

# ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

*Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community*



## WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

### SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers  
Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Francis W. Beach  
Senior Priest

Rev. Msgr. John J. Jagodzinski  
Pastor Emeritus

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

Stephanie Twohig  
Youth Minister

Kim O'Neill  
Coordinator for Parish Life and  
Ministry: 610-688-4584

Adria Crowley, School Principal  
610-688-5451

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

MaryAnn Crowe  
Parish Nurse: 610-688-9479

Laura Kerr  
Evangelization

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

Joyce W. Chen  
Organist and Choir Director

Angela Kusterbeck  
Business Manager

Barbara Lombardi  
Parish Secretary

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Sr. Mary Elizabeth Karalis, SSJ, Kim O'Neill, Adria Crowley, JoAnne Alexander, Sarah Bradley, Dan Hayes, Ed Kubala, Robert McAlaine, Jessica Waltman, Jeff Walkenhorst

### PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Angela Kusterbeck, Carolyn Evans, Adria Crowley, Richard Craft, Joseph Chott

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 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 1, 2023**  
**9:30 AM** Benjamin Woods  
**11:30 AM** Mary Pat Follman



**MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2023**  
**6:30 AM** Special Intention  
**8:00 AM** Brian Evans

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

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023**  
**6:30 AM** Special Intention  
**8:00 AM** Patricia Irvine

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023**  
**6:30 AM** Joan Lewers  
**8:00 AM** Patricia Irvine

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2023**  
**6:30 AM** Lewers/Shea Families  
**8:00 AM** Jack Mahoney

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023**  
**6:30 AM** Marianne Goldey  
**8:00 AM** Tuyen Nguyen

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023**  
**8:00 AM** Genevieve Doucet  
**5:00 PM** Edward and Loretta Pellerin

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2023**  
**9:30 AM** James McGrath  
**11:30 AM** Ann Cogan

*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. If you or a loved one would like the parish nurse or parish priest to visit the home or hospital, please call the rectory to make arrangements.

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| Jim Arimond         | Rosemary Grimm  | Madeleine O'Keefe |
| Joan Beiter         | Ginny Jackson   | Paula Rudnick     |
| Dave Bielinski      | Wesley Jones    | Logan Schweiter   |
| Robert Bruno        | Libby Judge     | Claire Sieracki   |
| Ryan Carlton        | Robert Kelly    | Greg Schmidt      |
| Charles Carr        | Tony Lopez      | Jessica Smucker   |
| Jackie Chedeville   | Daniel Maguire  | Debbie Snyder     |
| Brady Duperreault   | Timothy Mahoney | Maryanne Sullivan |
| Jamie Lynn Donnelly | John McCabe     | Carol Taddeo      |
| Patrick Graham      |                 |                   |

**Deceased Prayer List:**

Dominic O'Donnell, Susan McConologue, Mary Rentschler



**OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE  
 Week of: 14 December – 20 December 2022**

<u>PARISH INCOME</u>	<u>PARISH EXPENSES</u>
Sunday Collection: \$12,334.00	Salaries/Bonuses: \$103,212.81
Electronic Giving: \$5,852.00	Diocesan Assessment: \$16,933.33
Tuition: \$2,180.00	Maintenance: \$11,341.12
Stewardship Appeal: \$19,225.00	Utilities: \$6,588.89
Socials/Donations: \$14,745.91	Instructional Material: \$8,035.19
	Student Activities: \$10,642.61
Other Income: \$4,189.21	Other Expenses: \$7,402.72
Weekly Income: \$58,526.12	Weekly Expenses: \$164,156.67
YTD Income: \$2,150,255.50	YTD Expenses: \$2,202,811.50
	<b>YTD Balance: \$(52,556.00)</b>

**Home Visits**

Would you like Holy Communion brought to you in your home? Please call the rectory at 610-688-4584.



