



St. Sylvester, Woodsfield
founded 1866

St. John the Baptist, Miltonburg
founded 1841

Parishes of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville

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The Monroe County Catholic Churches

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DECEMBER 18, 2022
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
IS 7:10-14 ROM 1:1-7 MT 1:18-24

Bulletin Information

Must be in to the office by Thursday at 10:00am.

Parish Registration New Parishioners are always welcome!

Please contact the parish office (740) 472-0187 to register.

Infant Baptism

Contact the parish office (740) 472-0187 to schedule.

Confessions

Woodsfield: Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm.

Sunday 7:45am to 8:15am. and by appointment.

Weddings

No date may be reserved for a wedding until the couple meet with the priest.

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Infirm

Call 1 (918) 637-1774 Hospitals and Care facilities **regularly do not notify** the parish unless specific request is made.

Catholic Woman's Club

Meet on Second Wednesday of each month at Generation's Building @ 7:00p.m.

St. Sylvester: Diane Burkhart (740) 391-0391

St. John the Baptist: Eileen Ackerman (740) 757-2481 or Eileen Miller (740) 472-0279

Knights of Columbus *St. Joseph of Monroe County Council 5009*

Meet on First Wednesday of each month at St. Sylvester Church, following 6:30pm Mass ~ Grand Knight: Sam Schumacher

Parish Prayer Chain

Call: Jackie Kirkland (740) 472-0338

Purgatorial Society Founded in the 1780's to pray for those holy

souls in Purgatory. To join or more information contact: Jackie Kirkland at (740) 472-0338.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): RCIA is an adult preparation

for Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist. Mr. Joseph Long, coordinator.

Parish School of Religion (PSR aka. CCD)

The Parish Religion Classes children 1st – 8th grade (not enrolled in a Catholic School)

St. Sylvester: Jill Schumacher (740) 213-4665

St. John the Baptist: Eileen Ackerman (740) 757-2481 **Call to register**

St. John The Baptist Hall

Schedule to Rent Hall for Any Occasion ~ Jennifer Winkler 740-472-0187 or 740-213-2430

St. Sylvester Central Elementary (PreK-8) 119 Wayne Street,

Woodsfield, Ohio. Mrs. Robyn Guiler, principal. (740) 472-0321

Preschool (740) 472-0420

Catholic Youth Group Leader: Regina Knox

Diocesan Vocation Director Fr. Joshua Erickson

Catholic Cemeteries

St. Sylvester Woodsfield: Donald & Rita Biedenbach (740) 472-1849

St. John the Baptist, Miltonburg & **Immaculate Conception**, Ozark;

Jason Weiss 740-472-1210

St. Joseph & Chapel Hill, Burkhart Station: Russell Betts (740) 567-3286

St. Patrick's, New Matamoras: Parish office: (740) 472-0187

DOS Office of Family & Social Concerns & Referral

(i.e. Catholic Charities), 1-800-339-7890.

Diocesan Child Protection and Reporting of Abuse

Victim Assistance Team: email: victimassistance43952@gmail.com

Phone: 740-278-3455

Emergency Contact "When Fr. Tim Davison is out of town"

Assumption Church, Barnesville, Ohio, Fr. David Cornett

Rectory Office:(740) 425-2181 Cell: (740) 381-4415 or

St. Stephen Church, Caldwell, Ohio, Fr. Tom Nelson

Rectory Office: (740) 732-4129

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Our Sunday Offering
for
DEC 10-DEC 11

SUNDAY DEC 18TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30a.m.
+Debra Block by Denise Scherrbaum

MONDAY DEC 19TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (School Mass) 8:30a.m.
+Ed Doudna Deceased Family

TUESDAY DEC 20TH
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00a.m.
+Donald Miller by Lois Stephen

WEDNESDAY DEC 21ST
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30p.m.
+Jimmy Partridge by Margie Partridge Family

THURSDAY DEC 22ND
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00a.m.
+Ellen Biedenbach

FRIDAY DEC 23RD
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
+Mary Paulus by Paulus & Rodgers Family

SATURDAY DEC 24TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00p.m.
+Debra Schumacher by Perry Schumacher

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 8:00p.m.
+Joseph Block by Meredith & Linda Kahrig

SUNDAY DEC 25TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
+Joseph Gallagher by Ron & Cathy Gallagher

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (Latin Mass) 12:30p.m.
Daniel Steele by Jane Steele



St. John the Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 710.00
Loose Collection	\$ 62.00
School Fund	\$ 60.00
CWC Dues	\$ 10.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 50.00
Christmas offer	\$ 500.00
Imm Conception	\$ 94.00
Retired Nuns	\$ 350.00
Purgatory Society	\$ 150.00
St John Gravel	\$3,000.00
1st offering	\$ 5.00
Sol of Mary	\$ 10.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 500.00

St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 1,643.00
Loose Collection	\$ 132.00
School Fund	\$ 290.00
Candle Fund	\$ 59.00
Imm Conception	\$ 357.00
Retired Nuns	\$ 366.00
Christmas Flower	\$ 110.00
1st Offering	\$ 5.00
Christmas Offer	\$ 25.00
CWC Dues	\$ 10.00

Thank you for
your
continued
support of our
parishes and
school !!

