

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

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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
Day: 6:30am, 8:00am, 12:10pm & 7:00pm

Adoration

Monday 8:30am - 4:30pm with
Benediction 4:30-4:45pm

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, MAY 28, 2023

9:30 AM Patrice Guiney
11:30 AM Rita Dougherty

MONDAY, MAY 29, 2023

8:00 AM Sue McDyer

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

TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Anne Papay

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Richard and Herminie Muellerleile

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Gregory Sergovic

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Eleanor Melli

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023

8:00 AM Marie and Claire Strycharz
5:00 PM Tom Bruder

SUNDAY, JUNE 4, 2023

9:30 AM Louis Palermo
11:30 AM Jose Luis Porto

Readings: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13:11-13; J 3:16-18

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.

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

Deceased Prayer List:

Agnes Heim, Margaret Trobovic

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



PARISH ACTIVITIES



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 10 May – 16 May 2023

<u>PARISH INCOME</u>	<u>PARISH EXPENSES</u>
Sunday Collection: \$5,662.00	Salaries: \$74,923.31
Electronic Giving: \$10,949.00	Administration Expenses: \$11,959.46
Tuition: \$0.00	Utilities: \$6,986.11
Socials/Donations: \$13,648.64	Instruction Material: \$6,792.99
	Student Activities: \$3,904.27
Other Income: \$2,195.50	Other Expenses: \$4,036.87
Weekly Income: \$32,455.14	Weekly Expenses: \$108,603.01
YTD Income: \$3,894,343.52	YTD Expenses: \$3,912,747.36
	YTD Balance: \$(18,403.84)

Manna Bags

Manna Bags were available at all of our Masses last weekend. Kindly return your filled Manna Bags, or your own bags, this weekend.

Canned food items in greatest need are: beef stew, tuna fish, fruit, vegetables, pasta, soups, and pork and beans.

Thank you for reaching out to people in emergency situations. Emergency food pantries often run out during the summer so your support will be greatly appreciated.



MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 29th MASS AT 8:00 AM

TOWNSHIP MEMORIAL DAY PARADE 10:00 AM

The parish office will be closed on Monday, May 29th and there will be NO Adoration.

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

PENTECOST SUNDAY

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

(Acts 2:1-4)

With this dramatic description from today's first reading, we hear the evangelist Luke portray the descent of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church as the apostles are empowered to speak to the crowds who had come to Jerusalem to celebrate the Jewish Feast of Weeks. As we celebrate Pentecost Sunday, allow me to reflect on its significance in the Church and in our lives and the lives of every follower of Christ.

First, I would like to reflect on the historical setting of Pentecost. The Old Testament speaks of a festival of the first fruits of the grain called "Ingathering," "Harvest," or "Weeks. The last name is given to the feast because it is celebrated seven weeks after Passover (cf. *Ex.* 34:22; *Deut.* 16:16, *et al.*). In *Deuteronomy* 16:16, we read: "Three times a year, then, every male among you shall appear before the Lord, your God, in the place which he chooses: at the feast of Unleavened Bread, at the feast of Weeks, and at the feast of Booths." Since the temple in Jerusalem was the holiest of the Jewish places, the faithful would flock to Jerusalem not only at Passover (the feast of Unleavened Bread) but also at the Feast of Weeks and the Feast of Booths. These were celebrations of thanksgiving to God who had blessed the people with another bountiful harvest. The Feast of Weeks was celebrated in the spring at the beginning of the harvest season while the Feast of Booths (so called because the harvesters lived in makeshift tents or booths in the fields to guard the crops) was the final harvest festival, celebrated in the fall. Since seven weeks are fifty days, both the Old Testament and the New Testament referred to the Feast of Weeks as "Pentecost" (from the Greek Πεντη – Pente – which means "fifty").

