

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers
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Rev. Msgr. John J. Jagodzinski
Pastor Emeritus

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

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Seminarist

Stephanie Twohig
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Kim O'Neill
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610-688-5451

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Director of Religious Education
610-688-7890

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Evangelization

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Liturgical Music Director
610-688-9489

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Business Manager

Barbara Lombardi
Parish Secretary

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Sr. Mary Elizabeth Karalis, SSJ, Kim O'Neill, Adria Crowley, Donna Blumeris, Sarah Bradley, Charles Cognata, Tina Grandizio, Kevin Haynes, Ed Kubala, Bill Lehner, Mary Packer, 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, JULY 23, 2023

9:30 AM Gail Stewart

11:30 AM Jack Egan

MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Phillip Lowery

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

TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Alice O'Neill and Mary Strelis

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM James Conwell

THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Charles Conwell

FRIDAY, JULY 28, 2023

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Nancy Brogan

SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2023

8:00 AM Joseph Gilbert

5:00 PM Karen McGlinchey

SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2023

9:30 AM Thomas Connolly

11:30 AM Joe Gilbert

Readings: Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30
Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

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:

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



PARISH ACTIVITIES



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OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE

Week of: 12 July – 18 July 2023

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$6,166.00

Electronic Giving: \$6,127.00

Donations: \$7,894.90

Other Income: \$963.08

Weekly Income: \$21,150.98

YTD Income: \$57,480.44

PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries/Benefits: \$78,679.69

Religious Salary/Benefits: \$7,380.75

Administration Expenses: \$23,154.15

Maintenance: \$6,972.63

Other Expenses: \$2,583.91

Weekly Expenses: \$118,771.13

YTD Expenses: \$121,756.00

YTD Balance: (\$64,275.56)

SKS Summer Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, August 10th

1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Parish Center

Please visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-733-2767 and enter StKatharineofSiena to schedule an appointment.

For questions about eligibility: call 1-800-RED-CROSS.

Rosary Group

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

Home Visits

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

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

THE EUCHARIST: SOURCE AND SUMMIT OF OUR FAITH

Every time we gather around our Lord's Table in the celebration of the Eucharist, we recall our Lord's saving words and actions and receive his life-giving Body and Blood. The *Code of Canon Law* directs the pastor "to see to it that the Most Holy Eucharist is the center of the parish assembly of the faithful; he is to work to see to it that the Christian faithful are nourished through a devout celebration of the sacraments and especially that they frequently approach the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist" (Can. 528 - § 2).

As I imagine you have heard many times throughout your life, the Eucharist is at the center of the Catholic Church. It is the mystery of the Eucharistic Celebration that defines our faith community. As we once again celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ in mid-June, we joined with all parishes throughout our country in the introduction of the parish phase of the three-year National Eucharistic Revival that the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has called for to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. Allow me to offer some more reflections on this central aspect of our faith.



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

As the very first document of the Second Vatican Council, *The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, states so clearly:

[I]t is the liturgy through which, especially in the divine sacrifice of the Eucharist, "the work of our redemption is accomplished," and it is through the liturgy, especially, that the faithful are enabled to express in their lives and manifest to others the mystery of Christ and the real nature of the true Church." (§ 2)

The document goes on to call the Eucharist the "source and summit of the Christian life" and a "sacred action surpassing all others" (§ 47). We gather every week as a believing community to worship God with ritual words and actions. Let's spend a few moments to review the richness these words and actions contain.

At the Last Supper, our Lord offered his apostles bread and wine after transforming them into his sacred body and blood. Then, he commanded them to “do this in memory of me.” He instructed them that this was the sign of the new and everlasting covenant between God and man. The next day, our Lord offered his life for our sins. Three days later, he rose from the dead. In the simplest of terms, this is what we celebrate when we gather for the Eucharistic Liturgy. Jesus, the son of Mary and the Son of God, human like all of us yet also divine, offers his body and blood to God, our heavenly Father, so that we finally have an offering worthy of God and in anticipation of the eternal worship we will offer God in heaven. Jesus also offers his body and blood to us to provide us spiritual nourishment as we journey through this life on earth preparing for eternal life with God. Jesus teaches very clearly, “He who feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has life eternal and I will raise him up on the last day” (*Jn* 6:54).

In the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*, the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council remind us that our Lord, who came once in history to accomplish his great work of salvation, and will come again at the end of time to lead all the faithful to our heavenly Father, remains in our midst, especially through the sacraments:

Rightly, then, the liturgy is considered as an exercise of the priestly office of Jesus Christ. In the liturgy the sanctification of man is signified by signs perceptible to the senses, and is effected in a way which corresponds with each of these signs; in the liturgy the whole public worship is performed by the Mystical Body of Jesus Christ, that is, by the Head and His members.

