

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

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 26, 2024

9:30 AM Ed Robb
11:30 AM Noah DePaul

MONDAY, MAY 27, 2024

8:00 AM McCafferty/Schleicher Families

There will be NO Adoration today.

TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Sr. Anne Sophia Meaney

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024

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

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2024

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

FRIDAY, MAY 31, 2024

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2024

8:00 AM Gregory Sergovic
5:00 PM MaryEllen O'Dwyer

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024

9:30 AM Mary Ann Martillitto
11:30 AM Drew Burton

Readings: Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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

Deceased Prayer List:

Maryanne McDevitt

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PARISH ACTIVITIES



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OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE

Week of: 15 May – 21 May 2024

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collection: \$10,094.00
Electronic Giving: \$4,944.00
Tuition: \$4,562.00
Socials/Donations: \$12,677.00

PARISH EXPENSES

Other Income: \$4,711.99	Salaries: \$79,065.41
Weekly Income: \$36,988.99	Administration Expenses: \$8,784.84
YTD Income: \$3,988,168.58	Other Expenses: \$3,343.14
	Weekly Expenses \$91,193.39
	YTD Expenses: \$4,036,492.06
	YTD Balance: \$(48,323.48)

Home Visits

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

Pray the Rosary

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



**MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 27th
MASS AT 8:00 AM**

**TOWNSHIP MEMORIAL DAY PARADE
10:00 AM**

**The parish office will be closed on
Monday, May 27th and there will be
NO Adoration.**

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

SUPPORTING OUR FELLOW CHRISTIANS IN THE HOLY LAND

We're all certainly aware of the horrific ongoing war between Israel and the Hamas in Gaza that started last October as some members of the Hamas attacked Israel and took over 250 Israelis hostage. It is a tragedy that continues to worsen with hundreds of thousands of people now on the brink of starvation. In the middle of this living nightmare live a very small number of Christians who comprise less than 1% of the total population of Gaza and the West Bank, together known as Palestine. You probably remember the sniper attack last December in the compound of the Church of the Holy Family, the only Catholic Church in Gaza. As Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, described so graphically, two women were shot in "cold blood" as they walked outside of the church but within the enclosed compound. Earlier that same day, the Sisters of Mother Theresa convent, which is part of that church compound, was struck three times by Israeli artillery shells, rendering the monastery uninhabitable, according to the Latin Patriarch. And, although we don't hear much about it, the Christians living in the West Bank are also suffering from the war as their ability to travel becomes ever more restricted and work opportunities become increasingly scarce.

So, it is even more important than ever that we support our fellow Christians living in this Holy Land, the land where our Lord, Jesus, was born, lived, proclaimed the good news of our salvation, suffered, died and rose to new life. One of the best ways we can do this is by supporting the industries they are able to maintain even in these most challenging time: olive wood carvings and olive oil manufacture. Due to its ongoing success here, the *Bethlehem Carving Group* will be returning, once again, to give us the opportunity to support the Christians and, at the same time, purchase handsome olive wood carvings and other Holy Land specialties for our homes or as gifts. Those of you who have visited our parish center when they have been here in the past know that the *Bethlehem Carving Group* offers a wide variety of beautiful olive wood carvings and other products for sale. I have invited the Bethlehem Carving Group to set up shop here for the past several years, both for our benefit and theirs. From my years of experience in the Holy Land, I know that this is one of the best companies and their carvings are of the finest quality. And, they offer new items every year! The wide variety of religious articles that they bring us will be lovely additions to your homes and make for excellent gifts, especially for Christmas, weddings, birthdays and baptisms, as well as other occasions. I have given their handsome wood carvings for a variety of special occasions; the recipients have always appreciated them.

Purchasing these products from the *Bethlehem Carving Group* supports the Christians who are struggling to eke out a living in the land where Christianity was founded. The olive wood handicraft art began in Bethlehem in the fourth century following the construction of the Church of the Nativity, built over the traditional birthplace of Jesus. The same monks who served the Church of the Nativity taught the handicraft trade of carving olive wood to the local Christian residents. This handicraft was then passed on from one generation to the next and was perfected and mastered, thus continuing the ancient tradition of carving exquisite olive wood figures in the Holy Land. The *Bethlehem Carving Group* artists combine the experience and skills of the old traditions with the innovation and creativity of the new generation.

Please stop by the tables that will be set out – either between the church and the rectory or in the parish center, depending on the weather – to examine these fine olive wood carvings; you might be tempted to buy a few! In doing so, you will get a chance to purchase some very fine Holy Land articles and, at the same time, you will be supporting our fellow Christians living in the land made sacred by our Lord.



