

# 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

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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 31, 2025

9:30 AM Barbara Rachko

11:30 AM Barbara Walsh

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2025

9:00 AM Frances Snell

**No Eucharistic Adoration Today.**

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2025

6:30 AM Kenneth Zane

8:00 AM Richard Anderson

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Sonny D'Agostino

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Maureen Strickland

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Bolter/Muldoon Families

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025

8:00 AM Bill Vofiliadif

5:00 PM John McGee

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

9:30 AM Dennis Fiandra

11:30 AM Igor Zenin

*Readings: Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33*

#### 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  
Ryan Carlton  
Charles Carr  
Jackie Chedeville  
Nancy DeFelice  
Brady Duperreault  
Jamie Lynn Donnelly  
Patrick Graham

Rosemary Grimm  
Ginny Jackson  
Wesley Jones  
Libby Judge  
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

#### Deceased Prayer List:

Mary Harkin

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## 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, 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).

### Clearances for School and Parish Volunteers

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia requires all adults who have contact with children to complete several clearances before they volunteer for activities, including reading circle, PREP, coaching, lunch duty, etc. For details on the requirements and how to obtain them, visit [www.skatharineofsiena.org/volunteer/](http://www.skatharineofsiena.org/volunteer/).

We are offering the *Protecting God's Children* workshop (one of the requirements) on October 1st at 7pm in the parish center. You can register through the above link.

For more information, contact Kim O'Neill at [koneill@sksparish.org](mailto:koneill@sksparish.org) or 610-6898-4584.

### Close-Knit Community

On Wednesday, September 3rd, the Close-knit Community of St. Katharine's will kick off its 12th season of service, continuing our mission of creating warm items for the needy. Please consider joining us. We meet in the parish center every Wednesday from 1:00-2:30pm. All are welcome. For further information, please call Marie Rauscher at 610-608-4447.

### BULLETIN INFORMATION

Information for the September 7th Bulletin is due by Tuesday, September 2nd.

*From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers*

## FALL ACTIVITIES RESUME

As summer quickly comes to an end on this Labor Day weekend, I hope you have all had time for some rest and relaxation. Now, it's time to begin thinking of returning to full swing! Our school begins this Wednesday, 3 September, PREP begins on Monday, 15 September, and all the other parish organizations resume their full fall schedule over the next few weeks. It will be great to have the parish facilities become fully alive again!

## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

As fall activities resume, I would like to highlight the several excellent opportunities for faith formation for all of our adults. One of them is called The **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)**, formerly known as *RCIA*. This is for any adult who is interested in joining the Catholic Church, or maybe just curious to learn more about it, as well as adult Catholics who, for whatever reason, never received the Sacrament of Confirmation. There are already six men and women who have indicated an interest in joining this fall but there's always room for more. I will again be coordinating this program this year; it is scheduled to begin at 7:00pm on 23 September in the rectory. Please contact me (610-688-4584 or [halb@skis.org](mailto:halb@skis.org)) to let me know of your interest to attend or just come to the rectory on 23 September; all are welcome!



## Bible Study and Faith Sharing

Another excellent way to deepen your faith is through the study of the Bible. God reveals himself to us through the Bible today just as clearly as he did when it was first written but, just as it had to be understood correctly back then, it is important to understand it correctly today. The **Bible Study and Faith Sharing** program will resume on Thursday, 18 September, in the parish center, from 9:00 to 10:30am. During this time, I offer an in-depth overview of the readings of the upcoming Sunday. This helps us all prepare for the Sunday Eucharistic Celebration and make it much more meaningful, since we will already be familiar with the readings and the Church's reason for selecting these readings for the particular Sunday. And, since the Sunday readings present almost all of the New Testament in a three-year cycle, we will have the opportunity to comprehensively explore God's revelation through his son, Jesus, and the early Christian community.

