

# 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

### 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 6, 2025

9:30 AM Anne Goetz  
11:30 AM Billy Virbitsky

### MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention  
8:00 AM James and Mary Kelly

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

### TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2025

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

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention  
8:00 AM John and Rita Hospodar

### THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention  
8:00 AM Susan D'Orio

### FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2025

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

### SATURDAY, APRIL 12, 2025

8:00 AM Daniel Brennan  
5:00 PM James and Marjorie White

### SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025

9:30 AM Joan Gilroy  
11:30 AM Edward Sopko

Readings: Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

### 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.

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

### Deceased Prayer List:

Dennis Fiandra, Thomas Prior, Daniel Brennan

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## PARISH ACTIVITIES



### OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 26 March – 1 April 2025

#### PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$6,252.00  
Electronic Giving: \$8,348.00  
  
Tuition: \$3,580.00  
Donations: \$2,874.00

Other Income: \$105.62  
Weekly Income: \$21,159.62  
YTD Income: \$3,847,336.65

#### PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries: \$89,995.39  
Maintenance: \$22,078.96  
Administration Expenses: \$13,161.88  
Student Activities: \$4,458.85

Other Expenses: \$3,934.99  
Weekly Expenses: \$133,630.07  
YTD Expenses: \$3,600,066.70

**YTD Balance: \$247,269.95**



### 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](mailto:sksdre@sksparish.org).

We welcome newly baptized Rocco Williams and Molly Montanari to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate their parents, Robin & Megan Williams and Eric & Mary Victoria Montanari.



## From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

### The Sacrament of Confirmation

“Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.” This Saturday, Bishop Christopher Cooke confirmed 68 of our young parishioners who attend our school or PREP with the imposition of hands and anointing of the forehead. At the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, I will confirm eight adult parishioners with the same sacramental imposition of hands and anointing of the forehead. This completed or will complete the initiation of all of these parishioners into the Church, which began at Baptism and was nurtured through the Eucharist. These three sacraments – Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation – are so important in the spiritual life and health of Catholics that we as a parish celebrate with great joy on these special occasions! I thank Laura Kerr, our evangelization coordinator, for helping me prepare the adults through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and Stephanie Twohig, our parish DRE, Kim Pepper, her Administrative Assistant, all the catechists and teachers involved and especially the parents of our children for helping them prepare for this important moment in their life-long spiritual journey!

I consider this a good opportunity every year to offer some reflections on the Sacrament of Confirmation. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* provides valuable insights into the historical development and rich theology of this sacrament. Allow me to provide some highlights from the *Catechism*; you may want to read and reflect on the entire section (§1285 – 1321) yourself. The *Catechism* begins by stating that:

Baptism, the Eucharist and the sacrament of Confirmation together constitute the “sacraments of Christian initiation,” whose unity must be safeguarded. ...The reception of the sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of baptismal graces, for “by the sacrament of Confirmation, the baptized are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Hence they are, as true witnesses of Christ, more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith by word and deed.” (§1285)

The *Catechism* goes on to provide the scriptural foundation for Confirmation:

In the Old Testament the prophets announced that the Spirit of the Lord would rest on the hoped-for Messiah for his saving mission. The descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus at his baptism by John was the sign that this was he who was to come, the Messiah, the Son of God. ...This fullness of the Spirit was not to remain uniquely the Messiah’s but was to be communicated to the *whole messianic people*. On several occasions, Christ promised this outpouring of the Spirit, a promise which he fulfilled first on Easter Sunday and then more strikingly at Pentecost. Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles began to proclaim “the mighty works of God.” ...Those who believed in the apostolic preaching and were baptized received the gift of the Holy Spirit in their turn. From that time on, the apostles, in fulfillment of Christ’s will, imparted to the newly baptized by the laying on of hands the gift of the Spirit that completes the grace of Baptism. ...The imposition of hands is rightly recognized by the Catholic tradition as the origin of the sacrament of Confirmation. ...Very early, the better to signify the gift of the Holy Spirit, an anointing with perfumed oil (*chrism*) was added to the laying on of hands. This anointing highlights the name “Christian,” which means “anointed.” (§1286-1289)

