

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers
Pastor

Rev. Msgr. John J. Jagodzinski
Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Carroll
Priest in Residence

Stephanie Twohig
Youth Minister

Frank Tosti, School Principal
610-688-5451

Colleen Maguire
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610-688-7890

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Liturgical Music Director
610-688-9489

Angela Kusterbeck
Business Manager

Barbara Lombardi
Parish Secretary

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 16, 2018

8:00 AM For the people of St. Katharine's
9:30 AM Anne and Scho Schofield
11:30 AM Joanne Eckenrode

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2018

6:30 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory
8:00 AM Raymond J. Adamczyk

Eucharistic Adoration will begin after the 8:00 am Mass today with Benediction starting at 4:30 pm.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2018

6:30 AM Joseph and Ellen Brady
8:00 AM Robert Butwin, Sr.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2018

6:30 AM Andrew Mason
8:00 AM James and Marjorie White

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2018

6:30 AM Anne Marie Mason (Living)
8:00 AM James Snell

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2018

6:30 AM Maria Kovolski
8:00 AM Daniel Lincicome

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2018

8:00 AM Dolores Chessock
5:00 PM Richard McDonnell

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2018

8:00 AM For the people of St. Katharine's
9:30 AM Bill Gleason and Ann-Michele Higgins
11:30 AM Gemma Duffy

Readings: Mi 5:1-4a; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45



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

ADVENT 2018 AREA PENANCE SERVICES

St. Dorothy
Monday, December 17th, at 7:00pm

Annunciation B. V. M.
Monday, December 17th, at 7:00pm

St. Denis
Tuesday, December 18th, at 7:00pm

Sacred Heart
Thursday, December 20th, at 7:00pm

St. John Neumann
Thursday, December 20th, at 7:00pm

St. Pius X
Thursday, December 20th, at 7:00pm

Mothers of Young Children

Wednesday, December 19th: Parents and caregivers of children ages 0-5 are welcome to join us for our weekly play group in the Parish Center. Contact Elise Parisi at moyc@sksparish.org or 484-885-0130 for more information. Also, please feel free to join our Facebook group - Saint Katharine's Mothers of Young Children - to get more information on meet-ups and events.

H.O.P.E. Leader this Week – (Group 8)

Gail Dillon 610-688-0533

"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.



HOLIDAY BULLETIN INFORMATION

The December 30th Bulletin information is due to the rectory by noon on **Monday, December 17th** and the January 6th Bulletin information by noon on **Wednesday, December 19th.**

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

AN UNWANTED TOUCH OF RED IN OUR MIDST

or

A BOARD OF LIMITED JURISDICTION

The Christmas season is filled with red and green; they are festive colors that mark the season! As you read last week's and this week's Parish Bulletin, however, you may notice some unwelcome red as you see that our expenses exceed our income. This is the second time in this fiscal year that we have found ourselves operating in the red. It's the first time since I've been your pastor that we've been in the red so early in the fiscal year. Usually, we don't get to this situation until late spring, after all of the school tuition has been paid and the weekly expenses begin to exceed income. The reason for this early operational deficit is a decrease in tuition income that has resulted from a decrease in enrollment in our school, from 411 last year to 389 this year. But, as I noted above and you surely noticed in *Statement of Operating Income and Expenses* that was included in the fall mailing, we have been ending our fiscal year in the red for the last four years. Again, the reason for this is the excess in school expenses over income; the rest of the parish has been able to operate in the black. Even though we have steadily increased our school tuition – at \$5,250 for the first child, it is now the highest of all parochial schools in the archdiocese – a steady decline in student enrollment (we had 451 students just seven years ago, the result of the closing of several nearby parochial schools in recent years), coupled with significant increases in medical and retirement benefits for our school staff has resulted in the school continuing to operate at a deficit. Last year, the parish subsidy for the school was \$407,000 - 15% of the total school budget.

As you know, I'm a firm believer in Catholic education and I want our school to continue to succeed. I'm very grateful to our principal, Bud Tosti, and our wonderful teachers and staff, for their untiring dedication to forming our children in the faith as they challenge them to achieve academic excellence. Bud and I have been working hard to make sure that our school, which just recently celebrated its 100th anniversary, will continue to thrive. To help us in this important task, we are in the midst of initiating a *Board of Limited Jurisdiction* that will help us in this; we hope to establish it in the spring. A *Board of Limited Jurisdiction* is a model of school governance already in place - and working well - in over 20 schools in our Archdiocese as well as in schools in several (arch)dioceses throughout the country. These boards are comprised of parishioners and non-parishioners who value Catholic education and who have a vested interest in the success and future viability of their local school. These *Boards* don't get involved in the everyday operation of the school but, in collaboration with the principal and pastor, they oversee development, marketing, facilities, finances, and enrollment.

We are working with our Archdiocesan *Office of Catholic Education* in this initiative. Staff from that office will guide us through the implementation process, train, and continue to provide professional development for our newly formed *Board*. I have spoken with other pastors who have established *Boards of Limited Jurisdiction* in their schools and am greatly encouraged by the success that they have had. I ask that you keep this initiative in your prayers so that we will be successful, too!

In the meantime, I ask that you also examine your financial support of your parish. Some of our parishioners are very generous and I am very grateful for those who are. But, many continue to give at the same rate year after year and, as you can well imagine, this will not cover the rising costs of parish operation. Fortunately, our annual October Count demonstrated that Sunday Mass attendance remains steady; the average Sunday Mass attendance this October was 942, up just a little from the 938 attendance of last year. And, our Sunday Collection has kept pace with last year, as well. I have tried very hard to keep our parish expenses under control but, just as you experience in your home and business, we experience a steady increase in costs of operating the parish. So, if you haven't increased your support for a few years, I ask that you do so now. As we come to the end of celebrating the 125th anniversary of our parish, I'm sure you join me in wanting this parish to thrive for another 125 years. After all, we are called to be like John the Baptist who, as we heard in today's gospel passage, preached the good news to the people. We need to continue to hear that good news ourselves and make it known to everyone we meet; we do that so well in a variety of ways and, with your continued support, we will continue to do so for many years to come!



PARISH ACTIVITIES



We adopted just under 100 families from St. Martin's and SKS three weeks ago. This past Saturday over 300 boxes filled with Christmas presents and food were delivered by the wonderful St. Katharine's parishioners. They were received by the 50 Youth Group members and CYO basketball players. Thank you to all who were involved in this amazing weekend.



On Monday, December 24th (Christmas Eve), please come at 3:00 pm and help set up luminaries around our church.

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.

Flocknote

"Thank you" to everyone who has signed up on Flocknote. This will help everyone in the parish connect more easily. 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. Once enrolled, you will start receiving general parish communications and announcements.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

2018

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, December 22nd
4:00 PM – 4:45 PM

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



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 busmgr@sksparish.org.



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of 5 December — 11 December 2018

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$12,961.00
Electronic Giving: \$9,851.67
Tuition: \$18,797.50
Other Parish Collections: \$12,367.00
Other Income: \$22,592.00
Weekly Income: \$76,569.17
YTD Income: \$1,665,696.46

PARISH EXPENSES

Benefits: \$48,428.40
Administration Expenses: \$7,632.09
Maintenance: \$4,055.06
Other Expenses: \$21,170.59
Weekly Expenses: \$81,286.14
YTD Expenses: \$1,694,715.08
YTD Balance: \$ (29,018.62)

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," low-gluten 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.

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.



Respect Life

Save the Date

Fourth Culture of Life Concert and Dinner
The Story of Life
Sunday, January 27, 2018 at 4:00 pm

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 re-awaken 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.

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 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
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

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

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