**ST PAUL CHURCH
FOOD PANTRY
DECEMBER 20TH @ 9:00A.M.
EVERYONE WELCOME**

TURNING TAXES INTO TUITION
Scholarship Granting Organization,
whereby donors can receive a 100% Ohio
Tax credit (towards Ohio Taxes owed for
2022), by making a contribution to our
"Christ the Teacher Scholarship Fund."
If needing more information or applica-
tion please stop at the school office
before the end of the 2022 year

This Week
Wednesday
St. Sylvester Church
Adoration
8:00a.m.—6:00p.m.
Rosary 6:00p.m.
Mass 6:30p.m.

ST. SYLVESTER/ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
If interested in a copy of your church donations from **2022 for your tax deduction**, please sign your name on the list at the front of the church entrance. Your copy will be sent to you in the beginning of January 2023

2022 DPSC Share Campaign
Thanks again for your participation this year DPSC. If you have not pledged, please do so. You can place your pledge in the collection basket or mail it directly to the diocese using the address DPSC envelope or online at www.Give.Diocese.org Your sacrificial gifts enable the diocese to educate our seminarians, future priests, care for retired priests, oversee education of our youth through Catholic Schools, religious programs and youth ministry, assist poor and other local efforts. Please keep this in mind as you graciously consider your contribution.

St. Sylvester Goal:	\$20,896	Goal Received \$ 19,195
St. John The Baptist Goal:	\$11,308	Goal Received \$ 11,325



In Loving Memory of:

Emma Schumacher
Paul Ditto
Debra Schumacher
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher
Danny Betts
Paul Madison
Katy Madison
Paul Madison Jr.
Rosemary Schumacher
Roman Schumacher
Clara Schumacher
Rick Schumacher
Susan Schumacher Thomas
Deloris Knowlton
Robert M. Miller Sr.
Walter Knox
Francis Paulus
Freeda Paulus
Mary Paulus
Hilda Paulus
David Baker
Lowell Baker
William Bolon
Herman Burkhart
Hilda Burkhart
Darrell Cline
Clara Rush
Virgil Rush
Norbert Burkhart
Agnes Burkhart
Francis Reischman
Hazel Reischman
Monica Long
Michael & Bertha Burkhart
Paul & Barbara Conner
George Block
William B. Schumacher
Madeline Mellinger
Imelda Scott
Billie Elliott
Cindy Miller Stevens
Donald Miller
Arthur Biedenbach
Amy Biedenbach
Walter Schumacher
Madeline Schumacher
Ray Baldwin
Ralph & Alice Buckalew
Grace Ann Joyce
Eunice Gallagher
Joe Gallagher
Cyril Burkhart
Jim Scott
Thelma Scott
Harmon Scott
Paul Ring
Joe Fillippi

*Eternal rest grant unto
them, O Lord.*

Dear Beloved of God,

We are nearing the end of this Advent Season but this year we have the full four weeks of this blessed Advent time. Sometimes Christmas falls earlier and so the last week can be curtailed into a shorter week depending on what day Christmas falls. Christmas falls next Sunday this year which gives the priests a little break since the Masses of next Sunday are the Christmas Masses.

Christmas Eve is this coming Saturday and so our 5:00 p.m. Mass will include hopefully many children from our school community. And then we'll also have a Mass at 8:00 p.m. this Saturday at St. John's. And then on Sunday, December 25th we'll have the 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Sylvester's and the 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. John's as usual. But, I am adding another Mass at 12:30 p.m. next Sunday at St. Sylvester's. It will be a traditional Latin Mass that will be sung. And after the Mass there will be a reception. Many of those who participate in the traditional Latin Mass come from some distance and that is why we often have food and drink after the Mass.

We are of course very close now to the end of the semester for our little school. The last day of school will be this Thursday, December 22nd and it will be a day of early dismissal. We have had to brave some sickness among our students and staff as has almost every school in the nation. The flu and cold season did not spare us. But, overall it has been a good semester and the staff and students as well as the parents and caretakers have worked marvelously together to create a wonderful learning environment for our children. And I hope their knowledge of the Catholic faith has increased, which I think has. I always find our students well interested in learning and respectful.

