

**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

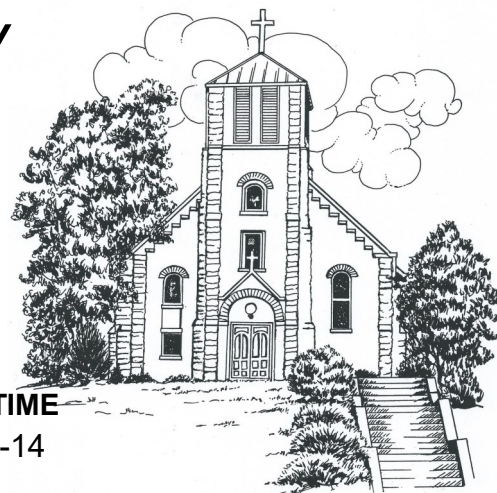
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Woodsfield, Ohio 43793-1027

**OCTOBER 15, 2023**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**IS 25:6-10a PHIL 4:12-14, 19-20 MT 22:1-14**  
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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 @ 7:00 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](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

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SUNDAY** (page 762 year A) **OCT 15<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 8:30 a.m.  
 +Ralph & Alice Buckalew *by Becky Baldwin*

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

**MONDAY** **OCT 16<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 5:30 p.m.  
 +Carolyn Hogue Livorno *by Mary & Margie*

**TUESDAY** **OCT 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg** 9:00 a.m.  
 Holy Hour 8:00 a. m.  
 +Deb Block *by Alan & Jan Hunt*

**WEDNESDAY** **OCT 18<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 6:30 p.m.  
 +Donald Miller  
*by Luke & Crystal Cunningham*

**THURSDAY** **OCT 19<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg** 9:00 a.m.  
 Holy Hour 8:00 a.m.  
 +Donald Stephen *by Tom & Becky Stephen*

**FRIDAY** **OCT 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** (School Mass) 8:30 a.m.  
 +Terri Gordon *by CWC*

**SATURDAY** **OCT 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 8:30 a.m.  
 Fr Davison & Intentions

**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 5:00 p.m.  
 +Robert Miller *by Regina Knox*

**SUNDAY** **OCT 22<sup>ND</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 8:30 a.m.  
 Living & Deceased of our Parishes

**St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg** 10:30 a.m.  
 +Larry Zwick *by Mary Stephen*

## Diocese of Steubenville Mass of Remembrance

**For those who have suffered the  
loss of a child**

**Offered by Bishop Jeffrey M Monforton  
October 28, 2023 @ 9:00 a.m.  
Saint Mary Basilica Church,  
Marietta Ohio**

**Our Sunday Offering**  
for  
OCT 7 - OCT 8

### St. John The Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 745.00
Loose Collection	\$ 9.00
School Fund	\$ 50.00
Brothers & Sisters	\$ 20.00
D. Baker Estate	\$ 42.90

### St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 1,653.00
Loose Collection	\$ 72.00
School Fund	\$ 160.00
Candle Fund	\$ 53.00
All Souls	\$ 20.00
Mass Request	\$ 10.00
Building Fund	\$ 15.00
CWC Dues	\$ 10.00
D. Baker Estate	\$ 42.90

## St. Sylvester Central Luminary Fundraiser

*“In loving memory of” or  
“Special prayer intention”*

forms are in the front entrance of the  
churches. Please feel free to fill out and  
send in before October 23rd.

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

### Diocesan Scholarship Fund “Turning Taxes into Tuition”

If interested in the 2023 form please  
contact St. Sylvester School 472-0321

Next week, we will unite with the global Church in celebrating World Mission Sunday. This year, Pope Francis illuminates our path with the theme: “Hearts on fire, feet on the move”. As we prepare to observe this special day, we reminded to ignite our hearts with Christ’s love and extend that warmth to the most vulnerable corners of our world. Your fervent prayers and upcoming generosity in the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith will bolster the missionaries working in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and certain regions of Latin America and Europe. Let us come together to support them in their mission of love and service. Thank You!

### *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.

### 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 \$ 18, 005.00**

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

We would like to  
Thank 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.  
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,

Here we are in the middle of October already. I hope you are all enjoying this Fall weather. This week our daily Mass schedule is normal. I sure hope that more of you will attend because it is such a beautiful thing that God does for us. He gives us Food that comes from heaven and that strengthens us on the journey of life. Hearing the Word of God proclaimed each day, celebrating the lives of so many holy people and most of all receiving the Bread of Life is such an amazing privilege. So many people in the world do not have this opportunity and who knows how much longer we will have it considering the shortage of priests.

