

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers
Pastor

Rev. Msgr. John J. Jagodzinski
Pastor Emeritus

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

David Wang
Transitional Deacon

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

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

Laura Kerr
Organist/Adult Choir Director
Evangelization

Angela Kusterbeck
Business Manager

Barbara Lombardi
Parish Secretary

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.

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 Walken-
horst

PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Angela Kusterbeck, Carolyn Evans, Adria Crow-
ley, Richard Craft, Joseph Chott

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2023

9:30 AM Bo and Tess Connor
11:30 AM Richard and Rita Dougherty

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2023

6:30 AM Those Spending the Holidays Alone
8:00 AM Mary Kelly

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2023

6:30 AM Mary Corallo
8:00 AM James and Marjorie White

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2023

6:30 AM Chris Goy
8:00 AM Connie Kelly

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2023

6:30 AM Maria Kovolski
8:00 AM Fred Scher

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2023

6:30 AM Danny Lincicome
8:00 AM James Snell

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2023

8:00 AM Robert Butwin, Jr.
5:00 PM Michael Pansini

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2023

9:30 AM Dolores and William Northington
11:30 AM Richard Brown

*Readings: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16: Rom 16: 25-27.
Lk 1:26-38*

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	Dan Sivini
Ryan Carlton	Libby Judge	Logan Schweiter
Charles Carr	Tony Lopez	Claire Sieracki
Jackie Chedeville	Timothy Mahoney	Greg Schmidt
Brady Duperreault	John McCabe	Jessica Smucker
Jamie Lynn Donnelly	Mark Megaw	Debbie Snyder
Patrick Graham	MaryEllen O'Dwyer	Maryanne Sullivan

Deceased Prayer List:

James Childress, Vittorio Predi, Scott Belveal

PARISH ACTIVITIES

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

2023

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, December 23rd
4:00 PM – 4:45 PM

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 24th
9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Sunday, December 24th Christmas Eve
4:00 PM Vigil Mass in Church
5:30 PM Choir Concert
6:00 PM Vigil Mass in Church

Monday, December 25th, Christmas Day
9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

Sunday, December 31st
9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

Monday, January 1st, Mary, Mother of God
Not a Holy Day of Obligation
6:30 AM and 8:00 AM

HOLIDAY BULLETIN INFORMATION

Information for the December 24th Parish Bulletin was due to the rectory by 12:00pm on Thursday, December 14th.

Information for the December 31st Parish Bulletin is due to the rectory by 12:00pm on Monday, December 18th.

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW AUXILIARY BISHOPS

Pope Francis has appointed three priests of our archdiocese as auxiliary bishops for our archdiocese: Reverend Keith J. Chylinski, Reverend Christopher R. Cooke and Reverend Efren V. Esmilla. These appointments come in the wake of the retirement of two of our auxiliary bishops, Edward M. Deliman and Michael J. Fitzgerald, as they reached the mandatory retirement age of 75 and the appointment of one of our auxiliary bishops, Timothy C. Senior, as the Ordinary of Harrisburg.



Bishop-elect Chylinski is currently the rector of our seminary. He was born on 23 July 1971 in Schenectady, New York. He received a bachelor's degree in music from Temple University in Philadelphia in 2000. He received master's degrees from Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary and earned a master's degree from the Institute for the Psychological Sciences in Arlington, Virginia (now Divine Mercy University in Sterling, Virginia). He was ordained to the priesthood on 19 May 2007. After several assignments in parishes, Fr. Chylinski was appointed to the faculty at St. Charles Seminary. He was named rector of the seminary in 2022, succeeding Bishop Senior who had become the Bishop of the Harrisburg Diocese.



Bishop-elect Cooke was born November 8, 1973, in Meadowbrook, Pennsylvania. He received a bachelor's degree from the University of Delaware in Newark, Delaware in 1996. He began his priestly formation at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary and earned master's degrees in 2005 and 2006. Father Cook was ordained to the priesthood on 20 May 2006. After several parish assignments, Fr. Cooke was assigned to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, first as the director of the spiritual year and then as the dean of men for the theology division.



Bishop-elect Esmilla was born on 18 June 1962, in Nagcarlan, Laguna in the Philippines. He has a bachelor's degree from San Beda College in San Miguel, Manila, Philippines (1984) and a master of divinity from Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary (1992). Father Esmilla was ordained to the priesthood on 15 May 1993. Fr. Esmilla has had various parish and archdiocesan appointments and has also been the chaplain for the Filipino diocesan apostolate.

We congratulate our new auxiliary bishops and pray that God will bless them in their new ministries!

