

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

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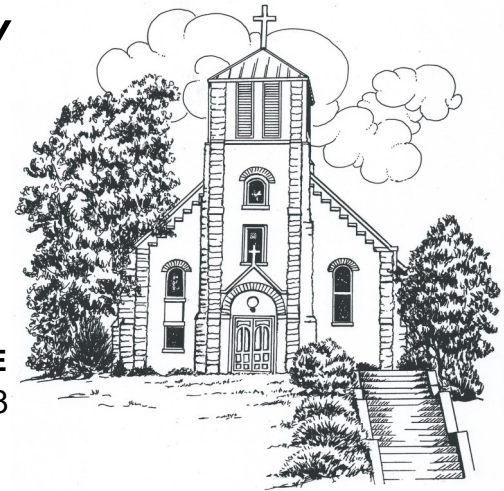
AUGUST 10, 2025

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WIS 18:6-9 HEB 11:1-2, 8-19 LK 12:32-48

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Fr. Nicholas Ward
Administrator



Parish Contacts

New Parishioners are always welcome! Please contact the office.

Fr. Nicholas Ward (740) 457-7098

nward@diosteub.org

Jennifer Winkler (740) 472-0187

Office Hours Mon-Thurs. 9-2

Holy Matrimony, Baptism & Funeral

Contact the parish office (740) 472-0187

Confessions

St. Sylvester: Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm.

Sunday 7:45am to 8:15am.

St. John The Baptist: Sunday 9:45am to 10:15am

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Infirm

Call Fr. Ward 1(740) 457-7098 Hospitals and Care facilities

regularly do not notify the parish unless specific request is made.

Catholic Woman's Club

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. Nicholas Ginnetti

740-432-7609

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

RCIA is an adult preparation for Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist.

Contact Church Office 740-472-0187

Parish School of Religion (PSR aka. CCD)

The Parish Religion Classes children 1st—8th grade

St. Sylvester School & Public Schools

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: Tony Schumacher (740) 827-3626

St. John the Baptist, & Immaculate Conception Ozark:

Tony Schumacher (740) 827-3626

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. Ward 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

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

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30 a.m.
 +Tina Muffet Burkhart

MONDAY **AUG 11TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield NO MASS

TUESDAY **AUG 12TH**
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg NO MASS

WEDNESDAY **AUG 13TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield NO MASS

THURSDAY **AUG 14TH**
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00 a.m.
 Holy Hour 8:00 a.m.

+Stella Crum *by Rosemary Burkhart*

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30 p.m.
Assumption of Mary
 +Fred Ulrich *by Cheryle & Girls*

FRIDAY **AUG 15TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
Assumption of Mary
 +Joe Kuhn *by Matt & Shannon Kuhn*

West Wood Place, Woodsfield 10:00 a.m.
 +Connie Kavalieios *by Rich & Marsha Saul*

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 5:30 p.m.
Assumption of Mary
 +Jack Brown

SATURDAY **AUG 16TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
Philomena by David Stapleton

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 5:00 p.m.
 +Ray Baldwin *by Becky Baldwin*

SUNDAY **AUG 17TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
 +Don Biedenbach *by Mike & Missy Knowlton*

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

THANK YOU !!

Everyone, for the donations toward the
 Care of our Cemeteries

KEEP IT GROWING!

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

2025 Picnic was a great success!

People came from near and far to eat and socialize. Amazing weather, abundance of food and donations. Countless pies, cakes and cookies. Tables filled with all the fixings served over 500 dinners .

Smooth flow with minimal wait showcased the hall's new paint job, new lighting and upgraded electrical.

Blessed with so many helping hand, volunteers and sponsors. 21 raffle ticket winners with prizes totaling over 2300.

Thank you everyone for helping with the dinner and purchasing dinners!
 Can't wait to see you in 2026!

Holy Day of Obligation Assumption of Mary

St. Sylvester Church
 Thursday, Aug 14th @ 6:30 p.m.

