FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT March 29, 2020

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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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

Please Note: all Masses are private until further notice.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020

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

9:30 AM Elizabeth Houghton 11:30 AM Catherine Miller

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 2020 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Rich Burns

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2020 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Melissa Rose Devers

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2020 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Melissa Rose Devers

THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2020

6:30 AM 8:00 AMJames and Marjorie White Vince Melli (Living)

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2020 6:30 AM Claude Walter 8:00 AM Michael Bruder

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 2020

8:00 AM Richard Caruso (Living)

5:00 PM Michael Bruder

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2020

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

9:30 AM Carol Ellen 11:30 AM John Gambino

Readings: Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mt. 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54



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 Charles Callaghan Ryan Carlton Charles Carr Jackie Chedeville Patrick Graham Jean Henche Helen Hobson Ginny Jackson Libby Judge Corrine Kerrigan Tony Lopez Daniel Maguire Timothy Mahoney Rocco Martino John McCabe Madeleine O'Keefe Paula Rudnick Logan Schweiter Claire Sieracki Jessica Smucker Debbie Snyder Maryanne Sullivan Connie Winoski

Deceased Prayer List:

Rita Duddy, Margaret Manley



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OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of 18 March — 24 March 2020

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$3,122.00 Electronic Giving: \$2,830.00

Tuition: \$12,887.50

PARISH EXPENSES

Diocesan Assessment: \$12,966.67 Benefits: \$50,244.93 Administration Expenses: \$12,449.63

Utilities: \$7,640.44 Maintenance: \$4,620.53

Other Income: \$7,527.15 Weekly Income: \$26,366.65 YTD Income: \$3,232,287.50

Other Expenses: \$10,300.19 Weekly Expenses: \$98,222.39 YTD Expenses: \$2,861,787.81 YTD Balance: \$370,499.69



PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

Although our parish facilities are closed (except our church, which remains open daily from 6:00am until 4:30pm for private prayer), our parish is still active. Our parish staff continues to work from home, providing the usual administrative assistance and paying all of our bills. Our school is operational as students continue to learn at home. So, we are grateful to our parishioners who are already supporting our parish through Parish Giving and we ask those who aren't doing so to sign up now. Parish Giving is a leading provider of secure, user-friendly online giving systems that specializes in religious organizations. Like dozens of parishes in our Archdiocese that also use it, we are using Parish Giving with great satisfaction since it provides us with reliable year-round income. To sign up, simply go to our parish website (www.stkatharineofsiena.org) and click on the "Give to SKS" blue box; it's easy to do and especially important for the vitality of our parish during these times when we can't pass the Sunday collection basket.



From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

Fifth Sunday of Lent during these Unusual Times

The Season of Lent is given to us every year to recognize and admit how we have drifted away from God and then to turn back to him as we prepare to accompany his son through his suffering, death and Resurrection. It is a time to focus again on the eternal life God promises us rather than remain caught up in pursuing momentary pleasures here on earth.

Lent always falls during spring – after all, that's what the word "lent" means – and this is, for most of us, a very busy time as the weather improves and all kinds of activities resume after the lull following Christmas. So, it's really easy for us to get distracted from the Lenten journey. Not so this year as life comes to a screeching halt because we're ordered to stay at home to slow down the spread of COVID-19. Of course, having to adjust to life at home – with or without children – is a challenge. As you make the necessary adjustments. I invite you to reexamine your participation in Lent and take this opportunity to refocus on it; Holy Week is only a week away! If you didn't already do so last Sunday, I encourage you to come join the rest of your St. Katharine of Siena family in participating in the Sunday Mass; it is live streamed at 9:30am and available at any time afterward, as well. Simply respond to the Flocknote invitation that you will receive or go to our parish website (www.stkatharineofsiena.org) and click on SKS YouTube. As you watch the Mass on television, you can pull up the readings and lyrics for the hymns on your cell phone. Last week, we had 640 viewers and it was a muchappreciated moment for us to join together as a faith filled family in prayer and praise of God during these difficult and stress-filled times.

