THE SCS
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
ARE HOSTING



ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6th
(at the SCS SOCIAL HALL)

Visits with Santa and Breakfast will be after the 7:30 and 9:30 Masses and will conclude at 11:30 AM

Santa will have a small gift bag for each child visiting with him

BREAKFAST MENU:

Scrambled Egg Casseroles (Plain Egg, Ham & Cheese, and Western Style) • **Creamed Chipped Beef** • **Bacon** • **Sausage** • **French Toast Stix**



Home Fries • **Toast** • **Coffee** • **Milk** • **Juice**

Event Cost: Free Will Offering

The SCS Knights thank you all for your support through the year and wish you and your families all the blessings of this joyous Christmas Season !




St. Mary's Church
Mass Intentions
Saturday, November 28, 2026
3:30 p.m. – Priscilla Eckert
Sunday, November 29, 2026
10:30 a.m. – Special Intentions of Domenic & Briana Rock
Saturday, December 5, 2026
3:30 p.m. – Noreen Van Drie
Sunday, December 6, 2026
10:30 a.m. – Dorothy Zielinski


SCS Faith & Family presents
Parish Advent Reflection
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3 PM
6 PM
Guest Speaker - Father Patrick Lamb
"12 Steps to Living a More Spiritual Life" *
Adoration & Reconciliation
Food & Fellowship $10.00 per person
* Rev. Lamb's book available after event
RSVP by Monday, Nov 30th
mishuman12@gmail.com


Advent
A Time to Come Home to Christ
This Advent, Jesus is inviting you to come home!
As we prepare our hearts for the birth of our Savior, Advent is a beautiful time to renew our faith, return to Mass, and experience God's love and mercy through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
Perhaps it has been a while since you've attended Mass or received the Sacrament of Confession.
Please know that you are always welcome!
No matter how long you've been away, God's mercy is waiting for you.
Take time this Advent to slow down, pray, attend Mass, and make a good Confession. There is no greater gift we can give ourselves this Christmas than a heart filled with Christ's peace.
Come home to the Church.
Come home to God's mercy.
Come home to Jesus.
May this Advent season bring you closer to Christ and fill your heart with hope, peace, joy, and love.


Sanctuary Candle
for the Week of November 29, 2026
Saint Catharine's –
Leah & Dick Fay
St. Mary's –
Bogdan Janiszewski





THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

CHOIR REHEARSAL – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room
SCOUTS' USED TOY DRIVE
SR. HIGH YOUTH GROUP – 6:30p.mn. -8:30 p.m. – Social Hall
YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION – following the 7:15 a.m. Mass until 8:00 p.m.
CONFESSIONS – 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Church
CUB SCOUTS 6:00-7:30 p.m. – Social Hall

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

50+ CLUB BOARD MEETING – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MEETING 6:30 p.m. – Meeting Room
GUITAR GROUP – 7:00 p.m. - Church

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

50+ CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY – noon – Social Hall
PREP – 6:30-8:00 p.m. - School
PATRIOTIC ROSARY – 6:30 p.m. – Church

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

PRAY THE ROSARY – 6:45 a.m. -Church
SIENA STITCHERS 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room
OCIA – 5:30-6:15 p.m. – Meeting Room
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING – 7:00 p.m. – Social Hall

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

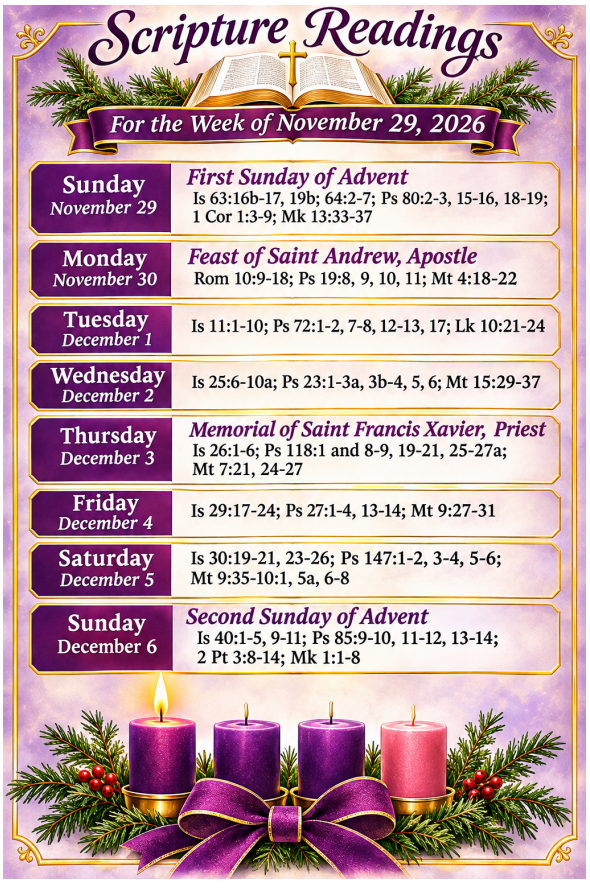
AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS – 6:00-9:00 p.m. – Social Hall

