

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers
Pastor

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Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Kien Do
Priest in Residence

Kim O'Neill
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610-688-5451

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610-688-9489
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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, Robert Till, Rita Tuma

MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2026

9:30 AM Lucia Comerford
11:30 AM Christopher Peluso

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2026

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM McCafferty/Schleicher Families

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2026

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2026

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Donald Galletly

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2026

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Special Intention

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026

6:30 AM James and Marjorie White
8:00 AM Carole Rose (Living)

SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 2026

8:00 AM Maria Falcone
5:00 PM Veith/Williams Families

SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2026

9:30 AM Mary Levins
11:30 AM Judy Yellin

Readings: Ex 19:2-6a; Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36-10:8

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
Michael Bushey
Ryan Carlton
Charles Carr
Jackie Chedeville
Nancy DeFelice
Brady Duperreault
Jamie Donnelly
Patrick Graham
Rosemary Grimm
Felix Houvig

Ginny Jackson
Wesley Jones
Libby Judge
Chris Kolmer
Tony Lopez
Timothy Mahoney
John McCabe
Mark Megaw
Mary Ann Moffitt
Madeleine O'Keefe
Jeanie Rogers

Paula Rudnick
Logan Schweiter
Greg Schmidt
Jessica Smucker
Debbie Snyder
Maryanne Sullivan
Sr. William Therese
Thomas Wallace
Kathleen Ward

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



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

We welcome newly baptized Antonio and Julian Esqueda, Henry Schweitzer and Timothy Shuey, Jr. to the church family of St. Katharine of Siena and congratulate their parents, Francisco and Jackeline Esqueda, Clark and Dana Schweitzer and Timothy and Felicia Shuey.



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.

From the desk of Monsignor Brouwers

THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

“Jesus said to the crowds: ‘I am the living bread come down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.’” (*Jn. 6:51*). Last week, we explored the central mystery of the Church as we celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Today, we celebrate another important mystery of our faith: the magnificent gift of the body and blood of Christ given to us to remind us of his continued presence in our lives as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (also known as Corpus Christi Sunday). Not surprisingly, Pope Leo XIV refers to this Eucharistic mystery frequently in his new encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas*, since this Divine mystery helps us to understand the vast difference between humanity and artificial intelligence. Allow me to offer some of his teaching in this regard for your reflection:

In the very first paragraph of his encyclical, Pope Leo writes: “we Christians lift our eyes to the Incarnate God, knowing that it is ‘only in the mystery of the Word made flesh that the mystery of humanity truly becomes clear.’ In Jesus Christ, this humanity in its grandeur becomes the Way, the Truth and the Life, opening the path for each of us to grow toward fullness.” Our Holy Father goes on to explain that we “must lovingly safeguard the grandeur of humanity bestowed upon us and revealed in its fullness in Christ, the splendor of which no machine can ever replace” (§ 15). Pope Leo recalls for us that the mystery of God as Love finds “its most concrete expression in the face of Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word” (§ 49) who offers us himself most clearly in the Eucharist. Although he recognizes that:

[I]t is not possible to provide a single, comprehensive definition of AI. What can be stated, however, is that we must avoid the misconception of equating this type of “intelligence” with that of human beings. These systems merely imitate certain functions of human intelligence. In doing so, they often surpass human intelligence in speed and computational capacity, offering tangible benefits across many fields. Yet this power remains entirely tied to data processing. So-called artificial intelligences do not undergo experiences, do not possess a body, do not feel joy or pain, do not mature through relationships and do not know from within what love, work, friendship or responsibility mean. Nor do they have a moral conscience, since they do not judge good and evil, grasp the ultimate meaning of situations, or bear responsibility for consequences. They may imitate language, behavior and analytical skills, or even simulate empathy and understanding, but they do not understand what they produce, for they lack the affective, relational and spiritual perspective through which human beings grow in wisdom. Even when these tools are described as capable of “learning,” their way of doing so is different from that of a human person. It is not the experience of those who allow themselves to be shaped by life and grow over time through choices, mistakes, forgiveness and fidelity. Rather, it is a form of statistical adaptation based on data and feedback, which can be very effective, but does not imply inner growth (§ 99).

Our Holy Father goes on to write about a very important aspect of our faith: the value of suffering, particularly in light of the salvific power of Christ’s suffering and death on the cross for us:

Our relationship with life seems to be in crisis today. Everything that appears as a “limit” — incapacity, illness, old age, suffering, vulnerability — tends to be seen primarily as a defect to be corrected, rather than as a reality through which our humanity matures and opens itself to relationship. And yet we must remember that humanity flourishes not *despite* limitations, but often *through* them. The light of faith offers a perspective on reality that helps us recognize what we call the “contingency” of the things of this world. While it is right to strive to alleviate the suffering that marks human life, it is also wise to acknowledge our fundamental finitude, knowing that “religious experience, and in particular Christian faith, propose that we live, without oversimplification, this ambivalence between human greatness and limitation, interpreting it in the light of our original and fundamental relationship with God” (§ 118).

