ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers Pastor

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Sr. Mary Elizabeth Karalis, SSJ, Colleen Maguire, Frank Tosti, JoAnne Alexander, Bill Bruno, Dan Hayes, Robert McAlaine, Erika Murdocca, Betty Sabol, Patrick Scanlon, Jessica Waltman, Jeff Walkenhorst

PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Scott Belveal, John Church, Carolyn Evans, Frank Tosti

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 6:30, 8:00am Saturday 8:00am

Holy Days

Vigil 6:00pm 6:30 & 8:00am, 12:10 & 7:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:00-4:45pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays 12:45pm Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples planning to be married are asked to contact the parish priest at least 6 months in advance.

Sacrament of the Sick

For those who are seriously ill, aged or infirm, or who are scheduled for surgery.

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2018

8:00 AM For the people of St. Katharine's Bill Gleason and Ann-Michele Higgins

11:30 AM Gemma Duffy

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2018 8:00 AM Elizabeth Magie Brooks

Christmas Vigil Masses

4:00 PM Ferdinando lavarone (Church)

4:00 PM William and Joan Phillips (Parish Center)

6:00 PM Deborah Krafczek

No Eucharistic Adoration today.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2018 8:00 AM Rudolph and Lena Sciore

9:30 AM John Koegler

11:30 AM Arturo and Helen Hervada

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2018

6:30 AM The Andrew Mason Family (Living) 8:00 AM McCafferty and Schleicher Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2018 6:30 AM Suzanne Sweeney 8:00 AM Robert Reusche

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2018 6:30 AM Suzanne Sweeney

8:00 AM John Gavin

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2018 8:00 AM Joanne Romano 5:00 PM Charles Santangelo

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2018

8:00 AM For the people of St. Katharine's

9:30 AM Kevin Ansley 11:30 AM Ritz Pizzi

Readings: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21, Lk 2:41-52

Requests for Prayers Sick Prayer List:

If you wish to have your name or the name of a loved one added to this prayer list, please call or email us. *New names will appear in bold.*Other than critical or terminal conditions, the names will remain on this list for 30 days. Please help us keep our prayer list current by letting us know when the status of a person on the sick list changes. Due to HIPAA laws, parish staff does not know if a parishioner is hospitalized or placed in a nursing home unless someone informs them. Please contact the parish office if you would like a hospital visit.

Ryan Carlton Charles Carr Mark DeLuca Patrick Graham Jean Hemcher Ginny Jackson Libby Judge Corrine Kerrigan Daniel Maguire Timothy Mahoney John McCabe Logan Schweiter

Claire Sieracki Debbie Snyder John Studenka Connie Winoski

Deceased Prayer List:

Eleanor Follman, Rev. Joseph Murphy, Joseph Maguire II, Julie Jagodzinski Michaels (sister of Msgr. Jagodzinski)



Check out our new website at www.sksparish.org!



Visit us on Facebook.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mothers of Young Children

Wednesday, December 26th: No playgroup today.

H.O.P.E. Co-Leaders this Week – (Group 9)

Pat Carlton 610-334-4645 Jane Dwyer 610-293-1539

"8 O'Clock at Wayne" Group

Weekly A.A. meetings are held in St. Katharine's Parish Center on Friday nights at 8:00 pm.

Close-Knit Community

The St Katharine group of knitters and crocheters meets every Wednesday in the parish center from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm. All are welcome to join us in making warm items for the needy. Rides can be arranged. For information, call Marie Rauscher at (610) 964-0642.

BRING UP THE GIFTS THIS CHRISTMAS!

You & your family can bring up the offertory gifts for any Mass this Christmas season. Contact Canice Treangen with the Mass you'd like to participate in or go up to any Minister of Hospitality before Mass to see if the job needs to be filled. It's just that easy! To reserve your date/ time contact Canice at stkatharineofsienahospitality@gmail.com.

