

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

Rev. Kien Do
Priest in Residence

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610-688-7890

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610-688-9489

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Organist/Adult Choir Director
Evangelization

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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, JUNE 1, 2025

9:30 AM Gregory Sergovic
11:30 AM Eileen Anderson

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Adele McCormick

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2025

6:30 AM Sarah Geary
8:00 AM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4, 2025

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 2025

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

FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025

6:30 AM William Wilson
8:00 AM Deacon George Bolter

SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2025

8:00 AM Daniel Brennan
5:00 PM Kevin Tobin

SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025

9:30 AM Joyce Guyer
11:30 AM Dennis Fiandra

Readings: Acts 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or
Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or
Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

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

Deceased Prayer List:

Michael Emery, Joan Packer, Pat Gibbons, Mary McHugh, Sheila Gray

PARISH ACTIVITIES



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 14 May - 20 May 2025

PARISH INCOME	PARISH EXPENSES
Sunday Collections: \$6,692.00	Salaries: \$84,769.39
Electronic Giving: \$6,716.00	Administration Expenses: \$14,902.13
Tuition: \$2,712.50	Insurance: \$5,678.66
Socials/Donations: \$43,950.00	Maintenance: \$3,747.77
Other Income: \$5,035.11	Other Expenses: \$2,785.89
Weekly Income: \$65,105.61	Weekly Expenses: \$111,883.84
YTD Income: \$4,338,021.81	YTD Expenses: \$4,319,287.36
	YTD Balance: \$18,734.45



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, June 3rd. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or by email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

We welcome newly baptized Xavier Francis O'Rourke to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate his parents, Patrick and Elena O'Rourke.



From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

IN PREPARATION FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY

“I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. (Jn. 14:26)

As we prepare to come to the end of the Easter season once again with the celebration of Pentecost Sunday next week, I would like to offer some reflections on the importance of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Church and in each of our lives. If you have been paying attention over these past two weeks, you will have noticed the prominence of the Holy Spirit in the readings both last Sunday and this Sunday as well as on Ascension Thursday. Last Sunday's gospel passage included the line quoted above; it is our Lord's assurance at the Last Supper of the coming of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. After spending three years with his disciples, teaching them all about the Kingdom of God that he had come to bring in their midst, he assured them that the Holy Spirit would remind them “of all that I told you.” And, in the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles last Sunday, we learned that the early followers of the risen Lord relied on the Holy Spirit regarding the acceptance of the Gentiles into their fold, assuring them that “it is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities” (Acts 15:28).

In the first reading on Ascension Thursday, we heard St. Luke recount that “in the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen” (Acts 1:1). Clearly, the author of St. Luke's two books – the Gospel named after him and the Acts of the Apostles – was aware that Jesus had taught his apostles “through the Holy Spirit.” As the second person of the Blessed Trinity, Jesus did the will of the Father through the power of the Holy Spirit.



And, this Sunday's first reading recounts how the deacon, Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, “saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God” (Acts 7:55). Stephen was accompanied by God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, as he was being stoned to death; this beatific vision gave him such peace that he “cried out in a loud voice, ‘Lord, do not hold this sin against them’; and when he said this, he fell asleep” (Acts 7:60). In the loving embrace of the Blessed Trinity, Stephen would not even feel the pain of being stoned and had the grace to beg for his executioners' forgiveness.

The Holy Spirit empowers each generation to continue the ministry our Lord, Jesus called all of his followers to fulfill. The Gospel must still be proclaimed far and wide today! At the same time, the festival of Pentecost provides occasion to celebrate all the gifts of the Spirit. Traditionally, the Church speaks of the seven gifts of the Spirit that are listed in the *Book of the Prophet Isaiah* 11:1-3: wisdom, understanding, knowledge, fortitude, counsel, piety and fear of the Lord. As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states so well, “the moral life of Christians is sustained by the gifts of the Holy Spirit. These are permanent dispositions which make man docile in following the promptings of the Holy Spirit” (§ 1830). The Church also speaks of the twelve fruits of the Holy Spirit, derived from the *Letter to the Galatians* 5:22-23: charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control and chastity. The fruits of the Spirit, as the *Catechism* explains, “are perfections that the Holy Spirit forms in us as the first fruits of eternal glory” (§ 1832). In celebrating the gifts and fruits of the Spirit, we Christianize the Old Testament Festival of Weeks – more on that next week – and rejoice in the first fruits of our faith!

In celebrating Pentecost Sunday, we recognize the many effects of the Spirit of God in our lives. We, who follow Christ, are able to call upon the Spirit to embolden us in doing God's work. Just as those who were in the Upper Room, we receive the power of the Holy Spirit in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. With this power, we can live as God calls us to live in the *Book of Genesis* – in his image and likeness! Now that we have been freed from slavery to sin through the death and resurrection of Christ, we can live the moral life that Jesus showed us through his teachings and actions while he lived among us. Infused with the gifts of the Spirit of God, we can boldly proclaim the Gospel in our daily lives with wisdom and understanding. We can live piously, respecting God and everyone we meet, for everyone is made in the image and likeness of God. And living this way gives us the fruits of the Spirit, which allows us to live in joy and peace, with patience, kindness, goodness and generosity toward all, and faithfulness to God and our vocation.

