

**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

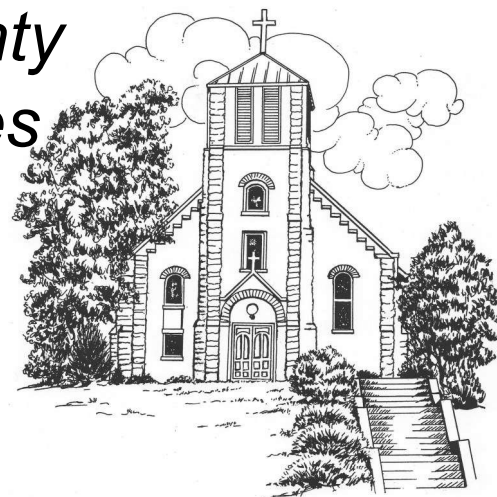
**MAY 7, 2023**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**ACTS 6:1-7 1 PT 2:4-9 JN 14:1-12**

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**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 @ 7:00p.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

## 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](mailto: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

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**SUNDAY** (page 663 year A) **MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.  
 Living & Deceased of our Parishes

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

**MONDAY** **MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 5:30p.m.  
 Madison Family by Yonak Family

**TUESDAY** **MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. John The Baptist**, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.  
 Holy Hour 8:00a.m.  
 Braylon Cline by Marilyn Kern

**WEDNESDAY** **MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 6:30p.m.  
 +Charles Habig by Mary Logston

**THURSDAY** **MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. John The Baptist**, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.  
 Holy Hour 8:00a.m.  
 +Ed Rensi by Tom & Becky Stephen

**FRIDAY** **MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield (School Mass) 8:30a.m.  
 +Karen Kaufmann  
 by Mike & Missy Knowlton

**SATURDAY** **MAY 13<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.  
 Return of Traditional Latin Masses  
 by Dixie Jenne

**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 5:00p.m.  
 +Francis Schumacher by Jennifer Winkler

**SUNDAY** **MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.  
 +Darlene Zwick by Don & Janet Zwick

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



**Our Sunday Offering**  
 for  
 APRIL 29 - APRIL 30

**St. John the Baptist**  
 Adult Collection \$ 395.00  
 Loose Collection \$ 81.00  
 School Fund \$ 45.00  
 Home Mission \$ 35.00  
 Easter Offer \$ 15.00

**St. Sylvester**  
 Adult Collection \$ 1,672.00  
 Loose Collection \$ 99.00  
 School Fund \$ 330.00  
 Candle Fund \$ 55.00  
 Home Mission \$ 19.00  
 Building Fund \$ 100.00  
 Mass Request \$ 70.00  
 Cemetery Fund \$ 150.00  
 Mother's Day \$ 70.00  
 Purgatory Society \$ 90.00

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

## TEACHERS NEEDED! 2023-2024 School Year Come Join our School Family.

Full Time Math/Science Teacher for 5th-8th grade students. Education degree preferred but not required. A bachelor's degree in a math field would likely qualify per diocesan approval.

Part Time Music Teacher for K-8th grade students (2 days per week 10:00-2:30) Education degree preferred but not required. A background in music would likely qualify per diocesan approval.

If interested, please contact Robyn Guiler at the school office 740-472-0321 or email [rquiler@stsyvestercentral.org](mailto:rquiler@stsyvestercentral.org)

*This Week*

**Wednesday**

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

**The Knights of Columbus Council 5009** will be offering scholarships to the 2023 high school graduates from our Monroe County Parishes. You must be attending some type of post-secondary education in the fall of 2023. Applications can be obtained by contacting Father Tim at the parish office or Sam Schumacher at 740-213-4664

We would like to  
 Thank everyone for  
 the donations toward  
 the Care of our  
 Cemeteries

**KEEP IT  
 GROWING!**

## 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](http://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 \$ 8,825.00**

**St. John The Baptist Goal: \$ 13,711.00      Goal Received \$ 4,275.00**

***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 Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On this first Sunday of the month of May I thought it would be good to have a May Crowning at both the 8:30 a.m. Mass as well as the 10:30 a.m. Mass. May is, of course the month of Mary and appropriately so since the trees and flowers are so full of beauty and life. Placing a crown on the statue of Mary signifies in a tangible way our recognition of Mary as our beautiful Queen of Heaven and Earth. We are so very blessed to have her as such. She is a Queen full of wisdom and holiness as well as deep compassion for her children in this valley of tears as the prayer of the "Hail Holy Queen" states so powerfully. On May 13<sup>th</sup> 1917 she appeared for the first time to three little children of Fatima and asked them to pray the rosary every day for the end of the war (First World War) and for the conversion of sinners. Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta, the three little children had no idea about the terrible war but they took to heart the words of holy Mary and began to pray fervently each day. And at each successive visit of Our Lady to the children in the following months she continued to ask them (and by extension us) to pray the holy rosary daily. I know that many of you do so each day and that is wonderful. Thank you for responding to our holy Mother's plea. Her peace plan is so simple. And I am quite sure that if all of us did as she requested we could end the war in Ukraine/Russia and in the Sudan as well as in other troubled places of the world. And of course Mary's biggest concern is with sinners who are headed to eternal damnation. Prayer for the conversion of sinners is her constant refrain. It would be a good idea to re-read the story of the apparitions at Fatima and see how relevant the story is to our own time. On Friday of this week at the school Mass we will also have a May crowning so that the children of our school can participate in this custom as well.