INTRODUCING OUR NEW DRE: A VERY FAMILIAR FACE WITH A NEW ROLE

As we prepare to say farewell and God bless to Sr. Mary Elizabeth Karalis, SSJ, who has been our outstanding Director of Religious Education for the past 11 years, I would like to introduce you to her successor; she is already a very familiar face here. Shortly after Sr. Mary Elizabeth announced her retirement to the parish staff, Stephanie Twohig came to see me about this position. As most of you surely know, Steph is our parish Youth Minister, teaches our school band members and leads our children's teen and young adult choirs. Having worked with other youth ministers around the archdiocese, she has learned that other parishes have combined the role of DRE and Youth Minister with great success. She explained that combining these two positions encourages the students in our school and PREP to become involved in our youth ministry program. It immediately made sense to me so we have explored it further and Steph has accepted my offer to become our parish's first Director of Youth Formation Ministries which will combine the roles of DRE and Youth Minister. She has also agreed to continue to lead the various choirs.

Those of you who already know Steph are very familiar with her boundless energy, beautiful voice, extensive musical abilities, incredible imagination and excellent organizational skills along with her magnetic personality that draws many to her. I am confident that she will be successful in this new role and I ask you to join me in congratulating her as she becomes even more involved in leading our children, youth and young adults ever closer to Jesus Christ and his faith filled community here at St. Katharine of Siena parish.



PARISH ACTIVITIES



Our closing Teen Mass of the 2023-24 school year will be Saturday, June 1st at the 5:00 pm Mass. There will be a special blessing for ALL graduating 8th and 12th graders. After Mass the Youth Group will be serving snacks outside of church!

Manna Bags

Manna Bags were available at all of our Masses last weekend. Kindly return your filled Manna Bags, or your own bags, to the church library by June 2nd.

Items in greatest need are: bottles of water, cheese crackers, regular crackers, small cans of tuna with pop-off tops, Vienna sausages and fruit snacks.

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.

PREP Registration 2024-2025
Monday 6:30–7:30pm or
Wednesday 4:30 – 5:30pm

Returning Families: please register for PREP through your Parish Giving account. Any questions regarding your PG account please contact 866-307-7140. **New Families:** please see our website to register today.

We are still looking for catechists/aides for Monday & Wednesday. Free tuition! Please email religioused@sksparish.org.

For general questions regarding PREP, please contact Sister Mary or Kim at 610-688-7890 or mekaralis@sksparish.org or religioused@sksparish.org.

Baby Bottle Drive
Mothers Home
May 11 through June16

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, SKS hands out empty baby bottles at the doors 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 mjw-packer@gmail.com.

Clothing Drive

We will be holding a clothing drive from June 1st thru June 9th for the St. Francis Inn in Philly, which operates Marie's Closet Clothing Center. The center serves low-income residents who depend on Marie's Closet for their clothing and shoes at no cost. The volunteer staff is looking for casual summer clothing (shorts, tee shirts, sweats, sweatshirts, jeans, etc.) for men, women and children. New underwear is greatly appreciated. Please no winter clothing, as storage space is very limited. Drop off your gently-used clothing in the church library. For more information, contact Bob or Jane Till at retill7@aol.com or 610-999-0191.

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

Thursdays, June 6th, 13th, and 27th
7:00 - 8:30 pm in the parish center

This summer we will be reading *This is My Body; A Call to Eucharistic Revival* by Bishop Baron and *How to Make Great Decisions* by father Mike Schmitz.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Erin Reusche etapc@comcast.net and place "Book Club" in your subject.

Around the World Camp
Pre-K and Up

Arts and crafts, STEM activities, indoor and outdoor games, water play with pool and sprinklers! Children from all schools are welcome, so bring your friends!

When: June 17th-21st, June 24th-28th, July 8th-12th and July 15th-19th from 8:30am until 11:30am, Monday through Friday.

Fee: \$225 per week (includes snacks, supplies & registration fee).

Camp Counselors: SKS Teachers, Mrs. Nord, Mrs. Thornton, Mrs. Ryan

For further information or if you have any questions, please email mryan@sksschool.org or text/call 484-437-1522.

For information on all summer camps at SKS, please visit www.sksparish.org/CYO and www.sksschool.org (click on the Parent Information tab).

Knights of Columbus

Our final meeting of the year is Wednesday, June 12th at 7:00am in the parish center. The Knights are here to support the spiritual needs of Catholic men, their families and the parish.

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

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

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

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