March 123 2024

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

S. Mary Elizabeth Karalis, SSJ

Director of Religious Education

Parish Nurse: 610-688-9479

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610-688-7890

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SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers Pastor

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

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Adria Crowley, School Principal 610-688-5451

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, Adria Crowley, Richard Craft, Joseph Chott, Rita Tuma

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, MARCH 17, 2024

9:30 AM Michael Carson 11:30 AM Joan Lewers



MONDAY, MARCH 18, 20246:30 AMEileen Sullivan8:00 AMMcCafferty/Schleicher Families

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024

6:30 AM James and Marjorie White 8:00 AM Elliott Huesken

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024

6:30 AM James Childress 8:00 AM Ellie Melli

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024

6:30 AM	Special Intention
8:00 AM	Juliett Akre

FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2024

6:30 AM Diana Cutler 8:00 AM Andrew Pruitt

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024

8:00 AMLewers/Shea Families5:00 PMDaniel Ehart

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

9:30 AMScott Belveal11:30 AMRobert Cook

Readings: Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

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 Grir
Joan Beiter	Ginny Jackson
Robert Bruno	Wesley Jones
Ryan Carlton	Libby Judge
Charles Carr	Tony Lopez
Jackie Chedeville	Timothy Mahor
Nancy DeFelice	John McCabe
Jamie Lynn Donnelly	Connie Mithala
Patrick Graham	Madeleine O'K

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Deceased Prayer List:

Jean McCallion, MaryEllen O'Dwyer, Edward Robb





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OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 6 March – 12 March 2024

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$9,502.00 Electronic Giving: \$6,707.00 Tuition: \$37,440.00 Donations: \$3,638.99

PARISH EXPENSES

Administration Expenses: \$25,023.43 Insurance: \$7,073.59 Maintenance: \$6,745.03

Other Income:\$1,605.02 Weekly Income: \$58,893.01 YTD Income: \$3,436,481.70 Other Expenses: \$4,608.07 Weekly Expenses \$43,450.12 YTD Expenses: \$3,320,842.25 YTD Balance: \$115,639.45

Palm Sunday Family Mass March 24 at 9:30am

Palm Sunday, the final Sunday of Lent and the beginning of Holy Week, marks Jesus' triumphal arrival into Jerusalem, where he was met with shouts of praise and waving palms. SKS activities at 9:30am include:

- Procession into church, weather permitting
- Mass celebrated by Bishop John McIntyre
- Reading of the Passion
- Parish Coffee hosted by the Knights of Columbus
- Children's craft with Faithful Families
- 8th grade Easter flower sale

Close-knit Community

The St Katharine's 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) 608-4447.

Pray the Rosary

The Rosary group meets every Tuesday evening at 7pm in the church or parish center.

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

"God has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation" (2 Corinthians 5:18).

Last week, 78 of our parishioners received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. On Wednesday of this week, everyone in the parish is encouraged to attend our Lenten Penance Service, which begins at 7:00pm; several priests will be available to hear your confession. During this Season of Lent, when we are all invited to recognize our sinfulness that put Jesus on the cross, we are also encouraged by Jesus' clear teaching of forgiveness of our sins. Allow me to offer some reflections on the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* provides us with some very clear teaching on this sacrament:

Through the sacraments of Christian initiation, man receives the new life of Christ. Now we carry this life "in earthen vessels," and it remains "hidden with Christ in God." We are still in our "earthly tent," subject to suffering, illness, and death. This new life as a child of God can be weakened and even lost by sin.

The Lord Jesus Christ, physician of our souls and bodies, who forgave the sins of the paralytic and restored him to bodily health, has willed that his Church continue, in the power of the Holy Spirit, his work of healing and salvation, even among her own members. This is the purpose of the two sacraments of healing: the sacrament of Penance and the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Those who approach the sacrament of Penance obtain pardon from God's mercy for the offense committed against him, and are, at the same time, reconciled with the Church which they have wounded by their sins and which by charity, by example, and by prayer labors for their conversion (1420 – 1422).

If we are honest with ourselves, we all admit that we are sinners. By our actions and our failures to act, we have hurt God, others and ourselves. God's response to our sinfulness, as the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states so beautifully, is found in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As we rejoiced that some of our parishioners recently received this powerful sign of God's mercy for the first time, let us join in celebrating this Sacrament in preparation for Easter. Come join us on Wednesday as we hold our annual Lenten Penance Service, starting at 7:00pm, or come to church to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on every Saturday (except Holy Saturday) from 4:00 until 4:45pm. Let us all be sure to be reconciled with our God and our community as we prepare for Holy Week so that we can be ready to celebrate the new life our risen Lord offers us in the Resurrection!



PARISH ACTIVITIES



The middle school and high school Youth Groups have been gathering during these weeks of Lent. As part of their Lenten journey they made cheese sandwiches for St. Patrick's in Norristown and assembled lunch bags for Mission Youth Philly who help the homeless in Kensington.







CATHOLIC PREACHING INSTITUTE LAUNCHES PARISHIONER SURVEY

The Catholic Preaching Institute at Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary invites you to take part in an anonymous survey to gauge your experience of the homilies you hear. Just go online to <u>https://catholicleaders.online/phillypreaching</u> and follow the easy directions to complete the 10 -minute survey or use the QR code below. Your input will inform the programs we design to make preaching more compelling throughout the archdiocese. The survey closes on March 22, so go online now and let us know what you think!





Walking with Purpose Connect Coffee March 19, 9:15-11AM

Join us on March 19th for our Connect Coffee, an opportunity for newcomers to learn about WWP with coffee, breakfast treats and an inspirational video followed by a casual discussion.

Walking with Purpose is so much more than Bible Study. More than 50 women, of all ages and life experiences, gather at SKS each week to deepen their faith through personal study and small group discussions that link everyday challenges with solutions given to us through the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Come as you are - you are welcome here.

Collection for Mercy Hospice

Please consider donating the following items to Mercy Hospice:

- Frozen fish (raw or cooked filets)
- Frozen Chicken breasts (raw or breaded/ cooked)
- Frozen Lasagna, Macaroni and Cheese, or Chicken Enchiladas (party size)
- Canned Beef or Chicken Gravy

Remember, bulk size is most appreciated by the chef who cooks for 40 people at each meal!

These non-food items have also been requested:

- Dish Cloths
- Dish Towels
- Women's Deodorant
- Women's Razors
- Women's Body Lotion full size

We are not collecting travel-size toiletries at this time.

Drop off your donation to the freezer at the rear of the parish center or church library.

Thank you in advance for your generosity! The donations from our parish are greatly appreciated by the staff and residents at Mercy Hospice.



Men's Evening of Reflection

Please join us for a Men's Evening of Reflection with Father Scott Reilly, LC this Tuesday evening, March 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.

Easter Egg Hunt

Please join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 30th at 10:00am on the Convent Lawn (in the gym if raining). All children ages 0-6 are welcome to attend. Please bring Easter Baskets.

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.

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 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 Caitlin Thompson 816-309-6526 cmthompson923@gmail.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

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 Ioveaemail@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

Parish Library Christine Purkiss 610-202-5360

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

If you are interested in learning more about any of the groups call the contact name above or the rectory at 610-688-4584.