

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers
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Pastor Emeritus

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Transitional Deacon

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610-688-5451

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610-688-7890

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Liturgical Music Director
610-688-9489

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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, JUNE 22, 2025

9:30 AM Lewers/Shea Families

11:30 AM Mary Pierantozzi

MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025

6:30 AM Bobby Catelli

8:00 AM Janice Coyle

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM William and Catherine Murphy

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2025

6:30 AM Edward and Madge Curran

8:00 AM Rocco Martino

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Pat Graziano

FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025

6:30 AM Briana White

8:00 AM Dennis White

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025

8:00 AM Daniel Brennan

5:00 PM Jane Brady

SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2025

9:30 AM Helenann Fitzgerald

11:30 AM Edward and Loretta Pellerin

Readings: Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

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
Mike Busch
Michael Bushey
Nol Calabrese
Ryan Carlton
Charles Carr
Jackie Chedeville
Tom Dalton
Nancy DeFelice
Brady Duperreault
Jamie Lynn Donnelly

Patrick Graham
Rosemary Grimm
Ginny Jackson
Wesley Jones
Libby Judge
Jerry Katelhorn
Tony Lopez
Timothy Mahoney
Vince Malloy
John McCabe
Mark Megaw
Mary Ann Moffit

Madeleine O'Keefe
Paula Rudnick
Logan Schweiter
Claire Sieracki
Greg Schmidt
Jessica Smucker
Debbie Snyder
Maryanne Sullivan
Thomas Wallace
Kathleen Ward
Jamie Weber

Deceased Prayer List:

Gerald Katehon

PARISH ACTIVITIES



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 11 June - 17 June 2025

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$6,932.00

Electronic Giving: \$7,296.00

Tuition: \$1,468.00

School Subsidy From Other

Parishes: \$1,325.00

School Fees: \$3,150.63

Donations: \$1,640.44

Other Income: \$2,898.28

Weekly Income: \$24,710.35

YTD Income: \$4,956,195.96

PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries: \$84,626.10

Diocesan Assessment:

\$14,946.67

Insurance: \$15,937.16

Administration Expenses:

\$10,380.47

Other Expenses: \$4,737.71

Weekly Expenses \$130,628.11

YTD Expenses: \$4,695,989.15

YTD Balance: \$260,206.81



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

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Information for the June 29th Bulletin is due to the rectory by 5:00pm on Monday, June 23rd. Due to the July Fourth Holiday, information for the July 6th Bulletin is due to the rectory by 5:00pm on Tuesday, June 24th.

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

“Jesus said to the crowds: ‘I am the living bread come down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.’” (*Jn. 6:51*). Last week, we explored the central mystery of the Church as we celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Today, we celebrate another important mystery of our faith: the transubstantiation of bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (also known as Corpus Christi Sunday). Allow me to offer some reflections on this great mystery that nourishes us to eternal life.

At the Last Supper, when Jesus shared his last Passover meal with his apostles, he made a startling proclamation as he passed bread and wine. It was customary for those participating in the Passover to pass around a loaf of unleavened bread and several cups of wine. The unleavened bread recalled the Israelites’ Exodus from Egypt when they prepared unleavened bread because they did not have time to allow the bread to rise. The cups of wine were seen as signs of blessing from God. When Jesus passed bread around, however, we hear in today’s second reading from the *First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians* that he told his disciples, “This is my body that is for you” (*1 Cor. 11:24*). Whereas God had instructed the Israelites to eat unleavened bread so that they could be strengthened in preparation for their escape from Egypt and their journey to the Promised Land, Jesus offers his own body to nourish us on our life journey to heaven!

As he shared the cup with his disciples, he made an even more startling pronouncement; we hear that proclaimed so clearly in the *Gospel of Mark*: “This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many” (*Mark 14:24*). It must have taken a tremendous act of faith for the disciples to drink of this cup. As observant Jews, they were forbidden to drink blood, since it represented the life force of the creature from which the blood was drawn. And yet, they drank of the chalice because they put their trust in Jesus. The cup of blessing, which was associated with the Old Covenant at Mt. Sinai, had become the cup of the New Covenant which Jesus Christ was to ratify by his crucifixion and resurrection.

