EPIPHANY OF THE LORD January 5, 2020

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

Father Scott Reilly, LC Weekend Assistant 484-422-8117

Stephanie Twohig Youth Minister

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MaryAnn Crowe

Parish Nurse: 610-688-9479

Dr. Ted Latham 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, Sarah Bradley, Dan Hayes, Ed Kubala, Nick Lee, Robert McAlaine, Jessica Waltman, Jeff Walkenhorst

PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, 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, JANUARY 5, 2020

8:00 AM For the people of St. Katharine's 9:30 AM Richard Caruso (Living)

11:30 AM Renato Victorio
6:00 PM Youth Mass

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020 6:30 AM Andrew Mason

8:00 AM James and Marjorie White

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2020

6:30 AM Rick and Ellie Melli (Living)

8:00 PM Florence Cellucci

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020

6:30 AM Anne Marie Mason (Living)

8:00 AM Libby Bruno

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020 6:30 AM Catherine Wolfington 8:00 AM Deacon George Bolter

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2020 6:30 AM Drew Mason (Living) 8:00 AM Clyde Shelton

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2020 8:00 AM Pam McMahon 5:00 PM Jake Weber

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2020

8:00 AM For the people of St. Katharine's **9:30 AM** James and Marjorie White

11:30 AM John Fitzsimmons

Readings: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

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 **Gail Bushey** Charles Callaghan Ryan Carlton Charles Carr Jackie Chedeville Mark DeLuca Patrick Graham Jean Hencher Helen Hobson 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 Maryanne Sullivan Connie Winoski

Deceased Prayer List:

Mark DeLucan Francis Diebold, Mary Alice Hamilton, Susan Fisher



Check out our website at www.sksparish.org!



Visit us on Facebook.

ONGOING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mothers of Young Children Wednesday, January 8th

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 about Mothers of Young Children. 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. Co-Leaders this Week - (Group 7)

Linda Logan 610-804-5356 Maria Mendler 484-580-6656

"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 knitting and crocheting group of St. Katharine of Siena parish meets every Wednesday in the Parish Center from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. We create warm items for several organizations in the diocese. Not sure of your skills? Come along and we'll be happy to help you. Feel free to drop in and say hello; we'd love to see you. For information, call Marie Rauscher at (610) 964-0642.

Parish Coffee

SKS Religious Education is hosting a Parish Coffee next Sunday after the 9:30 Mass. Coffee and treats will be

served. All are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

SKS BULLETIN INFORMATION

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

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

The Epiphany of the Lord

Happy New Year! I hope you have enjoyed this marvelous festive season as we celebrated once again the birth of our Savior at Christmas as well as the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph last Sunday. Gathering together with family and friends is certainly a wonderful way to commemorate our Lord joining our human family so that we could become once again worthy to be part of God's family! The Christmas season ends with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord next Sunday.

As we begin another year in God's grace, I want to thank you - in the name of the thousands of people throughout the Archdiocese who will benefit - for your tremendous generosity to the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal! As you may recall from my report on the Catholic Charities Appeal early this year – it was in my 10 February 2019 Parish Bulletin article - our goal for 2019 was \$152,390.00. And, as in past years, we exceeded our goal; the total collected to date is an outstanding \$158,915; only two of the 216 parishes in the Archdiocese gave more than you did! As you know from the literature you receive every year, the Catholic Charities Appeal assists thousands of men, women and children throughout the Archdiocese through a whole variety of organizations, programs and other initiatives; in their name, I thank you. Throughout the year, you continually demonstrate your willingness to share your blessings with the less fortunate, here in our own parish, throughout the archdiocese and, indeed, around the world!

Speaking of sharing your blessings around the world, let me also take this opportunity to share a note of thanks from Sister Elizabeth Kithuva, SSJ, who visited us in October as we joined in the worldwide Mission Sunday celebration. Sister Kithuva wrote me a few weeks ago to express her gratitude for your generous \$3,616.00 response to her appeal. These funds were added to the money collected around the world to assist the thousands of missionary parishes, hospitals and schools in their work of spreading the Gospel to the ends of the earth, as our Lord calls us to do. Your ongoing generous response to these annual appeals is a true testimony to your awareness that, as followers of Christ, we are all called to make his love and care apparent to all the world!

