# 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

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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

#### **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, OCTOBER 12, 2025

9:30 AM Joseph Oaks

11:30 AM James and Marjorie White

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Schleicher/McCafferty Families

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Kevin Donohue

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025

**6:30 AM** Special Intention **8:00 AM** Ann Trainer

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Alfred D'Iorio

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2025 6:30 AM Special Intention 8:00 AM Francis Gould

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2025 8:00 AM Robert Reusche 5:00 PM Veith/Williams Families

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025 9:30 AM Vince Donohue

11:30 AM James and Marjorie White

Readings: Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8

## 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.

Sally Bellwoar
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 Felix Houvig Ginny Jackson Wesley Jones Libby Judge Tony Lopez Timothy Mahoney Vince Malloy John McCabe

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:**

Mark Megaw

John Follman

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#### **PARISH ACTIVITIES**



# OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 1 October - 7 October 2025

#### **PARISH INCOME**

Sunday Collections: \$8,786.00 Electronic Giving: \$9,576.00

Tuition: \$14,358.00

Other Income: \$78,715.23 Weekly Income: \$111,435.23

YTD Income: \$1,699,227.20

#### **PARISH EXPENSES**

Diocesan Assessment: \$14,675.00 Benefits/Taxes: \$13,321.92 Administration Expenses:

\$11,250.90

Other Expenses: \$5,224.95 Weekly Expenses \$44,472.77 YTD Expenses: \$1,318,295.71

YTD Balance: \$380,931.49



#### 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, November 4th. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or by email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

#### **Home Visits**

Would you like Holy Communion brought to you in your home? Please call the rectory at 610 -688-4584.

#### **BULLETIN INFORMATION**

Information for the October 19th Bulletin is due by Monday, September 13th. Information for the October 26th Bulletin is due by Friday, October 17th.

# From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

## STEWARDSHIP WEEKEND

"Please let me, your servant, have two mule-loads of earth." (2 Kings. 5:17). What a curious request we hear at the end of this Sunday's first reading. Elisha, the great prophet in Israel, had just cured Naaman, the great army commander of the Arameans, of leprosy. Why would Namaan want this pile of earth from Israel? You will recall that the people at that time believed in local gods. They believed that these local gods ruled over particular lands. That's why various Old Testament books speak of the gods of the Hittites, the Amorites and the Canaanites. Naaman was so taken by the miracle performed for him by the God of the Israelites that he wanted this God to feel at home in Damascus, where Namaan lived. He hoped that, by building a temple to this new God of Israel in Damascus on this soil from Israel, the God of Israel would come to reside there.

Of course, we know that our God is the God of all the universe. He is not a local god, limited to one place but is the Creator and Ruler of all. In the Nicene Creed that we recite every Sunday, we affirm that we believe in one God, maker of all things visible and invisible. We gather here in this local church to worship the one, true God who acts in ordinary and extraordinary – even miraculous – ways at all times and all places. So, like Naaman, we come before God to thank and praise him for all that he does and ask for his care according to his will for us.

God has called us to be stewards of the world that he created and particularly, this community of faith. And so, as we prepare to celebrate Stewardship Sunday next weekend, I invite you to reflect on how we can all be better stewards, using our time, talent and treasure to proclaim the good news of God's care and love as we build up God's kingdom right here in our midst, giving God glory and honor.



This is especially important this year as we join with the Universal Church in celebrating a Jubilee Year when we are called to be Pilgrims of Hope. At a time when it is easy to become despondent and feel hopeless, we are messengers of hope because we believe that through the death and resurrection of his son, Jesus, God has overcome the forces of evil in this world and established his kingdom firmly in our midst. Over the past four years, our Parish's Pastoral Plan has directed us to be messengers of hope in three particular ways: through transformative liturgies, increased parishioner engagement and faith sharing.

Having experienced God's saving power in our own lives, we are filled with hope. And so, we invite everyone to experience a sense of true hope by offering vibrant and engaging Eucharistic celebrations through which we thank our God for his unending care for us. We also want to encourage more parishioners to get involved in our many parish organizations and activities that lead us to be signs of hope for one another and everyone we serve. Additionally, we are eager to lead an ever-growing number of parishioners into a deeper relationship with our Lord while equipping them to share our faith with others, expanding the message of hope in God throughout our community.

