

ST. KATHARINE OF SIENA

Wayne, Pennsylvania | Parish Community



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

SERVED BY:

Rev. Msgr. Hans A. L. Brouwers
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Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Kien Do
Priest in Residence

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610-688-4584

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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
Day: 6:30am, 8:00am, 12:10pm & 7:00pm

Adoration

Monday 8:30am - 4:30pm with
Benediction 4:30-4:45pm

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 & PRAYER INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2026

9:30 AM Special Intention
11:30 AM Jacinto Oliver

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2026

6:30 AM James and Marjorie White
8:00 AM Special Intention

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2026

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2026

6:30 AM Special Intention
8:00 AM Kevin Saint Clair

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2026

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

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2026

6:30 AM Sr. Mary Waldron, SSJ
8:00 AM Alfred D'Iorio

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026

8:00 AM Deceased Members of the Richie Family
5:00 PM Veith/Williams Families

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026

9:30 AM Robert Reusche
11:30 AM Ann-Michele Higgins

Readings: Is 45:1,4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

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

Deceased Prayer List: Mary Victoria Lyons-Keane

OUR STEWARDSHIP IN TREASURE

Weeks of: 30 September- 6 October 2026

Sunday Collections: \$82,493.00	Salaries: \$93,233.60
Electronic Giving: \$9,336.00	Benefits: \$64,016.33
Tuition: \$22,153.00	Insurance: \$54,587.52
Socials/Donations: \$51,345.00	Administration Expenses: \$10,901.59
	Student Activities: \$4,314.53
Other Income: \$1,530.00	Other Expenses: \$10,653.88
Weekly Income: \$166,857.00	Weekly Expenses: \$237,707.45
YTD Income: \$2,001,287.30	YTD Expenses: \$1,380,736.43
	YTD Balance: \$620,550.87

October is Month of the Rosary

Rosary and Tea
Friday, October 16 at 8:30AM
SKS Parish Center
Hosted by Faithful Families



Enjoy tea, coffee and light refreshments as we come together in fellowship. Following our time of hospitality, we will pray the Rosary as a group in devotion to Our Lady. All are welcome!

Please bring your own tea cup, rosary and any special intentions you would like to pray for!

Weekly Rosary Group Tuesday Evenings at 7PM

The Rosary group meets every Tuesday evening in the church, parish center or grotto. Contact Mary Ann Mahoney at 610-324- 3437 for more information.

Visit our website: www.sksparish.org



FROM THE DESK OF

Monsignor Brouwers

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

It may be hard to believe, but October is almost half over! Every October, the Catholic Church in the United States observes Respect Life Month and we are called to consider more deeply why every human life is valuable and reflect on how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death. With such issues as abortion, in vitro fertilization and immigration among the most important and controversial topics being debated in preparation for the upcoming elections, this is certainly a providential moment for us to reflect on our beliefs as Catholics. As followers of Jesus, we are called to cherish, defend and protect those who are most vulnerable from the beginning to the end of their lives and at every point in between. We are reminded that life is a gift from God and only God has the authority to determine when it begins and when it ends.

We live in a society that often rejects those who are weak, fragile, or vulnerable. Yet, it is precisely within these conditions that a person is most in need of our care and protection. As Pope St. John Paul II wrote, “we are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the ‘culture of death’ and the ‘culture of life’. ...we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro-life.”^[i] The U.S. bishops have affirmed that, while it is important to address all the ways in which human life is threatened, “abortion remains our pre-eminent priority as it directly attacks our most vulnerable brothers and sisters, destroying more than a million lives each year in our country alone.”^[ii]

Bishop Daniel Thomas, a Philadelphia native who is currently the Ordinary in Toledo, OH, is also the Chairman of the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops Committee on Pro-Life Activities, recently issued a statement in preparation for Respect Life Month. In his statement, he addressed the serious issue of the increased use of abortion pills:

Today, with easier access to abortion pills, the abortion rate is tragically climbing, along with increased health risks. The Food and Drug Administration has enabled a nationwide mail-order abortion industry by allowing the abortion pill to be prescribed in telehealth appointments, sold both at neighborhood pharmacies and online, and often shipped in the mail, circumventing state laws that protect life in the womb. This means that more women, many of whom have been misinformed about the nature and risks of the abortion pill, will have an abortion alone at home, without any medical supervision. It also sets up additional opportunities for exploitation by violent partners or human traffickers. These affronts to human dignity demand our response.

Knowing that every abortion involves the death of a child and harm to the mother, we must also continue our efforts to assist mothers facing challenging pregnancies and to help women and men seeking forgiveness and healing after participation in a past abortion.

On the other end of the human life spectrum, we’re seeing an increasing number of states in our nation legalize medically assisted suicide. Last March, New York became the 13th state to do so, along with Washington, D.C. New Jersey passed the Medical Aid for Dying for the Terminally Ill Act in 2019. Supporters call this medical aid in dying. This is just another euphemism that proponents are using to hide the truth behind the act. Those of us who have experienced the pain of watching a loved one suffer through a debilitating disease, whether it’s cancer or dementia, may have been tempted to act in such a way as to allow them a peaceful death with dignity on their terms or ours. But, we have also experienced the privilege of caring for them, putting our trust in God’s providence, recognizing that God alone calls us to life and to eternal life. Let us continue to work and pray for a greater respect for human life from the moment of conception to natural death.



[i] Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1995), no. 28.

[ii] *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility from the Catholic Bishops of the United States*, Introductory Letter, p. 8. (Washington, D.C.: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2024).