The CCC also provides a helpful explanation of the reason oil is one of the signs of Confirmation:

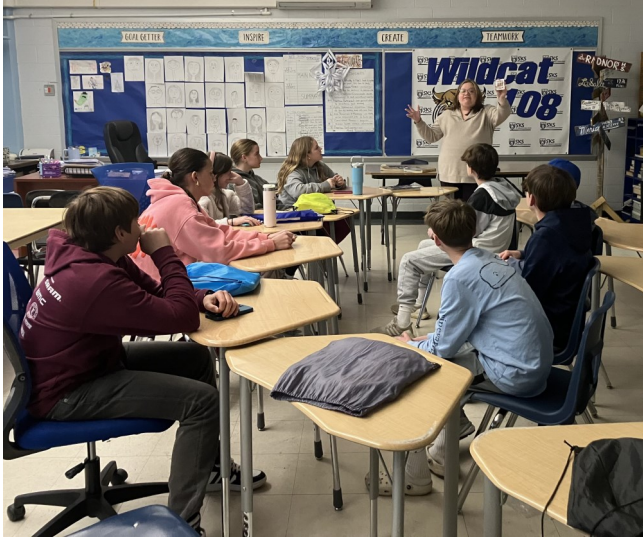
Anointing, in Biblical and other ancient symbolism, is rich in meaning: oil is a sign of abundance and joy; it cleanses (anointing before and after a bath) and limbers (the anointing of athletes and wrestlers); oil is a sign of healing, since it is soothing to bruises and wounds; and it makes radiant with beauty, health and strength. (§1293)

And so, through the laying on of hands and the anointing with chrism, the bishop or, during the Easter season, the pastor of a parish confirms the presence of God’s Spirit in those who were first given this Spirit at baptism and strengthens their baptismal grace! Again, congratulations to our parishioners who were or will soon be fully initiated into our faith community!





## PARISH ACTIVITIES



Monday night Mrs. Rovito and Mrs. Dwyer's 7th grade class preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation!



Mrs. Magdaleno's First Communion 3rd grade class planted marigold seeds in the hopes that by May and their Sacrament the flowers will be in full bloom!

**SKS PREP** Registration for the 2025-26 School Year Opens this 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](mailto:religioused@sksparish.org).



The next Middle School Youth Group meets this Tuesday, April 8th from 2:45-4:00pm in the parish center.



### Disciple Maker Index Survey

Take the DMI Today! Survey closes on April 10

There are only a few days left to take the Disciple Maker Index (DMI) survey! This important survey is essential in helping St. Katharine's assess our greatest strengths and challenges so that our parish can thrive. We need your response to help us better prepare for the future as we strive to grow as disciples of Christ.



### SKS BULLETIN INFORMATION

**All Bulletin Announcements need to be to the rectory by Monday—5pm for the upcoming weekend. Bulletin Announcements for the April 13th and 20th Bulletin need to be to the Rectory by Monday, April 7th.**



Join us in-person in witnessing a reverent depiction of the Passion of Christ  
**April 11th @ 7:00 PM**  
**St. Katharine of Siena Church**  
 There is also a daytime dress rehearsal on April 11th @ 1:00 PM

**Virtual Monthly Rosary**  
**Every Second Tuesday of the Month at 8:30-9pm**  
**Lead 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](mailto: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.sksparrish.org](http://www.sksparrish.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.



### Knights of Columbus

The Knights thank the parishioners of St Katharine of Siena for a successful "Chance of a Lifetime" raffle in March! Unfortunately, several parishioners were given the wrong half of the chance card. If you have the half with your name and phone number, please call or text Dr. Bill Lehner at 610-764-6267. The winners will be drawn in May. Come check us out at KofC.org or join us at our next meeting this Tuesday, April 9th at 7:00pm in the parish center.

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!**

## 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  
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  
skskofo@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  
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 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.*