

# 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  
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Jeanne Mulvanerty  
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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, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

9:30 AM Joseph Oaks  
11:30 AM Ann-Michele Higgins

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

6:30 AM Diane Murray (Living)  
8:00 AM Joseph Judge

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

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

6:30 AM Sayde Barcelata  
8:00 AM Michael Carson

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2025

6:30 AM Mildred Murray (Living)  
8:00 AM Bryne Family

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

6:30 AM Donald Murray (Living)  
8:00 AM William Halligan

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2025

6:30 AM Johnny Steindorff (Living)  
8:00 AM Marney Briggs (Living)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

8:00 AM Daniel Brennan  
5:00 PM Aline Schilling

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

9:30 AM John Bower Fugua  
11:30 AM Winona Gerolano

Readings: Am 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

### 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	Madeleine O'Keefe
Robert Bruno	Felix Houvig	Paula Rudnick
Mike Busch	Ginny Jackson	Logan Schweiter
Michael Bushey	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	Thomas Wallace
Jamie Lynn Donnelly	Mark Megaw	Kathleen Ward
Patrick Graham	Mary Ann Moffit	

### Deceased Prayer List:

John Meaney, Mickey McCormick

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



## PARISH ACTIVITIES



### OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 10 September - 16 September 2025

#### PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$5,781.00  
Electronic Giving: \$8,536.00  
Tuition: \$1,000.00  
Donations: \$1,800.00

Other Income: \$1,069.38  
Weekly Income: \$18,186.38  
YTD Income: \$1,384,238.39

#### PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries: \$89,336.25  
Maintenance: \$11,189.61  
Utilities: \$6,455.64  
Administration/Fundraising Expenses: \$10,449.24  
Student Activities: \$3,370.00

Other Expenses: \$1,199.58  
Weekly Expenses \$122,000.32  
YTD Expenses: \$1,075,109.39  
**YTD Balance: \$309,129.00**



### 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, October 7th. 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 Andrew Romano and Elise O'Connor to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate their parents, Joseph & Sarah Romano and Paul & Danielle O'Connor..



## *From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers*

### CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

“Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has poured out into our hearts.” (*Rom 5:5*)

You may recall that the late Pope Francis introduced a Jubilee Year that began last Christmas Eve. It will come to a close on 6 January 2026, the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. During this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis called us all to be “pilgrims of hope.” This hope is not just an idle wish but, as one of the theological virtues, it is the confident assurance that God’s love will prevail and his plan of salvation will reach its fulfillment for those who serve God. As pilgrims, we are called to engage in a “journey of hope and learning.” In fact, this is the theme for our school this year and is a good theme for all of us to keep in mind as we continue this Jubilee Year.

This weekend, we join with the Church throughout our nation and around the world in celebrating Catechetical Sunday. Those whom the community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth at the 9:30am Mass to be commissioned for their ministry. And, I will ask God’s blessing on all parents who are present as well, praying that God may strengthen them in their resolve to share the precious gift of their faith with their children, teaching them to embrace this journey of hope and learning.

Catechetical Sunday is an important opportunity to reflect on the essential difference our faith makes in our lives and in the lives of our children. As Pope Francis wrote when he introduced the Jubilee Year, “life has its joys and sorrows” and “love is tested amid trials.” But, quoting St. Paul’s *Letter to the Romans*, our late Holy Father reminded us that “we boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope” (*Rom 35:3-4*). So, as we join with all Catholics around the world during this Jubilee Year to be pilgrims of hope, we are all called to strive to grow in our faith. One of the ways that we do that is through catechesis which the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines in this way:

An education of children, young people and adults in the faith of the Church through the teaching of Christian doctrine in an organic and systematic way to make them disciples of Jesus Christ.

At the beginning of every school year, we are called to refocus our attention on the important work of educating and forming our children. Parents, teachers and catechists strive for excellence, teaching our children well in all of the subjects presented to them. And, we want to help them grow in their social skills and develop their many talents. We work hard to ensure that our children will succeed in their lives and contribute to society. That’s what every good parent and teacher strives to do.

