

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield
founded 1866

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg
founded 1841

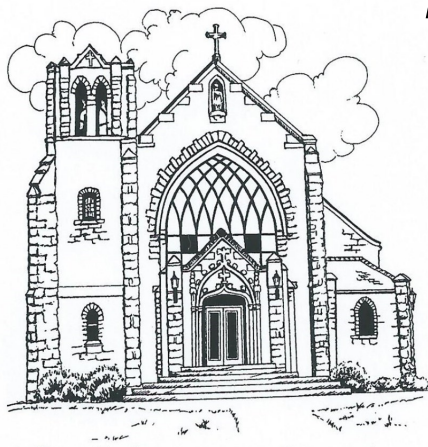
Parishes of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville

The Monroe County Catholic Churches

www.monroecountycatholic.org
334 South Main Street
Woodsfield, Ohio 43793-1027

DECEMBER 10, 2023
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
IS 40:1-5, 9-11 2PT 3:8-14 MK 1:1-8

Fr. Timothy Davison ~ Pastor



Parish Contacts

New Parishioners are always welcome! Please contact the office.
Fr. Timothy Davison 1(918) 637-1774
Jennifer Winkler (740) 472-0187
Office Hours Mon-Thurs. 9-2

Holy Matrimony & Baptism

Contact the parish office (740) 472-0187

Confessions

Woodsfield: Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm.
Sunday 7:45am to 8:15am. and by appointment.

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 @ 7:00 p.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 the 6:30 p.m. Mass
Grand Knight: Anthony Schumacher (740) 827-3626

Purgatorial Society & Prayer Chain

To join & information contact: Jackie Kirkland at (740) 472-0338.

Catholic Youth Group

Leader: Regina Knox

Diocesan Vocation Director

Fr. Joshua Erickson

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 Contact
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 Cemeteries

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

St. John the Baptist, & 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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY DEC 10TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30 a.m.
+Kenneth & Ruthan Knox by Regina Knox

MONDAY DEC 11TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:30 p.m.
+Virgil Block by Sony Block Family

TUESDAY DEC 12TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (School Mass) 8:30 a.m.
+Francis Paulus by Paulus & Rodgers Family

WEDNESDAY DEC 13TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30 p.m.
+Francis Paulus by Paulus & Rodgers Family

THURSDAY DEC 14TH
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00 a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00 a.m.
+Mary Dick Butler

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:00 p.m.
Penance Service

FRIDAY DEC 15TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (School Mass) 8:30 a.m.
+Bill Calvert by Bob & Kathy Blatt

SATURDAY DEC 16TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 7:00 a.m.
Fr. Ty Thompson

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00 p.m.
+Dar Zwick by Donnie & Janet Zwick

SUNDAY DEC 17TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30 a.m.
+Nora Stephen by Tom & Becky Stephen

CHRISTMAS PARTY

CWC St. Sylvester's
December 20th ~ 6:00 p.m.
@ Generations Building
\$25 gift exchange, must have
reservations in by December 13th
Diane Burkhart 740-391-0391 or
Louise Kress 757-474-5922
All St Sylvester & St John The Baptist
CWC Parishioners

Our Sunday Offering

DEC 2 - DEC 3

St. John The Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 730.00
Loose Collection	\$ 92.00
School Fund	\$ 40.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 141.00
Christmas Offer	\$ 5.00
All Saints	\$ 50.00
In Loving Mem 24	\$ 75.00
Imm Conception	\$ 2.00

St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 1,694.00
Loose Collection	\$ 85.00
School Fund	\$ 215.00
Candle Fund	\$ 61.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 100.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 260.00
Mass Request	\$ 220.00
Imm Conception	\$ 10.00

PENANCE SERVICE THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14TH 6:00 P.M.

ST SYLVESTER CHURCH

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

This Week

Wednesday

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

~SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE~

Former St. Sylvester Graduates,
applying to Ohio University Eastern:
THE CRUM FAMILY
Appreciation Scholarship.

