



St. Sylvester, Woodsfield
founded 1866



St. John Bosco, Sardis
(founded 1863) dedicated 1976



St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg
founded 1841

Parishes of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville

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February 14, 2021

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LV 13:1-2, 44-46 1COR 10:31-11:1 MK 1:40-45

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: Sat. 4:00pm to 4:45pm.; Sun 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 First Wednesday of each month at the Brown Center at 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

St. Joseph of Monroe County Council 5009 Knights of Columbus

Meet on the 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 for children (not enrolled in a Catholic School) in grades 1-8.

St. Sylvester: Jill Schumacher (740) 472-5483

St. John the Baptist: Eileen Ackerman (740) 757-2481

Call to register your children.

Catholic Education

St. Sylvester Central Elementary: (Pre-K-8) 119 Wayne Street, Woodsfield, Ohio. Mrs. Robyn Guiler, principal. (740) 472-0321

Diocesan Vocation Director Fr. Michael Gossett: mgossett@diosteub.org

Cub Scout Pack 17, Pack Leader is Missy Dean (740) 934-9382

Mkd_1972@yahoo.com

Boy Scout Troop 17 Scout Master: Mr. Tim Dolan (740) 213-7365

Catholic Cemetery Contacts:

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

St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg & Immaculate Conception, Ozark; Jason Weiss or St. Sylvester Parish Office (740) 472-0187

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

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

Diocese of Steubenville Office of Family and Social Concerns & Referral (i.e. Catholic Charities), 1-800-339-7890.

Diocesan Child Protection and reporting of abuse

Father James M. Dunfee, Vicar General of the Diocese of Steubenville, (740) 282-3631 or e-mail jdunfee@diosteub.org.

*Monday & Friday School Masses
When School is Canceled or Delayed
Mass will be moved to 12:00p.m.*

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

SUNDAY **FEB 14th**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
+Francis Paulus by Rita Rodgers

St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30a.m.
+Debra Block by Marilyn Kern

St. John Bosco Mission, Sardis 12:30p.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

MONDAY **FEB 15th**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
+Souls in Purgatory by Bruce Dougherty

TUESDAY **FEB 16th**
St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00a.m.
+Jennylinde Crum by Ron & Cathy Gallagher

ASH WEDNESDAY **FEB 17th**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (school mass) 8:30a.m.
+Robert McLaughlin by Knights of Columbus

St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30a.m.
+Otto Burkhardt by Shelby & Cathy Cline

St. John Bosco, Sardis 12:30p.m.
+Norma Matko by Larry & Connie Richter

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 7:00p.m.
Knights of Columbus

THURSDAY **FEB 18th**
St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00a.m.
+Francis Schumacher by Joe Block

FRIDAY **FEB 19th**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (school mass) 8:30a.m.
Rensi Family by Alberta Rensi

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 7:00p.m.
Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY **FEB 20th**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (Latin Mass) 8:30a.m.
Greg Schaad Family & Intentions

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00p.m.
+Walter Knox by Carolyn Miller Family

SUNDAY **FEB 21st**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

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

St. John Bosco Mission, Sardis 12:30p.m.
+Norma Matko by Larry & Connie Richter



February 19, March 5,
and March 19

4-6 p.m.

Coleman's Fish Dinner
fired fish sandwich, baked potato,
green beans, coleslaw & dessert.

St Sylvester School Cafeteria
DRIVE THRU ONLY



St. Paul's Church
February 16th @ 9:00a.m.
Everyone Welcome

Noble County invites you to their
Parish Mission

February 21-24

Fr. John-Mary Tompkins

God in the Silence of the Lenten Desert

Feb 21 & 22 @ St. Mary's in Fulda

February 23 & 24 @ St Stephen in
Caldwell

Begin at 7pm

Our Sunday Offering
for
February 6-7

St. John Bosco Mission
Adult Collection \$ 200.00
Loose \$ 92.00
Building Fund \$ 55.00
First Offering \$ 5.00

St. John the Baptist
Adult Collection \$ 1,454.00
Loose \$ 1.00
School Fund \$ 55.00
Building Fund \$ 210.00
St. Vincent DePaul \$ 30.00
Immaculate Concept \$ 20.00
Religious Retirement \$ 60.00
Easter Flowers \$ 30.00
Cemetery Fund \$ 320.00
Parish Hall Fund \$ 300.00

St. Sylvester
Adult Collection \$ 2,514.00
Loose Collection \$ 73.00
Education Collection \$ 287.00
Building Fund \$ 106.00
CWC Dues \$ 20.00
Solemnity of Mary \$ 10.00
Prayer Request \$ 390.00

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

This Week

Wednesday

Adoration

8:00am-6:00pm

Benediction 6:00pm

Rosary 6:15pm

Mass 6:30pm

2021 Diocesans/Parish Share Campaign

Despite the current pandemic slowing many things
down, the DPSC is well underway.

