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

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610-688-9489

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Organist/Adult Choir Director

Evangelization

Angela Kusterbeck Business Manager

Barbara Lombardi Parish Secretary

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, MARCH 2, 2025

9:30 AM Masi Giovanna Niccolai 11:30 AM Donald McGuigan

MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Anita Livsey

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Robert Kelly

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025

6:30 AM James and Marjorie White

8:00 AM Special Intention
12:10 PM Special Intention
7:00 PM Special Intention

THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM John Cellucci

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Pasquale Lawrence Bria, Jr.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2025 8:00 AM Diana Cutler 5:00 PM Joseph Weir

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025 9:30 AM Chris Beetel

11:30 AM Deacon George Bolter

Readings: Dt. 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

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

Deceased Prayer List:

Joyce Guyer, Tara Peterson, Sally Singh, Bill Keane

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org







PARISH ACTIVITIES



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 19 February – 25 February 2025

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$9,353.00

Electronic Giving: \$4,733.00

Tuition: \$67,494.22 BLOCS Scholarship Grant: \$137,900.00

Socials/Donations: \$5,864.90 Bequests: \$9,845.49

Other Income: \$1,725.52 Weekly Income: \$236,916.13 YTD Income: \$3,617,030.81

PARISH EXPENSES

Benefits: \$77,424.89 Diocesan Assessment: \$15,450.00 Administration Expenses: \$22,430.28

Insurance: \$5,808.19

Other Expenses: \$14,864.66 Weekly Expenses \$135,978.02 YTD Expenses: \$3,112,651.73

YTD Balance: \$504,379.08



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, March 4th. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or by email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

We welcome newly baptized Samuel & Blaine Potter and James Lehan to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate their parents Alexander & Morgan Potter & Christopher and Kate Lehan.





From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

LENT BEGINS IN THE MIDST OF A JUBILEE YEAR

You will recall that our Holy Father, Pope Francis, inaugurated the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025 last Christmas Eve with the call for all of us to be pilgrims of hope. Jubilee Years are special years that focus on remission of sins and the call for universal renewal. Each year, the Church, in her wisdom, offers us the liturgical Season of Lent, a season for reconciliation and renewal in preparation for the hope that Easter offers us all as we celebrate the new life Jesus offers through his death and Resurrection.

On Ash Wednesday, we will again be made aware of our sinfulness and our need for salvation. We are called to choose to accompany Jesus as he offers his life to save us. On Ash Wednesday, we will receive ashes on our forehead as both a sign of repentance and a call to choose to prepare for our eternal salvation. This is why the person who imposes ashes has a choice of two formulas: "Repent and believe in the Gospel," or "Remember that you are dust and to dust you will return." As we repent of our sins we live in the hope that, although we will return to dust, we also are given the promise of new life in heaven.

In preparation for the Lenten Season, I offer you copies of the popular Lenten *Black Book* at the church entrances for your edification. Feel free to take one for yourself and another for a friend or neighbor who isn't able to come to church in person. This booklet offers brief, thought-provoking reflections for every day of Lent. This year, it provides inspirational meditations on our Lord's Passion according to the Gospel of John.

This is also a very good time to take advantage of the healing Sacrament of Reconciliation, which is scheduled every Saturday 4:00 – 4:45pm, except on Holy Saturday (19 April). And, we will again host a regional Lenten Penance Service on Wednesday, 20 March, beginning at 7:00pm.

On Wednesday, 2 April, we will have our Lenten Evening of Reflection beginning with Mass at 6:45pm. Fr. Gary McCloskey, OSA, will offer insights into living in hope in the face of our sinfulness before God who loves us all. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

We will also have Stations of the Cross throughout Lent at 7:00pm every Friday evening. Our school students will present their annual Living Stations on Friday, 11 April. This is a very moving way to prepare for Holy Week, which begins with Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord just two days later, on 13 April. We will celebrate the beautiful Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm on Holy Thursday followed by a Holy Hour led by our Knights of Columbus and time for private adoration until 10:00pm. On Good Friday, everyone is invited to join with our fellow Christians at the Wayne Methodist Church at 11:45am. We will process from there to Wayne Presbyterian Church for the annual Wayne Ecumenical Ministerium Good Friday Service that begins at 12:00noon. We will also celebrate the Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00pm here in our church. We're privileged to have the Ama Deus Ensemble perform the Bach St. John Passion beginning at 7:00pm that same evening, also in our church. All of these events will offer us very powerful occasions to close this most Holy Week of the year.

Another essential aspect of the Lenten Season is almsgiving. As we become aware of the great sacrifice our Lord, Jesus, made for us on the cross, we are called to share in his sacrifice by sharing the abundance of God's gifts with those in need around the world. Operation Rice Bowl, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year, is an excellent way to do just that. Rice Bowls are at the church entrances for your use. Over the past few years, these Rice Bowl packets have become more interesting, with reflections on the Church in variety of areas in the world that Catholic Relief Services supports through your donations. This year, the countries are Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh. You can meet the members of your global family through the QR code on the Rice Bowl or the informational pamphlet enclosed in the Rice bowl or at crsricebowl.org/join.

