August 4, 2019

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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Barbara Lombardi Parish Secretary 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.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Sr. Mary Elizabeth Karalis, SSJ, Colleen Maguire, Frank Tosti, JoAnne Alexander, Sarah Bradley, Dan Hayes, Ed Kubala, Nick Lee, Robert McAlaine, Jessica Waltman, Jeff Walkenhorst

PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

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

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2019

8:00 AM	For the people of St. Katharine's
9:30 AM	Mary Jane Tague
11:30 AM	Michael Evans

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019

6:30 AM Patricia McGoldrick 8:00 AM McCafferty/Schleicher Families

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 20196:30 AMLouis Fischer8:00 AMEthel Henry

- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2019
- 6:30 AMWilliam Jake Weber8:00 AMJoan Katelhon
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2019 6:30 AM Rick and Ellie Melli (Living)
- 8:00 AM Angela Maher

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2019

6:30 AM Lena Castiglioni 8:00 AM Deacon George Bolter

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2019

8:00 AM James and Pauline Noblitt James and Marjorie White

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2019

8:00 AM	For the people of St. Katharine's	
9:30 AM	Macy Collini	
11:30 AM	Barbara Godridge	

Readings: Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2,8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40



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.

Mario Andan Robert Bruno Ryan Carlton Charles Carr **Jackie Chedeville** Mark DeLuca Patrick Graham Jean Hemcher Ginny Jackson Libby Judge Corrine Kerrigan Tony Lopez Daniel Maguire Timothy Mahoney John McCabe Madeleine O'Keefe Paula Rudnick Logan Schweiter Claire Sieracki Jessica Smucker Debbie Snyder John Studenka Maryanne Sullivan Connie Winoski

Deceased Prayer List:

Joseph Gannon, William Jake Weber, Jane Maguire



Check out our website at www.sksparish.org!

Visit us on Facebook.

ONGOING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mothers of Young Children Summer Schedule

Parents and caregivers of children ages 0-5 are welcome to join us for our weekly play group. We will be meeting at various local parks this summer. Please 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 meetups and events.

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.

Clothing Drive

Every second Sunday of the month, our parish provides a collection point for used clothing, housewares and furniture in good condition for a thrift shop in North Philadelphia. The thrift shop sells these items and distributes the proceeds to area churches to help them fund their mission outreach work. Please place your used clothing, housewares and furniture in good condition under the overhang of the Midland Avenue school entrance before 10:00 am on the second Sunday of every month. *The next clothing drive is Sunday, August 11th.*

SKS BULLETIN INFORMATION

All Bulletin information must be to the rectory by 5pm on <u>Monday</u>. Bulletin inserts are due to the rectory at least 10 days before the date requested.

All Bulletin information for <u>Sunday, Sep-</u> tember 1st must be to the rectory by Noon on Wednesday, August 21st.

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

TRUE JOY

"As the Father loves me, so also I love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete." (*Jn* 15:9-11)

In the *Gospel of John*, we hear Jesus speak these words to his disciples at the Last Supper. They speak powerfully of true love and true joy. We are called to be people of love and joy; in fact, in one of my favorite Eucharistic Prayers, we hear the priest ask God to help us bring his love and joy into the world.

But, it's important to understand these words as Jesus is using them. We all too often reduce them to emotions, that is, fleeting feelings; that's not what Jesus means. Love, as Jesus teaches, is not the self-centered desire to satisfy myself but the selfless decision to help the other become fully what God has called us to be - his image and likeness. In the same way, joy is not that emotion of great delight or happiness, as the dictionary defines it, but the deep, inner peace that we experience when we are one with God. We can experience this joy even in the midst of great trial or tragedy, just as Jesus did as he prepared for his crucifixion; as you see in the quote from John's Gospel above, he spoke of joy most eloquently on the night before he was to die on the cross.