1. Attended St. Sylvester Central
2. Request consideration from CRUM Family Scholarship On application, provide this "other information"

In Loving Memory of:

For the Bulletin...
Anyone that wants to insert a deceased family or friend on the memory list for the entire year of 2024 beginning in January. \$15 each - donation
Mark memo as: "In memory of 2024"

2023 DPSC Share Campaign

Thanks again for your participation. If you have not pledged, please do so. You can place a pledge in the collection basket or mail it directly to DPSC envelope or go online at www.Give.DioSteub.org. Your sacrificial gifts enable the dioceses 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: \$ 26,030.00 Goal Received \$ 19,205.00

St. John The Baptist Goal: \$ 13,711.00 Goal Received \$ 7,775.00

School Cancellations or Delayed
because of snow ~ A.M. Mass will be
reschedule to:

12 noon St. Sylvester Church

In Loving Memory of:

Emma Schumacher
Paul Ditto
Deb Schumacher
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher
Katy Madison
Paul Madison
Paul Madison Jr.
Francis & Freeda Paulus
Mary Paulus
Hilda Paulus
Herman Burkhart
Hilda Burkhart
Madeline Mellinger
Raymond Baldwin
Alice & Ralph Buckalew
Grace Joyce
Joe Fillippi
Wes & Clara Hossman
Cindy Miller Stevens
Donald Miller
Larry Krone
Joy Taylor
David Baker
Lowell Baker
William Bolon
Danny Betts
Billie Jean Elliott
Meri C. Welsh
Norbert Burkhart
Agnes Burkhart
Francis Reishman
Hazel Reishman
Robert M. Miller Sr.
Walter Knox
Josephine Jack
Terri Gordon
Joe & Eunice Gallagher
Cyril Burkhart
Harry & Lucille Elliott
Monica Long
Francis & Edith Block
Virgil Block
Joe & Debbie Block
Gladys (babe) Burkhart
William B. Schumacher
Michael, Bertha &
Rebeca Burkhart
Paul & Barbara Conner
Jim Scott
Thelma Scott
Harmon Scott
Darrell Cline
Clara Rush
Virgil Rush
Francis Stephen
Carol Moore
Roman & Clara Schumacher
Susan Thomas Schumacher
Rick Schumacher
Deloris Knowlton
Cinderella Butler
Vernon Butler
Wayne Forshey

***Eternal rest grant unto
them, O Lord.***

Dear Friends in Christ,

We are now in the middle of Advent with only two weeks before Christmas. You might have noticed by now that Advent is short this year since the fourth Sunday of Advent is also the last day of Advent since Christmas falls on a Monday this year. But, I hope that our penance and prayer is already disposing us more and more to the fact that Jesus wishes to be born anew in each of our hearts. Come Lord Jesus!!

This week on Tuesday we celebrate the Feast of the Our Lady of Guadalupe. Our Mass will be at 8:30 a.m. at St. Sylvester's and the school children will be present. I hope that many others from the community will also be there if possible. It is one of my favorite apparitions of Our Lady and reveals how tenderly she comes to us and how powerful her visitation is each time. After her apparitions in Mexico about 10 million people converted to the Catholic faith in that country. That is an extraordinary number and helped to offset the tragic effects of the Protestant Revolution in which many millions left the true faith. I myself had a very powerful experience of her motherly care when I visited the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe and I will never forget it. Perhaps some day you too might be able to make a pilgrimage there.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place as usual on Wednesday. Let me just say what a wonderful thing it is to be in the actual Presence of the Divine Redeemer and soak up that holy Presence for as long as we would like to stay. Adoration begins at 8:00 a.m. and concludes at 6:00 p.m. each Wednesday.

On Thursday of this week we will have our Parish Penance Service starting at 6:00 p.m. at St. Sylvester's. Father Tim Kozak and Father Dan Huesel will join me in hearing confessions that evening. I hope that everyone will take advantage of this opportunity to go to confession and prepare to receive the humble King when He comes at Christmas.

On Saturday, December 16th our morning Mass will be at 7:00 a.m. at St. Sylvester's and will be offered in candle Light. The Mass is known as a Mass to honor the holy and Immaculate Mother of God who is the Dawn of our Salvation. She was prepared by God to become the place where the incarnation could take place and where Jesus her Son would at His life, death, and resurrection become the Light of the whole world. The Mass will be a Novus Ordo Mass celebrated in both Latin and English.

May the good Lord bless each of you as we make our journey to Bethlehem to welcome the King of Kings.