This Jubilee Year also provides many opportunities for indulgences, a longstanding tradition through which we care for our fellow Christians who have died and are in Purgatory awaiting entry into Heaven. During this Jubilee Year, you may even obtain two indulgences a day if you fulfill the requirements laid out in the *Decree on Granting of Indulgences during the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025*. You will find that decree online; simply type in its name.

Yes, this is a very important time for us Christians. Let us take the opportunity, once again, to join together in turning back to God and to each other as we, pilgrims of hope, prepare to celebrate the hope of new life that we receive in the Risen Lord at Easter!



PARISH ACTIVITIES



The next Middle School Youth Group meets this Tuesday, March 4th from 2:45-4:00pm in the Parish Center.

The Youth Group assembled "Bags of Love" for our homebound parishioners.





Our PREP classes were busy last week learning about our Church and special saints! The Kindergarten had a scavenger hunt in our church. The 6th grade played Church BINGO and the first grade learned about some of our Saints like St. Mother Teresa!



SKS Choir

Have you made any Lenten plans yet? How about joining the choir? When we sing, we connect with God in a strong and deep way like nothing else. Come sing with us and "pray twice" - especially during Lent when our Lord calls us to conversion of heart through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

The SKS Adult Choir welcomes new members throughout the year. We are a close-knit and devoted group of 19 men and women who love to use their God-given voice to draw the congregation into worship through song. The choir will sing at the 9:30am Mass four weeks during Lent, including Palm Sunday and for the Easter Triduum Services: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil. Rehearsals are at 8:15am before Mass in addition to two evening rehearsals each month, usually on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm. For more information please email or call Laura Kerr: choirdirector@sksparish.org or 610-937-1094 or stop by the organ/piano after Mass.

Women's Evening of Reflection Thursday, March 6th 6:30-8:30pm SKS Church and Parish Center

Ladies! You are invited to come refresh your soul for an evening of faith, fellowship and food. Mass, Dinner, Speaker and Testimonial Celebrant and Speaker Father Bill Waters, OSA from Villanova and a testimonial by Kim O'Neill, Coordinator for Parish Life and Ministry. Confession is offered after 7:30pm.

Walk-ins are welcome, but RSVPs are very helpful for planning food and seating. For further information or to RSVP: Laura Kerr evangelization@sksparish.org or Patty Clerkin, pattyclerkin@gmail.com.

Palm to Ashes

Bring your old palm to church by Sunday, March 2nd to be burned for Ashes on Ash Wednesday. Please place the palm in the <u>urn</u> located at the St. Joseph Shrine.

Disciple Maker Index Survey

Back in 2018, SKS parishioners were asked to take the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey. The survey invited people to reflect on the strengths and challenges of our parish and its impact on their faith journey. As a result of the DMI, three Pastoral Plan committees have been working to make SKS a stronger community in three areas: Liturgy Experience, Parishioner Enand Faith Sharing. Visit gagement www.sksparish.org/parishplan to learn more about the committees' achievements.

The DMI is being offered again from March 5th through April 13th. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, you'll find the survey online or on the tables in church. This is your chance to let us know if St. Katharine's is meeting your spiritual needs!

Marie's Closet March 7-10

St. Katharine's is holding a pop-up drive for Marie's Closet, a ministry that serves the homeless and low-income residents in Kensington. They are in need of the following:

- Backpacks
- Towels and washcloths
- Sneakers, shoes, boots
- Hoodies and sweatshirts
- Jeans, sweatpants, casual pants
- Small toiletries, especially shampoo and soap
- Unbreakable cups, mugs, tumblers
- Belts

Items can be new or gently used. Please drop off donations in the bins in the church library by March 10th. For more information, contact Bob and Jane Till at retill7@aol.com or 610-999-0191.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Information for the March 9th Parish Bulletin is due to the rectory by 5:00pm on Monday, February 10th.

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. ewardship

WORSHIP

Adoration

Maureen Reilly 610-989-3747 Marie Northington 484-686-7744

Adult Altar Servers

Paul and Alicia Peterson 610-989-0277

Altar Servers

Dan Hayes 610-772-7760

Charismatic Prayer Group

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

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

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

Contact Rectory 610-688-4584

Mothers of Young Children

816-309-6526 cthom923@gmail.com

Walking with Purpose

Maureen Reilly 610-989-3747

Faithful Families

Kate Mallach

Retrouvaille: Marriage Help

215-766-3944

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

Alcoholics Anonymous

Caitlin Thompson

Parish Center Reservations

Kim O'Neill 610-688-4584

215-858-9507

www.helpourmarriage.org

610-306-9171 Jane Dooner 610-505-1436

Program

Jane Dwyer

Parish Library

Christine Purkiss 610-202-5360

SERVICE

Caring for Friends

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loveaemail@gmail.com

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Tom Reusche

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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.