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

PRAY THE ROSARY – 7:30 a.m. – Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA – following the 7:30 & 9:30 a.m. Masses – Social Hall
CHOIR REHEARSAL – 10:00 a.m. – Meeting Room
ADVENT REFLECTION WITH FR. LAMB -3:00-6:00 p.m. – Social Hall
YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY – 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Room





Join a small group tour for incoming Pre-K and Kindergarten families and discover what a St. Catharine of Siena education can offer your child!
Explore hands-on learning and specials including art, library, makerspace, and gym. Meet our caring teachers and classroom aides, and experience the welcoming, faith-filled family environment of our Pre-K through 8th grade school.

Pre-K children must be 4 by 10/15/27 and FULLY potty trained.
Kindergarten children must be 5 by 10/15/27.

IMPORTANT NEWS FROM

ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #14880

The Reverend Monsignor Edward Domin (February 8, 1962 – June 26, 2026) was one of this council's founding and charter members. He actively and proudly served as our founding Chaplain. Throughout the first thirteen years of our council's existence, Monsignor Domin provided unwavering spiritual guidance, encouragement, and support for the mission of the council and the broader mission of the Knights of Columbus.

Monsignor Domin's faithful service and lasting contributions to our council, and to the Knights of Columbus as a whole, have left an enduring legacy. In grateful recognition of his dedicated service, the members of Council #14880 decided to seek permission to permanently commemorate his legacy by re-naming our council in his honor.

On July 9th, 2026, the Knights of Columbus St. Catharine of Siena Council #14880 formally adopted a resolution to seek permission from the Supreme Board of Directors to change our name. In grateful recognition of his dedicated service, the members of Council #14880 initiated and submitted the request to permanently commemorate his legacy and honor him by naming our council:

Knights of Columbus – Monsignor Edward Domin Council #14880

The Knights are extremely proud and honored this request was formally approved by the Supreme Board of Directors at their meetings held October 9th-11th, 2026.

Our council and its mission has been truly blessed since our November 2009 inception with unwavering support from our 2 pastors during that time, all the parish's associate/resident priests and the St. Catharine of Siena Parish Community. We sincerely appreciate and thank you all.





Pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey
In the Footsteps of St. Paul
Led by Father Miller - May 16–30, 2028

Join Father Miller for a pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey, journeying in the footsteps of St. Paul. Walk where the Apostle preached and wrote, and deepen your faith through prayer, Mass, and fellowship. All are welcome on this once-in-a-lifetime journey. Limited spots remaining - $200 discount thru 11/30. **For information, please contact Lisa Siciliano at** wdy561@yahoo.com





Parish Nurse News - Tension headache may interrupt family get-togethers and festivities. Stress, poor posture, neck strain, or too much screen time contribute to tension headache. Helpful relief tips include relax, massage, take a walk, nap, sleep 8 hours, worry less! If headaches are frequent or persist, check with your provider. (Cleveland Clinic tension headache. 10/5/26.)



SUPPORT OUR PARISH
ONLINE GIVING

Your generosity makes a difference!

We invite you to support the mission and ministries of our parish through online giving.

SCAN OUR QR CODE

Give when it is convenient for you.

Thank you for your continued kindness, faith, and generous support!

BERKS CATHOLIC NEWS

Christmas Vespers

Berks Catholic High School invites you to celebrate the Birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ with our Christmas Vesper Prayer Service on Sunday, December 13, 2026, at 3:00 P.M. at Sacred Heart Church, West Reading. Admission is free and open to the public.

LOOKING TO MAKE A CHANGE?

Berks Catholic High School has openings in grades 9-11 for the 2nd semester of the 2026-2027 school year. Please contact the Berks Catholic Admissions Office for information on shadowing and to learn more on how we prepare students to Be College & Life ready. All inquiries are confidential. nsmith@berkscatholic.org or by calling 610.374.8361 ext. 244.

