

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

Colleen Maguire
Coordinator for Parish Life and
Ministry: 610-688-4584

Frank Tosti, School Principal
610-688-5451

S. Mary Elizabeth Karalis, SSJ
Director of Religious Education
610-688-7890

MaryAnn Crowe
Parish Nurse: 610-688-9479

Dr. Ted Latham
Liturgical Music Director
610-688-9489

Angela Kusterbeck
Business Manager

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, John Church, Carolyn Evans, Frank Tosti

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2019

8:00 AM For the people of St. Katharine's
9:30 AM Robert Smith, Jr.
11:30 AM Diomira Abbondandolo

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2019

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Joseph McBryan

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2019

8:00 AM Patricia Reusche
6:00 PM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2020

9:30 AM Rick and Elli Melli (Living)
11:00 AM Richard DePiano



THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2020

6:30 AM Libby Bruno
8:00 AM Brian Evans

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2020

6:30 AM Emmett McCullough
8:00 AM John Natale

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2020

8:00 AM John Fitzsimmons
5:00 PM Arlene Ragan

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

Readings: Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



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
Lucia Billings
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
Marianne Sullivan
Connie Winoski

Deceased Prayer List:

Mary Alice Hamilton, Susan Fisher, Mary Christopher



Check out our website at www.sksparish.org



Visit us on Facebook.

ONGOING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Mothers of Young Children Wednesday, January 1st

No play group today! 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. Leader this Week – (Group 6)

Theresa Brennan 610-687-9414

"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.

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.



**The Parish Office will be closed
on Wednesday, January 1st.**

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

Solemnity of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

"And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. ...And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (*Colossians* 3:15ff). As we continue our celebration of the Christmas Octave with the celebration of *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*, my heart is filled with thanks and joy as I celebrate Christmas with you here at *St. Katharine of Siena Parish*! What a generous Christmas spirit so many of you have shown during this season! Whether it was with one of the more than 575 gifts you provided for the women and their children who had no place to go but Mercy Hospice for Christmas, or with gifts and food you provided for the nearly 100 needy families at *St. Martin de Porres* and in our own neighborhood, or in so many other ways, so many of you made it clear that you are aware of the true spirit of Christmas and are eager to share God's love as we celebrate this clearest sign of his love – his coming in our midst to save us! God came to show his loving concern for all people and to bring them into his loving family, and your generosity has helped many people – both here in our own parish and throughout the archdiocese – experience God's love! In the name of their fellow parishioners, I thank Jane Dwyer, Jane Dooner, Vicki Warner and Susan Wiener for coordinating the Mercy Hospice project and Dick Banister, Howard Deck, Jeff and Kathy Moore, Pat Carney, Shannon Reilly, Kristen Davey, and Maria Carrillo and Jason Bologna for coordinating the St. Martin de Porres project once again this year – well done! And, special thanks to all of the CYO members who helped unload the cars and load the truck as well as to Michael and Lisa Pansini who paid for 100 turkeys to accompany the Christmas food boxes for Adopt-a-Family; that was a happy addition to an already wonderful program!

I have enjoyed taking part again in the many other Christmas traditions in the parish as well. I was impressed by the large number of proud parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles, siblings and neighbors who came to watch the children present their annual Christmas Concert and Christmas Tableau, and I want to thank everyone who helped to prepare the children. These wonderful events put everyone in attendance into the true Christmas spirit!

I want to thank everyone who made our parish facilities so beautiful during this special time. The outdoor Nativity scenes in front of our church and school certainly let everyone who passes by know that we are celebrating the birth of Christ, the light of the world! I am saddened by the continuing campaign by so many people in the secular world to remove any reference of Christ at Christmas – all supposedly in the name of political correctness. I do have to smile, however, as I hear people greet each

other with a "Happy Holiday" instead of "Merry Christmas" because the word "Holiday" is derived from "Holy Day," and Christmas is certainly a most holy day as we rejoice to welcome God in our midst!

Christmas is certainly a wondrous celebration here, and I want to thank everyone who enhanced the Christmas Eucharistic celebrations, using their ministries to help make God present at the altar: the lectors, Eucharistic ministers and altar servers, as well as the cantors and various music groups!

I also want to thank everyone who sent Msgr. Carroll and me Christmas greetings in the form of cards and other goodies – these certainly put us into the Christmas spirit!