I hope that everyone is praying for the members of the Synod in Rome that is currently meeting. The decisions of the Synod will affect all of us as Catholics and without the powerful aid of the Spirit of God things might go awry. Very important issues are on the table. We know that the Catholic Church will continue until the end of time but that does not mean that there will be no storms to derail Her. I personally am concerned about how things are going and I ask everyone to pray and fast if possible in order to avert any grave departure from the constant teaching and practice of the Catholic faith.

During this month of the Holy Rosary we are all encouraged by Our Lady in her apparitions at Fatima to pray it for the conversion of sinners and for peace in the world. I don't know how many people are actually heeding the Mother of God's request but I think it is even more necessary now than when she appeared in 1917. The rosary is a spiritual weapon of great power and each of us should use it to grow in the virtues of Christian life and to aid our brothers and sisters to do likewise. It is a simple prayer but profound as well when the mysteries of our faith are prayed and reflected upon. New insights are obtained if the Spirit of God is invoked and we appreciate ever more deeply what God has done for us in Jesus Christ.

Have a good week everyone and let us pray for each other.

Sincerely yours,

Father Tim Davison

<p><b><u>TUESDAY BINGO</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Oct 17th</u></b>          Monica Habig          Brenda Fisher          Nathan/Rachel Arden</p> <p><b><u>Oct 24th</u></b>          Monica Habig          Brenda Fisher          Justin/Abby Friday          Stacey Sharp          Gene Hupp</p> <p><b><u>Oct 31st</u></b>          Randall Sefert          Tyler Knowlton          Monica Habig          Stacey Sharp          Chelsea/Phillip Masters</p>
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<p><b><u>SUNDAY BINGO</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Oct 15th</u></b>          Missy Knowlton          Brenda Fisher          Ali Masters          Marissa Cole          Gina Ball          Carey Bott          Aaron Brown</p> <p><b><u>Oct 22nd</u></b>          Ace Guiler          Shaun          Jeff/Missy Dean          Olivia Fisher</p> <p><b><u>Oct 29th</u></b>          Randall Sefert          Monica Habig          Brooke Yontz</p>
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<p><b><u>TUESDAY KITCHEN</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Oct 17th</u></b>          Missy Knowlton          Barb Schumacher</p> <p><b><u>Oct 24th</u></b>          Missy Knowlton          Carol Kuhn</p> <p><b><u>Oct 31st</u></b>          Missy Knowlton          Jess Knowlton</p>
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<p><b><u>SUNDAY KITCHEN</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Oct 15th</u></b>          Louise Kress          Jill Schumacher</p> <p><b><u>Oct 22nd</u></b>          Louise Kress          Becky Baldwin</p> <p><b><u>Oct 29th</u></b>          Louise Kress          Sandy Barnes</p>
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<p><b><u>LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE</u></b></p> <p>Oct 14.....Steve Burkhart</p> <p>Oct 15.....Becky Baldwin</p> <p>Oct 21.....Steve Burkhart</p> <p>Oct 22.....Tom Dick</p> <p>Oct 28.....Catherine Paulus</p> <p>Oct 29.....Bill Frank</p>
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**Scripture Reading of the Week**

**Sunday  
OCT 15<sup>TH</sup>  
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IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 IS 25:6-10a  
 PHIL 4:12-14, 19-20  
 MT 22:1-14

**Monday  
OCT 16<sup>TH</sup>**  
 ROM 1:1-7  
 LK 11:29-32

**Tuesday  
OCT 17<sup>TH</sup>**  
 ROM 1:16-25  
 LK 11:37-41

**Wednesday  
OCT 18<sup>TH</sup>**  
 2TM 4:10-17b  
 LK 10:1-9

**Thursday  
OCT 19<sup>TH</sup>**  
 ROM 3:21-30  
 LK 11:47-54

**Friday  
OCT 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
 ROM 4:1-8  
 LK 12:1-7

**Saturday  
OCT 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
 ROM 4:13, 16-18  
 LK 12:8-12

**Sunday  
OCT 22<sup>ND</sup>  
TWENTY-NINTH  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME**  
 IS 45:1, 4-6  
 ITHES 1:1-5b  
 MT 22:15-21



Prayers for Mr. Guiler, he received his stem cell preparation with chemotherapy and radiation. He handled it well with just a couple days of extreme fatigue. October 5th he received his stem cell transplant, so far everything is going as planned. Thank you for the gift cards and especially the prayers. He still has a long road ahead of him, but is in good spirits and doing well.

Robyn Guiler

<p><b>St. Joseph of Monroe County, Council 5009 of the Knights of Columbus Anthony Schumacher, Grand Knight</b></p> <p><b>Leading by Example</b>—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!</p> <p><b>Next Meetings</b>- *Knight's of Columbus Meeting will be on Wednesday, November 1st. 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.</p> <p>*Catholic Women's Club meeting Wednesday, November 8th 7:00 p.m. @ Generations</p>	
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