Low-Gluten Hosts Available at Mass

As more people become aware of celiac disease, which, according to a recent report in the World of Gastroenterology, "now affects one in 100 people in Europe and North America," lowgluten hosts (i.e., with a gluten content of 0.01 percent) are available at Mass for those who request them. Please contact the rectory during regular office hours or text Msgr. Brouwers directly (610-420-8749) at least fifteen minutes before the Mass you plan to attend so the hosts can be ready for you.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, December 24th until Thursday, December 27th.

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas is just two days away and we all get an early peak at the beautiful Christmas decorations in our church today. But, you will notice that the two Christmas trees - one at the St. Joseph Shrine and one in the baptistery – that had been filled with 575 tags for women's and children's gifts at Mercy Hospice - are gone; so are all the tags! Over the past few weeks, so many of you have so generously taken the tags and returned with gifts for these needy women and children whom you will probably never meet. In their name, I thank you! Let me also thank those of you who filled the school cafeteria with gifts and food baskets for 92 needy families - both in our sister parish, St. Martin de Porres, and our own parish - two Saturdays ago. And, I thank you for your extra generosity with our monthly Feed the Needy second collection two weekends ago. As we do every year, I sent that entire collection - \$8,691 - to Fr. Stephen Thorne, pastor at our sister parish, so he could purchase meat and other perishables to accompany the food baskets that had you had provided. Last week, I received a letter from the Society for the Propagation of the Faith acknowledging our parish's generous response to the annual Mission Sunday Collection; this year, our parish contributed \$10,821.00. And, I just received a letter from Mrs. Susan Lowe, the principal of Our Lady of Angels Regional Catholic School, acknowledging your very generous financial support for that school as it rebuilds after the devastating fire this summer; our special collection brought in \$2,950.00! I also received a letter from Mother's Home, Darby, expressing gratitude for the \$1,207.00 it received through the baby bottle collection this year. These are just a few wonderful examples of your great generosity throughout the year and especially at Christmas time toward those here in our own neighborhood, throughout our Archdiocese and around the world.

Your generosity is in imitation of our God's great gift to us - his Son, whose coming we eagerly await during this Advent Season. While he was with us, Jesus offered himself to us under the forms of bread and wine in the Eucharist and to the Father on the cross in expiation for our sins. In dying for us, he overcame the final effect of sin - death - as he rose from the dead. His Resurrection allows us to be raised to eternal life with him. And, before he returned to his rightful place at the hand of God, he promised the Holy Spirit of God to continue to lead and guide us. Yes, Jesus, the Son of God who became the son of Mary, has showered us with gifts and we are blessed every day of our lives as we benefit from them. And, in response to God's generosity, we share from the abundance of his blessings with those in need.

This is why it is so important to join regularly in the Eucharist Celebration, for through it, we are reminded of God's great generosity to us and are, in turn, strengthened and encouraged to share of ourselves with those around us.

In the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council remind us that our Lord, who came once in history to accomplish his great work of salvation, and will come again at the end of time to lead all the faithful to our heavenly Father, remains in our midst, especially through the sacraments:

To accomplish so great a work, Christ is always present in His Church, especially in her liturgical celebrations. He is present in the sacrifice of the Mass, not only in the person of His minister, "the same now offering, through the ministry of priests, who formerly offered himself on the cross", but especially under the Eucharistic species. By His power He is present in all the sacraments, so that when a man baptizes it is really Christ Himself who baptizes. He is present in His word, since it is He Himself who speaks when the holy scriptures are read in the Church. He is present, lastly, when the Church prays and sings, for He promised: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matt 18:20).

Our generous outreach to those in need around us comes from our worship of God and leads us back to worship God as well, as the Council Fathers remind us to well:

Christ indeed always associates the Church with Himself in this great work wherein God is perfectly glorified and men are sanctified. The Church is His beloved Bride who calls to her Lord, and through Him offers worship to the Eternal Father.

Rightly, then, the liturgy is considered an exercise of the priestly office of Jesus Christ. In the liturgy, the sanctification of man is signified by signs perceptible to the senses, and is effected in a way which corresponds with each of these signs; in the liturgy the whole public worship is performed by the Mystical Body of Jesus Christ, that is, by the Head and His members.