THIS WEEKEND

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

October 11 at 2PM
SKS School Yard



Blessing of the Animals
Sunday, Oct. 11 at 2PM
SKS School Yard
Hosted by Faithful Families

Saint Francis loved all creatures, and so do we! Join us in the SKS School Yard to have your pet blessed by Monsignor Brouwers. We kindly ask that all pets are contained or leashed!



Cecelia Scholar for
Sept/Oct. at 11:30AM Mass
Welcome Sarah Connors on
Clarinet



Scan the QR code or visit
www.sksparish.org/music
to learn more.

SERVICE

Family Promise Host Week October 18-25



Volunteers needed!

Family Promise 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 or stay at WPC for dinner or as an overnight host.

For more information, please contact Adrienne Carroll at loveaemail@gmail.com or 610-905-3583 or Barbara Todd at bcivi@hotmail.com or 610-585-5044.

Scan here to sign up
to help or visit:
sksparish.org/familypromise



PARISH ACTIVITIES



Knights of Columbus (KofC)
Wed, October 14 at 7PM
SKS Parish Center

The KofC is a brotherhood of Catholic men who share and practice the virtues of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism.

Check us out at KofC.org or join us at our next meeting. All men are welcome!



Men's Evening of Reflection
Tues, October 20
6:30-8:30PM
SKS Church &
Parish Center
All Men are welcome to attend!



Stewardship Weekend
October 18 after the 9:30AM
Mass

Join us!

- Children's Choir
- Presentation of Confirmation Candidates
- Parish Coffee
- Service Project sponsored by Faithful Families



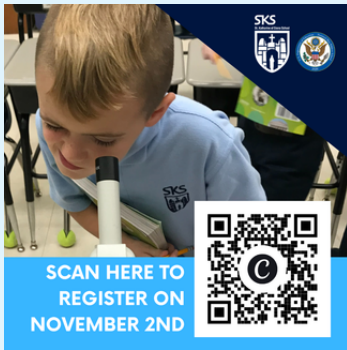
Bus Trip to SMdP
October 25th, 10:00AM

It's our annual trip to St. Martin de Porres! The SKS adult choir will sing with St. Martin's choir – a beautiful fusion of music. This shared Mass in the spectacular church is always special and memorable and is a wonderful way to get to know our sister parish.

Ride the bus down with the SKS choir and fellow parishioners. It will leave the SKS school parking lot at 9am and return around 1pm.

For info, please contact Maria Carrillo at [610-357-2392](tel:610-357-2392) or mariamcarrillo@icloud.com.

SKS SCHOOL CORNER



We encourage all new students for the 2027-2028 school year to submit their application online on November 2nd beginning at 9am.

The complete application process is available by visiting: sksschool.org/admissions or scanning the QR code above.

Contact Anne Condello at the school office at 610-688-5451 for more information.



To read Principal Mulvanerty's weekly newsletter visit www.sksschool.org/blog

SKS PREP NEWS

The kindergarten got to sit back and relax as Ms. Gibbons shares the Creation Story with our youngest!



The 5th grade was blessed to learn about the Sacraments through an Escape Room!

LAST WEEK AT SKS



Women's Evening of Reflection

Women's Evening of Reflection returned last week with Mass, prayer, dinner and fellowship. The evening's highlight was a reflection from Sister Mary Elizabeth and Jessica Waltman about their recent Camino de Santiago pilgrimage in Spain. Please join us for the next WEoR on November 5!

Youth Choirs

This past weekend Monsignor gave a special blessing to all teen drivers. Our Teen Mass Ministry of singers and lectors was joined with some new members; Julianna Staves and Olivia Muntz!

Our Children's Choir led the music at the 9:30 am Mass. We had some of our newest 1st graders join us for the first time.



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.

WORSHIP	CATECHESIS	COMMUNITY BUILDING	SERVICE
Adoration Maureen Reilly 610-745-6320 Marie Northington 484-686-7744 Adult Altar Servers Rectory 610-688-4584 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	Bible Study Msgr. Brouwers 610-688-4584 Home and School Association Adrienne Faralli homeandschool@sksschool.org Parish School Jeanne Mulvanerty 610-688-5451 P.R.E.P. Stephanie Twohig 610-688-7890 Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) Msgr. Brouwers 610-688-4584 Laura Kerr 610-688-4584 evangelization@sksparish.org Respect Life sksrespectlife@gmail.com Young Adults Julia Tyson 347-752-3430	Alcoholics Anonymous Rectory 610-688-4584 Faithful Families Kate Mallach faithfulfamilies@sksparish.org Gym Reservations Ben Piazza 215-760-9743 Mothers of Young Children Kristen Nicholls moyc@sksparish.org Parish Center Reservations Kim O'Neill 610-688-4584 Retrouvaille: Marriage Help 215-766-3944 www.marriagehelpdelval.org Walking with Purpose Kate Mallach 215-858-9507 Maureen Reilly 610-745-6320	Athletic Association Jason Griesser ad@sksparish.org Caring for Friends Kim O'Neill 610-688-4584 Cub Scouts Jason Botzler Shawn Sweeney skspack219@gmail.com C.A.R.E.S. (Children Are Receiving Extended Care) Katie Jones kjones@sksschool.org 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 Lucian Herciu 267-307-3964 herciul@yahoo.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
	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	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	
	<i>If you are interested in learning more about any of the groups call the contact name above or the rectory at 610-688-4584.</i>		