Yours, Father Timothy Davison

TUESDAY BINGO

Dec 12th

Monica Habig
Terry
James & Des Peters
Stacey Sharp

Dec 19th

Monica Habig
Terry
Angie LaFollette
Andy Schumacher
Tyler Knowlton

Jan 2nd

Monica Habig
Robyn Guiler
Sam Schumacher
Andy Schumacher
Angie LaFollette
Stacey Sharp
Missy Dean

SUNDAY BINGO

Dec 10th

Monica Habig
Terry
Joe & Christi Block
Jeff Dean

Dec 17th

Missy Knowlton
Terry
Gina Ball
Marissa Cole
Evan Yoss
Carey Bott
Aaron Brown

Jan 7th

Monica Habig
Robyn Guiler
Sam Schumacher
Dustin Wheeler
Marissa Cole
Adam Chambers
Carey Bott

TUESDAY KITCHEN

Dec 12th

St John CWC

Dec 19th

Missy Knowlton
Carol Kuhn

Jan 2nd

Missy Knowlton
Diane Burkhart

SUNDAY KITCHEN

Dec 10th

Louise Kress
Becky Baldwin

Dec 17th

Louise Kress
Jill Schumacher

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE

- Dec 9.....Catherine Paulus
- Dec 10.....Jill Schumacher
- Dec 16.....Steve Burkhart
- Dec 17.....Tom Dick
- Dec 23.....Catherine Paulus
- Dec 24.....Becky Baldwin
- Dec 25.....Jill Schumacher

Scripture Reading of the Week

**Sunday
DEC 10TH
SECOND SUNDAY
OF ADVENT**

IS 40:1-5, 9-11
2PT 3:8-14
MK 1:1-8

**Monday
DEC 11TH**
IS 35:1-10
LK 5:17-26

**Tuesday
DEC 12TH**
ZEC 2:14-17
LK 1:26-38

**Wednesday
DEC 13TH**
IS 40:25-31
MT 11:28-30

**Thursday
DEC 14TH**
IS 41:13-20
MT 11:11-15

**Friday
DEC 15TH**
IS 48:17-19
MT 11:16-19

**Saturday
DEC 16TH**
SIR 48:1-4, 9-11
MT 17:9a, 10-13

**Sunday
DEC 17TH
THIRD SUNDAY
OF ADVENT**

IS 61:1-2a, 10-11
1THES 6:16-24
JN 1:6-8, 19-28

SPECIAL INTENTIONS MASS REQUEST...

Just a reminder, If interested in requesting mass for a loved one send in \$10 each with name of deceased and name of person requesting the mass. On envelope write "Mass Request".

If wanting a specific date, write the date on request and I will schedule it unless someone else requested the same date first. Thanks

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN MEMORY:

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|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Larry Okey | Myrna Minder | Mary Malanowski |
| Albert Riggs | Enola Riggs | Arthur L Miller |
| Ruth A Miller | David Miller | Quinn Kahrig |
| Elmer Tamasovich | | Elsie Tamachovich |
| Hank Schwartz | | Eleanor Schwarts |
| Robert Miller Sr. | Michael Gerten | Judy Gerten |
| Walter Knox | Meri C Welsh | Michaela Neuhart |
| Bob Wallace | Ella Brubach | Lil Calvert |
| Louise O'Connell | Clara Hall | Jim Partridge |
| Jimmy Partridge | Ruth Hall | Dean Hall |
| Deb Schumacher | George Kress | Martha Kress |
| Clarence Hoff | Helen Hoff | Fred Kress |
| Clem Kress | George Kress | Floyd Griffin |
| Richard Radon | Jane Radon | David Rodgers |
| Frances Paulus | Freeda Paulus | Hilda Paulus |
| Mary Paulus | Archibald Griffith | Learrena Griffith |
| Joseph Paulus | Margaret Paulus | Rich Schumacher |
| Roman Schumacher | | Clara Schumacher |
| Susan Schumacher Thomas | | Deloris Knowlton |
| Rosemary Schumacher | | |



**St. Joseph of Monroe County,
Council 5009 of the Knights of Columbus
Anthony 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, December 6th. Adoration at 6:00 p.m. Rosary at 6:15 p.m. Mass at 6:30 p.m. meeting to follow in the Church Basement.

*Catholic Women's Club meeting Wednesday, December 13th 7:00 p.m. @ Generations