The church exterior is elegantly decorated with wreaths – ancient symbols of the eternal and undying love that God has bestowed on us through his son – as well as the crèche that declares to everyone who passes by that we are celebrating the birth of our Lord. Of course, it is equally important to decorate the inside of the church, where we, God's faithful, come to worship Him and praise him every day, but especially during this glorious Christmas Season. I am very grateful to Amy Tatahbrounian, our church environment coordinator, who continues to offer new ideas to enhance our church interior for Christmas. As we celebrate the *Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*, and stop by the crèche, either in front of church or in front of our altar, we realize that God draws everyone – from shepherds to wise men and everyone in between, including us – into his Holy Family!

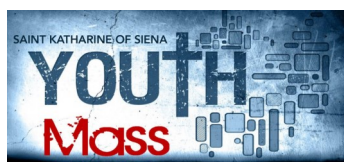
Yes, as we conclude our celebration of the Octave of Christmas, let us all become more aware that we are all part of God's Family, called to the same holiness that Jesus, Mary and Joseph lived in their lives. God came into our midst and is still in our midst today. We are to be the signs of his presence for all to see! And, let us be thankful, allowing the word of Christ to dwell in us during this holy season of Christmas and throughout the New Year!



YOUTH GROUP NEWS



Many thanks to the families and teens who helped load over 300 Christmas presents and food boxes on the moving van for St. Martin De Porres.



Sunday, January 5th at 6:00 will be the first Youth Mass of the 2020 New Year. 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 Coffee

SKS Religious Education is hosting a Parish Coffee on Sunday, January 12th after the 9:30 Mass. Coffee and treats will be served. All are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

**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

PARISH ACTIVITIES

**OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE
Weeks of 11 December 2019 — 17 December 2019**

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$89,874.00
Electronic Giving: \$3,465.00
Stewardship Appeal : \$11,925.00

Other Income: \$14,960.58
Weekly Income: \$120,224.58
YTD Income: \$1,978,308.69

PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries: \$82,419.05
St. Martin de Porres: \$7,855.00
Administration Expenses: \$10,242.75
Clergy/Religious Benefits: \$5,756.66

Other Expenses: \$16,979.24
Weekly Expenses: \$123,252.70
YTD Expenses: \$1,776,989.41
YTD Balance: \$201,319.28

Charismatic Healing Mass
Thursday, January 2, 2020
7:00 pm - worship and praise
7:30 pm—Mass
Questions: Paul Hayes, 610-687-8835

Parish Nurse Ministry

An Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is a portable medical device that analyzes and, when necessary, restores heart rhythm. An AED is the only effective treatment for restoring heart rhythm during a sudden cardiac arrest. AED's are designed for the layperson with step by step instructions. We have 3 AED's on site; they are located in the school cafeteria, the church sacristy and the parish center hallway in front of the Siena Room. If you want your blood pressure checked, please contact the parish nurse, Mary Ann Crowe at 610-688-9479.

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.

SKS SCHOOL NEWS

Dear SKS families,

The prayerful hope, patience, and giving of Advent leads to the joy of Christmas Day. At school, our students are taught that the true meaning of Christmas is experienced through the birth of Our Savior. Each year our 5th through 8th grade students present a Christmas Tableau Story that tells the *"greatest story ever told"* through prayer and song. The message is a beautiful one: Christ, the Savior, is born.

At this blessed season I would like to express my thanks to you, our parishioners, for all you do to keep our parish school sustainable and vibrant. Our school is an important part of the parish and counts on your steady support. I am grateful for your continued support.

Take care,

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ARCHDIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Hours for Vocations

As we celebrate Christmas, we are reminded of the many graces and blessings that God has bestowed on us. In particular, we have been blessed with over 80 seminarians studying for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

As we look to 2020, we once again invite the faithful of the Archdiocese to gather in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament; praying for those men whom God is inviting to follow him and also in thanksgiving for His faithfulness. These Holy Hours will be held on Sunday, January 5th — the Feast of John Neumann.

All are welcome! Holy Hours will be held at the following churches:

St. Colman, Ardmore, 1:00 pm
St. Agnes, West Chester, 2:00 pm
St. Mary Magdalen, Media, 3:00 pm
SS Simon and Jude, West Chester, Time TBD

HAVE 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 Church, and in service to our brothers and sisters.



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

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

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
skrsrespectlife@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.