March 9, 2025

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

Jeanne Mulvanerty School Principal 610-688-5451 Stephanie Twohig Youth Ministry 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

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 9, 2025 9:30 AM Chris Beetel

11:30 AM Deacon George Bolter



MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Mary Pat Follman

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12, 2025

6:30 AM James and Marjorie White **8:00 AM** Dennis Boyle, Jr.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13, 2025

6:30 AMPauline McGrath8:00 AMJoseph Abbondandolo

FRIDAY, MARCH 14, 2025

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 15, 2025

8:00 AM Colleen Carr 5:00 PM Kathleen Nickles

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025

9:30 AM Joan Lewers 11:30 AM Thomas Hayes

Readings: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

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

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Parish Giving

OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 26 February – 4 March 2025

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$10,686.00

Electronic Giving: \$7,563.00 Socials/Donations: \$12,889.68 School Subsidy From Other Parishes: \$2,650.00

Other Income: \$3,604.60 Weekly Income: \$37,393.28 YTD Income: \$3,654,424.09

PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries: \$90,199.74 Administration Expenses: \$15,441.41 Maintenance: \$4,296.03

Charitable Giving: \$1,220.00

Other Expenses: \$5,119.37 Weekly Expenses \$116,276.55 YTD Expenses: \$3,228,928.28 YTD Balance: \$425,495.81



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, April 1st. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or by email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

We welcome newly baptized Penelope Tague to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate her parents Vincent & Shannon Tague and older sister Eloise.



From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

From northernmost Mexico to Tierra del Fuego at the southern tip of Argentina, as well as throughout the islands of the Caribbean, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishop's annual Collection for the Church in Latin America supports fellow Catholics as they grow in their faith and share God's love. Last year, this collection supported 252 projects funded by the \$6.2 million that Catholics in the United States gave to the annual fund. For more than 50 years, this annual collection has been a powerful way for us to unite more closely with our brothers and sisters in faith throughout Latin America and the Caribbean as we support diocesan pastoral catechetical and family life ministries, seminary studies, and formation programs for religious sisters and brothers. The collection also helps the poorest dioceses obtain basic necessities that they otherwise would be unable to afford, which would leave them unable to minister effectively to the faithful.

Allow me to offer two examples of the aid this annual collection provides. Amid grinding poverty in Haiti, with millions of people still reeling from the 2010 earthquake and suffering from the ongoing political instability, programs funded by the annual Collection for the Church in Latin America have taught people to develop and manage sustainable farming projects to produce food for themselves and their neighbors, many of whom live in dire poverty. In the Archdiocese of Sao Salvador de Bahia in northeastern Brazil, this fund has underwritten a robust program of social outreach that helps parishioners care for thousands of homeless men, women and children.

"The Collection for the Church in Latin America is a chance for Catholics in the Americas to share their faith and grow closer to Christ," said Bishop Octavio Cisneros, auxiliary bishop of Brooklyn and chairman of the Subcommittee on the Church in Latin America of the USCCB. "I thank the faithful of the United States for their compassion and generosity to their sisters and brothers in Latin America and the Caribbean. I have seen first-hand the people in many countries who benefit from this generosity."

Since this collection began, U. S. Catholics have contributed over \$190 million to support the Church in Latin America and Caribbean, including areas that are so remote and difficult to serve. We will take up this collection for the Church in Latin America this weekend. Please be generous in this collection, and take this opportunity to share your faith with so many families throughout Latin America. Your continued support will truly make a difference in spreading the Gospel and, in the name of so many who hunger for it, I thank you.



PARISH ACTIVITIES



The next Middle School Youth Group meets this Tuesday, March 11th from 2:45-4:00pm in the parish center.

Thanks to the amazing teens who cantored and lectored at last Saturday's Teen Mass. Our lectors Grace and Sophia attend Episcopal Academy and our cantors attend SKS. Our musicians were Colton (trumpet) who attends Harriton High School and Peter (bass) who is our intern from Temple University.





The Monday and Wednesday PREP classes are busy preparing for the season of Lent. Last week the 1st grade learned about some special saints and the 3rd grade were working in their *Blessed* First Holy Communion book!





SKS Choir

How are your Lenten plans coming along? Lent is a special opportunity to grow closer to God in new and unexpected ways. Perhaps you have felt the nudge to sing with the choir? Now is a perfect time to share your talents with the SKS Adult Choir. We invite all voice parts to join. Sing with us at the 9:30 Mass on three upcoming Sundays of Lent, including Palm Sunday, and for the stunning Easter Triduum Services. It truly will nourish your soul! Rehearsals: Sunday mornings 8:15-9:15 and there will also be 4 evening rehearsals. With 19 strong in the choir, your voice will blend in beautifully! Ability to read music is a plus, but not required. For more information contact Laura Kerr 610-937-1094 or choirdirector@sksparish.org or stop by the organ after Mass!



Disciple Maker Index Survey

The DMI Survey is Live!

Along with all the parishes throughout the archdiocese, St. Katharine's is on a journey to know, love and serve Jesus better!

Complete the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey today. The survey assesses our unique strengths and opportunities. Share your perspective now to help strengthen SKS and better prepare us for the future. Find the survey using the QR code, below. There are also paper copies in the rectory or on the tables at church entrances. We want to hear from you!



Fast and Abstinence and Other Acts of Penance for Lent

The Bishops of the United States prescribed, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Reconciliation, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the Sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten educational programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

All are encouraged to participate in "Operation Rice Bowl," which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia as well as throughout our nation and our world.

RENEW YOURSELF THIS LENT

This six-week prayer book, *Lenten Longings: Seeing with God's Eyes*, invites us to a time of prayer, reflection and conversion during Lent. Written by Sister Cathy Nerney, SSJ, who lives in our convent, this book contains six sessions corresponding to the Sunday Gospel readings during Lent.

We're pleased that Sister Cathy will lead small group discussions of her book this Lenten season. She recently retired as a professor of religious studies at Chestnut Hill College and founder/director of the Institute of Forgiveness and Reconciliation.

These discussions are perfect for anyone, from people just exploring Catholicism to those further along their faith journey.

Location: Convent Living Room

Dates/Times:

Tuesday, March 18th - April 15th from 9:00 - 10:30am Saturday, March 8th - April 12th from 8:30 - 10:00am

Space is limited. Register early at https:// sksparish.flocknote.com/signup/201877



Our CYO JV Boys Basketball Team wrapped up one of the greatest seasons in St. Katharine's history by going undefeated at 26-0! The season concluded by winning our 1st ever JV Archdiocese of Philadelphia Championship! Along the way, this team also won the Region 32 Championship, the SMM Turkey Shootout, and the St. Agnes Christmas Tournament!

Thank you to the St. Katharine's community for the amazing support we received throughout the season!

Congratulations to this amazing group of players: Anthony Aglira, Bobby Costigan, Andrew DiLucchio, Colin Gardner, Jax Gompers, Ryker Hermansen, Will Longstreth, Cruz Pena, Peter Rymar, James Weeks, along with Head Coach Dave Aglira and Assistant Coach Mike Gompers.

Marie's Closet March 7-10

We are 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 retill?@aol.com or 610-999-0191.

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

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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 Paul Hayes 610-687-8835

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 homeandschool@sksschool.org

Marriage Preparation Dan and Julie Pijawka 610-247-0582

Parish School Jeanne Mulvanertv 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

SERVICE

Caring for Friends Kim O'Neill 610-688-4584

Athletic Association **Michael Gompers** ad@sksparish.org

Cub Scouts Jason 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

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