If you have some free time since you're working from home, or you need to get away from the craziness of having your kids at home all day, you can also turn back to God through Scripture reading, reading a biography of your favorite saint or joining in virtual rosaries offered online throughout the day. Bishop Robert Barron and Father Mike Schmitz are offering excellent, thought-provoking reflections every day that can help us make this Lent particularly beneficial for ourselves. EWTN also offers many opportunities for spiritual growth during these days. Relevant Radio (640 on the AM band) features daily Mass at 1:00pm and Stations of the Cross at 4:35pm every Friday during Lent. And, these are only a few of many resources available; I invite you to take advantage of them as we struggle with the many hardships we face during this time.

As we weather this storm, I want to repeat a few points I made during my homily at the Sunday Mass. First of all, despite all of the commentators' saying that we're experiencing something that's unprecedented, it's important to recognize that it really isn't something new; it's just something new to us. Just google "pandemics in history" and you'll see that humanity has struggled through a wide variety of pandemics down through the ages. The earliest recorded one was during the Peloponnesian War, beginning in 430BC; an estimated two-thirds of the population died. In more recent times, we've all

heard of the Spanish Flu pandemic. It lasted over a year and resulted in 50 million deaths worldwide. And, most of us have lived through SARS, when over 9,000 died worldwide in 2002 and the swine flu that killed over 12,000 people between April 2009 and August 2010. We live in a universe that continues to evolve and a world that is very dynamic. We're continually subjected to natural events that are usually beneficial over time but can, in the short run, be devastating, the result of both inanimate and animate forces. For example, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions and wildfires reshape our world and the destruction often brings growth. Earthquakes make mountains rise, volcanoes add landmass and wildfires foster new growth. In the same way, animate activity, such as smallpox, tuberculosis, influenza and coronaviruses, are deadly to some but make the survivors ever more resilient.

Second, as we continue to struggle through this COVID-19 pandemic, I've had a number of people ask me, "Did God cause this?" or "Why did God send this plague on us?" These questions sound like the one we heard the disciples ask Jesus in last Sunday's Gospel: if the man's blindness is God's punishment due to his sin or the sin of his parents. Notice how Jesus responds: "It is so that the works of God might be made visible through him." I like to respond that this pandemic is a powerful reminder to us that we're not in charge – God is. Jesus puts aside any notion that God punishes us. God loves us and wants only the best for us. And, he calls us to trust in him and his plan as we work to make him more visible.

The Lenten Season is given to us every year to help us recognize our own blindness and to allow Jesus to remove our blindness so that we may see him for who he really is – our Lord. So many of us have been blinded by our busyness in the matters of this world – trying to ensure that we can live well here and now. I invite you to reflect on how this pandemic can help you turn to our Lord and be given new sight – a vision of faith in God rather than a focus on the fleeting pleasures of this world.

Of course, before we come to celebrate the joy of Easter, we have to follow our Lord, Jesus, as he goes to his suffering and death on the cross. I'm sure you have all heard that this pandemic will get worse before it gets better. And so, we can accompany our Lord on his way to Jerusalem where he will face suffering and death. The experts aren't yet sure when we will see light at the end of the tunnel when it comes to the coronavirus but we can be sure that our Lord offers all of the faithful the bright light of the Resurrection at the end of our lives. So, let's use this last week of Lent to prepare for Easter; COVID-19 leads us to do so in an entirely new way!



How to handwash Catholic Style!



30-45 second wash time



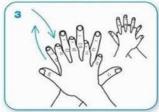
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth,



and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,



who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,



suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;



He descended into hell: on the third day He rose again from the dead;



He ascended into heaven,



and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;



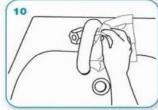
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.



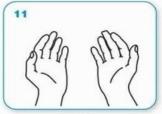
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church,



the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins,



the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.



Amen.

Clean hands are life savers

...and prayers save souls!

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, 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

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Janna Forte 484-432-2640

Ministers of the Word (Lectors)

Craig Hadden 610-688-0481

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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

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Frank Tosti 610-688-5451

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Sr. Mary Elizabeth Karális 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

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

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

Interfaith Hospitality Network

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Parish Library

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Ginny Dutton 610-710-6307

Persons with Disabilities

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