St. Sylvester Church
 Friday, Aug 15th @ 8:30 a.m.

West Wood Place Mass
 Friday, Aug 15th @ 10:00 a.m.

St. John The Baptist Church
 Friday, Aug 15th @ 5:30 p.m.

2025 Cemetery Lawn Care

St. Sylvester Cost\$ 12,800.00
 Lawn Care Donations\$ 4,367.00

St. John The Baptist Cost.....\$ 8,400.00
 Donations\$ 3,438.48

Imm Conception Cemetery Cost.....\$ 4,200.00
 Donations\$ 2,600.00

St. Joseph/Chapel Hill Cost.....\$ 9,750.00
 Donations\$ 570.00

St. Patrick Cemetery Cost.....\$ 2,800.00
 Donations\$ 500.00

Our Sunday Offering August 2 - August 3

St. John The Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 800.00
Loose Collection	\$ 250.00
Education Fund	\$ 95.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 40.00
Building Fund	\$ 10.00

St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 3,774.00
Loose Collection	\$ 141.00
School Fund	\$ 150.00
Starter Set	\$ 20.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 270.00
Building Fund	\$ 60.00
Assumption Mary	\$ 20.00

*Thank You for your
 continued support of
 our Parishes & School*

This Week Wednesday

St. Sylvester Church
 NO Adoration

PARISHIONERS...

Anyone needing
*"The Steubenville
 Register"*
 mailed to your home,
 contact Jennifer
 740-472-0187

2025 DPSC Share Campaign

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. You can also donate online @ Give.DioSteub.Org

St. Sylvester Goal: \$29,390
St. John The Baptist Goal: \$17,806

Goal Received \$11,309
Goal Received \$5,025

In Loving Memory Of:

Emma Schumacher
Paul Ditto
Deb Schumacher
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher
Katy Madison
Paul Madison
Paul Madison Jr.
Charles & Mary Hunkler
Donald & Lois Stephen
Michael E. Koval
Norma H. Koval
Herman Burkhart
Hilda Burkhart
Madeline Mellinger
Billie Jean Elliott
Harry & Lucille Elliott
David Baker
Lowell Baker
William Bolon
Meri C Welsh
Raymond Baldwin
Alice & Ralph Buckalew
Grace Ann Joyce
Joe Fillippi
Ty A. Burkhart
Darrell & Charlotte Cline
Clara Rush
Virgil Rush
Francis & Edith Block
Virgil Block
Joe & Debbie Block
Gladys (babe) Burkhart
Jimmy Norris
Mary Ellen Barber Norris
Quinn Kahrig
Danny Betts
Edward Rensi
Vernon Butler
Cinderella Butler
Francis Stephen
Carol Moore
Imelda D. Scott
Francis Paulus
Freedra Paulus
Mary Paulus
Hilda Paulus
Michael Burkhart
Bertha Burkhart
Rebeca Burkhart
Robert Miller Sr.
Walter Knox
Josephina Jack
Lawrence Crock
Helen Burkhart
Francis Burkhart
Wes & Clare Hossman
Donald Miller
Larry Krone
Joy Taylor
Cindy Miller Stevens
Norbert Burkhart
Agnes Burkhart
Tina Burkhart Muffett
Francis Reischman
Hazel Reischman
Harold Robinson
Ellen Robinson
Cyril Burkhart
Eunice Gallagher
Joe Gallagher
Thelma Scott
Harmon Scott
Jimmy Scott
Richard Scott
Delores Quarles
Carol Lumbatis
Richard J. Sobocinski
Fr. Samuel Saprano

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

Dear parishioners,

This week, Monday through Wednesday, I will be away with the Seminarians of the diocese on retreat in Logan OH. Please pray for them, and for more vocations to the priesthood for our diocese. "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so, ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest (Matthew 9:37-38)."

This Sunday, the 19th in "Ordinary Time," and this Friday, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (a Holy Day of Obligation), we have featured two persons whose tremendous faith serve as examples for us all: Father Abraham and Mother Mary.

