

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

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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 30, 2023

9:30 AM Thomas Connolly
11:30 AM Joe Gilbert

MONDAY, JULY 31, 2023

6:30 AM Eileen Anderson
8:00 AM Jack Egan

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023

6:30 AM Unemployed and Underemployed
8:00 AM Barbara Malaney

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2023

6:30 AM Ancestors in Purgatory
8:00 AM Maryann Gallagher

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 2023

6:30 AM Souls in Purgatory
8:00 AM Nancy Sergovic

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 2023

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 2023

8:00 AM Ginger Heim
5:00 PM Darragh Fannell

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023

9:30 AM Ann Boyle
11:30 AM Nancy H. Brogan

Readings: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

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:

Sharon Klinger

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PARISH ACTIVITIES



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OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE

Week of: 19 July – 25 July 2023

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$9,275.00
Electronic Giving: \$4,387.00
Tuition: \$1,728.00
Donations: \$8,644.00

Other Income: \$387.83
Weekly Income: \$24,421.83
YTD Income: \$81,902.27

PARISH EXPENSES

Utilities/Maintenance: \$5,218.60
Administration Expenses: \$1,928.82
Clergy Salary/Benefits: \$1,655.00

Other Expenses: \$1,486.61
Weekly Expenses: \$10,289.03
YTD Expenses: \$132,045.03
YTD Balance: (\$50,142.76)

SKS Summer Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, August 10th

1:00 pm to 6:00 pm in the 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 – A SACRED ACTION SURPASSING ALL OTHERS

“In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” With these words, the priest who presides at the Celebration of the Eucharist draws the congregation into the sacred moment of worship. We believe in God who is both one and yet a communion of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Made in the image and likeness of God, who is one God in three Persons, we are called to worship not only alone but also as a community. When I explain the Mass to children, I compare it to a special celebration we would have at home, such as Thanksgiving or Christmas or someone’s birthday. Just as we invite family and friends to celebrate, and usually include a festive meal, so in the Celebration of the Eucharist, the presiding priest invites the parish family to celebrate the mystery of our salvation which includes a sacred meal. And, just as we usually begin our gathering for a special celebration with time to chat and catch up on the news in each others’ lives, so the Eucharist begins with time to hear the timeless Good News contained in Sacred Scriptures. Then, as we do with family and friends, we gather around the Table of the Lord to share a meal.

Although this provides a good foundation for children to begin to understand the Eucharist, it is a very simplistic explanation of this Sacrament. It is very important to recognize that it is much more than just a meal. It is also the one perfect sacrifice we can offer to God. From the very beginning, humanity has striven to develop a relationship with the gods, whom they acknowledged as the ones who created and controlled their world and their lives. And just as we try to return the favor with a gift of equal value when someone presents us with a gift, humans throughout the ages have used a wide variety of gifts – from the first fruits of the land to human sacrifice – to express their gratitude to the gods and to win their favor. No human gift, however, can offer a return worthy of all that God has given us, and no offering we can provide could fully compensate for our sinfulness. In the Eucharistic Celebration, we finally have a gift that is worthy of God, since we believe that Jesus Christ is God himself. At last, as a result of Jesus’ freely offering himself for us, we can offer God to God. And, Jesus offered himself for the remission of our sins as well and, as the divine sacrifice for humanity’s sins, his offering is finally able to compensate for our sins.

In his generosity, however, God is not to be outdone, and so after we offer Jesus, the Son of God, to God, our Heavenly Father – both in thanksgiving and for the remission of our sins - God gives his only Son back to us for our spiritual nourishment as we journey through this life to eternal life with God in heaven.



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

As you can see, this is clearly a sacred moment, very different from any other human activity. And so we call it a liturgy. *Our Sunday Visitor's Encyclopedia of Catholic Doctrine* defines the word “liturgy” as a “public service in the interest of the entire people.” Certainly, our Lord’s offering himself at the Last Supper and on the cross at Calvary is the supreme public service in the interest of all people, as he offers himself for our sins and offers himself to us for our salvation.