Let me take this opportunity now to wish each of you a very blessed Christmas. May the Lord be born again in your hearts and may you experience great joy and peace during the holy season of Christmas that begins next weekend and extends until January 9th, 2023. And Happy New Year to one and all!!

Yours Truly,

Father Timothy Davison

TUESDAY BINGO

December 20th

Brenda Fisher
Monica Habig
Anna Lang
Adrienne Shelton
JC/Stacy Sharp
Nick Murdy

December 27th

Brenda Fisher
Monica Habig
Jess Knowlton
Jennifer Caretti
Melissa Miller
Angie LaFollette

SUNDAY BINGO

December 18th

Robyn Guiler
Missy Knowlton
Nathan/Rachel Arden
Dugan/Cassie
Demchak
Crystal Cunningham

TUESDAY KITCHEN

Dec 20th

Missy Knowlton
Becky Bott

Dec 27th

Missy Knowlton
Sally LaFollette

SUNDAY KITCHEN

Dec 18th

Louise Kress
Jill Schumacher

**Scripture Reading
of the Week**

**Sunday
DEC 18TH
FOURTH SUNDAY OF
ADVENT**

IS 7:10-14
ROM 1:1-7
MT 1:18-24

**Monday
DEC 19TH**
JGS 13:2-7, 24-25a

LK 1:5-25

**Tuesday
DEC 20TH**

IS 7:10-14
LK 1:26-38

**Wednesday
DEC 21ST**

SG 2:8-14
LK 1:39-45

**Thursday
DEC 22ND**

1 SM 1:24-28

LK 1:46-56

**Friday
DEC 23RD**

MAL 3:1-4, 23-24
LK 1:57-66

**Saturday
DEC 24TH**

2 SM 7:1-5,
8b-12, 14a 18

**Sunday
DEC 25TH**

**THE NATIVITY
OF THE LORD**
IS 62:1-5
ACTS 13:16-17, 22-25

MT 1:1-25

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE

Dec 17.....Bill Long
Dec 18.....Becky Baldwin
Dec 24.....Steve Burkhart
Dec 25.....Jill Schumacher
Dec 31.....Catherine Paulus



Christmas Flowers in Honor Memory of:

Deloris Knowlton	Susan Thomas	Roman & Clara Schumacher	Rick Schumacher
Rosemary Schumacher	Earl & Dessie Okey	Alden & Betty Husk	Francis Schumacher
Nelson & Ella Smithberger	Shirley Perkins	Clarence Stephen	Luzelda Stephen
Lonnie Stephen	Don & Bessie Freeman	Jerry & Goldie Weiss	Yonak Family
James & Marie Kirkland	Francis & Emma Dimmerling	Everett & Ethel Piatt	
George & Martha Kress	Clem, Fred, & George Jr. Kress	Floyd Griffin	Helen & Clarence Hoff
Richard & Jane Radon	Vernon & Cinderella Butler	Gene & Marylouise Wells	Don Miller
Sam Schumacher Family	Debra Schumacher	Francis & Freeda Paulus	Mary & Hilda Paulus
David Rodgers	Archibald & Learrena Griffith	Joseph & Margaret Paulus	Cindy Miller
Jay Taylor	Larry Krone	Robert Welsh Family	Richard Passio Sr.
Sarah Dick	Tyler Knowlton Family	Arthur Miller	Ruth Miller
Quinn Kahrig	Tony & Ellen Biedenbach	Thomas Doudna	Joseph & Catherine Dick
Leander & Genevieve Kuhn	Elbert & Zelda Betts	Kenney, Paul, & Jimmy Kuhn	
Tom Dierkes	Danny Betts	Chuck & Barb Pero	Kathleen Hannahs
Kenny, Shirley & Mark Kuhn	Don & Ruth Lafferre	Leander & Genny Kuhn	Darrell Cline
Mr & Mrs Schwartz	Mr & Mrs E. Tamasovich	Clara Rush	Virgil Rush
Madeline Mellinger			Hilda Burkhart



**St. Joseph of Monroe County,
Council 5009 of the Knights of Columbus
Sam Schumacher, Grand Knight**

Leading by Example—Our council seeks to develop a culture of charity, unity, and fraternity in faithful service to the Church and community. New members are welcome to join us!

Next Meetings- *Knight's of Columbus Meeting will be on Wednesday, January 4th. Adoration at 6:00 p.m. Rosary at 6:15 p.m. Mass at 6:30 p.m. meeting to follow in Church basement

*Catholic Women's Club Meeting, Wednesday, January 11th @ Generations 7:00p.m.