I was recently directed to an article written by Peter Kreeft, a well-known Catholic theologian and author; he is currently a professor at Boston College. His article captures the Christian understanding of joy with great clarity so I want to share it with you; I invite you to read it when you have a moment to be quiet and listen from the depths of your soul:

Pleasure is in the body. Happiness is in the mind and feelings. Joy is deep in the heart, the spirit, the center of the self. The way to pleasure is power and prudence. The way to happiness is moral goodness. The way to joy is sanctity, loving God with your whole heart and your neighbor as yourself. Everyone wants pleasure. More deeply, everyone wants happiness. Most deeply, everyone wants joy. Freud says that spiritual joy is a substitute for physical pleasure. People become saints out of sexual frustrations. This is exactly the opposite of the truth. St. Thomas Aquinas says, "No man can live without joy. That is why one deprived of spiritual joy goes over to carnal pleasures." Sanctity is never a substitute for sex, but sex is often a substitute for sanctity.

The simplest, most unanswerable proof that Aquinas is right and Freud is wrong, is experience. It is not a matter of faith alone. It has been proved by experience by many, many people, many, many times. You can repeat the experiment and prove it to yourself. You can be absolutely certain that it is true, just as you can be certain that fire is hot and ice is cold.

Millions of people for thousands of years have tried the experiment, and not one of them has ever been cheated. All who seek, find – this is not just a promise about the next life, to be believed by faith, but a promise about this life, to be proved by experience, to be tested by experiment.

No one who ever said to God, "Thy will be done" and meant it with his heart, ever failed to find joy – not just in heaven, or even down the road in the future in this world, but in this world at that very moment, here and now. In the very act of self-surrender to God there is joy. Not just later, as a consequence, but right then. It is exactly like a woman's voluntary sexual surrender to a man. The mystics often say all souls are female to God: that's one reason why God is always symbolized as male. Of course it's only a symbol, but it's a true symbol, a symbol of something true. The symbolism is not "sexist" either. It holds for a man's soul as well. Only when lovers give up all control and melt helplessly into each other's bodies and spirits. only when they overcome the fear that demands control, do they find the deepest joy.

Frigidity, whether sexual or spiritual, comes from egotism. We've all known people who are cold, suspicious, mistrusting, unable to let go. These people are miserable, wretched. They can't find joy because they can't trust, they can't have faith. You need faith to love, and you need to love to find joy. Faith, love, and joy are a package deal. Every time I have ever said yes to God with something even slightly approaching the whole of my soul, every time I have not only said "Thy will be done" but meant it, loved it, longed for it – I have never failed to find joy and peace at that moment. In fact, to the precise extent that I have said it and meant it, to exactly that extent have I found joy.

Every other Christian who has ever lived has found exactly the same thing in his own experience. It is an experiment that has been performed over and over again billions of times, always with the same result. It is as certain as gravity.

It sounds too good to be true. It sounds like pious exaggeration, a salesman's pitch. Instant joy? All you have to do is surrender to God? What's the catch?

There is a catch. It's a big one, but a simple one: you have to really do it, not just think about it. To do it completely requires something we dislike very much: death. Not the death of the body. The body is not the obstacle. The ego is. Self-will is. We fear giving that up even more than we fear giving up our body to death – even though that ego, the thing St. Paul calls "the old man" in us, or the Adam in us, is the cause of all our misery. That old self has sold itself to the devil. It's his microphone. It sits there behind our ears chattering away. When we're about to give ourselves to God, it instantly whispers to us: "Careful, now. Hold back. Don't get too close to him. He's dangerous. In fact, he's a killer."

The voice speaks some truth. Even the devil has to begin with some truth in order to twist it into a lie. It's true; God is a killer. If you let him, he will kill your old, selfish, unhappy, bored, wretched, mistrusting, loveless self. But he will do it only if you want him to; and he will do it only as much as you want him to. God is a gentleman. He will never rape your soul, only woo it.

