

# 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

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Youth Ministry  
Director of Religious Education  
610-688-7890

MaryAnn Crowe  
Parish Nurse: 610-688-9479

Laura Kerr  
Liturgical Music Director  
610-688-9489  
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, AUGUST 10, 2025

9:30 AM Mitchell Owen  
11:30 AM Edward and Loretta Pellerin

### MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025

6:30 AM John Kovolski, Sr.  
8:00 AM Ethyl Smith

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

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025

6:30 AM James and Marjorie White  
8:00 AM Ted Ahern

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025

6:30 AM Mary Ellen Branka  
8:00 AM Mary Ellen Branka

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025

6:30 AM Joshua Tucker  
8:00 AM Diane Robb  
6:00 PM Marguerite Ann Vermuth

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention  
8:00 AM Steve Pellicotta  
12:10 PM David Kirkland  
7:00 PM Zachary Rusheck

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025

8:00 AM Daniel Brennan  
5:00 PM Kathleen Bruder

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025

9:30 AM Hector Hachmeister  
11:30 AM John McConnell

Readings: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

#### 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	Rosemary Grimm	Paula Rudnick
Robert Bruno	Ginny Jackson	Logan Schweiter
Mike Busch	Wesley Jones	Claire Sieracki
Michael Bushey	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	Thomas Wallace
Brady Duperreault	Mark Megaw	Kathleen Ward
Jamie Lynn Donnelly	Mary Ann Moffit	
Patrick Graham	Madeleine O'Keefe	

#### Deceased Prayer List:

Joseph Judge, Doris DeFalco, Diane Robb, Tyler Brown-Cross

## PARISH ACTIVITIES



### OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 30 July - 5 August 2025

#### PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$5,936.00  
Electronic Giving: \$9,036.00  
  
Donations: \$5,645.00  
  
Other Income: \$737.25  
Weekly Income: \$21,354.25  
YTD Income: \$992,680.98

#### PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries: \$78,868.82  
Benefits: \$6,923.37  
Administration Expenses: \$9,756.67  
Maintenance/Utilities: \$24,578.58  
St. Martin de Porres: \$1,000.00  
  
Other Expenses: \$3,219.93  
Weekly Expenses \$124,347.37  
YTD Expenses: \$457,619.10  
**YTD Balance: \$535,061.88**



### 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, September 2nd. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or by email at [sksdre@sksparish.org](mailto:sksdre@sksparish.org).

### 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.

Visit our website: [www.sksparrish.org](http://www.sksparrish.org)



## *From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers*

### **ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

On Friday, we will join with the universal Church in celebrating the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Jesus, into heaven. As we continue our celebration of the Jubilee Year with its call for us to be Pilgrims of Hope, allow me to reflect on Mary as the model par excellence of a Pilgrim of Hope. After all, her deepest hope was realized in her Assumption.

When the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary, he made this most startling announcement:

“Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.”

With all the Jewish people of her day, Mary was hoping for a descendent of King David to reestablish the kingdom that had been lost after the death of David’s son, King Solomon. Based on the declaration by the Angel Gabriel, her hope was that her child would be that king and rule over the house of Jacob with an earthly kingdom. Like her fellow Jews, she could not imagine her son’s promise that he would rise from the dead and ascend into heaven, and then return and take his faithful to the heavenly kingdom.

We are blessed to live after our Lord’s death, resurrection and ascension so we can live in the hope of joining the Blessed Mother and her son, Jesus, forever in that heavenly kingdom. The Feast Day of Mary’s Assumption calls us to reflect on this great hope that will be fulfilled for all who put their trust in her Son, Jesus.



Mary enjoys many titles based on her many attributes and apparitions. One of her titles is Our Lady of Hope and my favorite image of Mary under this title is in the crypt of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. I make it a point to pray there every time I visit the National Shrine because it provides such encouragement. The origin of this title is traditionally traced back to the Franco-Prussian War when Mary appeared to six children on 17 January 1871 in the village of Pontmain, France, as the enemy troops approached the village. Mary called these children to pray for the safety of the village and assured them that the conflict would soon come to an end. After the children and villagers prayed with their priest at the site of her appearance, the Prussian troops left the village and, one week later, the war ended. All the Pontmain citizens who fought in the war returned safely home. All that they had hoped for was realized!

