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
Rev. Kien Do

Priest in Residence

David Wang

Transitional Deacon

Kim O'Neill Coordinator for Parish Life and Ministry: 610-688-4584

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610-688-9489

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610-688-7890

Organist/Adult Choir Director

Evangelization

Angela Kusterbec

Angela Kusterbeck Business Manager

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Stephanie Twohig, Kim O'Neill, Jeanne Mulvanerty, Donna Blumeris, Sarah Bradley, Charles Cognata, Tina Rovito, Kevin Haynes, Ed Kubala, Bill Lehner, Mary Packer, Jeff Walkenhorst

PARISH FINANCIAL COUNCIL

Rev. Msgr. Hans Brouwers, Angela Kusterbeck, Jeanne Mulvanerty, 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 6:30 & 8:00am, 12:10 & 7:00pm

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, JANUARY 19, 2025 9:30 AM Jeanne Dwyer

11:30 AM James and Marjorie White

MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Special Intention

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Steve Gilkey

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Richard Helms
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2025

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Josephine Martino

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025 8:00 AM Jack Kovolski 5:00 PM Ruth Sullivan

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025 9:30 AM Marie O'Brien 11:30 AM Mary Ann Martillotti

Readings: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

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.

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

Deceased Prayer List:

Margaret Kozul, Kevin Tobin

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org







PARISH ACTIVITIES



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 8 December – 14 January 2025

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$10,663.00 Electronic Giving: \$6,225.00

> Tuition: \$119,333.80 Stewardship Appeal: \$11,425.300 Church Boiler: \$10,205.00

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Other Income: \$4,838.16 Weekly Income: \$168,976.96

YTD Income: \$2,775,991.03

PARISH EXPENSES

Benefits: \$61,439.11 Church Boiler: \$59,975.80 Administration Expenses: \$39,239.58

Maintenance: \$16,645.38 Utilities: \$11,145.09 Insurance: \$5,678.66 Student Activities: \$5,658.10

Other Expenses: \$11,357.83 Weekly Expenses \$211,139.55 YTD Expenses: \$2,478,227.19 YTD Balance: \$297.763.84



Pre-Jordan/Baptismal Instruction

If you are having your first child baptized, the Archdiocese requires the parents to attend a Pre-Jordan class. The classes take place at 7:00pm the first Tuesday of the month. The next class is scheduled for Tuesday, February 4th. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or by email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

We welcome newly baptized William Ryan and John Stefanski to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate their parents John and Elise Ryan and Edward and Monica Stefanski.





From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

ORDINARY TIME

As Christmas comes to an end with the feast of the Baptism of the Lord – which we celebrated this past Sunday – we begin what the Church calls Ordinary Time. It is called "ordinary" because the weeks are numbered in order – 2nd, 3rd, 4th, etc. It is time – usually 33 weeks – ordered by God's grace in between the sacred seasons of Advent and Christmas, Lent and Easter. The priest wears green vestments. Our church's Christmas decorations have come down and we all have returned to a regular home, work, and school schedule.

Ordinary Time, however, is not at all plain and simple. On the contrary, as we come together to worship God week after week, we are given the opportunity to explore all facets of Christ's life rather than just celebrating and delving into one aspect: His birth, as we did during Advent and Christmas, or his death and Resurrection, as we do during Lent and Easter. What could be ordinary about exploring the full sweep of Christ's works and teachings? The green of Ordinary Time, like the green of nature, encourages us to grow and mature in our faith. As the color of hope, it also calls us to anticipate the gifts of God's kingdom.

We are living in a time that most of us would agree is anything but ordinary. We all feel the effects of the ongoing wars in Ukraine and the Middle East and the wild swings in the weather with its devastating effects in so many areas of our country and, indeed, around the world. Our nation and so many other countries worldwide are struggling with the extreme edges of society and politics disrupting the lives of the majority. We need the order that God has intended from the beginning and see what happens when we disregard his order.

The Church provides us with a sense of order during this Ordinary Time, presenting our Lord's ministry and teachings in an orderly way. As I noted at the beginning of Advent, we are hearing about our Lord primarily from the *Gospel of Luke* throughout the Sundays of this liturgical year. Each of the years in the Church's three-year Sunday cycle features one of the three Synoptic Gospels. Year A features the *Gospel of Matthew*, year B features the *Gospel of Matk*, and year C, which began on the First Sunday of Advent, features the *Gospel of Luke*. This cycle allows us to hear each gospel, which presents our Lord's teachings in slightly different ways since each gospel was written to different audiences at different times under different circumstances and for different reasons. The *Gospel of John* is also featured on certain Sundays throughout the year as well as on the first Sundays of Lent and during the Easter season.

The Gospel of Luke is generally thought to be written between 80 and 90AD in Syria. Intended for Greek converts to Christianity, it sought to encourage them to be confident that Jesus was, indeed, the Savior and that God's plan for salvation included them and, in fact, all Gentiles. Like the other gospels, the text does not identify the author. Although it was traditionally thought to be a Syrian physician, modern scripture scholars identify him as a well-educated non-Palestinian Gentile convert - possibly Luke, a companion to Paul. He admits at the very beginning of his gospel that he is not an eye-witness of Jesus but has "decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence...so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received" (Lk 1:3+4).

As we begin to embrace the initiative that Archbishop Pérez introduced recently – to become missionary disciples – we are encouraged by this gospel to join in the essential mission of the Church: to share with everyone we meet the Good News of our salvation in Jesus Christ. As we begin Ordinary Time, let us listen carefully to all the readings - and especially the *Gospel of Luke* - which are proclaimed to give us hope as we all prepare for the Kingdom of God!