Next weekend, we will, once again, observe Stewardship Sunday as we kick off our Annual Stewardship Appeal. Stewardship is what we do once we say "I believe." As we grow in our faith we need to ensure that all of our resources, including our treasure, are adequate for this essential work of worshiping God, caring for the needy and sharing the hope that our faith provides. I want to thank you for your generous past response and ask you to prayerfully consider how you can even more generously provide the financial support we need to accomplish our mission as a parish. As you experience increased costs at home and work, we are experiencing increased costs to pay the salaries and benefits of our 52 parish and school staff members as well as for the maintenance of all of our beautiful facilities that are used by so many organizations and activities to accomplish the mission of our parish: to worship God and serve our brothers and sisters in Christ.

If you haven't yet, you will soon receive my Annual Stewardship Appeal letter, along with a brochure that highlights the ways in which we are worshiping our God, engaging our fellow parishioners and sharing our faith. My letter also highlights some of the projects we hope to address with the funds collected through the Annual Stewardship Appeal. As faithful stewards, it is our privilege to worship God and share the precious gift of hope our faith offers us. Please read my letter carefully and prayerfully consider how you can contribute to the financial strength of your parish where we gather to worship God and are sent forth to love our neighbor and proclaim our love for our God and our hope in salvation through his son, Jesus.



Pray Gratefully | Serve Responsibly | Give Generously

## **PARISH ACTIVITIES**



The Middle School Youth Group starts this Tuesday, October 14th from 2:45-4:00pm in the Parish Center!



Youth Group 6 on 6 Dodgeball Tournament! Sunday, October 19th in the SKS Gym 6:00-7:30 pm.

The cost is \$10.00. All money raised will go to adopt a St. Martin's Family at Christmas! Our GOAL this year is 50 players!



Monsignor Brouwers celebrated a "Teaching Mass" with the 4:30pm PREP Session last Monday afternoon. The 7th graders were lectors and served the Mass. The 6:30 PREP session will have their "Teaching Mass" this Monday, October 13th!





## Marie's Closet Fall Clothing Drive October 11th-19th Drop Off in Church Library

A clothing drive will take place from October 11th-19th for the St. Francis Inn in Philly, which operates Marie's Closet Clothing Center. The center serves low-income residents who depend on Marie's Closet for their clothing at no cost. They need casual winter clothes (jeans, sweatshirts/hoodies, sweatpants, etc.), sneakers, belts and small toiletries for men, women and children. Drop off your gently-used clothing in the church library. New underwear is greatly appreciated. Please no coats at this time or summer clothing (with the exception of t-shirts) as storage space is very limited. For more information, contact Jane Till at jane.jht@gmail.com or 610-999-0191.



Join Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study for our upcoming Connect Coffee on Tuesday, October 14th from 9:15am to 11:00am. Come enjoy a warm breakfast, an inspiring video and meaningful conversation. We'd love to see you there!

#### Thank you from Mothers' Home

On behalf of all of the residents and babies at Mothers' Home we want to thank the school and parish communities for their most generous donation of \$2,726.50.

Mothers' Home is a residential shelter that provides a safe haven for vulnerable pregnant women in crisis who choose life as a sacred gift. Mothers' Home is located in Darby, Pennsylvania, and was founded in 1991 as a program to provide hope and support for young adult women who choose life for their unborn child despite rejection, abandonment and. ongoing obstacles. Mothers' Home encourages their residents to celebrate the joy of new life while also preparing to become independent young women and caring mothers. To learn more please visit mothershome.org.



#### **SKS School**

We are seeking a part-time **Second Grade Instructional Assistant** to join our joyful team. The ideal candidate will support our teachers in providing an excellent educational experience and helping to cultivate a warm and structured classroom atmosphere where students feel safe, supported, and inspired to learn and grow.

To apply, please send your resume, cover letter, and three professional references to **Jeanne Mulvanerty** at **jmulvanerty@sksschool.org**.

## **TuitionCare Event**

TuitionCare invites school families and *all parishioners* to redirect their PA state tax dollars, receive a 90% tax credit and reduce tuition by up to \$1,000 for all school families.

Join us on November 2nd after the 9:30am Mass to chat with a Tuition Care representative and sign up for the program. You can also sign up by clicking on sksschool.org/tuitioncare or be scanning the QR code below.



## 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 Sewardship

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) Stephania Twohia

Stephanie Twohig 610-688-7890

Respect Life sksrespectlife@gmail.com

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) Msgr. Brouwers 610-688-4584

## Report Abuse to :

Office of Child and Youth Protection Archdiocese of Philadelphia 888-800-8780 www.archphila.org/protection

Pennsylvania Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-932-0313

## **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.marriagehelpdelval.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.