The Chapel of our Lady of Hope at the National Shrine is a gift of the late Bob Hope, the famous entertainer, and his wife, Dolores. Carved into the façade of the altar are the words of instruction that Mary gave to the children: “Pray, my children.” The chapel features the following prayer that can give hope to all of us, especially during our times of sadness and distress:

*O Mary, my Mother, I kneel before you with heavy heart. The burden of my sins oppresses me. The knowledge of my weakness discourages me. I am beset by fear and temptation of every sort. Yet I am so attached to the things of this world that instead of longing for Heaven I am filled with dread at the thought of death.*

*O Mother of Mercy, have pity on me in my distress. You are all-powerful with your Divine Son. He can refuse no request of your Immaculate Heart. Show yourself a true Mother to me by being my advocate before His throne. O Refuge of Sinners and Hope of Hopeless, to whom shall I turn if not you?*

*Obtain for me, then, O Mother of Hope, the grace of true sorrow for my sins, the gift of perfect resignation to God's Holy Will, and the courage to take up my cross and follow Jesus.*

*But above all I pray, O dearest Mother, that through your most powerful intercession, my heart may be filled with Holy Hope, so that in life's darkest hour I may never fail to trust in God my Savior, but by walking in the way of His commandments I may merit to be united with Him, and with you in the eternal joys of Heaven. Amen.*

This feast is the principal feast day of the Blessed Mother and a Holy Day of Obligation. I invite you to join us on Thursday evening at 6:00pm or on Friday at 6:30am, 8:00am 12:10pm or 7:00pm, to celebrate; where she has gone, we hope to follow!

## PARISH ACTIVITIES



There will be a special college blessing after all of the Masses next weekend. All college students will receive a blessing after Communion and a gift after all the Masses. Questions, contact Steph Twohig at [youthministry@sksparish.org](mailto:youthministry@sksparish.org).



The Youth Group will be holding a service project for Catholic Social Services at the end of August. If you would like to help with our service project, we are collecting supplies through the month of August in the church library and the vestibule. We could use the following: packaged peanut butter crackers, breakfast bars, applesauce squeeze pouches and individual school snacks.

## 2025 SKS CYO Fall Sports Registration

There are eight fall sports offered for this upcoming season and we will need coaches and assistants for the following sports:

- \* Tackle Football
- \* Flag Football
- \* Golf
- \* Cross Country
- \* Field Hockey
- \* Soccer
- \* Volleyball
- \* Cheerleading

If you are interested in coaching one of our fall sports, please contact Jason Griesser (Fall Sports Coordinator) at [jasong748@gmail.com](mailto:jasong748@gmail.com).



**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](mailto: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.

**Volunteers Needed!**

H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People in Emergencies) is looking for people to drive parishioners to their doctor appointments! Many of the regular volunteers are out of town for the summer. It doesn't take much time and you can help out as your schedule permits. For more information, contact Shauna Munshower at 610-688-4348 or [smunch918@comcast.net](mailto:smunch918@comcast.net).

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



 REGISTRATION/ TICKET SALES NOW OPEN!  
SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT:  
[WWW.SKSSCHOOL.ORG/FALLCLASSIC](http://WWW.SKSSCHOOL.ORG/FALLCLASSIC)

**School Supplies Drive  
for St. Martin de Porres  
August 9-Sept. 14**

Each fall we collect school supplies for our sister parish school, St. Martin de Porres. Your past generosity has helped the 400+ children in grades PK-8th start their year off right! Below is a list of items that teachers have requested. You can also find their Amazon wish list at <https://a.co/2FnjZ3D>. Please drop off items in the bins in the church library. Contact Maria Carrillo with questions at [mariacarrillo@icloud.com](mailto:mariacarrillo@icloud.com) or 610-357-2392.

- \* Composition Notebooks
- \* Hard Plastic Folders
- \* Soft Pencil Cases/Pouches
- \* Index Cards -- large and small
- \* Crayola Crayons - 24 pack
- \* Crayola Washable Markers
- \* Expo Markers
- \* Kid-Sized Scissors
- \* Packs of Pink Erasers
- \* Elmer's Glue Sticks (no liquid glue, please)
- \* Sharpies – black, all sizes
- \* Post-It Notes
- \* Wooden Rulers
- \* Highlighters
- \* Headphones (for utilizing Chromebooks and learning apps, also on Amazon wish list)
- \* Organizer Bins, used for book bins, supply bins or caddies, etc. – variety of sizes available from Dollar Tree or similar stores
- \* Pocket Charts – variety of sizes
- \* Large Post-It Chart Paper (also on Amazon wish list)



**BULLETIN INFORMATION**

Information for the August 17th Bulletin is due to the rectory by 5:00pm on Monday, August 11th.

## 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

Laura Kerr  
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.*