

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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Woodsfield, Ohio 43793-1027

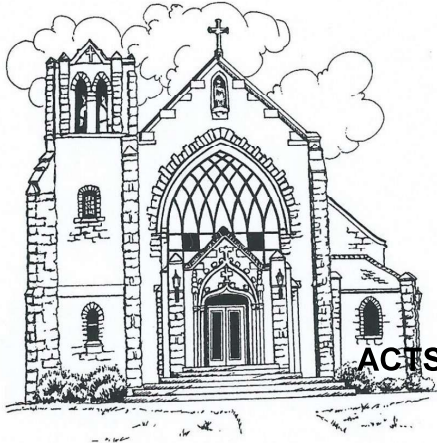
MAY 25, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ACTS 15:1-2, 22-29 RV 21:10-14, 22-23 JN 14:23-29

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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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY *Page 553* **MAY 25TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
 Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30 a.m.
 +Ty Burkhart *by Carol Miller*

MONDAY **MAY 26TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:30 p.m.
 +Donald Biedenbach *by Terry Elliott*

TUESDAY **MAY 27TH**
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00 a.m.
 Holy Hour 8:00 a.m.
 +Stella Crum *by Linda Swallie*

WEDNESDAY **MAY 28TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30 p.m.
 +Fred Ulrich *by Hilda Ulrich*

THURSDAY **MAY 29TH**
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg No MASS

FRIDAY **MAY 30TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
 +Lois Stephen *by Becky Baldwin*

SATURDAY **MAY 31ST**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
 Fr. Timothy Davison *by David Stapleton*

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00 p.m.
 +Jim Partridge *by Margie Partridge*

SUNDAY *"Ascension of the Lord"* **JUNE 1ST**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
 Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30 a.m.
 +Joe & Deb Block *by Carol Miller*

We would like to Thank everyone who has donated toward the BOILER for St. Sylvester. The boiler was replaced on April 21st . The cost of this project is \$40,000 and so far we have collected \$19,950
God bless you all !!!

Palestinian Christian Community

Will be selling their olive wood cravings and icons after the Masses on
May 24/25

Please stop by and support their families back home.

Our Sunday Offering May 17 - May 18

St. John The Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 505.00
Loose Collection	\$ 73.00
Education Fund	\$ 80.00
Starter Set	\$ 10.00
Mass Request	\$ 10.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 120.00
Brothers & Sisters	\$ 110.00

St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 2,580.00
Loose Collection	\$ 155.00
School Fund	\$ 155.00
Brothers & Sisters	\$ 91.00
Ascension	\$ 2.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 375.00
Mother's Day	\$ 22.00
Mass Request	\$ 20.00

Thank You for your continued support of our Parishes & School

Altar Boy Training Time Sunday, May 25th 4:00 p.m.

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.

2025 Cemetery Lawn Care

St. Sylvester Cost	\$ 12,750.00
Lawn Care Donations	\$ 2,608.00
St. John The Baptist Cost.....	\$ 8,400.00
Donations	\$ 2,383.48
Imm Conception Cemetery Cost.....	\$ 4,200.00
Donations	\$ 2,500.00
St. Joseph/Chapel Hill Cost.....	\$ 9,000.00
Donations	\$ 250.00
St. Patrick Cemetery Cost.....	\$ 2,800.00
Donations	\$ 400.00

PARISHIONERS...

Any one 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 \$3,390
Goal Received \$4,075

THANK YOU !!

Everyone, for the donations toward the Care of our Cemeteries

KEEP IT GROWING!



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
Freeda Paulus
Mary Paulus
Hilda Paulus
Michael Burkhart
Bertha Burkhart
Rebecca 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,

I hope you are able to enjoy the holiday weekend with friends and family.

I would like to congratulate our eight grade students who will be graduating and moving on to High School. Our prayers go with you as you begin this new chapter of your lives.

Jesus tells us in the Gospel of Saint John: "I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you (John 14:26)."

Who, or what, is this Holy Spirit? What does He do? The Spirit that Jesus sends us is not some ghost of a person long dead. He is not part of the Father or part of the Son, but a distinct Divine Person in the life of the Trinity.

Sometimes we speak of the Spirit in a euphemistic sense to describe a sensation or a feeling. We can also speak of the Holy Spirit euphemistically to describe the changes happening in the world or the Church. Both of these erroneously miss the mark. Furthermore, the Holy Spirit (contrary to the teaching and worship of the Pentecostals) does not primarily operate as a distributor of the charismatic gifts – prophesy, tongues, etc. – which are of their nature extraordinary and therefore rare. So, what does the Spirit do? Jesus teaches us in John 16:13 when he says "But when He, the Spirit of truth, shall come, He will guide you into all the truth." So this is the main mission and working of the Holy Spirit: to guide us in the truth, the truth of knowing and living in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and being faithful to the truths of the faith God we have learned from the Church. The gifts of the Spirit - wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, and the fear of the Lord – are given to us to help confirm us and guide us in this truth.