From this it follows that every liturgical celebration, because it is an action of Christ the priest and of His Body which is the Church, is a sacred action surpassing all others; no other action of the Church can equal its efficacy by the same title and to the same degree.

Yes, our coming together to worship God is the most sacred action we can perform as we gratefully acknowledge all that God has done for us, especially through his Son, Jesus. And, it guides and directs our daily lives in imitation of Christ's great work. As we come to the end of another Advent Season, let us give ourselves time to meditate on this great mystery and so prepare ourselves ever more deeply to receive our Lord as we celebrate his coming on Christmas in just two days. Remember, the very word "Christmas" means "Celebration of the the Messiah" – that's what we do every time we celebrate the Eucharist. MERRY CHRISTMAS!



PARISH ACTIVITIES

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

2018

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Monday, December 24th, Christmas Eve 4:00 PM Vigil Masses in Church and Parish Center 5:30 PM Choir Concert 6:00 PM Vigil Mass

Tuesday, December 25th, Christmas Day 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

Monday, December 31st 6:00 PM Vigil

Tuesday, January 1st, Mary, Mother of God 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

Respect Life Save the Date

Fourth Culture of Life Concert and Dinner The Story of Life Sunday, January 27, 2019 at 4:00 pm



Two Sundays ago, after the 9:30 Mass, the 300 boxes were packed onto the Wayne Moving van. A special "Thank You" to the Radnor football players, especially the seven seniors and coach Briggs. Another "Thank You" to the Youth Group members who also helped pack the 300 boxes in under 30 minutes (a record time).





Two weekends ago the Youth Group sold \$5.00 luminaries that will illuminate the walkway around our church on Christmas Eve night. We raised \$500.00 to help defray the cost of our 2019 mission trip! A special "Thank You" to all the St. Katharine's parishioners who support us throughout the year!



Flocknote

"Thank you" to everyone who has signed up on Flocknote. This helps everyone in the parish connect more easily. To date, over 1,100 parishioners have signed up!

If you haven't signed up yet, no worries, sign up is quick and easy! Visit www.flocknote.com/sksparish and fill in your First Name, Last Name, Email and Mobile Phone or just fill out the card in your pew and drop it in the collection basket. Once enrolled, you will start receiving general parish communications and announcements.

Assistive Hearing Units

We have a hearing assistance system in church and six hearing assistance units; they are available in the sacristy. If you would like to use one, please come to the sacristy before Mass. The sacristan will show you how to use it. Feel free to bring your own earbuds to ensure a better fit, or, you can use earpieces we have with the hearing assistance units.



St. Katharine's is happy to introduce a new opportunity for supporting your parish through online giving. We have partnered with Parish Giving to offer a simple, secure, and convenient means of contributing to St. Katharine's using your credit card or bank account.

To get started, scan the QR Code below or go to http://sksparish.org/give and follow the easy registration steps. If you need assistance enrolling or if you have questions, please contact Angela Kusterbeck, our parish business manager at 610-688-4584 or busingr@sksparish.org.



ARCHDIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Midnight Mass for New Year's and the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God holy day of obligation

Tuesday, January 1, 2019, 12 Midnight

The Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul invites you to celebrate the New Year and the feast of Our Lady at Midnight Mass. This Solemn Mass will take place in the Cathedral Chapel.

Retrouvaille

Is your marriage hurting? Do you feel helpless? Hopeless? Retrouvaille (retro-vie) can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples who can help you reawaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought you together, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille can help heal your marriage, as it has for tens of thousands of couples throughout the world. The next program begins on the weekend of February 8-10 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. Additional weekends will be held in April and August. For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our website at www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

HAVE A
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
A HOLY AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR!
MSGR. BROUWERS
MSGR. CARROLL
FATHER REILLY
AND THE
ENTIRE
PARISH STAFF

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, of St. Katharine of Siena Parish, believe that we have been gifted with life, faith and discipleship. Empowered by Jesus in word and sacrament, we are called to grow in wisdom and grace, fidelity to His Sewardship

Church, and in service to our brothers and sisters.

