

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers
Pastor

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Pastor Emeritus

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David Wang
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610-688-7890

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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
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.

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

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025

8:00 AM For the People of St. Katharine's
 9:30 AM Rev. Joseph Heim
 11:30 AM James and Marjorie White

MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2025

6:30 AM Dennis McNichol
 8:00 AM Joan Flick

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention
 8:00 AM Esther D'Iorio

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention
 8:00 AM Mary and Jack Conlan

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2025

6:30 AM Alan Epps (Living)
 8:00 AM Joseph Gilbert

FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention
 8:00 AM William and Catherine Murphy

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025

8:00 AM Stephen McEwen
 5:00 PM Veith/Williams Families

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025

9:30 AM John Munshower
 11:30 AM Christopher Peluso

*Readings: Acts 5:12-16; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19;
 Jn 20:19-31*

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

Deceased Prayer List:

Sarah Geary, Johanna Ehart, Eileen McTague, Helene Snarponis, Dennis Fiandra

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



PARISH ACTIVITIES



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, May 6th. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or by email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

Women's Evening of Reflection

Thursday, May 1st

6:30—8:30

Father Reuben Nuxoll, LC

Testimonial by SKS Organist and Choir Director Laura Kerr "The Witness of Faith through Music"

Knights of Columbus

The next meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be this Wednesday, May 14th at 7:00pm in the parish center.

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.

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

EASTER GREETINGS

Alleluia! This Easter proclamation that we repeat over and over again during the joyful Easter Season has a powerful meaning, one that we should all know and embrace. It is a combination of two Hebrew words: “hallelu” (the plural imperative of “hallel”) which means “praise” and “yah,” the first half of the Hebrew word for God, Yahweh. So, it literally means “everyone praise God!” We should praise God always because of all the good he does for us every moment of our lives. But Easter is the time for us to praise God with special joy because his son, Our Lord, Jesus, is risen and offers us new life! The Easter message proclaims that Jesus, truly man - the son of Mary - really died on the cross and then overcame the power of death as he rose on Easter morning. The resurrection of the body, the central mystery of Easter, is an essential Christian doctrine. As the apostle Paul declares so clearly: “[I]f the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished” (1 Cor. 15:13–18). Because, as Paul tells us, the Christian life is meaningless without this essential belief, it has been infallibly defined by the Church from its earliest days. It is included in the three professions of faith: the Apostles’ Creed, the Athanasian Creed and the Nicene Creed. We recite the Nicene Creed at Mass every Sunday and profess that Jesus “was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day.” It is this miracle – life overcoming death – that we celebrate with such great joy today and throughout the Easter season! This encouraging Good News lifts our spirits in the midst of so much bad news about death due to war, civil unrest and natural disasters that surrounds us in our world.

It so important for us to reflect on our Lord’s Resurrection because it didn’t affect only Jesus of Nazareth. It is the foundation of our eternal hope, as well. We continue in the Nicene Creed to profess that the risen Lord “will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.” We, who work throughout our lives here on earth to bring about God’s kingdom in our midst here and now, long to be part of God’s kingdom that “will have no end.” And so, we continue in the Nicene Creed to proclaim that we “look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.” Acknowledging that we all will die, this remarkable teaching brings us hope as we look forward to “the world to come” with its unimaginable joy in God’s presence! And, during this Jubilee Year, we are called to be pilgrims of hope. Our hope comes from the Resurrection of our Lord.

Allow me to quote the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* which provides this poetic presentation of our belief in the resurrection of the dead:

“We believe in the true resurrection of this flesh that we now possess” (Council of Lyons II). We sow a corruptible body in the tomb, but he raises up an incorruptible body, a ‘spiritual body’ (cf. 1 Cor 15:42–44)” (CCC §1017).