Cooperating with the Spirit of God, let us live the life that Jesus entrusted to us before he ascended to His Father in Heaven. He ascends to His glory, but he does not leave us or His Church bereft of guidance. So let us pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and that He may inspire us and the leaders of our Church to greater fidelity to the truth they have received from God.

God bless you all,

In Christ,

Fr. Nick

TUESDAY BINGO**May 27th**

Bev Dick
Brenda Fisher
Shelly Young
Gene Hupp
Heather Monroe
Stacey Sharp

June 3rd

Missy Knowlton
Randall Sefert
Courtney Collmar
Casey Bott

SUNDAY BINGO**May 18th**

Missy Knowlton
Robyn Guiler
Carrie Dick

June 1st

Robyn Guiler
Sam Schumacher
Tyler/Tiffany
Schumacher
Marissa Cole

TUESDAY KITCHEN**May 27th**

Diane Burkhart
Dawn Kuhn

June 3rd

Julie Selmon
Missy Knowlton

SUNDAY KITCHEN**May 18th**

Louise Kress
Jill Schumacher

June 1st

Louise Kress
Robyn Guiler

**Scripture Reading
of the Week**

**Sunday
MAY 25TH
SIXTH SUNDAY
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ACTS 15:1-2, 22-29
RV 21:10-14, 22-23
JN 14:23-29

**Monday
MAY 26TH
ACTS 16:11-15
JN 15:26-16:4a**

**Tuesday
MAY 27TH
ACTS 16:22-34
JN 16:5-11**

**Wednesday
MAY 28TH
ACTS 17:15, 22-18:1
JN 16:12-15**

**Thursday
MAY 29TH
ACTS 1:1-11
EPH 1:17-23
LK 24:46-53**

**Friday
MAY 30TH
ACTS 18:9-18
JN 16:20-23**

**Saturday
MAY 31ST
ZEP 3:14-18a
LK 1:39-56**

**Sunday
JUNE 1ST
THE ASCENSION
OF THE LORD
ACTS 1:1-11
EPH 1:17-23
JN 14:23-29**

LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE

May 24....Steve Burkhart
May 25....Becky Baldwin
May 31....Tammy Jones
June 1Bill Long

MOTHER'S DAY**In Memory Of –**

Lois Stephen	Gertrude Bossick	Edith Block
Matine Keevert	Irene Okel	Carol Kuhn
Meri C. Welsh	Irene Finnicum	Genevieve Kuhn
Cinderella Butler	Clara Miller	Zelda Betts
Betty Neuhart	Mary Rosmon	Clara Biedenbach-
Katy Madison	Genevieve Kuhn	Schumacher
Luzelda Stephen	Zelda Betts	Linda Randall-
Freeda Paulus	Martha Kress	Stanovich
Shirley Kuhn	Helen Hoff	Teresa Garfold
Martha Kuhn	Thelma Scott	Margaret Hayes
Ruth Lafferre	Deloris Knowlton	
Lucille Elliott	Clara Schumacher	
Billie Jean Elliott	Susan Thomas-	
Kathy Hannahs	Schumacher	
Bessie A Freeman	Clara Hall	
Goldie A Weiss	Ruth A Miller	
Dorothy Davidson	Agnes Burkhart	
Ellen Biedenbach	Ellen Robinson	
Catherine Dick	Clara Hossman	
Emma Dimmerling	Lois Stephen	
Ethel Piatt	Doris Headley	
Judy Garten	Clara Garfold	

In Honor Of –

Becky Stephen	Carolyn Miller
Edythe Schumacher	Ruthann Knox
Mary Louise Wells	Carolyn Miller
Patricia Neuhart	Lucy Betts
Barbara Neuhart	
Barbara Stephen	
Delma Garrett	
Doris Finnicum	
Robin Yarnall	
Regina Garfold	
Renee McClain	
Kris Miller	
Shirley Clouse	
Cindy Coss	
Diane Frank	
Pam Wilson	
Barbara Hardin	
Blanche Frank	
Margaret Wilson	
Debbie Rehfus	
Marie Shields	

**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

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.

**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, June 4th. 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, June 11th - 7:00p.m. @ Generations

