Iconography Class | Library
- 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross | Sanctuary

Saturday February 29

- 6:30 a.m. That Man Is You | MSCR
- 3:00 p.m. Confessions
- 4:30 p.m. Mass | Sanctuary**

**Please join the
Knights of Columbus
Lenten Fish Fry**
Crispy Baked Fish, Cole Slaw, Mac & Cheese,
Salad Bar, Beverages, and Dessert Table
March 6 5pm-7pm
March 20 5pm-7pm

JESUS

Saint Katharine
Drexel Catholic
Church
Msgr. Smith
Community Room

**\$10
Per
Person**
Kids < 10 yrs
\$5

Proceeds fund KoC Charitable giving

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Fellowship. Stay to Pray the
Stations of the Cross and Rosary**