This is also a very beautiful moment, in which the all-good God unites with sinful humanity and lifts humanity out of the ugliness of sin to the beauty of God's love. That is why there is great emphasis on making everything that surrounds the Eucharistic Celebration beautiful. Cardinal Godfried Danneels, the Archbishop Emeritus of Mechelen-Brussels, Belgium, offered these thoughts a few years ago in his intervention at a Consistory in Rome: "God is Truth, Holiness, and Beauty. One can find God through the doors of truth, for truth attracts us. But many of our contemporaries are little Pilates who ask: 'What is truth?' and remain outside the door without entering. God is Moral Perfection and Holiness also attracts us. But many will say: 'Moral perfection attracts me, but I'm incapable of it,' and they remain outside that door marked by their moral weaknesses. But beauty disarms; it is irresistible....Young students discuss and study courses on questions of dogma (the True) and morality (the Good). But after a performance of the 'Passion According to Saint Matthew' by Johann Sebastian Bach, they are disarmed and left speechless. The Church has so many beautiful things to say and to show the world." This is why we focus on maintaining our beautiful church with all its splendid stained glass windows and have recently purchased a new piano and pipe organ to accompany us when we sing in praise of our God. As St. Augustine taught so well, "He who sings praises twice."

The Celebration of the Eucharist reveals the Truth and Goodness of our God, and is certainly one of the most beautiful things the Church has to show the world. As we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, let me take this opportunity to thank everyone who works so hard to make the Eucharist a celebration of the Truth, the Good and the Beautiful here at St. Katharine's. Let us all celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist – this beautiful event of our salvation – with great joy!

PARISH ACTIVITIES



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.

SKS Bus Trip to the Eucharistic Congress

**The National Shrine of Our Lady of
Czestochowa, Doylestown
Saturday, September 5
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

*The Gift of Finest Wheat:
This is My Body Given Up for You*

Gather with family, friends and others from around the archdiocese at the Eucharistic Congress on September 30. The event, part of the National Eucharistic Revival, will feature speeches, adoration, opportunities for confession and more, all centered around the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

St. Katharine's will coordinate transportation to the Congress if enough people are interested. Please let us know if you are considering attending and would like to ride the SKS bus. This doesn't have to be your final decision; we're trying to get an idea of the number of people who are interested.

Please contact Kim O'Neill at 610-688-4584 or koneill@sksparish.org if you would like to ride the bus or have questions.

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

Parish Nurse Ministry

While beating the heat this summer, remember to store medications in a dry place away from sunlight. Avoid using the bathroom cabinet due to the humidity of showers. Never leave medications in the car, car trunk, or suitcase. Also certain medications such as heart drugs, antidepressants, and diuretics increase the risk of heat related illness and some medications such as antibiotics increase sensitivity to the sun. Always consult your doctor or pharmacist.

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.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

AbbeyFest Faith, Music and Family Festival Saturday, September 16th Doors open at 12:00pm

Our annual AbbeyFest is a festival featuring amazing music, Catholic and Christian vendors, the presence of Religious orders, food trucks, family and kid-friendly activities and games. There will be priests hearing confessions throughout the day and evening along with prayer and healing teams. One of the most unique aspects of AbbeyFest is its engaging atmosphere for children, teens, youth groups and families to experience the fullness of faith and truth of Jesus Christ. Join us in our mission and experience AbbeyFest. You won't be disappointed!

Featuring musicians: Matthew West, Riley Clemens and more!

Location: Daylesford Abbey in Paoli, PA

Tickets and more info: theabbeyfest.com

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
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Children's Liturgy of the Word

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Michele Staves
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Church Environment

Amy Tahtabrounian
610-688-3970

Eucharistic Ministers

Patrice Polgar
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Liturgical Music Ministries

Dr. Ted Latham
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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.