In early Christianity, the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist was always a sort of Easter, a commemoration of the resurrection of Christ from the dead. It was not until the second century that various Churches began to observe an annual special time for Easter. As this developed, the Easter observance expanded quickly into a fifty-day period. At this time, the Easter season was called Pentecost. From the early fourth century, there has been a special festival called Pentecost that is assigned to the fiftieth day of this season and commemorates specifically the events that we hear about in the *Acts of the Apostles* 2: the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. In this same century, most Churches also began to distinguish the feast of the Ascension from that of Pentecost, celebrating the ascension on the fortieth day from Easter, as suggested by *Acts* 1:3, which speaks of the risen Lord appearing to the apostles for forty days before ascending into heaven. Originally, then, the Christian Pentecost took little from the Jewish festival of Weeks except its position on the calendar. For Christians, the meaning of Pentecost derived from the accounts in *Acts* (1:4, 5; 2:1-47) that portray the outpouring of the Holy Spirit which inaugurated the mission of the Church.

The Pentecost episode in *Acts* – part of which we hear in today's Eucharistic celebration – present the Holy Spirit coming upon all of those gathered in prayer as Jesus had instructed. The Spirit's presence was experienced as a strong, driving wind and "tongues of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them" (v. 3). This enabled the apostles to preach ecstatically and convincingly to people of all nations in their own language. This, some scholars suggest, reverses the unintelligible babble of languages that had separated nations from the time that people tried to build a tower to heaven (cf. *Gen* 11:1-9; the account of the Tower of Babel). It is also seen as a beginning of the Church's ministry which spread the Gospel far and wide in just a few centuries. Some scholars also see a reversal of the Old Testament situation when inspired prophets often spoke ecstatically but with little effect on the people.



The celebration of Pentecost empowers each generation to new beginnings in the Christian ministry. The Gospel must still be proclaimed far and wide today; even in our own country there is an increasing need to re-introduce the Gospel to so many who have forgotten or abandoned their faith! At the same time, the festival provides occasion to celebrate all the gifts of the Spirit that we have received at our baptism and confirmation; they're much more precious than the fruits of the harvest. Traditionally, the Church speaks of the seven gifts of the Spirit that are listed in the *Book of the Prophet Isaiah* 11:1-3: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, fortitude, counsel, piety and fear of the Lord. As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states so well, "the moral life of Christians is sustained by the gifts of the Holy Spirit. These are permanent dispositions which make man docile in following the promptings of the Holy Spirit" (§ 1830). The Church also speaks of the twelve fruits of the Holy Spirit, derived from the *Letter to the Galatians* 5:22-23: charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control and chastity. The fruits of the Spirit, as the *Catechism* explains, "are perfections that the Holy Spirit forms in us as the first fruits of eternal glory" (§ 1832). In celebrating the gifts and fruits of the Spirit, we Christianize the Old Testament Festival of Weeks and rejoice in the first fruits of our faith!

In identifying Pentecost Sunday as the birthday of the Church, we recognize the many effects of the Spirit of God in our lives. We, who follow Christ, are able to call upon the Spirit to embolden us in doing God's work. Just as those who were in the Upper Room, we receive the power of the Spirit in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. With this power, we can live as God calls us to live in the *Book of Genesis* – in his image and likeness! Now that we have been freed from the power of sin through the death and resurrection of Christ, we can live the moral life that Jesus showed us through his teachings and actions while he lived among us. Infused with the gifts of the Spirit of God, we can boldly proclaim the Gospel in our daily lives with wisdom and understanding. We can live piously, respecting God and everyone we meet, for everyone is made in the image and likeness of God. And living this way gives us the fruits of the Spirit, which allows us to live in joy and peace, with patience, kindness, goodness and generosity toward all, and faithfulness to God and our vocation.

Yes, Pentecost is still very important to us today. Let us, daily, open ourselves to the power of the Spirit and watch, amazed, as the apostles did, while the Spirit moves us in new and wondrous ways!