The daily Mass schedule for the rest of the week looks normal with no changes. Daily Mass offered for the conversion of sinners would also be an excellent way to help those who are headed for eternal exclusion from the presence of God. When we participate in the Mass we can silently voice our intention to God who hears us and will happily heed our petitions made with faith and love. Look at this quote from the book JESUS OUR EUCHARISTIC LOVE:

If it is true that we all have need of graces for this life and for the next, nothing can win them from God like the Holy Mass. St. Philip Neri used to say, 'With prayer we ask graces from God, in the Holy Mass we constrain God to give them to us.' The prayer offered during Holy Mass engages our whole priesthood, both the ministerial priesthood (even apart from that of the individual priest at the altar) and the common priesthood of all the faithful. In Holy Mass our prayer is united with Jesus' prayer of agony as He sacrifices Himself for us. In a special way during the Canon, which is the heart of the Mass, the prayer of all of us becomes also the prayer of Jesus present among us. The two mementos of the Roman Canon during which the living and the dead are remembered, are supreme moments for us to present our petitions. (I always remember friends and family) And in those supreme moments when Jesus in the priest's hands undergoes His Passion and Death, we can beg also for our own needs and we can recommend both living and deceased persons who are dear to us. Let us take care to profit by this. The saints held this to be very important, and when they recommended themselves to the prayers of the priests, they asked them to remember them above all during the Canon."

I have put a sign up sheet in both St. Sylvester's Church as well as at St. John the Baptist Church. The sign up sheet is for June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> when we will have an extended period of Eucharistic Adoration preceding the great Feast of Corpus Christi. It would be good if you could sign up not just for one hour but for at least two hours. Even though we have about a month and a half before the Adoration will take place I thought we should start early trying to fill up all the hours. The Bishops have asked us to renew our devotion and love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. This period of Eucharistic Adoration that will end in a Corpus Christi procession on June 10<sup>th</sup> seems like a good way to do so. May our guardian angels push each of us to sign up so that all the hours can be filled. Thanks for your co-operation.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

Father Timothy Davison

**TUESDAY BINGO**

**May 9th**

Jason Winkler  
Monica Habig  
Brooke Yontz  
Justin Hogue  
Tyler Schumacher  
JC/Stacy Sharp

**May 16th**

No Bingo

**May 23rd**

Brenda Fisher  
Monica Habig  
Anna Lang  
Phillip Masters  
Andy Schumacher  
Melissa Miller

**SUNDAY BINGO**

**May 7th**

Sam Schumacher  
Robyn Guiler  
Carey Bott  
Jeff Dean  
Chrissy Ferguson  
Dugan/Cassie Demchak

**May 14th**

Jason Winkler  
Monica Habig  
Aaron Brown  
Chrissy Ferguson  
Nicole Wilson  
David Barnhart

**May 21st**

Robyn Guiler  
Missy Knowlton  
Gina Ball  
Brandy Lucas  
Jeff Dean  
Dorothy Rentz

**TUESDAY KITCHEN**

**May 9th**

St. John CWC

**May 16th**

No Bingo

**May 23rd**

Missy Knowlton  
Barb Schumacher

**May 30th**

Missy Knowlton  
Susie Yonak

**SUNDAY KITCHEN**

**May 7th**

Louise Kress  
Rita Biedenbach

**May 14th**

Louise Kress  
Becky Bott

**May 21st**

Louise Kress  
Jill Schumacher

**May 28th**

Louise Kress  
Lisa Chambers

**Scripture Reading  
of the Week**

**Sunday**

**MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>**

**FIFTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER**

ACTS 6:1-7

1PT 2:4-9

JN 14:1-12

**Monday**

**MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>**

ACTS 14:5-18

JN 14:21-26

**Tuesday**

**MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>**

ACTS 14:19-28

JN 14:27-31a

**Wednesday**

**MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>**

ACTS 15:1-6

JN 15:1-8

**Thursday**

**MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>**

ACTS 15:7-21

JN 15:9-11

**Friday**

**MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>**

ACTS 15:22-31

JN 15:12-17

**Saturday**

**MAY 13<sup>TH</sup>**

ACTS 16:1-10

JN 15:18-21

**Sunday**

**MAY 14<sup>TH</sup>**

**SIXTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER**

ACTS 8:5-8, 14-17

1PT 3:15-18

JN 14:15-21

**LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE**

May 6.....Bill Frank

May 7.....Bill Long

May 13.....Steve Burkhart

May 14.....Jill Schumacher

*God Bless  
Mothers*

Luzelda Stephen  
Clara Schumacher  
Kylie Knowlton  
Goldie A Weiss  
Kathleen Hannahs

Cinderella Butler  
Deloris Knowlton  
Beth Knowlton  
Freda Paulus  
Freeda Paulus

Mary Louise Wells  
Karin Knowlton Springer  
Bessie Ann Freeman  
Diane Frank  
Dorothy Davidson

Margaret Wilson  
Barb Hardin  
Blanche Frank



**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, May 3rd. 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, May 10th @ Generations 7:00p.m.