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR 2027-2028

Berks Catholic High School prepares students to be college & life ready!

Guided by our four pillars of success: God, Family, Academics and Fun we strive to positively impact our students spiritually, intellectually, socially, physically, and emotionally, so they can live productive lives of service in this world and attain eternal life. For more information on how to BE A SAINT please contact the BC Admissions Office at 610.374.8361 ext.244 or by emailing nsmith@berkscatholic.org. All inquiries are confidential.

BERKS CATHOLIC OPEN HOUSE- SAVE THE DATE!

February 3, 2027 5:30-7:30pm.

50 Plus News

Please call, President Bev Gallo for any 50 Plus Club inquiries. Her phone number is **610-763-7058.**

You can see us on Facebook for additional information.

Meetings

Wednesday, December 2, 2026 – The Club Christmas Party will be held at St. Catharine's Social Hall. The party will begin at 12 noon. $25 for members $27 for non - members.

January 6, 2027 – Bev Bard, trip coordinator, will announce the scheduled trips for 2027. Refreshments will be served.

Trips

The 5 night Bermuda Cruise – April 4th - 9th

Inside Cabin $889 | Balcony Cabin $1009

Please call Bev Bard, **610-763-5654** for additional trip information.

Please call Maria Bunch at **610-914-7005** with the names of members who are sick or who have died.



We always welcome new members

and encourage guests to join us at any of our meetings.

Our meetings are held at **1:00 PM** on the first Wednesday of most months at St Catharine Social Hall.

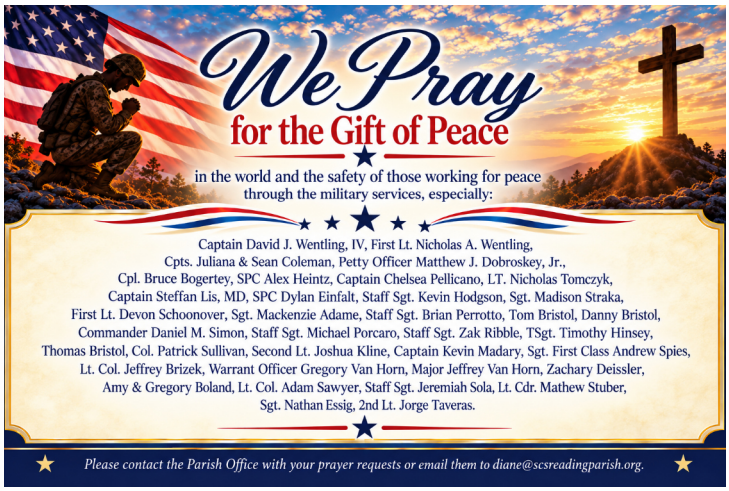
There will be no meetings during the special events months of April, August, and December.



Pray as a Family this Advent
Advent Pray25 +
The Incredible Advent-ture

Advent is a season of waiting, hoping, and preparing our hearts for the coming of Christ. This year, our parish invites every family to journey through Advent in prayer with Hallow starting **Monday, November 30**. Advent Pray25: It's a Wonderful Life For the 25 days until Christmas, join others in daily prayer.
The Incredible Advent-ture (Kids' Challenge)
Made for the whole family. It is a joyful invitation to discover what it means to wait in hope for Christmas.

Pray Together as a Family - Set aside a few minutes each day to listen and pray together.
Listen to The Incredible Advent-ture, then talk about what you heard. Gather around your Advent wreath and light the candle as you pray. **COME, LORD JESUS** "Behold, the virgin shall bear a son, and they shall call him Emmanuel, which means God is with us." (Matthew 1:23) May our families wait together in joyful hope this Advent.



ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA SCHOOL

SCRIP SELLERS NEEDED!

A little of your time. A big help to our community.

Volunteer to sell SCRIP gift cards at church.

CHOOSE A SHIFT — GIFT CARD

MONTHLY | 2nd Sunday of every month 10:00 AM–12:45 PM

OCCASIONAL • 5TH SUNDAYS | Morning shift 7:15-10:00 AM | Later shift 10:00 AM–12:45 PM

Prefer both shifts? You can volunteer for the whole morning!
5th Sundays occur only a few times a year.

WE MAKE IT EASY
- Quick training with an experienced seller
- Need a weekend off? The team helps arrange swaps or coverage.

HIGH SCHOOL SERVICE HOURS — Students are welcome with a parent or adult accompanying them.

READY TO HELP?

Contact Cristina Schmehl to sign up or learn more:

scripprogramscs@gmail.com