As we prepare to celebrate this great Solemnity of Pentecost, I invite you to reflect on these wonderful gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit in your life; it will bring you great peace and the assurance of God's presence in your everyday challenge to live as a follower of Christ. I will offer a more historical reflection on this important feast next week; stay tuned!

PARISH ACTIVITIES



Congratulations to our students who had perfect attendance this SKS PREP School Year!



Youth Group Car Wash
Saturday, June 7th
10:00am-1:00pm
\$10 per car

Calling all dirty cars! Get over to the school car loop on June 7th for a scrub by the SKS Youth Group. All proceeds will benefit the Patrician Society at St. Patrick's Church, which provides help for people in need in Norristown.

Children's Open Play
Sunday, June 1st after the 9:30am Mass
Parish Center and Gym
Hosted by Faithful Families

Join us for donuts followed by Open Play in the gym after Mass! A chance for littles to run off their pent-up energy while parents connect with other parishioners with children. All families are welcome!

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



Collection for Mercy Hospice Women's Shelter

Please consider donating the following food items to Mercy Hospice:

- Individually wrapped snacks for "to go" lunches (chips, granola bars, cookies etc.)
- Frozen fish (raw or cooked filets)
- Frozen Chicken breasts, thighs (raw or breaded/cooked)
- Frozen Lasagna, Macaroni and Cheese, or Chicken Enchiladas (party size)
- Homemade Casseroles (recipes can be found on our parish website, or make any casserole that has a protein); empty casserole pans are in the freezer area at the back of Parish Center
- Frozen Vegetables
- Sweet Cereals (several boxes of the same kind or bulk sizes are best)

Remember, bulk size is most appreciated by the chef who cooks for 40 people at each meal!

Mercy Hospice also requests the following non-food items: Disposable Razors, Shaving Cream, Deodorant and TWIN size sheets

Drop off your donation in the freezer at the rear of the parish center or in the church library. If donating a homemade casserole, please write the date and type of casserole in Sharpie marker on the side of the pan. Thank you in advance for your generosity! Donations are running low and are VERY appreciated by the staff and residents at Mercy Hospice.

Close-Knit Community

The ladies of the Close-knit Community have finished their 11th season. We've had a wonderful and productive season, and we will resume in September. We hope some of you will join us in or mission to supply the needy with warm accessories. If you have any questions, please call Marie Rauscher at 610-608-4447. We wish you a safe and happy summer.

Mothers' Home Baby Bottle Drive May 10-June 22

Mothers' Home is a residential shelter in Darby that provides a safe haven for vulnerable, pregnant women who view life as a sacred gift. Baby bottles are available at the church doors; please take one (or more!) home, fill with loose change and return to the baskets at the doors. The money collected will help with overhead costs of running the shelter. For more information, contact Mary Packer at njwpacker@gmail.com.

St Katharine's Summer Book Club Thursdays June 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th 7-8 pm in the Parish Center We are Co-Ed!

This year we will meet to discuss *The Story of a Soul*; the Autobiography of St. Therese of Lisieux. Originally published in 1898, it quickly became a spiritual classic beloved by popes as well as laypeople. Heralded as one of the most important Catholic books of the last 200 years, you will find something to be gained, whether reading it for the first time or third. Please join us for 1, 2, or all of our discussions!

For more information, or to RSVP, email Erin Resusche at etapc@comcast.net. And put "book club" in your subject line.

Monthly Virtual Rosary June 10, 8:30-9:00PM Led by the Faithful Families Team

Please join 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. You can email your intentions ahead of time to faithfulfamilies@sksparish.org or simply type them into the chatbox during the Google meet up.

St. Thomas of Villanova Parish is hosting an Electronics Recycling Drive on Saturday, June 7th from 9:00am - 1:00pm in the Lower Parking Lot of Rosemont Chapel.

Accepted Items: Computers: towers, laptops, printers, cables, keyboards, battery backups, cable boxes, games and consoles. Servers, phones, cell phones, fax machines, scanners, VCR, DVD, stereos, receivers and speakers. Toasters, blenders, small appliances. Metals: scrap metal, wires, cables, old motors, non-PCB and electronic ballast, transformers and other electrical equipment, car batteries, non-ferrous metals and file cabinets.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Information for the June 8th Bulletin is due to the rectory by 5:00pm on Monday, June 2nd.

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
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Cub Scouts

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Shawn Sweeney
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Close Knit Community

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Family Promise

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Knights of Columbus

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Mercy Hospice Casserole Program

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

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Christine Purkiss
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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
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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

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
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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.