Anyone who is interested is welcome to come and learn about the Bible and share how it affects our lives as followers of Christ. You don't need any Scriptural background to attend, just an open heart to God's Word. You don't have to attend every week, but are welcome whenever you can. You don't have to do anything to prepare for a session, although you are most welcome to do so. I encourage participants to ask questions about the faith and offer their reflections throughout the sessions; that's why the program is called ***Bible Study and Faith Sharing***. A strong, faith-filled community of about 20 people already attends these sessions, but there is always room for more! Come join us, and bring your own Bible, so we can benefit from the various translations available to us today.

## Walking with Purpose

We believe that men and women are created equal, both made in the image and likeness of God. But, as part of God's design, we are different in many ways. One of them is in our spiritual development. ***Walking with Purpose (WWP)*** is a Catholic Bible study program specifically for women that aims to bring them to a deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ. It offers personal study and small group discussion that link everyday challenges and struggles with the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. ***WWP*** endeavors to meet women where they are, giving them practical Biblical teaching that is consistent with Church doctrine and uses the Catechism of the Catholic Church as an additional resource. Led by dedicated and well-trained parishioners, this program has, over the past ten years, brought over 60 women in our parish together around the Bible, deepening their understanding of God's Word and their love for Jesus.



***WWP*** will begin on Tuesday, 9 September, in the parish center. Each session begins at 9:15am and ends at 11:00am. The theme for this year will be: Touching the Divine: a study of the Gospel of John. I encourage all women of the parish to prayerfully consider joining this excellent program. If you have any questions or want to sign up, please contact Kate Malach (215-858-9507) or Maureen Reilly (610-745-6320) or visit our parish website at [www.stkatharineofsiena.org](http://www.stkatharineofsiena.org) for more information.

## Evenings of Reflection for Women and Men

Women's Evenings of Reflection will begin on 2 October; Men's Evenings of Reflection will also begin in the fall. More information will be available in the Parish Bulletin and on the church doors in upcoming weeks. These evenings provide wonderful opportunities for the men and women of our parish to learn about and share their faith.

Our Lord calls each of us ever closer to himself and into faithful community. If you aren't already attending any of these programs, I strongly encourage you to join in; I assure you, you will be richly rewarded!



## PARISH ACTIVITIES

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

St. Katharine's thanks you so much for your commitment to our partnership and for your support of the students and team at SMdP! We are truly blessed and grateful. Below are items that would be helpful in gearing up for this school year.

- \* 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)

If folks would like to donate to teacher's classrooms, a big help would be:

- \* Organizer bins (variety of sizes from dollar tree or similar stores). Often used for book bins, supply bins supply caddies, etc.
- \* Pocket charts (variety of sizes)
- \* Large post it chart paper (linked in our Amazon wish list).

Our Amazon wish list also includes some teacher specific wish list items, requested by our incredible teachers.

Amazon wish list link: <https://a.co/2FnjZ3D>

### Volunteers Needed!

H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People in Emergencies) is looking for people to drive parishioners to their errands and 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 610-764-1527 or [smunch918@comcast.net](mailto:smunch918@comcast.net).



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).

### Communion & Liberation Philadelphia St. Katharine of Siena Church Saturday, September 6th Mass begins at 10:30am followed by music, witnesses and lunch.

Communion & Liberation (CL) is an ecclesial lay movement officially recognized by the Roman Catholic Church. CL proposes an education in the Catholic faith that does not end at a certain age, but lasts a lifetime. At its core lies the conviction that faith, lived out in communion, is the true liberation of man, and the recognition of Christ opens our lives to recognize everything that is true, beautiful, and good.

Contact: [cl.philadelphia@gmail.org](mailto:cl.philadelphia@gmail.org)

## 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  
skskofc@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  
610-745-6320  
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

Rectory  
610-688-4584

#### 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

sksrespectlife@gmail.com

#### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

Msgr. Brouwers  
610-688-4584

### COMMUNITY BUILDING

#### Alcoholics Anonymous

Contact Rectory  
610-688-4584

#### Mothers of Young Children

Kristen Nicholls  
moyc@sksparish.org

#### Parish Center Reservations

Kim O'Neill  
610-688-4584

#### Walking with Purpose

Kate Mallach  
215-858-9507

Maureen Reilly  
610-745-6320

#### 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.*