From this it follows that every liturgical celebration, because it is an action of Christ the priest and of His Body which is the Church, is a sacred action surpassing all others; no other action of the Church can equal its efficacy by the same title and to the same degree.

The full significance of this, the Paschal Mystery, escapes our human understanding, for it is truly a mystery. It also transcends our ability to adequately describe, and so this sacred mystery is presented through ritual and symbolism. Although at one level, the Eucharist is a meal, on a deeper level it is so sacred that we use special vestments and vessels, linens and books. We even use special language and music specifically composed for this holy banquet. Everything leads us to the salvific event that defines us – the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is in the Eucharist that God and humanity are most closely united here on earth. Next week, I will review how this union is affected and what effect it has on us; stay tuned!

PARISH ACTIVITIES

July Book Club **Weekly on Thursdays from July 13-August 3** **7:00-8:30PM** **Parish Center**

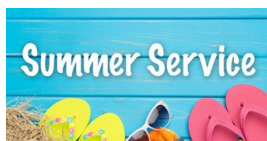
Kick off the parish phase of the National Eucharistic Revival with *Becoming Eucharistic People: The Hope and Promise of Parish Life* by Timothy O'Malley. This book delves into how to not just *talk* about Christ's presence in the Eucharist but to actually *believe* it, *celebrate* it and *live* it - both individually and as a parish. The book is available on Amazon.

Contact Kristin Russo at 610-724-1999 or kristinrusso8@gmail.com or Laura Kerr evangelization@sksparish.org.

Parish Nurse Ministry

Tips to keeping your home cool in the summer:

- * Set your air conditioning thermostat at an energy saving 74 degrees.
- * Keep proper air conditioning maintenance.
- * Keep the sun out with interior drapes, blinds or shades.
- * Do not use major appliances such as washer/dryer during the heat of the day.
- * Reduce bedding and use natural fiber sheets.
- * Stay hydrated, especially with water, and reduce intake of caffeine.



The Youth Group is collecting for St. Patrick's Food Pantry in Norristown through the end of July.

There are drop-off bins in the vestibule of church, the church library and outside of the parish center. The pantry is in need of the following:

- Coffee
- Tea
- Sugar (1 pound or smaller)
- Bar Soap
- Shampoo
- Cooking oil
- Baby wipes
- Diapers size 4, 5 or 6

2023 Fall Sports Registration now open!

Fall sports offered for this coming season:

Cross Country, Cheerleading, Field Hockey, Flag Football, Golf, Soccer and Volleyball.

Registration for all above sports will close on Thursday, September 7th. However, in order for coaches to confirm teams, please register as soon as possible.

Caring for Friends Needs Your Help!

Caring for Friends is one of the largest food banks and meal delivery programs for people of all ages in the Greater Philadelphia area. St. Katharine parishioners have generously supported the program for many years. Our freezer is currently empty but the need continues! Please help by supplying meals, which go to people in need in our own parish and the five counties around Philly. You'll find the freezer, tins and all supplies in the parish center closet, across from the back entrance of the church.

Can't cook? You can donate store-bought frozen foods. Or consider visiting and dropping off meals to neighbors in need. For more information, please contact Kim O'Neill at koneill@sksparish.org or 610-688-4584 or visit www.caringforfriends.org.

Collection for Mercy Hospice Women's Shelter

Thank you very much to everyone who responded so generously to our request for frozen food. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Currently, Mercy Hospice is in need of the following:

- * Frozen chicken, fish and ground beef.
- * Casseroles (store bought or homemade)
- * Potatoes, rice and pasta.
- * Individual bags of snacks, granola bars or cookies.

Remember: large quantities or party-size containers are best! Place frozen foods in freezer at the rear of the Parish Center. Grocery items can be dropped off in the parish library at the back of the church

Protecting God's Children workshop at SKS October 3, 7pm

We will host a *Protecting God's Children* workshop on October 3rd at 7:00pm in the parish center. The Archdiocese requires all staff and volunteers who have regular contact with children (once a week or more) to complete this training. This includes adults working or volunteering in school, PREP, CYO and other parish activities. Registration for the in-person session will begin at the end of the summer. These workshops fill quickly! If you would like to be notified when registration opens or have questions about the Safe Environment requirements, contact Kim O'Neill at koneill@sksparish.org.

There are also several online sessions offered over the summer; you can find info on our website, under the "Get Involved" tab. Sign up quickly because, just like the in-person classes, these spots fill fast.

Academic Honors

The following students in our parish have merited honors at **Villa Maria Academy**: Elise Beetel, Emma Herrick, Emma Magee, Emma Maher, Erin Mitchell, Natalie Rockich and Caroline Staley. Congratulations!

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

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)

Dan Hayes
610-772-7760

Pre Jordan

Sister Mary Elizabeth
610-688-7890

Rosary Group

Mary Ann Mahoney
610-324-3437

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
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

Emily Monastra
emily_devoe@yahoo.com

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.