PARISH ACTIVITIES



MLK Day of Service 2025

For the twelfth year, the Youth Group will be helping a variety of shelters and organizations in need. If you would like to donate any of the Items listed please drop them off in the church library or vestibule the weekends of January 8th-19th. Individual toiletry Items: soap, tooth brushes, tooth paste, travel shampoo, deodorant. Food items: bag of white rice, bag of black beans, boxes of cereal, plain oatmeal, cereal bars, pancake mix, instant oatmeal packets/cups salt and pepper.

Monday, January 20th from 10-12:00 pm in the Parish Center will be an in-person service day. Anyone in 7th-12th grade is welcome to come and assemble casseroles for Mercy Hospice and Sarnelli House, make sandwiches for St. Patrick's in Norristown and pack toiletry bags for Visitation Community Center in Kensington.



Middle School Youth Group restarts this Tuesday, January 21st from 2:45-4:00 pm in the Parish Center.



SKS PREP classes prepared for the birth of Jesus before the Christmas break. The Kindergarten held a birthday party for Jesus, the 5th grade acted out the story of Jesus' birth and the 4th grade created beautiful crèches for their families. The PREP community collected over 100 warm hats, gloves, scarves and socks for

the students who attend Visitation School in Ken-

Men's Evening of Reflection Tuesday, January 21st 6:30-8:30pm St. Norbert Church 6 Greenlawn Road Paoli, PA 19301

Men's Evening is traveling to St. Norbert's this month! Michael Gormley, of *That Man is You* and the popular podcast *Every Knee Shall Bow*, will speak about true, Catholic masculinity. This is a night for all who want to be a better man, father, husband or brother.

For more information, contact John Volk at john.volk@aecom.com.

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 7:00pm in the church, parish center or grotto. Contact Mary Ann Mahoney at 610-324-3437 for more information.

Home Visits

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

Parish Coffee

Please join us for a parish coffee in the parish center after the 9:30am Mass next Sunday hosted by Home and School. Faithful Families will have a craft for the kids. All are welcome and we hope to see you there.

SCHOOL CORNER

Catholic Schools Week begins with 9:30am Mass on Sunday, January 29th! Our students will speak at Masses next weekend to share what makes our school such a wonderful, faith-filled place to learn and grow. We will also have a parish coffee hosted by our Home and School Association. We can't wait to see you there!

The second collection at all Masses on January 25th and 26th will benefit St. Katharine of Siena School's Annual Fund. The Annual Fund helps us bridge the gap between our tuition revenue and our operating expenses. We appreciate your generous support.

Throughout the week, our students will dive into a variety of meaningful and joyful activities that reflect the spirit of Catholic education. We'll come together in prayer, enjoy fun and educational assemblies and games, and wrap up the week with the ever-popular faculty vs. student basketball game — a fan favorite!

But that's not all — as part of our commitment to service, we'll be collecting nonperishable food items and winter coats to support those in need. We welcome and deeply appreciate any donations from our generous parishioners. Your support makes a real difference in the lives of our students and our community. Please consider a donation via our QR code.

Thank you for supporting SKS!



BULLETIN INFORMATION

Information for the January 26th Parish Bulletin is due to the rectory by 5:00pm on Monday, January 20th.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Go, Make Disciples: An Introductory Training in Missionary Discipleship Saturdays, Jan. 25, Feb. 8 and Feb. 22, 2025 8:30am-11:30am St. Norbert's Parish, Paoli

Join this workshop for powerful and practical training in the habits and skills of missionary discipleship. This course will help you deepen your personal friendship with Jesus and acquire relational skills to encounter and accompany others into Christ's love.

Cost: \$25.00 includes all 3 sessions, coffee, snacks and guidebook. Visit **phillyevang.org/events** to register.

Jubilee 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

On this past Christmas Eve, Pope Francis opened the Jubilee Year 2025 by unlocking the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica. Traditionally proclaimed every 25 years, Jubilees are a call for reconciliation and spiritual renewal. This year's theme, "Pilgrams of Hope," focuses on deepening faith and experiencing the mercy of God's love during challenging times. Celebrations will be held throughout the year in Rome, and parishes around the world will have special Masses and events. During the Jubilee, Catholics are encouraged to attend confession, pray, participate in acts of service and join in pilgrimages if possible. Jubilee 2025 will end on January 6, 2026, the Feast Day of the Epiphany, with the closing of the Holy Door.

"We must fan the flame of hope that has been given to us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, trusting heart and far-sighted vision." Pope Francis

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille. If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held February 14th-16th at the Family Life Center in Malvern. For more information, register, visit or to www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

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 Sewardship

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 ScoutsJason Botzler
Shawn Sweeney
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 Tom Reusche skskofc@gmail.com

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

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

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Church Environment

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Eucharistic Ministers

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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

Stephanie Twohig 610-688-7890

Rosary Group Mary Ann Mahoney 610-324-3437

CATECHESIS

Bible Study

Msgr. Brouwers 610-688-4584

Home and School Association

Allison Morris

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Marriage Preparation

Dan and Julie Pijawka 610-247-0582

Parish School

Jeanne Mulvanerty 610-688-5451

P.R.E.P. and P.R.E.P. Board (CCD Advisory Board)

Stephanie Twohig 610-688-7890

Respect Life

sksrespectlife@gmail.com

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Msgr. Brouwers 610-688-4584

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

Mothers of Young Children

Caitlin Thompson 816-309-6526 cthom923@gmail.com

Parish Center Reservations Kim O'Neill

610-688-4584

Walking with Purpose

Maureen Reilly 610-989-3747

Faithful Families

Kate Mallach 215-858-9507

Retrouvaille: Marriage Help

215-766-3944

www.helpourmarriage.org

Gym Reservations

Ben Piazza 215-760-9743

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.