As we hear in this Sunday's first reading: "By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he sojourned in the promised land as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs of the same promise; for he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and maker is God. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age — and Sarah herself was sterile — for he thought that the one who had made the promise [God] was trustworthy."

Abraham became much and accomplished much on account of his faith; he went from being simple Abram, a pagan son-of-a-nobody living in lower Mesopotamia, to Abraham, Father of Nations, Patriarch Ancient Israel and model of faith for nearly half the world's people, Christians, Muslims, and Modern Jews.

We can say the same for the Blessed Virgin Mary; she who believed what was spoken to her by the Lord (Luke 1:45) also became much on account of her great faith: from a simple peasant girl in Nazareth, to the greatest human creature who ever lived: Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, Queen of all the Angels and Saints, Mother of the Universal Church and Matriarch of All Nations... the titles go on and on! Because of her faith, she (literally) rose to great heights, being taken up body and soul into Heaven in her glorious Assumption.

And Jesus is confident that we can do great things through faith in Him as well. In Friday's Gospel, someone says to Him how blessed His Mother must be: "Blessed is the womb which bore you, and the breasts which nursed you!" Jesus fires right back: "Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it (Luke 11:27-28)."

Mary wasn't just great because she was given the task of conceiving, bearing, and nursing the infant Christ. According to Jesus, all these things were secondary to her great faith, and if we hear the word of God, believe in Him, and observe what Faith teaches, then we will be great Saints as well, just like Mother Mary and Father Abraham.

God bless you all,

In Christ,

Fr. Nick

TUESDAY BINGO

August 12th

Missy Knowlton
Mary Atkinson
Christy Ferguson

August 26th

Ashley Murphy
Jenna Rosnick
Missy Dean
Holly Merideth

SUNDAY BINGO

August 10th

Missy Knowlton
Terry Schumacher
Marissa Cole
David/Jessica Murphy
Tyler/Tiff Schumacher

August 17th

Missy Knowlton
Robyn Guiler
Nathan/Rachel Arden
Missy Dean

August 24th

Ace Guiler
Sean Edgell
David/Kasey Block
Marissa Cole

TUESDAY KITCHEN

August 12th

St. John CWC

August 26th

Becky Baldwin
Diane Burkhart

September 2nd

Julie Selmon

SUNDAY KITCHEN

August 10th

Louise Kress
Jill Schumacher

August 17th

Louise Kress
Catherine Paulus

August 24th

Louise Kress
Sandy Barnes

Scripture Reading of the Week

Sunday

AUGUST 10TH NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WIS 18:6-9
HEB 11:1-2, 8-19
LK 12:32-48

Monday

AUGUST 11TH

DT 10:12-22
MT 17:22-27

Tuesday

AUGUST 12TH

DT 31:1-8
MT 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday

AUGUST 13TH

DT 34:1-12
MT 18:15-20

Thursday

AUGUST 14TH

JOS 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17
MT 18:21-19:1

Friday

AUGUST 15TH

RV 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10b
1COR 15:20-27
LK 1:39-56

Saturday

AUGUST 16TH

JOS 24:14-29
MT 19:13-15

Sunday

AUGUST 17TH

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JER 38:4-6, 8-10
HEB 12:1-4
LK 12:49-53

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE

Aug 9....Steve Burkhart

Aug 10...Tom Dick

Aug 14...Catherine Paulus

Aug 15...Becky Baldwin.....a.m. Mass

Aug 15...Steve Burkhart.....p.m. Mass

PURGATORY SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Registered to be a member of our Purgatory Society. Just send in \$30 with your name and memo "Purgatory Society List" and you will be added to our membership of 3 masses in your name after you have passed.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS MASS REQUEST...

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

DO YOU KNOW YOUR BIBLE?

Which king, because he disobeyed God's command and burned incense on a holy altar,
was stricken with leprosy ?

ANSWER: Uzziah



**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, August 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 is Wednesday, August 13th - 7:00p.m. @ Generations