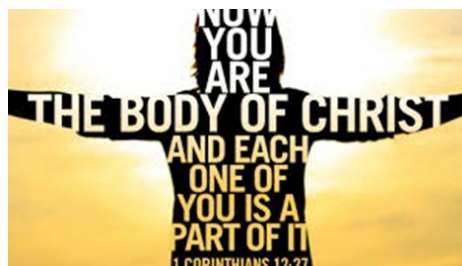
It is precisely within our limitations that the following find a place: compassion, as well as a sincere concern for the needs of others; a generosity that can emerge even in the midst of darkness and failure; spiritual experience and the worship of God. We see this at many moments when our limits become tangible: when we face rejection, when we suffer the illness or loss of a loved one, when we encounter our own weakness or failure. Mysteriously, it is precisely in such moments that we can discover a new wisdom, tangibly experience the closeness of others and encounter the presence of the Lord (§ 119).

In today's celebration of the Body and Blood of Christ, we recall that it was on the night before he was to suffer a most cruel scourging and crucifixion to save us. With all of this as background, our Holy Father goes on to discuss the effects of AI on a wide variety of contemporary issues including its use in education, in the workplace and in war. He then offers some very thought provoking concluding thoughts:

I invite everyone to contemplate, in the face of the Son of God, the *grandeur of humanity* that shines a light also on the era of AI. In Christ, we are called to cooperate in the work of creation, rather than be disinterested observers of technological processes that limit our freedom and responsibility. The dignity inscribed in each of us by the Holy Spirit can also be seen in our capacity to reflect critically, choose and love freely, and form authentic relationships. No computational system, however sophisticated, can create a heart that gives itself, or a conscience that discerns good from evil. Even when machines excel in efficiency, a human face that asks to be gazed upon remains the center of our history. This human face is the fullness toward which history is moving. It is the mystery of recapitulation: the certainty that the Father has decreed to bring all things, those in heaven and those on earth, back to Christ, the one Head (cf. *Eph 1:10*). In this plan, nothing will be lost that is authentically human. Indeed, everything will be purified and reunited in the One, who gathers every fragment of life, every tear and every authentically human achievement, rescuing them from nothingness and delivering them, redeemed, to the Father (§ 233).

The spirituality that we need is a Eucharistic spirituality, that is, a spirituality of ecclesial unity in love. The Incarnation and the Paschal Mystery reveal God entering into our human condition and transforming it through the gift of himself. This gift remains present and active in the Eucharist, in which the Lord gives himself and gathers the Church together, so that his offering becomes the principle of unity and source of new life (§ 234).

Whenever we receive Holy Communion, we do well to reflect on this sacred mystery, the “source and summit” of our faith and our worship. As we continue to navigate a world so much under the influence of AI, let us live this Eucharistic reality worthily, as we receive the Body and Blood of Christ, God truly present in our midst and our spiritual nourishment that strengthens us on the journey through this life to our eternal destiny – at the heavenly banquet!



PARISH ACTIVITIES

Protecting God's Children workshop at SKS October 7th at 7pm

St. Katharine's will host a *Protecting God's Children* workshop on October 7th at 7pm in the parish center. The Archdiocese requires all staff and volunteers who have regular contact with children (once a week or more) to complete this training. This includes adults working or volunteering in school, PREP, CYO and other parish activities. The workshop is the most time-consuming requirement to complete – make it easier by attending here at SKS. Registration for this in-person session will begin at the end of the summer. These workshops fill quickly! If you would like to be notified when registration opens, contact Kim O'Neill at koneill@sksparish.org. You can find the full list of required clearances at stkatharineofsiena.org/volunteer/.

Summer Book Club June 11th, 18th and 25th in the Parish Center

Join us as we read *Whispers of Mary* by Gayle Somers - a beautiful reflection on the women of the Old Testament and how they lead us to Mary.

Beginning with Eve and culminating with Mary, the author takes a deep dive into the 11 women who came before her, revealing how their stories teach a little bit about ourselves and God. Woven throughout with Scripture and insights from the Catechism, it offers an illuminating look at salvation history.

Come for one or all sessions. For more information and to RSVP email Erin Reusche at etapc@comcast.net (Book Club in subject line).



Our 7th and 8th grade Youth Group members enjoyed Capri Water Ice for their last Tuesday Youth Group!



A special "Thanks" to the 7th graders who assembled 100 snack bags for Mission Youth Philly. The missionaries had their final mission to Kensington where they brought a smile, food, prayers, toiletries and Jesus.



Home Visits

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



OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE Week of: 21 May - 2 June 2026

Sunday Collections: \$6,022.00	Salaries: \$92,484.09
Electronic Giving: \$7,088.50	Benefits: \$68,519.18
Socials/Donations: \$10,716.00	Administration Expenses: \$24,633.18
	Student Activities: \$8,352.83
	Insurance: \$12,124.44
Other Income: \$2,189.20	Other Expenses: \$6,962.39
Weekly Income: \$26,015.70	Weekly Expenses \$213,076.11
YTD Income: \$4,661,569.66	YTD Expenses: \$4,542,066.47
	YTD Balance: \$119,509319

SKS Parish Blood Drive Wednesday June 17th, 2026 10 am -3 pm Parish Center

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enter RedCrossBlood.org and enter st katherine of siena in wayne to schedule an appointment. Also you can streamline your donation and save time by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history on the day of your appointment. Any questions about the blood drive or if you need assistance with signing up, please call the Parish Nurse, MaryAnn Crowe at 610-688-9479.



SKS SCHOOL CORNER

To read Principal Mulvanerty's weekly newsletter visit the link below!



SKSSCHOOL.ORG/BLOG

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
610-764-1527

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

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
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.