

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

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Pastor Emeritus

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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

Please Note: all Masses are private until further notice.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020

For the people of St. Katharine's
Kenneth Faistl
Carmine Coniglioni

MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2020

Special Intention
James and Mary Kelly

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2020

James and Marjorie White
Bill and Catherine Murphy

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2020

Special Intention
Richard Melli (Living)

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2020

Special Intention
Patricia Tamanev

FRIDAY, MAY 1, 2020

Special Intention
Robert J. Mitchell

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2020

Joseph and Mary Duddy
Thomas E. Burnetta

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020

For the people of St. Katharine's
James Motley
Albert Tegler

Readings: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; 1 Peter 2:20b-25; John 10:1-10

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 Hencher
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:

Martha McNichol, Rebecca Hurley, Norman Danzik



Check out our website at www.sksparish.org!



Visit us on Facebook.



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.

OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of 15 April — 22 April 2020

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$11,757.00
Electronic Giving: \$3,815.00
Tuition: \$8,455.00
Easter Collection: \$13,240.00

Other Income: \$1,260.42
Weekly Income: \$38,527.42
YTD Income: \$3,345,326.96

PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries: \$72,469.27
Utilities: \$4,085.32

Other Expenses: \$3,714.28
Weekly Expenses: \$80,268.87
YTD Expenses: \$3,074,215.50
YTD Balance: \$271,111.46

Clothing Collection

Our monthly clothing collection is suspended until further notice. The store has been closed since March 16th and will remain closed until the order is lifted. We will let you know when the collections will resume. In the meantime please do not drop off any items.

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

INTERESTING DETAILS ABOUT OUR CHURCH MADE MORE EVIDENT THROUGH LIVE STREAMING

I hope you are staying healthy – physically, mentally and spiritually – during these ongoing stressful times as we all try to weather the coronavirus pandemic. I'm delighted that so many of our parishioners are watching the live streamed Masses; it's a very important way for us to stay together as a faith community. Over the past several weeks, I've had a number of parishioners ask about some of the details of our church that they hadn't noticed before but now see on the live streamed Masses. They have asked about the blue diamond with a golden scale that appears to the left of the cantor, lector or celebrant at the ambo and the blue diamond with a strange spear-like golden object behind the celebrant when he is at the small podium in front of the presider's chair. And, now that they see close-up shots of the stained glass windows on either side of the daily Mass chapel, people have asked about the images that appear on these windows and their significance. Allow me to explain.

The two diamonds are half of a set of emblems that are located above the three confessionals and the new alcove for our organ console; as you recall, that had been a confessional until recently. All four of them are emblems associated with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The scale is symbolic of the judgment that occurs during the sacrament of reconciliation. In the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel, we read:

You people say, "Our crimes and our sins weigh us down; we are rotting away because of them. How can we survive?" Answer them: As I live – oracle of the Lord God – I swear I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. (Ez 33:10-11)

Admitting our sins, we are encouraged to know that God's justice is tempered by his mercy and love for us.



The spear-like object above the organ console is actually a scepter - the scepter of justice. In Psalm 45, we read: "Your throne, O God, stands forever; your royal scepter is a scepter for justice."



There are two more symbols that you won't see on the live streamed Masses because of their location but they are interesting, as well. Above Msgr. Carroll's confessional, we find a book; that's the Book of Life where all of those destined to go to heaven have their names written.



And, above the Visitors confessional, a blue orb holds a golden depiction of a girdle. As a sign of penitence, the ancient Israelites would put on a sackcloth girdle. In the fourth chapter of the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah, the prophet calls wayward Israel to "gird yourself in sackcloth; mourn and wail. ...Cleanse your heart of evil, that you may be saved." As they wore the sackcloth, they would pray for God's mercy and forgiveness.



And, in the Book of Revelation, we read of St. John's vision of "a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle." Of course, this figure is the risen Lord who, as announces to St. John, "I am the Living One, I was dead and now I am to live forever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the netherworld." (Jn 1:13, 18).

These emblems were among some of the items placed in our present church – dedicated in 1966 – that came from our original church, built in 1896. And, although these emblems are found today – very fittingly – above the confessionals, they were originally placed at the four ends of the crucifix above the altar in the sanctuary of the old church. Speaking of items taken from our original church, the two silver sanctuary lamps that you see hanging near our tabernacle come from the old church, too. They were imported from Italy in the 1930's when the sanctuary was renovated. Henry Clifford, a parishioner who was the curator of the Philadelphia Museum of Art at that time, coordinated the importation of these sanctuary lamps.

Some parishioners have also asked about the stained glass windows that are on either side of the altar in the daily Mass chapel; they are very prominent during the live streamed Masses. These two panels are filled with Eucharistic imagery. The window to the left of the altar recalls the ancient prophecies of the Eucharist and the window on the right the fulfillment of the prophecies. At the very bottom of the left window, the rising sun appears and casts its rays throughout the entire window until it sets in the upper panel. This calls to mind the prophecy of Malachi 1:11: "From the rising of the sun to its setting, my name is great among the nations, and there is offered in every place a clean oblation." That oblation is Jesus, the Eucharistic victim – the paschal lamb, as we speak of him during this Easter season.

Several Eucharistic images are presented between the rising of the sun and its setting. The crown, the olive branch, the cup of wine and the two loaves of bread recall Melchizedek's offering that is recorded in the Book of Genesis 14:18. Of course, we read in the Letter to the Hebrews that Melchizedek and his offering foreshadowed Jesus Christ and his offering – bread and wine, which became his Body and Blood.

