

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

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Pastor Emeritus

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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, Robert Till, 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, MARCH 1, 2026

9:30 AM Dorothy Polanesky
11:30 AM Christopher Beetel

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

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2026

6:30 AM Jerry O'Connell
8:00 AM Daniel Brennan

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2026

6:30 AM Daniel Brennan
8:00 AM Aiden Brady

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026

6:30 AM Robert Dwyer
8:00 AM McCafferty/Schleicher Families

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026

6:30 AM Mildred Murray
8:00 AM Nancy Sergovic

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2026

6:30 AM Henry Till
8:00 AM Charles and Kathleen Heil

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026

8:00 AM Joseph Judge
5:00 PM Janet Maher

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2026

9:30 AM Joseph Curran
11:30 AM J. Kevin Reger

Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
Jn 4:5-42 or 5:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

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.

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| Sally Bellwoar | Felix Houvig | Jeanie Rogers |
| Joan Beiter | Ginny Jackson | Paula Rudnick |
| Michael Bushey | Wesley Jones | Logan Schweiter |
| Ryan Carlton | Libby Judge | Greg Schmidt |
| Charles Carr | Chris Kolmer | Jessica Smucker |
| Jackie Chedeville | Tony Lopez | Debbie Snyder |
| Nancy DeFelice | Timothy Mahoney | Maryanne Sullivan |
| Brady Duperreault | John McCabe | Sr. William Therese |
| Jamie Donnelly | Mark Megaw | Thomas Wallace |
| Patrick Graham | Mary Ann Moffitt | Kathleen Ward |
| Rosemary Grimm | Madeleine O'Keefe | |

Deceased Prayer List:

Robert Dwyer

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



PARISH ACTIVITIES



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 18 February - 24 February 2026

PARISH INCOME	PARISH EXPENSES
Sunday Collections: \$6,884.00	Insurance: \$17,837.29
Electronic Giving: \$5,151.00	Maintenance/Utilities: \$19,413.56
Tuition: \$90,151.00	
Socials/Donations: \$24,543.10	Administration Expenses: \$4,432.11
Other Income: \$1,698.58	Other Expenses: \$3,585.58
Weekly Income: \$128,427.68	Weekly Expenses \$45,268.54
YTD Income: \$3,816,474.02	YTD Expenses: \$3,110,766.85
	YTD Balance: \$705,707.17



Pre-Jordan/Baptismal Instruction

If you are having your first child baptized, the Archdiocese requires the parents to attend a Pre-Jordan class. Contact Stephanie Twohig for further information at 610-688-7890, ext. 126 or email at sksdre@sksparish.org.

We welcome newly baptized Henry and Emily Diamond and Ona Octaviano to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate their parents, Peter and Abigail Diamond and Julie Octaviano.

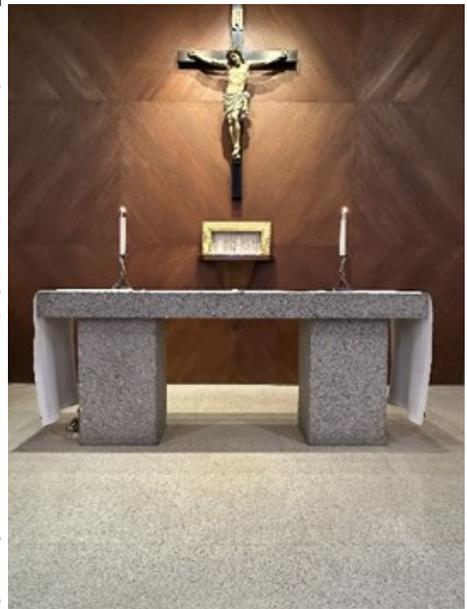


From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

Salvador Dali Candlesticks

You might have noticed some different candlesticks on the Daily Mass Chapel; I have used them every Lent. But, it's been a few years since I offered an explanation about them and a few people have asked to hear it again so I offer it, once again, for your information. In the summer of 1979, I went on vacation to Spain with a priest-friend of mine. Touring the country, we ended up one day in the little town of Figueres in Catalonia. As we waited for the restaurants to open (as you know, dinner doesn't start there until 10:00 or 11:00pm), we stopped in one of the local taverns for a drink. We were sitting at the bar when a kindly old gentleman, with a curious moustache and a twinkle in his eyes, walked in and sat next to us. He struck up a conversation with us. In the course of the conversation, we told him that we were Catholic priests. This caused him to pause for a moment. He ordered another drink and then, with some hesitation, admitted that he was a Catholic, but not a very good one. We smiled and assured him of our prayers. He went on to say that one of the reasons he wasn't a very good Catholic was because he couldn't understand how a good God could require his only son to die on the cross. Always the teacher, I couldn't help but respond with an abbreviated version of Salvation History, explaining that this was all part of God's plan. He appeared to be surprised and a little impressed by this explanation offered by this young upstart of a priest – I had just been ordained the previous year – and challenged me with another question about the Trinity. Again, I presented my Reader's Digest version of the Blessed Trinity and ended by observing that, even on the cross, our Lord was accompanied by the Father and the Son and that, although we focus on Jesus as he died on the cross for us, it is really the work of the Blessed Trinity - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. He thought for a moment and then threw down the last of his drink, shook our hands and left. As he left, he asked for my card.