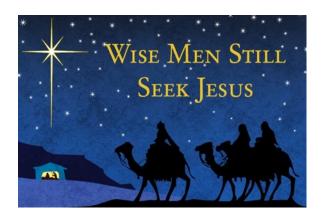
Speaking of making our Lord apparent, today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of our Lord. As you surely know, Epiphany means "to appear to" and today, it refers to the manifestation of the infant Jesus to the gentiles, personified in the wise men who came from the East. As we hear in today's Gospel, "magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem saying, 'Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." However, in the writings of early Christians, the term "epiphany" was also used in reference to his birth since it was then that God appeared in human form. In fact, "epiphany" often referred to his baptism and the wedding feast at Cana as well, since these were events where Jesus' divinity was made manifest. Today's readings at Mass all focus on the visit by the magi but throughout the Divine Office (the official prayer that clergy are required - and laity are encouraged - to pray throughout the day), there are references to our Lord's birth, baptism and miracle at Cana - all vestiges of the events that have been indicated by this feast.

Down through the past 2,000 years of Christianity, it has taken on significance in a variety of ways around the world. In the Western Church, Christians began celebrating the Epiphany in 354AD, associating it with the visit of the Wise Men to Jesus. The three kings - tradition has given them the names Melchior, Caspar and Balthazar (representing Europe, Arabia and Africa respectively) - followed the star of Bethlehem to meet the baby Jesus where they offered gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The gifts were symbolic of the importance of Jesus' birth. The gold represented his royal standing as the new king in the line of David, frankincense symbolized his divine birth and myrrh spoke of his mortality (myrrh is a balm used to prepare a body for burial).

The Solemnity of the Epiphany began to be celebrated in the Eastern Church around 361AD. Even today, many Eastern Churches consider the Epiphany as important as – if not more important than – Christmas. During the medieval period, Christmas was celebrated for the 12 days from Christmas Eve on December 24, until the Epiphany. Even up until the 19th century, January 6 was as big a celebration as Christmas Day in many countries.

We Catholics observe Epiphany on a single day, usually on the Sunday after 6 January. For many Protestant churches, however, the season of Epiphany extends from 6 January until Ash Wednesday and the start of Lent. The last Sunday of the Epiphany is celebrated as Transfiguration Sunday. And, some Orthodox Christians, who celebrate Christmas on 7 January. observe the Epiphany on 19 January each year. Across the world, the day's celebration is observed in a variety of ways. In the Spanish speaking world, Epiphany is known as El Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings' Day). In some Latin American countries, believers gather to taste the Rosca de Reyes - Kings' bread. A Jesus figurine is often hidden in the bread and whoever finds the small statue of the baby Jesus hidden inside their slice of the Rosca de Reyes throws a party on Candlemas in February.

Yes, we celebrate our God's becoming apparent to us through his Son, born of Mary, made manifest to the wise men who came from the East, baptized by John in the Jordan when God's voice from heaven declared "this is my beloved Son on whom my favor rests; listen to him", and showing his love and concern for everyone he met by his miraculous acts – the first of which was changing water into wine at Cana. In these – and countless other ways – the Sacred Scriptures recall God's revelation to us in his Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ. As we celebrate the Epiphany today, let us be grateful to our God, who has made his presence known to all who open their eyes of faith to see!



YOUTH GROUP NEWS

We will celebrate the first Youth Mass of 2020 today at 6:00pm. Following Mass, come over to parish center and attend the Youth Group meeting from 7-8:30 pm. Join us for pizza and snacks and find out about our January service projects, social events, youth group activities. It's never too late to join SKS Youth Group! If you have any questions contact Steph Twohig, Youth Minister, at youthministry@sksparish.org.