PARISH ACTIVITIES

SKS Welcome Committee

The SKS Welcome Committee invites all parishioners - newcomers and long-time worshippers - to our Newcomers Coffee on June 4th after the 9:30 Mass. Over 30 families have registered in the parish so far this year. Please help us welcome them to their new spiritual home! There will be coffee, doughnuts and activities for children. If you would like to help with the coffee, please contact Kim O'Neill at 610-688-4584 or koneill@sksparish.org.

Clothing Drive

We are holding a clothing drive from May 20th to June 4th for the St Francis Inn in Philadelphia, which operates Marie's Closet Clothing Center. The center serves low-income residents who depend on Marie's Closet for their clothing and shoes; community members receive coupons for needed items at no cost. The volunteer staff is looking for casual spring clothing (jeans, shorts, t-shirts, sweatshirts/hoodies, etc.) for men, women and children. Please drop off your gently-used clothing in the church library. Please no winter clothing as storage space is very limited. For more information, contact Bob Till at retill7@aim.com or 610-999-0191.



Youth Group Car Wash



All proceeds will help with SKS Teens attending
 NCYC (National Catholic Youth Convention)
 Indianapolis, Indiana in November!

Saturday, June 3 from 8:30am - 1pm
 St. Katharine's School lot
 104 S. Aberdeen Ave. Wayne, PA
 \$10.00 a car

**You Are Cordially Invited To The
 St Katharine of Siena
 Summer Book Club**

Thursdays, June 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th
 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the parish center

This summer we will be reading *Women of Hope; Doctors of the Church*, a compact, very readable, inspiring book, inside of which you will meet:

- * St Teresa of Avila - declared a Doctor of the Church for her teaching on prayer (Chapter 1)
- * St Catherine of Siena - perfect for learning about our parish's patron saint (Chapter 2)
- * St Therese of Lisieux - the embodiment of the pilgrim nature of Christian life (Chapter 3)
- * St Hildegard of Bingen - our most recently appointed female Doctor of the Church (Chapter 4)

Join us for all, or some of our discussions! The book is available at Amazon and other book sellers. For more information or to RSVP, contact Erin Reusche etapc@comcast.net and place "Book Club" in your subject.

Rosary Group

The Rosary group meets every Tuesday evening at 7pm in the church or parish center. In the warmer weather, the Rosary is said at the Grotto.

**Baby Bottle Drive
 Mothers Home
 May 13 through June 11**

Mothers' Home is a residential shelter in Darby that provides safe haven for vulnerable, pregnant women in crisis who choose life as a sacred gift. Each spring, we make empty baby bottles available at the doors of the church after Mass for parishioners to take home and fill with donations. The money collected goes toward overhead costs, which couldn't be fully paid without your support. Please know in advance how grateful we are for your generosity. Should you be interested in more information please visit our website mothershome.org or contact Mary Packer at mjwpacker@gmail.com.

Home Visits

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

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**Culture
 of Life**



**BIKING FOR
 BABIES**

Join the 2nd Biking for Babies local ride from SS Philip and James on June 24 to raise awareness and financial support for pregnant women and families through local pregnancy centers.

Location: Sts. Philip and James Parish, Exton, PA
 Time: 8am-12pm; Mass at 7:30am

Register here



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
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Athletic Association
Michael Gompers
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Cub Scouts
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C.A.R.E.S. (Children Are Receiving Extended Care)
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Close Knit Community
Marie Rauscher
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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

Persons with Disabilities
Rosemarie Mazzeo
215-888-1043

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

WORSHIP

Adoration

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Paul and Alicia Peterson
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Altar Servers

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Charismatic Prayer Group

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

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Liturgical Music Ministries

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Ministers of Hospitality

Janna Forte
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Ministers of the Word (Lectors)

Dan Hayes
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Pre Jordan

Sister Mary Elizabeth
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Rosary Group

Mary Ann Mahoney
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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
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Parish Coffee

Anne Walkenhorst
610-688-4584

Parish Center Reservations Manager

Kim O'Neill
610-688-4584

Walking with Purpose

Maureen Reilly
610-989-3747

Faithful Families

Kate Mallach
215-858-9507

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.