Using the image of a plant that is sown, the *Catechism* affirms that we will receive an incorruptible body after death. This means that each of us, individually, will be given eternal life. This is our ultimate goal and one that fills all of us – faithful to God and the way his son, Jesus, has shown us – with inextinguishable joy! As followers of the risen Lord, we look forward to a time when we will overcome death altogether and are raised to everlasting life. Death doesn’t have the final say for us. Our God is a God of the living and, through his son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, he leads us to eternal life with him. Let us contemplate the new life that the risen Lord promises us during these days of Easter! Our Lord has been raised from the dead and, aware that we are raised to new life with him, “Alleluia” is our cry!



PARISH ACTIVITIES



It was a busy weekend for our Children's and Teens Music Ministry. The teens led the music at the 5:00pm and the Children led the music at the 9:30am. Our teens this week attend the various schools: Notre Dame, Agnes Irwin, Episcopal Academy and Conestoga High School.



As our PREP students are preparing for Holy Week, many have been praying the Stations of the Cross and learning about the Triduum.



SKS PREP Registration for the 2025-26 school year opened on Monday, April 7th. Existing PREP Families check your inboxes for an email, dated April 7th from St. Katharine of Siena/Flocknote to register for the 2025-26 school year. We are offering a \$25.00 discount off tuition, per child, until April 28, 2025 and **FREE TUITION/FEES** for Catechists (teachers) and Aides. (No experience needed.) If you have any questions, please contact Kim Pepper at religioused@sksparish.org.

Virtual Monthly Rosary
Every Second Tuesday of the Month at 8:30-9pm
Led by Faithful Families Team

Please join your fellow SKS parents and friends to pray together as a community! There is so much to be grateful for these days but we also have many special petitions. We invite you to bring any prayer intentions that are close to your heart. Whether it's to pray for your friend fighting cancer or your child who is struggling at school, please email your intentions ahead of time to faithfulfamilies@sksparish.org or simply type them into the chatbox during the Google meet up. You will find a link to the call on the front page of our website, www.sksparish.org.

Faithful Families is a group of parish families working together to share God's love with simple acts of service for our church and community.



Lenten Longings, our Lenten small-group discussion series, was a success! Led by Sister Cathy Nerney, 35 women spent several mornings in prayer, reflection and conversation as they prepared to celebrate Jesus' resurrection at Easter. Thank you, Sister Cathy, for sharing your wisdom and for the tour of the convent!



Parish Nurse Ministry

According to research studies, people 65 years and older with mild hearing loss are three times more likely to fall. The studies indicate that the brain becomes overstimulated with multiple tasks including maintaining balance, walking and struggling to hear. If you or anyone in your family has a concern about hearing/falling risks, schedule a hearing test with an audiologist. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact the parish nurse, MaryAnn Crowe, RN MSN at 610-688-9479.

SAVE THE DATE

OPEN TO SKS FAMILIES, ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF SKS!

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA SCHOOL

SKS FALL CLASSIC

OCTOBER 6, 2025

GOLF TOURNAMENT AT
PHILADELPHIA COUNTRY CLUB

TENNIS/PICKLE AT OVERBROOK GOLF CLUB

DINNER AND COCKTAILS AT
PHILADELPHIA COUNTRY CLUB

LOOK FOR REGISTRATION STARTING IN EARLY APRIL!

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Information for the April 27th Parish Bulletin is due to the rectory by 5:00pm on Monday, April 21st.



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

Jason Botzler
Shawn Sweeney
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C.A.R.E.S. (Children Are Receiving Extended Care)

Michael Gavin
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Close Knit Community

Marie Rauscher
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Family Promise

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610-905-3583
loveaemail@gmail.com

H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People in Emergencies)

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610-688-4348

Knights of Columbus

Tom Reusche
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Mercy Hospice Casserole Program

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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
484-686-7744

Adult Altar Servers

Paul and Alicia Peterson
610-989-0277

Altar Servers

Dan Hayes
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Charismatic Prayer Group

Paul Hayes
610-687-8835

Children's Liturgy of the Word

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Church Environment

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610-688-3970

Eucharistic Ministers

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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 Mulvanerty
610-688-5451

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

Stephanie Twohig
610-688-7890

Respect Life

skspectlife@gmail.com

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Msgr. Brouwers
610-688-4584

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.