Save the date: Monday, January 20th Martin Luther King Day of Service School Cafeteria 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

PARISH ACTIVITIES

SAVE THE DATE Concert for Life Sunday, January 19, 2020 4:00 pm

Featuring Valentin Radu and Peter DeMaio

March for Life 2020 When: Friday, January 24, 2020 Where: Washington DC Time: Depart SKS at 6:30 am

Make your reservations to go on the bus trip to the March on Friday, January 24th in Washington, DC. Eleven spots are already taken. Please call Maria Sowden at 610-975-9474



Please join the ladies of Walking with Purpose as we start off the new year with a talk from Father Scott Reilly, entitled "JESUS, OUR ONLY HOPE"

All ladies are invited, and no preparation is necessary.

Come and be blessed, whether you are an active member of WWP, or merely interested in the topic!

Tuesday, January 7th, from 9:15-11:am in the Parish Center

Parish Nurse Ministry

Reminders for dealing with the cold:

- 1. Drink plenty of fluids, eat a healthy diet, avoid caffeine and alcohol before going outside.
- 2. Check to make sure you have plenty of batteries.
- 3. No generator should be inside the home . Place the generator at least 20 feet from the
- 4. Never shovel or go walking alone in frigid weather.
- 5. Wear no-skid boots when shoveling.
- 6. Shovel on an hourly basis instead of all at
- 7. Push snow to the side and lift with legs, not back, with no twist of the torso.
- 8. If you have a life alert, keep it on you at all times.

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.

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.

Eucharistic **Eucharistic** Adoration place at St. Katharine's every Monday from the end of the 8:00 am Adoration Mass until Benediction which starts at 4:30 pm and lasts until around 4:45

pm. Spend some quiet time with the Lord. Read the divine words of Our Lord Jesus, meditate, pray or just sit quietly and listen to His words to you. You will leave the church happy and refreshed. Come and visit for as few or as many minutes as you have. You won't be sorry. This is the best gift that you could ever give yourself.

SKS SCHOOL NEWS

Dear SKS Parishioners,

Happy New Year to all! As we look to the second half of our school year we give thanks for the support of you, our fellow parishioners, our teachers and staff, our parents and most importantly our pastor, Monsignor Brouwers. As you know without a pastor's support it is difficult for a parish school to thrive and I'd like to thank Monsignor Brouwers for both his past and continued support. Any needs that we have had in his time here at St Katharine's have been generously met. school remains competitive, and viable as an outstanding choice for Catholic school education in our area. We have a rich history spanning 104 years. As we look to the future, though, we are faced with the realities of our day; each and every school in the diocese must be able to function on its own in a sustainable fashion. To that end, we have a formidable leadership group to achieve our This includes Monsignor Brouwers, our committed Home and School Association and our newly formed Board of Limited Jurisdiction and, as always you, our parishioners.

So, as we look to the future, and our mission to insure the sustainability of St Katharine of Siena School, we extend an invitation to all of you to attend our "Take a Leap for SKS" event. This event will kick off our first ever Annual Fund, and will be held on February 29th, at 7pm in the Parish Center (a leap day event in a leap year). We hope all of you will attend. This kick off event is for any and all who have a love for Catholic education here at St Katharine of Siena School. The night will include beer, wine, dinner and dancing with live music. Information regarding the purchase of tickets will be forthcoming in the next Sunday Bulletin. It will be an exciting and fun evening for our parish school and community at large. I cordially invite school families (both past and present), alumni, grandparents, and you, our parishioners, to this night of celebration.

Take care,

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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. ewardship

Time and Talent Team Coordinators: Bob McAlaine: bobbydmc@gmail.com, Chris Gagliardi: cgagliardi@cdssh.org

WORSHIP

Adoration

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

Adult Altar Servers

Paul and Alicia Peterson 610-989-0277

Altar Servers

Lisa Lopez-Carickoff 610-793-7681

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 **TBF**

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

Erin Buckley 610-331-8237

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

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 610-306-9171 Jane Dooner 610-505-1436 Susan Wiener 610-331-3847

Parish Library

Christine Purkiss 610-202-5360

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