The following is the current status for each of the
three parishes. If have not yet contributed, please
consider doing so. Amounts raised over the goal is
returned back to the parishes. If you have already
donated or pledged, thank you for your support.

Goal for 2021

St. John Bosco \$ 1,941.99

St. John the Baptist \$ 8,954.46

St. Sylvester \$ 17,653.35

Ash Wednesday



*Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.*

ECCLESIASTES 3:20

See SHRINES... <https://www.facebook.com/stambrosewcw/>

In Loving Memory of:

Emma Schumacher
Paul Ditto
Debra Schumacher
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher
Katy Madison
Paul Madison
Paul Madison Jr.
Danny Betts
Billie Jean Elliott
David Baker
Lowell Baker
William H. Bolon
Robert M. Miller Sr.
Walter Knox
Clarence & Dorothy Howell
Ralph & Ella Richter
Ruth Ellen Howell
Lawrence & Lucy Gallaher
James Gallaher
Andrew & Ova Howell
Clarence Smith
Thurman & Martha Smith
Charles & Susannah Richter
Lawrence M. Gallaher
Lawrence C. Gallaher
Francis Paulus
Freeda Paulus
Hilda Paulus
Mary Paulus
Darrell Cline
Clara Rush
Raymond Baldwin
Grace Ann Joyce
Ralph & Alice Buckalew
Imelda Scott
Herman & Hilda Burkhart
Monica Long
Roman & Clara Schumacher
Susan Schumacher Thomas
Deloris Knowlton
Cyril Burkhart
Joe Gallagher
Eunice Gallagher

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Valentine's Day to all of you. We begin an important week as we will be entering into the Lenten Fast starting on Wednesday.

Visit from the Sisters of the Children of Mary

On Tuesday of this week several sisters of the religious order called Sisters of the Children of Mary will be coming to visit us. They will attend the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. John the Baptist in Miltonsburg and then travel to St. Sylvester's School to talk to the children about their religious vocation. For most of the school's existence we had religious sisters teaching in the school but now that is no longer the case. I think it is important that our children are given some exposure to consecrated religious so that if the Lord calls some of our girls to religious life they will have had at least some contact with sisters. If you happen to see the sisters out at St. John's or around the parish please welcome them warmly.

Ash Wednesday: February 17th

This coming Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, a day of fast and prayer. Those who are between the ages of 18 and 59 are required to fast on only one meal. Two small snacks are permitted in addition to the main meal as long as they don't equal another meal. Something like an apple or a few crackers would qualify as a snack. No meat is permitted to be eaten that day and this requirement extends to all those who have completed their 14th birthday. Our Masses for Ash Wednesday are the following:

8:30 a.m. school Mass at St. Sylvester's

10:30 a.m. Mass at St. John the Baptist

12:30 p.m. Mass at St. John Bosco in Sardis

7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Sylvester's

Ashes will be distributed at each of the above Masses.

Fridays of Lent

On the Fridays of Lent, (observed as days of abstinence from meat by all those who have reached the age of 14) Our Mass will be offered at the usual time: 8:30 a.m. and the younger children from the school will be in attendance. Everyone is welcome to attend.

From 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. a Fish dinner will be served on some of the Fridays of Lent by the Knights of Columbus and the details are on the flier that has been stuffed into the bulletin. Note that the Fish Dinners will not be served every Friday.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday of Lent at St. Sylvester's Church at 7:00 p.m.