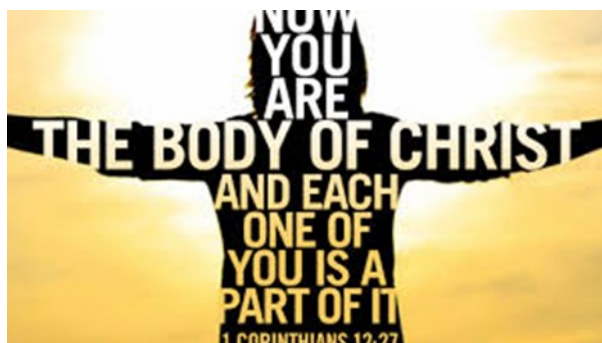


From the time of the first Christians, belief in the consecrated bread and wine as the body and blood of Christ has been the foundation of the Eucharistic celebration where we gather to worship God truly present in both his Word proclaimed and the bread and wine transformed. The two questions that people frequently ask about this mystery are: what happens to the bread and wine when it becomes the body and blood of Christ and how can it happen? The Council of Trent declares that “by the consecration of the bread and wine there takes place a change of the whole substance of bread into the substance of the body of Christ our Lord and of the whole substance of wine into the substance of His blood. This change the holy Catholic Church has fittingly and properly named transubstantiation” (*DS, 1642*). In other words, although the bread and wine continue to appear and taste like bread and wine, they are substantially changed and are no longer bread and wine but the body and blood of Christ, truly God present in our midst.

And how can this happen? As St. Ambrose explained so well, “it is no less a feat to give things their original nature than to change their nature.” The universe was created through the Word of God. And, as we hear proclaimed so poetically in the beginning of the *Gospel of John*, Jesus Christ is the Word of God. If the Word of God can give everything their original nature in creating them, he can certainly change their nature by his word as well!

The reality of the Body and Blood of Christ is also very important to our understanding of the Church, which is also called the “Body of Christ” (1 Cor. 12:27). We who are baptized into the mystical Body of Christ and who receive the body and blood of Christ become the Body of Christ. When the faithful receive holy communion, the priest, deacon, or extraordinary minister of holy communion declares: “The Body of Christ.” He/she does not say, “This is the Body of Christ,” as if to indicate that the consecrated host alone is the body of Christ. Rather, as he/she presents the consecrated host to the communicant, he/she declares “The Body of Christ,” recognizing that the body of Christ resides in both the sacred species being presented and the faithful community that gathers in Christ's name.

Whenever we receive Holy Communion, we do well to reflect on this sacred mystery, the “source and summit” of our faith and our worship. Let us live this reality worthily, as we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, our spiritual nourishment that strengthens us on the journey to our eternal destiny - heaven!



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Protecting God's Children workshop at SKS October 1st at 7pm

St. Katharine's will host a *Protecting God's Children* workshop on Wednesday, October 1st at 7:00pm in the parish center. The Archdiocese requires all staff and volunteers who have regular contact with children (once a week or more) to complete this training. This includes adults working or volunteering in school, PREP, CYO and other parish activities. Registration for the in-person session will begin at the end of the summer. These workshops fill quickly! If you would like to be notified when registration opens or have questions about the Safe Environment requirements, contact Kim O'Neill at koneill@sksparish.org.

There are also several online sessions offered over the summer; you can find info on our website, under the "Get Involved" tab. Sign up quickly because, just like the in-person classes, these spots fill fast.

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY Seeking Additional Volunteers

What is a Minister of Hospitality?

Parishioners may serve by greeting and/or assisting parishioners and visitors. You determine how often and in which capacity to participate. Individuals, couples, and families are welcome. It's best to have at least 4 volunteers at each Mass.

What are volunteers asked to do?

Meet and greet people at church doors. Distribute bulletins after Masses. Seat people when necessary. Our ministry is primarily responsible for the collection baskets at every Mass and for asking volunteers to bring up the gifts in the Offertory procession. The only requirement is the ability to project a friendly, helpful disposition. On-the-job training is easy and fun!

If you'd like to get involved, please contact Janna Forte at 484-432-2640 or janna@fortevivo.com.

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.

Farewell Reception Dr. Ted Latham, Liturgical Music Director June 28th, after the 5:00 Vigil

Stop in after Mass and raise a glass of wine to thank Dr. Latham for 11 years of wonderful music at SKS! We will miss his leadership and talent and wish him God's blessings as he moves onto his next adventure.

Join us for Open Play! Sunday, June 29th after the 9:30am Mass SKS Gym

Have a donut, followed by Open Play in the gym after Mass! It's a chance for littles to run out their pent-up energy while parents connect with each other. All families are welcome.

Meals Needed! Caring for Friends

Summer is just beginning and *Caring for Friends* is already running low on meals. *Caring for Friends* is one of the largest food banks and meal-delivery programs for people of all ages in the Philadelphia area (including our parish).

Here are several ways to help:

- Involve your kids and make meals! You'll find the freezer, supplies and instructions in the SKS parish center closet, across from the back entrance of the church
- Organize a cook-in with group of friends at your home or in the *Caring for Friends* kitchen in Northeast Philly
- Support *Caring for Friends* with a monetary donation

Donate the most-needed nonperishable foods, below. Drop them off in the SKS church library, labeled *Caring for Friends*.

Most-Needed Items: beans, canned chicken and fish, canned vegetables and fruit, soup, stew, chili, rice, pasta, breakfast items, crackers, peanut butter and jelly.

For more information, please contact Kim O'Neill at koneill@sksparish.org or 610-688-4584 or visit www.caringforfriends.org.



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

SKS
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.