Above these images about Melchizedek, we see a variety of images that evoke the Exodus: stars, planets, blue and gold tents, a sheaf of wheat, white flakes and birds. It was during the Exodus that God rained down manna - that is, bread from heaven - along with quail. These events also prefigured the Eucharist. So do the seven green pillars topped with a red-tile roof that we see; they are of the house that Wisdom built where she spread her table, as represented by the loaves and jugs of wine and water (cf. Proverbs 9:1-6). And, at the very top of this panel to the right of the setting sun, we see the "hand of God" which is the source of all of these blessings that prefigure the Eucharist.

As I mentioned above, the stained glass panel on the right of the tabernacle is filled with images that depict the fulfillment of the prophecies regarding the Eucharist. The lowest panel presents Bethlehem - complete with its star - where Jesus was born; as you know, "Bethlehem" means "House of Bread." The deep purple color evokes the cave where the infant Jesus was born while the golden area represents the manger where Mary placed her newborn son, the true "bread come down from heaven," as we hear Jesus declare of himself in the Gospel of John 6:41.

Above the Bethlehem scene, we see vines and branches and are reminded that Jesus declared: "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing" (*Jn 15:5*). And, above this, we find a table bearing bread and wine with our Lord, represented by a large purple circle, surrounded by the apostles, represented by twelve red circles. We also find a cluster of grapes from which wine is made and a dove, symbolic of the Holy Spirit, along with a golden "Z"; it stands for the Greek word "Zoe," which means life – the supernatural life we receive in the Eucharist.

And, in the background throughout this panel, we see a large scarlet red cross, the cross on which our Lord hung; in the window in the choir loft, you see that the cross is green since it becomes the tree of life for all who partake of the Eucharistic feast. We also see pilgrim staffs (they look like candles) that speak of the Eucharist as the food that nourishes us on our journey to heaven.

Like the rest of our windows throughout our beautiful church, these stained glass windows are filled with symbolism that provide ample food for contemplation. I invite you to reflect on them, both during the live streamed Masses and any other time you come to church. And, consider the symbolism of the emblems above the confessionals when you next come to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation; they offer true encouragement!

ONGOING PARISH ACTIVITIES

Due to Covid 19 we are accepting only Casseroles For Mercy Hospice

At this time, we are accepting only frozen casseroles for Mercy Hospice. If you would like, and you find yourself with ingredients to make a dinner, please consider making a casserole to help feed the women and children at the Mercy Hospice shelter. Pan recipes can be found at the Aberdeen Avenue door of the church. Thank you for helping us continue to support the women and children of Mercy Hospice.

For more information, please contact Jane Dwyer at 610-306-9171, Jane Dooner at 610-505-1436, Susan Wiener at 60-331-3847 or Vicki Warner at 610-937-1648.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Our Youth Group is still trying different ways to "stay together" and reach out to others during these unprecedented times. Last Saturday we collected - in St. Katharine's parking lot - over 200 sandwich bags with water bottles, sandwiches and snacks. We then delivered the sandwich bags to the Legionary priests Fr. Michael and Fr. Araon. The priests were overwhelmed with our families' kindness. The Legionaries delivered the sandwiches the next day, Divine Mercy Sunday, to the Center City and Kensington homeless. A special "Thank You" to the amazing families who took the time to make and assemble the sandwich bags: Flynn's Auslander's, Duffy's, McNamara's, Linquata's, Fritz's and Twohigs.



SCHOOL NEWS

Dear SKS Parishioners,

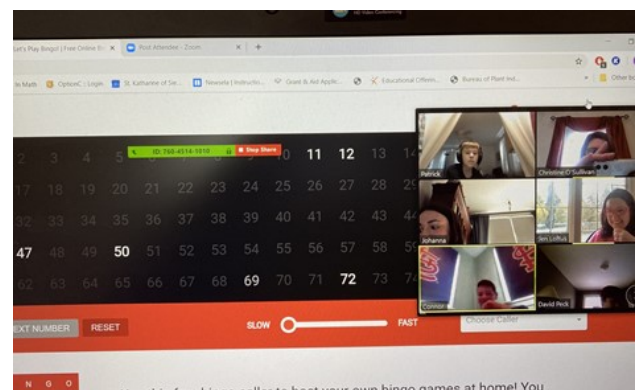
This week begins week #7 for SKS Cyber School. We are doing all we can to keep our SKS school community intact. Below are a few pictures of our students in action at home.

This Wednesday, April 29th, we will live stream our virtual School Mass at 9:00am. We are inviting the entire SKS Community: school, PREP and you, our parishioners to participate. It's a special day because it is the Feast Day of our patron saint, St. Catherine of Siena. Many of you are familiar with her story. At such an early age, she was a wonderful role model of courage, zeal, and grace. I hope you will join us on St. Katharine's YouTube channel.

I hope you and your families continue to stay safe and well.

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.



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Chris Gagliardi: cgagliardi@cdssh.org

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Athletic Association

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WORSHIP

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Paul and Alicia Peterson
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Altar Servers

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Sister Mary Elizabeth
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Rosary Group

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610-688-4584

Home and School Association

Erin Buckley
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Marriage Preparation

Dan and Julie Pijawka
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Parish School

Frank Tosti
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Sr. Mary Elizabeth Karalis
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Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Msgr. Brouwers
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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
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Mothers of Young Children

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Parish Coffee

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Aberdeen Club

Susan Diebold
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Walking with Purpose

Maureen Reilly
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Colleen Brady
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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.