Lenten Resolutions

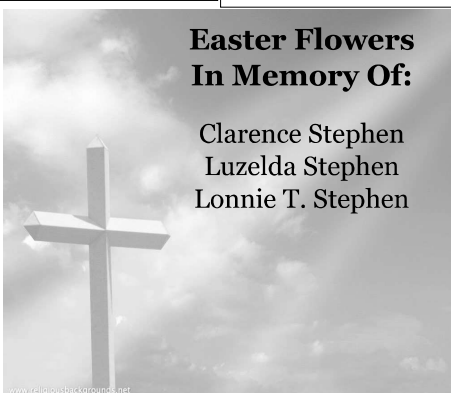
Lent is a time to deepen our life of prayer and a time to do penance for our sins. It is also a time to perform works of charity and be renewed in our Christian faith. Please consider well what prayer practices you will be doing this Lent. Consider attending daily Mass and perhaps joining in with the small group that adores the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday and Thursday at St. John's from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Also consider taking a weekly holy hour on Wednesdays between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. at St. Sylvester's. Lent offers us an opportunity to meditate more profoundly on the sufferings of our Lord and so every Friday consider attending the Stations of the Cross at St. Sylvester's at 7:00 p.m. To be renewed in our Christian faith is the goal of the Lenten season. In order for that to become a reality we each need to have some periods of silence and freedom from the distractions of social media or the t. v. and radio. Reading the Bible or some good spiritual book can be of great help to us spiritually. Also, doing acts of penance and mortification can train us to value those things that really matter as we make our pilgrimage of life. Lent is really a forty day retreat in imitation of the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert preparing for His public ministry. We too are called to withdraw as much as possible from the world in order to experience God in the depths of our hearts. Let us pray for each other that we will indeed have a fruitful Lent and repent of our sins. Please make a good confession at some point during the Lenten period in preparation for experiencing the new life the Lord wants to give us at Easter.

Yours Sincerely,

Father Timothy Davison



<u>TUESDAY BINGO</u> <u>February 16th</u> Monica Habig Lance LaFollette Brooke Yontz Phillip/Chelsea Masters Camden/Ashley Dierkes Aaron/Melanie Yontz <u>February 23rd</u> Monica Habig Amanda Schumacher Anna Lang Landri Miller Brandi/Jason Weiss	<u>SUNDAY BINGO</u> <u>February 14th</u> Sam Schumacher Monica Habig Adam/Jodi Chambers Ted Babcock Dustin/April Pardon Jonathan/Nicole Wilson <u>February 21st</u> Sam Schumacher Missy Knowlton Lucas/Crystal Cunningham Christopher/Andrea Hall Jeff/Dean Justin/Abby Friday <u>February 28th</u> Amanda Schumacher Jill Schumacher Ace Guiler Jessica Knowlton Ryan/Jenna Rosnick	<u>SUNDAY KITCHEN</u> <u>February 16th</u> St. John Baptist <u>February 23rd</u> Diane Burkhardt Sandy Barnes 	<u>TUESDAY KITCHEN</u> <u>February 14th</u> Louise Kress Diane Burkhardt Rita Biedenbach <u>February 21st</u> Louise Kress Michelle Speelman <u>February 28th</u> Louise Kress Catherine Paulus
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Scripture Reading of the Week

**Sunday
FEB 14TH
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LV 13:1-2, 44-46
1COR 10:31-11:1
MK 1:40-45

**Monday
FEB 15TH**
GN 4:1-15, 25
MK 8:11-13

**Tuesday
FEB 16TH**
GN 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10
MK 8:14-21

**Wednesday
FEB 17TH**
Jl 2:12-18
2 COR 5:20-6:2
MK 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday
FEB 18TH**
DT 30:15-20
LK 9:22-25

**Friday
FEB 19TH**
IS 58:1-9a
MT 9:14-15

**Saturday
FEB 20TH**
IS 58:9b-14
LK 5:27-32

**Sunday
FEB 21ST
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**
GN 9:8-15
1PT 3:18-22
MK 1:12-15

This is part of a letter that was sent to Tom & Becky Stephen by Father Leonard Cencula. I thought you all might enjoy reading what Fr. Leonard Cencula wrote:

“As I fondly remember, the parishioners of St. John the Baptist parish in Miltonsburg are joyful people, a sure sign that already the peace of Christ reigns in their hearts. Let me also say, that of all Churches in the Diocese of Steubenville, the one in Miltonsburg is a gem, for the most part a hidden gem, as even I would never had set foot in it, had not Fr. Gaydosik invited me to fill in for him. Since then, I have never ceased to marvel over the loveliness of its interior and its perfect location on a high hill in Monroe County. How dear that Church must have been to its founders. May it remain so with its present parishioners and with the Diocese.”

**St. Joseph of Monroe County,
Council 5009 of the Knights of Columbus
Samuel 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 MARCH 3rd . Adoration at 6:00 p.m.
Rosary at 6:15 p.m. Mass at 6:30 p.m. meeting to follow.

*Catholic Women's Club Meeting, MARCH 3rd, 7:00 p.m. Brown Community Center

