

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

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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, NOVEMBER 23, 2025

9:30 AM Frances Snell

11:30 AM Brian Evans

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2025

6:30 AM The Kaper Family

8:00 AM Marjorie White

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Joan Mudrock

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2025

6:30 AM Special Intention

8:00 AM Julius Kamper

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2025

9:00 AM Grant Butler

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2025

6:30 AM Attien Boa

8:00 AM Frank Dougherty

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2025

8:00 AM Joseph Judge

5:00 PM Gertrude Kelly

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025

9:30 AM Barbara Walsh

11:30 AM Kathryn Letizel

Readings: Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

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	Patrick Graham	Mary Ann Moffitt
Joan Beiter	Rosemary Grimm	Madeleine O'Keefe
Robert Bruno	Felix Houvig	Paula Rudnick
Mike Busch	Ginny Jackson	Logan Schweiter
Michael Bushey	Wesley Jones	Greg Schmidt
Ryan Carlton	Libby Judge	Jessica Smucker
Charles Carr	Tony Lopez	Debbie Snyder
Jackie Chedeville	Timothy Mahoney	Maryanne Sullivan
Nancy DeFelice	Vince Malloy	Sr. William Therese, IHM
Brady Duperreault	John McCabe	Thomas Wallace
Jamie Lynn Donnelly	Mark Megaw	Kathleen Ward

Deceased Prayer List:

Janet Maher, Danielle Khordi, Paul Major

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PARISH ACTIVITIES



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 12 November - 18 November 2025

PARISH INCOME

Sunday Collections: \$7,070.00

Electronic Giving: \$7,467.00

Tuition: \$8,130.50

Stewardship Appeal: \$16,130.00

Socials/Donations: \$8,121.63

Other Income: \$1,410.22

Weekly Income: \$48,329.35

YTD Income: \$2,168,748.06

PARISH EXPENSES

Salaries: \$88,770.25

Administration Expenses:

\$2,526.44

Other Expenses: \$601.00

Weekly Expenses \$91,897.69

YTD Expenses: \$1,840,351.52

YTD Balance: \$328,396.54

We Have a Problem with Children's Liturgy of the Word

And it's a good problem to have! So many children now attend Children's Liturgy of the Word that we need more adult helpers. Children's Liturgy, which takes place in the parish center at the 9:30am Sunday Mass, helps children in grades pre-K to 4th celebrate the day's scripture through age-appropriate readings and activities. No experience necessary! For more information, please contact Michele Staves at mcstaves@gmail.com.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Ordinarily, all bulletin announcements need to be to the rectory by Monday at 5pm for the upcoming weekend. The Christmas holidays are different however.

Below is a detailed weekly submission schedule for the 2025 Holiday Season. Please have all bulletin announcements to the rectory by **Noon** on the date listed:

- ♦ December 7th is due by **November 28th**
- ♦ December 14th is due by **December 5th**
- ♦ December 21st is due by **December 11th**
- ♦ December 28th is due by **December 15th**
- ♦ January 4th is due by **December 19th**

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

On this, the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year, the Church calls us to reflect on the kingship of Jesus Christ. His kingship is anticipated in the anointing of David as the king of Israel. In today's first reading at Mass from 2 *Samuel*, we hear the Lord God say to David, "You shall shepherd my people Israel." And, in the Gospel passage from *Luke*, we hear the Jewish rulers, who have just succeeded in having Jesus crucified, taunt him with "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself." Rather than saving himself, however, our crucified Lord assures the thief crucified with him, "today you will be with me in Paradise." These images of a king are very different from those that the secular world presents to us and we are grateful to God for sending us a king who has offered his life for us! Of course, as we hear in *John's* Gospel, when Pilate asks Jesus if he is "the King of the Jews," Jesus responds, "My kingdom does not belong to this world" (*Jn* 18:36). Jesus died so that we could be admitted into God's eternal kingdom in heaven. We have seen in the course of history that all of the great empires of the world - just think of the Greeks, the Romans, the Mongolians and the Mayans - have long since vanished, but the Church has persevered. This is due to the reality that, in its essence, the Church - the kingdom of God here on earth - is not ruled by men but by the Spirit of God.

Faced with growing secularism in his day, Pope Pius XI instituted the Feast of Jesus Christ King of the Universe 100 years ago in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* ("In the first"). He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. Today's feast remains very appropriate today as we continue to struggle with secularism and are experiencing increased discord among people here in our country and, indeed, in so many countries around the world. Today's feast reminds us that while governments and secular movements come and go, Jesus Christ reigns as King forever. The Church has faced oppression from its very beginning - from pagan Rome - and continues to do so even today. We are citizens of this country and of the world. But, we are citizens first and foremost of the Kingdom of God. As we hear St. Paul proclaim so clearly in his letter to the Philippians, "Our citizenship is in heaven and from it we also await a savior, the Lord, Jesus Christ" (*Phil* 3:20).