But, our school and Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) must also be focused on the pilgrimage we are all making through this life to our final goal: eternal life with God in heaven where our hope for salvation will be fulfilled as we join with all of the saints and angels in worshipping God. As we begin another school year, let’s do so with thanksgiving to God for this sacred calling and take up the theme of being pilgrims of hope, journeying in hope and learning – and teaching our children – the great truths of our faith that lead all ever closer to our God.





## PARISH ACTIVITIES



**YOUTH GROUP**  
**Kick Off**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th**  
**7th-12th grades**  
**6:00 - 7:30 pm Parish Center**  
**Pizza, service and BINGO!!**  
**Mark your calendars!!!!**  
Questions contact Steph Twohig, Youth Minister

### PorchFest

The St. Katharine's Children's Church Choir wowed the audience at the Wayne Porchfest last weekend! They performed some of their favorite hymns; Go Make A Difference, Act Justly and Make a Joyful Noise! The students attend Valley Forge Middle, St. Katharine's and New Eagle Elementary schools.



### BULLETIN INFORMATION

Information for the September 28th Bulletin is due by Monday, September 22nd.

### 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.

### Faithful Families 2025-2026

#### Kick-Off Coffee

**September 26, 8:00-10:00AM Parish Center**

Interested in helping the Faithful Families team this school year? We have several events (some new this year) and service activities that we would love to offer – but we need your help! Join us in the parish center to find out how you can get involved.

### Join us for Open Play!

**Sunday, October 5th 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.

### Volunteers Needed!

H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People in Emergencies) is looking for people to drive parishioners to their errands and appointments!! 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).

## Close-Knit Community

The Close-knit Community of St. Katharine's kicked off its 12th season of service, continuing its mission of creating warm items for the needy. Please consider joining them. They 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.

## Music Ministry

New school year! New beginnings! Hello fellow parishioners, how about giving yourself a night of joyful music and camaraderie twice a month this year and have the opportunity to sing at Mass? The SKS Adult Choir warmly invites you to check us out at our Open House Rehearsals on **Wednesday**, September 24th, 7-8:30pm in the Parish Center Music Room. No pressure. No auditions. You don't have to be able to read music. Just bring whatever voice God gave you and we will take it from there. We welcome you! For more information please contact Laura Kerr at [musicdirector@sksparish.org](mailto:musicdirector@sksparish.org), 610-688-4584 or stop by the organ after Mass!

## Family Promise Host Week October 12-19 Volunteers Needed!

Family Promise ([fpmontco.org](http://fpmontco.org)) is committed to helping families experiencing homelessness in our community. Families in the program stay at Wayne Presbyterian Church (WPC) several times during the year; WPC relies on St. Katharine's to help provide hospitality and meals. SKS volunteers buy groceries, drop off dinners, do laundry or stay at WPC for dinner or as an overnight host. Service hours are available!

The next host week at WPC is October 12th-19th. To volunteer or receive more information, please contact Adrienne Carroll at [loveaemail@gmail.com](mailto:loveaemail@gmail.com) or 610-905-3583 or Barbara Todd at [bcivi@hotmail.com](mailto:bcivi@hotmail.com) or 610-585-5044.

## Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

The *Order of Christian Initiation of Adults* (OCIA), formerly known as *RCIA*, 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 seven men and women who have indicated an interest in joining this fall but there's always room for more. Msgr. Brouwers will again be coordinating this program this year; it is scheduled to begin at 7:15pm this Tuesday in the rectory. Please contact him (610-688-4584 or [halb@sk.org](mailto:halb@sk.org)) to let him know of your interest to attend or just come to the rectory on September 23rd; all are welcome!

## Save the Date Friday, December 5th

Our very own Joyce Chen (Organist and Choir Director 2021-2023) will be returning for a solo organ recital at St. Katharine's. More details to come.



## 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.

## 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  
610-745-6320  
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

skspectlife@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  
moysc@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.*