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

You will notice that the two Christmas trees that had been filled with almost 300 tags for women's and children's gifts at Mercy Hospice are gone – so are all the tags! Over the past few weeks, so many of you have so generously taken the tags and returned with gifts for these needy women and children whom you will probably never meet; in their name, I want to thank you! Let me also thank those of you who filled the school cafeteria recently with gifts and food baskets for needy families both in our sister parish, St. Martin de Porres, as well as our own parish. And, a recent message from the Catholic Charities Appeal indicated that we're at 94% of our \$152,390 goal for this year; thanks to those who have already contributed! These are just three recent examples of your great generosity throughout the year and especially at Christmas time toward those here in our own neighborhood, throughout our archdiocese and around the world, in response to our God's great gift to us – his Son, whose coming we eagerly await during this Advent Season. While he was with us, Jesus offered himself to us under the forms of bread and wine in the Eucharist and to the Father in expiation of our sins on the cross. This is why it is so important to join regularly in the Eucharist Celebration. Through this sacrament, we are reminded of God's great generosity to us and are, in turn, strengthened and encouraged to share of ourselves with those around us. I'm sure you have found spiritual strength and encouragement as you receive our Lord at Mass both through his sacred Word and his life-giving Body and Blood.

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:

To accomplish so great a work, Christ is always present in His Church, especially in her liturgical celebrations. He is present in the sacrifice of the Mass, not only in the person of His minister, "the same now offering, through the ministry of priests, who formerly offered himself on the cross", but especially under the Eucharistic species. By His power He is present in all the sacraments, so that when a man baptizes it is really Christ Himself who baptizes. He is present in His word, since it is He Himself who speaks when the holy scriptures are read in the Church. He is present, lastly, when the Church prays and sings, for He promised: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (*Matt 18:20*).

Our generous outreach to those in need around us comes from our worship of God and leads us back to worship God as well, as the Council Fathers remind us so well:

Christ indeed always associates the Church with Himself in this great work wherein God is perfectly glorified and men are sanctified. The Church is His beloved Bride who calls to her Lord, and through Him offers worship to the Eternal Father.

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.

Yes, our coming together to worship God is the most sacred action we can perform as we gratefully acknowledge all that God has done for us, especially through his Son, Jesus. It guides and directs our daily lives in imitation of Christ's great work. As we continue the sacred Advent Season during this National Eucharistic Revival, let us encourage each other by coming to Mass regularly so we can give ourselves time to meditate on this great mystery and so prepare ever more deeply to receive our Lord at Christmas!



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Revival**

PARISH ACTIVITIES



During this season of Advent our Middle School and High School Youth Groups made snack bags for Catholic Social Services and sandwiches for St. Patrick's in Norristown. The Middle School teens attend SKS and Radnor Middle and the High School teens attend Radnor HS, Archbishop Carroll, Haverford HS and Valley Forge Military Academy!



Parish Coffees



There will be a parish coffee in the parish center after the 9:30am Mass today. The parish coffee is being hosted by Home & School and Faithful Families will have a craft for the kids. All are welcome and we hope to see you there.



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 5 December – 11 December 2023

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$10,677.00

Electronic Giving: \$6,782.00

Tuition: \$45,600.00

Stewardship Appeal:
\$16,925.00

Donations: \$8,199.05

Other Income: \$8,567.47

Weekly Income: \$96,750.52

YTD Income: \$2,304,174.42

PARISH EXPENSES

Archdiocesan Assessment (6 months): \$96,799.98

Administrative Expenses:
\$14,141.33

Maintenance: \$21,278.58

Clergy/Religious Benefits:
\$5,734.79

Other Expenses: \$7,570.04

Weekly Expenses \$145,524.72

YTD Expenses: \$2,128,496.92

YTD Balance: \$175,677.50

Men's Evening of Reflection

Please join us for a Men's Evening of Reflection with Father Scott Reilly, LC this Tuesday evening, December 19th, starting at 6:30pm in church with Mass, followed by Father Scott's reflections in the parish center. For more information, please contact Father Scott at frscott@legionaries.org.

Family Promise Host Week December 31-January 7 Volunteers Needed!

Family Promise (fpmainline.org) is committed to helping families experiencing homelessness in our community. Families in the program stay at Wayne Presbyterian Church (WPC) several times during the year; WPC relies on St. Katharine's to help provide hospitality and meals. SKS volunteers buy groceries, drop off dinners or stay at WPC for dinner or as an overnight host.

The next host week at WPC is December 31-January 7. To volunteer or receive more information, please contact Adrienne Carroll at loveaemail@gmail.com or 610-905-3583 or Barbara Todd at bcivi@hotmail.com or 610-585-5044.



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
610-608-4447

Family Promise

Adrienne Carroll
610-905-3583
loveaemail@gmail.com

H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People in Emergencies)

Shauna Munshower
610-688-4348

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

Jessica Bryan
610-310-6749

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

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 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.