When the late Pope Francis visited the White House a few years ago, he encouraged all American Catholics with these words:

American Catholics are committed to building a society which is truly tolerant and inclusive, to safeguarding the rights of individuals and communities, and to rejecting every form of unjust discrimination. With countless other people of good will, they are likewise concerned that efforts to build a just and wisely ordered society respect their deepest concerns and their right to religious liberty. That freedom remains one of America's most precious possessions. And, as my brothers, the United States Bishops, have reminded us, all are called to be vigilant, precisely as good citizens, to preserve and defend that freedom from everything that would threaten or compromise it.

In today's feast, we are called to acknowledge our Lord's kingship over us. As his followers, we believe that our kingdom is not here but with our Lord and God. And so, we live in this world as subjects to our Lord and not subject to the gods of this world.

As we come to the end of the liturgical year - next Sunday is already the first Sunday of Advent - let us reflect on this truth and reflect it in our lives. As we hear in the *Gospel of Matthew*, "When the Son of Man comes in glory, he will sit upon his glorious throne and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them from one another, as a shepherd separates sheep from the goats." Let us live lives worthy to be among the sheep of his flock!

On this, the last Sunday of this year on the Church calendar, let us reflect seriously on the end of our lives and rededicate ourselves to preparing for that time when Jesus Christ, our Lord and king, will establish his kingdom in its fullness and draw to himself all those who listen to his voice and belong to the truth!



PARISH ACTIVITIES



Our next Teen Mass will be on Saturday, December 6th at 5:00pm. Following Mass, there will be tree lighting in the grotto for the holiday!

The **SKS PREP** has been holding a food drive for the families who visit St. Patrick's Food Pantry, the Patrician Society. We have collected over 15 boxes of food.



An Advent Evening of Reflection for men and women with Sr. Cathy Nerney, SSJ Thursday, December 4th

Join us for an inspiring evening of prayer, fellowship, and reflection as we prepare our hearts for Advent.

- 6:00 pm – Holy Hour** (Taizé-style prayer with the Knights of Columbus)
- 6:45 pm – Candlelight Dinner** (Paola's Cucina & Weinrich's Bakery)
- 7:30 pm – Reflection with Sister. Cathy Nerney, SSJ**

Sister Cathy, founder and director of the Institute for Forgiveness and Reconciliation, will share how Christ calls each of us to be instruments of peace and healing in our world.

Advanced registration required. Scan the QR code to RSVP by December 1st or go to sksparish.org/RSVP.

Cost: \$30 per person (\$25 by November 25). Contact evangelization@sksparish.org or call the rectory at 610-688-4584 with any questions



Join the St. Katharine of Siena Parish Choir for Advent and Christmas! Do you love the liturgy and love to sing for the glory of Jesus Christ? The SKS Choir is a vibrant, welcoming group of 21 members who share faith, music and friendship – and we'd love to have you join us. We sing at the 9:30am Mass. Evening rehearsals are December 3rd, 9th, 18th and 22nd. We are especially looking for men with both higher (tenors) and lower (basses) voices. It's a great way to connect with others, take a little break from the busyness, and encounter Jesus through the beauty of music. Contact Laura Kerr, Music Director at musicdirector@sksparish.org or 610-688-4584 x131 for more information.

Parish Nurse Ministry

Reminders for dealing with the cold:

1. Drink plenty of fluids, eat a healthy diet, avoid caffeine and alcohol before going outside.
2. Check to make sure you have plenty of batteries.
3. No generator should be inside the home. Place the generator at least 20 feet from the house.
4. Never shovel or go walking alone in frigid weather.
5. Wear no-skid boots when shoveling.
6. Shovel on an hourly basis instead of all at once.
7. Push snow to the side and lift with legs, not back, with no twist of the torso.
8. If you have a life alert, keep it on you at all times.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Emergency Food Appeal: Help Catholic Charities of Philadelphia Feed Twice as Many Families

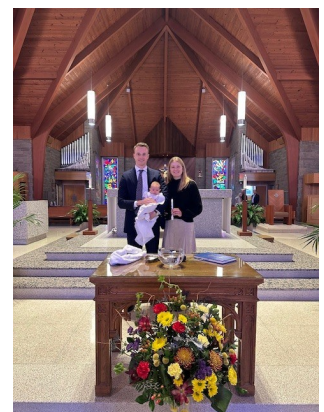
With the suspension of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits during the government shutdown, Catholic Charities of Philadelphia is experiencing a surge in the number of families and seniors at our local food pantries. Please consider making a special donation to allow Catholic Charities to purchase twice the amount of food for our pantries to ensure no one is sent away hungry. You can make a donation today at ccphila.org/donate.



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, December 2nd. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or by email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

We welcome newly baptized Margot Boyle, Luke Boyle, Bennett Rovner and Henryk Kum0r to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate their parents, Thomas & Megan Boyle, Brian & Beverly Boyle, Robert & Helen Rovner, and Colin & Shelley Kumor.



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
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C.A.R.E.S. (Children Are Receiving Extended Care)

Michael Gavin
610-587-7440

Close Knit Community

Marie Rauscher
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Family Promise

Adrienne Carroll
610-905-3583
loveaemail@gmail.com

H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People in Emergencies)

Shauna Munshower
610-764-1527

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

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Church Environment

Rectory
610-688-4584

Eucharistic Ministers

Patrice Polgar
484-620-2282

Liturgical Music Ministries

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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.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.