And when he does, you understand one of the reasons why sex is so different, so special, so holy: it is an image of this, of heaven, of the ultimate meaning and destiny and purpose of your life. Even the tiny foretaste of heaven that we can all have here on earth by surrendering to God is as much more joyful than the greatest ecstasy sex can give, just as being with your beloved is more joyful than being with her picture. You either believe all this, or you don't. If you do, then do it! If you don't, then try it. You'll like it.

It's very important that we realize that this is the kind of joy that God offers us; all we have to do is die to ourselves so as to live in him. It is this joy that we are invited to enjoy and then bring to our world!



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Casseroles and Groceries for Mercy Hospice

Mercy Hospice is a "community grounded in faith and service where women and children without permanent housing can find opportunities for new beginnings." St. Katharine's parishioners can help all year long – no summer vacation time off – by making ONE casserole a month to feed the women and children. They are so appreciative of the hot meal!

Pan recipes for newcomers to the program are located at the Aberdeen Avenue door of the church. The next deadline is **Wednesday**, **August 21st**.

No time to cook? Please consider buying some much needed groceries such as ground coffee, creamer and sugar, peanut butter, jelly, granola bars, poptarts, brownie mixes, pancake mixes, and juice boxes. Toiletries are also greatly appreciated! For more info contact Jane Dwyer at 610-306-9171 or Jane Dooner at 610-505-1436.



Steubenville Catholic Retreat St. John's NY

The girls from St. Katharine's and St. Monica's gathered together after the Emily Wilson session.



Sophomores Sophia, Lanie, Grant, Adian and James enjoying the shade in between the Saturday sessions.





OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of 24 July 2019 — 30 July2019

PARISH INCOME

PARISH EXPENSES

Sunday Collection: \$7,897.00 Electronic Giving: \$3,285.00 Tuition: \$53,325.00

Other Income: \$749.50 Weekly Income: \$65,256.50 YTD Income: \$162,942.55 Diocesan Assessment: \$12,966.63 Maintenance: \$9,835.66 Charitable Giving:\$4,500.00 Utilities: \$6,157.64 Administration Expenses: \$5,461.94

Other Expenses: \$7,602.84 Weekly Expenses: \$46,524.71 YTD Expenses: \$205,875.58 YTD Balance: \$(42,933.03)

Gender Matters

Fighting for the Integrity of Persons

Please join Andrew Comiskey and friends as we discover together the compassion and clarity of Jesus for persons facing sexual identity problems. The Father designed us and Jesus redeems us. His redeeming love ushers in the splendid challenge of becoming whole: men and women who are integrating the powers of life and love in our lives, one day at a time.

We want to ignite the church with Spirit-filled, truthful hope so that she may shine bright in this confusing hour. We—His members—can and must make the difference in the lives of loved ones. We begin with our own repentance unto intimate reliance upon Jesus. Join us as we humble ourselves before the Crucified and become good news for seeking hearts.

Registration Information

September 7, 2019 Saturday, 9:00 am—4:00 pm There will be an 8:00 am Mass at the Parish St. Katharine of Siena Parish 104 S. Aberdeen Avenue Wayne, PA 19087

For Information

Call—816-767-1730 Email—info@desertstream.org Cost: \$25 (lunch will be included for those who pre-register.

Register https://gendermattersphilly.eventbrite.com



The AbbeyFest: Faith, Music and Family Festival Saturday, September 21st Noon to 9:30 pm

Join over 4,000 Christians for a day of music, praise, prayer, sacraments and fun at the largest Catholic music festival in our area!

Musicians: Matt Maher, Mac Powell, Hannah Schaefer and more!

Location: Daylesford Abbey, Paoli, PA

For tickets and more information please visit http://www.theabbeyfest.com/.

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 Dr. Ted Latham 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 Colleen Brady 610-687-3449

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 Jane Dwyer 610-306-3847 Jane Dooner 610-331-3847

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