Time and Talent Team Coordinators: Bob McAlaine: bobbydmc@gmail.com, Stephanie McAlaine: s.mcalaine@verizon.net, Chris Gagliardi: cgagliardi@cdssh.org

WORSHIP

Adoration

Maureen Reilly 610-989-3747 Marie Northington 610-687-6498

Adult Altar Servers

Canice Treangen 610-525-3494

Altar Servers

Liz Dole 610-291-8475

Charismatic Prayer Group

Paul Hayes 610-687-8835

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Betty Sabol 610-688-9489 Michele Staves mcstaves@gmail.com

Church Environment

Amy Tahtabrounian 610-688-3970

Eucharistic Ministers

Patrice Polgar 484-620-2282

Liturgical Music Ministries

Jeremy Triplett 610-688-9489

Ministers of Hospitality

Canice Treangen 610-525-3494

Ministers of the Word (Lectors)

Craig Hadden 610-688-0481

Pre Jordan

Sister Mary Elizabeth 610-688-7890

Rosary Group Mary Ann Mahoney

Mary Ann Mahoney 610-971-0441

CATECHESIS

Bible Study

Msgr. Brouwers 610-688-4584

Home and School Association

Rebecca Roe 610-529-9768

Marriage Preparation

Dan and Julie Pijawka 610-993-1249

Parish School

Frank Tosti 610-688-5451

P.R.E.P. and P.R.E.P. Board (CCD Advisory Board)

Sr. Mary Elizabeth Karalis 610-688-7890

Respect Life

Matt and Maria Sowden 610-975-9474 sksrespectlife@gmail.com

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Msgr. Brouwers 610-688-4584

ABUSE POLICY

Report Abuse to:

Office of Child and Youth Protection Archdiocese of Philadelphia 888-800-8780 www.archphila.org/protection

Pennsylvania Child Abuse Hotline

1-800-932-0313

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Alcoholics Anonymous

Contact Rectory 610-688-4584

Hospitality Committee (Newcomers)

Helen Gleason 610-688-0124

Mothers of Young Children

Elise Parisi moyc@sksparish.org

Parish Coffee

Anne Walkenhorst 610-525-1452

Parish Center Reservations Manager

Marian Cellucci 610-688-7044

Aberdeen Club

Susan Diebold 610-527-3298

Walking with Purpose

Maureen Reilly 610-989-3747 Susan Wiener 610-331-3847

OUT OF PARISH RESOURCES

Archdiocesan Information 215-587-3600

Crisis Pregnancy Line 1-800-CARE-002

Metropolitan Tribunal 215-587-3750

Separated and Divorced Catholics

215-587-0500

If you are interested in learning more about any of the groups call the contact name above or the rectory at 610-688-4584.

SERVICE

Aid for Friends

Barbara Gallagher 610-687-6526

Athletic Association

Michael McCormick ad@sksparish.org

Blood Drive

MaryAnn Crowe 610-688-9479

Boy Scouts

John McGee 610-389-0451

C.A.R.E.S. (Children Are

Receiving Extended Care) Michael Gavin 610-587-7440

Close Knit Community

Marie Rauscher 610-964-0642

H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People in Emergencies)

Colleen Maguire 610-688-0551 Shauna Munshower 610-688-4348

Interfaith Hospitality Network

Robert and Jane Till 610-710-6410

Knights of Columbus

Tom Grube skskofc@gmail.com

Mercy Hospice Casserole Program

Jerry and Kay Lafferty 610-687-4707

Parish Library

Christine Purkis 610-687-8367

Parish Center Kitchen

Ginny Dutton 610-710-6307

Persons with Disabilities

Rosemarie Mazzeo 215-888-1043

St. Martin de Porres Outreach

Beth Stone 610-688-8627