**Parish Coffee**

SKS Religious Education will be hosting a parish coffee next Sunday, January 8th after the 9:30 Mass. Coffee and treats will be served. All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

**The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 2nd.**

**Visit our website: [www.sksparish.org](http://www.sksparish.org)**



## *From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers*

### **NEW YEAR BLESSINGS ON THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

“The Lord bless you and keep you! The Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!” (*Numbers 6:24-26*) As we come to the end of our celebration of the Octave of Christmas and begin a New Year with the celebration of *Mary, the Holy Mother of God*, my heart is filled with joy and thanks as I celebrate this Christmas Octave with you once again here at *St. Katharine of Siena Parish*! What a generous Christmas spirit so many of you have shown during this season! As in the past, I was edified when I saw the 300 tags that had been hung on the *Mercy Hospice Trees* disappear one-by-one to be replaced by your gifts for the women and their children who had no place to go but Mercy Hospice for Christmas. And, I marveled at all the boxes that had been brought to the school cafeteria filled with gifts and food for the 80 needy families at *St. Martin de Porres*, our sister parish, and in our own neighborhood. Finally, I just received the latest report from the *Catholic Charities Appeal of Philadelphia* and was deeply impressed that, despite the financial challenges so many of you have faced during these uncertain times, you have continued your very generous support of this most important appeal. To date, \$167,000 has been credited to our parish; well over our \$152,000 goal! It is evident that so many of 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 Dooner and Jane Dwyer for coordinating the Mercy Hospice project and Steve Colfer, Denise Luppi, Jeff and Kathy Moore, Lauren O’Leary, Brendan O’Neill, Geoff Scowcroft, Mike Twohig and Jeanna Ventura, along with a gang of teens, for helping with the delivery in our cafeteria and packing the truck for the St. Martin de Porres project this year – well done! A special thanks to Michael and Lisa Pansini who, once again, paid for turkeys to accompany the Christmas food boxes for *Adopt-a-Family*; that continues to be a happy addition to an already wonderful program!

I always enjoy taking part 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, neighbors and school alumni who came to watch the children present their annual Christmas Concert and Christmas Tableau and 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. Thanks to Ben Piazza and his imaginative group, our grotto was covered in lights and filled with angels, reindeer, stars, and, of course, a Nativity set. The handsome outdoor Nativity scene in front of our church certainly lets everyone who passes by on Lancaster Avenue know that we are celebrating the birth of Christ, the light of the world! Thanks to Dan Sheridan and his son, Dan, for putting together the handsome display case Dan had constructed six years ago; it is still in great shape due to his expert work! God has come in our midst; come let us adore him!

The church is elegantly decorated – inside and out – with wreathes and greens, ancient reminders of the eternal and undying love that God has bestowed on us through his son! The crèche in front of the altar helps to focus our attention on the reason for our celebration – God has become man to announce his love for everyone! The magi and the shepherds represent everyone - from richest to poorest, from the most prominent to the least significant, from the wisest to the simplest - who comes to worship God who has come into our midst. On Friday, we celebrated the *Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*, so beautifully displayed in the sanctuary. We see that God draws everyone into his Holy Family!

As I meditate before the manger scene in front of the altar, I cannot help but notice how it draws me to the altar itself, where Jesus Christ, born in the manger, offers himself to God for our salvation. And from there, my attention is drawn to the large crucifix above the daily Mass altar and I'm reminded of the Lord's sacrifice on the cross for each of us. I then notice the tabernacle, where Christ, who was born in Bethlehem two thousand years ago, is still present in our midst in the Blessed Sacrament. How blessed we are to have this scene unfold before us!

Christmas day is certainly a wondrous feast, and I want to thank everyone who enhanced the Eucharistic celebrations, using their ministries to help make God present at the altar: the lectors, Eucharistic ministers and altar servers. I am also grateful for the cantors and various music groups that have led the congregation in festive song throughout this season!

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

As we celebrate the *Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God* today and 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!

“Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart” (Luke 2:19)



## PARISH ACTIVITIES

### **Culture of Life Concert Sunday, January 8th at 3:00pm**

- A Prayerful Concert for Peace featuring:
- Combined St Katharine of Siena and St. Thomas of Villanova adult and children's choirs
  - St. Martin de Porres God's Men choral group

For more information and to RSVP please go to [SKSrespectlife@sksparish.org](mailto:SKSrespectlife@sksparish.org).

### **March for Life January 20, 2023 Washington, DC**

A bus will leave from the parking lot of St. Katharine of Siena Church promptly at 6:30am. A \$20 fee is requested and will be collected on the bus. We will attend the Mass for Life at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., then progress to the Mall by bus to join the March.

We plan to be home by 7:00 p.m. Please reserve your spot by calling Robert Giuliano at 610-761-4917 or by email at [robertgiuliano@gmail.com](mailto:robertgiuliano@gmail.com).



Our first Youth Mass for 2023 will be next Saturday, January 7th at 5:00pm.

**Donate to Scholarships for SKS and SMdP Students and Save Money on Your PA Taxes!**

The Business Leadership Organized for Catholic Schools (BLOCS) partners with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's Educational Improvement (EITC) and Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC) programs to provide an opportunity to donate toward scholarships and receive up to a 90% PA tax credit for your contribution. You may be able to deduct a portion of the remaining 10% as a federal deduction. The scholarships are awarded to students based on need at the school of your choice. For information, please see the [BLOCS website](#) or call (484) 704-2300.

To donate to St. Katharine of Siena School, contact Anne Condello at 610-688-5451.

For St Martin de Porres School contributions, contact Marissa Keough Director of Annual Giving Independence Mission Schools 610-200-5100 ext. 124 or [mkeough@imsphila.org](mailto:mkeough@imsphila.org).

**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.



**Close-knit Community**

The St Katharine group of knitters and crocheters meets every Wednesday in the parish center from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. All are welcome to join us in making warm items for the needy. Rides can be arranged. For information, call Marie Rauscher at (610) 964-0642.

**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 house.
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 once.
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.

**Women's Evening of Reflection**  
**Thursday, January 5, 2023**  
**6:30-8:30pm**  
**Parish Center**

If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please reach out to Laura Kerr, [evangelization@sksparish.org](mailto:evangelization@sksparish.org) or Patty Clerkin, [pattyclerkin@gmail.com](mailto:pattyclerkin@gmail.com).

**HAVE A  
HOLY AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR!  
MSGR. BROUWERS  
MSGR. BEACH  
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.*



## SERVICE

**Caring for Friends**  
Kim O'Neill  
610-688-4584

**Athletic Association**  
Michael Gompers  
ad@sksparish.org

**Cub Scouts**  
Jeff Walkenhorst  
skspack219@gmail.com

**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)**  
Kim O'Neill  
610-688-4584  
Shauna Munshower  
610-688-4348

**Family Promise**  
Robert and Jane Till  
610-710-6410

**Knights of Columbus**  
Bill Lehner  
610-764-6267

**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**

**Persons with Disabilities**  
Rosemarie Mazzeo  
215-888-1043

**St. Martin de Porres Outreach**  
Maria Carrillo  
610-357-2392

## WORSHIP

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

**Adult Altar Servers**  
Paul and Alicia Peterson  
610-989-0277

**Altar Servers**  
Dan Hayes  
610-772-7760

**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**  
Janna Forte  
484-432-2640

**Ministers of the Word (Lectors)**  
Erika Murdocca  
610-348-2357

**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**  
Ben Piazza  
215-760-9743

**Marriage Preparation**  
Dan and Julie Pijawka  
610-247-0582

**Parish School**  
Adria Crowley  
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  
skspectlife@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**  
Emily Monastra  
emily\_devoe@yahoo.com

**Parish Coffee**  
Anne Walkenhorst  
610-688-4584

**Parish Center Reservations Manager**  
Kim O'Neill  
610-688-4584

**Aberdeen Club**

**Walking with Purpose**  
Maureen Reilly  
610-989-3747

## 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.*