Several months later, I received a package from Spain. In it, I found two silver candlesticks along with a hand-written note. The package was from the gentleman we had met in Spain. In the note, the gentleman explained that he had been greatly impressed by my clear explanation of two of the aspects of the Catholic faith that he had long struggled with: the cross and the Blessed Trinity. And, he was inspired to design a set of candlesticks that he hoped I would use occasionally when I celebrated Mass. He then offered an explanation of the candlesticks. He related that the candlesticks, which have two main supports, represent the cross. Notice, he wrote, that one of the supports appears to be broken in the middle; that represents Christ overcoming death on the cross. He went on to explain that out of each candlestick base a triangle appears to be pushing over the cross – that was to symbolize the Blessed Trinity destroying the power of death. The top of the candlesticks are triangles, again representing the Blessed Trinity because he recalled my final comment that Christ's death on the cross was really the work of the Trinity. And, the candlestick bases are three tiered and curved - like hands. He explained that this was meant to symbolize that the work of salvation – accomplished by the Trinity – embraces the world. He signed his letter, Salvador Dali; the candlesticks are engraved with his signature as well.



As you may know, Salvador Dali died under mysterious circumstances ten years later. I never found out if he returned to fully embrace the faith but will never forget my encounter with him.

As I have done in my other assignments, I am using these candlesticks during Lent; you will find them on the daily Mass altar. I invite you to inspect them and reflect on the symbolism the designer provided; I have found it to be another very good source for fruitful meditation during this sacred season.

“Ecce Homo”

In the Gospel of John, we learn about a conversation that Jesus has with Pontius Pilate, the Roman Procurator, after Jesus had been arrested on the false charge of calling himself a king. After his conversation with Jesus, Pilate was convinced of Jesus’ innocence and tried to free him. He brought Jesus before the crowd and declared, “Ecce homo,” that is, “Behold the man!” This event has been depicted in art down through the ages; it captures a decisive moment for the people of Jesus’ time and challenges us to reflect on who we want as our king.



During Lent, we are called to recognize Jesus as our king; he is the only one who can truly save us and lead us back to the eternal Kingdom of God. You will find a bronze sculpture of “Ecce homo” in the sanctuary during Lent for your reflection. It was sculpted by Joseph Finisdore, a parishioner of Sacred Heart parish in Havertown where I was stationed (1986-1990). It depicts Jesus in his humility allowing himself to be placed on display before a hostile crowd who would condemn him to death. Of course, we know that his death would lead to his Resurrection and give us, once again, the possibility to enter into God’s kingdom. May we allow Jesus, our true king, to lead us through this Lenten Season to the glory of the Resurrection!

PARISH ACTIVITIES



On Ash Wednesday, many of our teens and young adults of the parish stopped for a quick breakfast treat before heading to Radnor High School, Valley Forge Military College and heading to work! Repent and believe in the Gospel!



Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parishioners of St Katharine of Siena, for their generous support for our COAL chances. The funds raised support the Pa State and SKS Councils' charities. Our Council is always looking for Catholic men, 18 years and older, who would like to strengthen their faith and do good works with other Catholic men. Our next meeting is March 11th at 7:00PM in the parish center. Also, you can join us at the our website: KofC.org. Our council's number is 15982.

Lenten Longings: A Communal Invitation This Lent

Lent is a sacred time when we are invited to grow in our love of God through Jesus — and in our love for one another through prayerful listening and shared reflection.

You are warmly invited to join *Lenten Longings*, a small group experience led by Sister Cathy Nerney, SSJ:



Wednesdays at 1:00 PM



Saturdays at 8:30 AM

If you are unable to attend a group, you are still invited to reflect prayerfully on *Lenten Longings* throughout the season. Books are available at the church doors.

For more information about joining a group, please contact: Laura Kerr at evangelization@sksparish.org. Join us this Lent as we seek to grow in Christ together.

Parish Nurse Ministry

March is Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month! Colorectal cancer is one of the most preventable cancers when detected early through regular screening. Know your risks, learn the signs and talk to your doctor about the screening that is right for you.

Virtual Rosary Tuesday, March 3rd 8:30-9:00pm

Special Intentions: The Genesio Family, Eileen Thompson (Cognata's grandmother) and Caroline Allen (Fugaro's grandmother). Led by Faithful Families Team.

Please join your fellow SKS parishioners, parents and friends to pray together as a community! We invite you to bring any prayer intentions that are close to your heart. You can email your intentions ahead of time to faithfulfamilies@sksparish.org or simply write them in the chat box during the google meet up. Visit www.sksparish.org/rosary to join!

A graphic for 'SKS SCHOOL CORNER'. It features a blue envelope icon with a document inside that has the SKS logo. Below the envelope, the text reads 'SKS SCHOOL CORNER' in bold blue letters, followed by 'To read Principal Mulvanerty's weekly newsletter visit the link below!' in smaller blue text. At the bottom, there is a QR code and a blue ribbon banner with the text 'SKSSCHOOL.ORG/BLOG' in white.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

Trust and Hope Survey

Thank you to everyone who took the time to respond to the planning study survey for the Catholic Church of Philadelphia. We are grateful for your valuable insights, feedback and ideas as Archbishop Nelson J. Perez discerns our future direction. For more information about the Archbishop's vision, please visit: TrustandHope.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
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Athletic Association
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CATECHESIS

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P.R.E.P. and P.R.E.P. Board (CCD Advisory Board)

Stephanie Twohig
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Respect Life

skspectlife@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
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Parish Center Reservations

Kim O'Neill
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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.