

St. Sylvester, Woodfield
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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Woodfield, Ohio 43793-1027

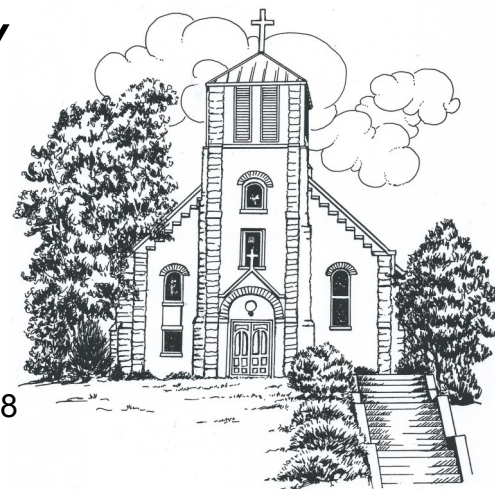
MAY 31, 2026

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

EX 34:4b-6, 8-9 2COR 13:11-13 JN 3:16-18

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Fr. Nicholas Ward
Administrator



Parish Contacts

New Parishioners are always welcome! Please contact the office.

Fr. Nicholas Ward (740) 457-7701

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, Woodfield, Ohio.

Mrs. Robyn Guiler: Principal (740) 472-0321 ~ Preschool (740) 472-0420

Catholic Cemeteries

St. Sylvester Woodfield: 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 MAY 31ST
 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 Sony Block Family*

MONDAY JUNE 1ST
 St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:30 p.m.
 +Judy Weisend *by Catherine Paulus*

TUESDAY JUNE 2ND
 St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00 a.m.
 Holy Hour 8:00 a.m.
 +Stella Crum *by Tim & Betty Betts*

WEDNESDAY JUNE 3RD
 St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30 p.m.
 Knights of Columbus Members 5009

THURSDAY JUNE 4TH
 St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00 a.m.
 Holy Hour 8:00 a.m.
 +Phyllis Krone *by Don & Marlene Burkhart*

FRIDAY JUNE 5TH
 St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 7:30 p.m.
 +Carol C Kuhn *by Russell & Mary Betts*

SATURDAY JUNE 6TH
 St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
 Georgia Brooks *by Barb Kaufman*

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00 p.m.
 +James & Marie Kirkland *by daughter's*

SUNDAY JUNE 7TH
 Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
 +Deb Schumacher *by Perry Schumacher*

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

Pilgrimage
Info Meeting
 August 13th 7:00 p.m.
 St. Sylvester Rectory

SCHOOL NEWS...

Religion Teacher Position

2026-2027 School Year

1st, 2nd, and 4th grade

PANCAKE BREAKFAST
Hosted by: Knights of Columbus

Sunday, May 31, 2026
 after St. Sylvester 8:30a.m. Mass
 Church Basement

Everyone Invited — Donations Only
 Proceeds Benefit St. Sylvester
 Church Projects...
 Repairing Basement Steps/Drainage
 Repair Gutters
 Seal Sandstone
 New Parking Lot



PIPER ARDEN
 LIZBYN COLE
 COOPER FERGUSON
 TATIANA HARTWELL
 NYLIE WOODSELL
 KYRA YONTZ

Congratulations St. Sylvester 8th Grade Class! We are all proud of you and know you will do great things in your future.
 God Bless.

Our Sunday Offering
 May 23 - May 24

St. John The Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 1,323.00
Loose Collection	\$ 75.00
Education Fund	\$ 1,065.00
Candle Fund	\$ 107.00
Father's Day	\$ 10.00
Ascension of Lord	\$ 10.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 1,360.00

St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 2,348.00
Loose Collection	\$ 360.00
Education Fund	\$ 145.00
Mother's Day	\$ 10.00
Brothers/Sister's	\$ 25.00
Ascension of Lord	\$ 20.00
Building Fund	\$ 9,875.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 425.00

THANK YOU!!
for your continued support of our Parishes & School

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.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PICNIC
 Sunday, August 2, 2026

RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED

Call Eileen Ackerman
 740-757-2481

THANK YOU !!
 For all the donations toward the Care of our Cemeteries
KEEP IT GROWING!

2026 DPSC Share Campaign—Final Balance
 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:	\$ 26,883.00	Goal Received \$ 12,950.00
St. John The Baptist Goal:	\$ 17,726.00	Goal Received \$ 5,555.00

In Loving Memory Of:

Emma Schumacher
Paul Ditto
Deb Schumacher
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher
Katy Madison
Paul Madison
Paul Madison Jr.
Shirley Pfalzgraf
Donald & Lois Stephen
Charles & Mary Hunkler
Fr. Samuel Saprano
Cyril Burkhart
Eunice Gallagher
Joe Gallagher
Billie Jean Elliott
Harry & Lucille Elliott
Danny Betts
David Baker
Lowell Baker
William Bolon
Michael Koval
Norma H Koval
Seiford & Yolanda Popkie
Herman Burkhart
Hilda Burkhart
Ty A Burkhart
Madeline Mellinger
Francis & Freeda Paulus
Mary Paulus
Hilda Paulus
Robert M Miller Sr.
Walter Knox
Josephina Jack
Paul Connor
Barbara Connor
Michael Burkhart
Bertha Burkhart
Rebecca Burkhart
Francis & Edith Block
Virgil Block
Joe & Deb Block
Mary Ellen Barber
Gladys (Babe) Burkhart
James Norris
Judith Marie Weisend
Donny Weisend
Richard Weisend
Vernon & Cinderella Butler
Raymond Baldwin
Jenny Crum
Ralph & Alice Buckalew
Grace Ann Joyce
Joseph Fillippi
Norbert Burkhart
Agnes Burkhart
Tina Burkhart Muffet
Harold Robinson
Ellen Robinson
Francis Reischman
Hazel Reischman
Carlos & Doris Headley
Walter & Alberta Ackerman
Francis Stephen
Carol Moore
Meri C. Welsh
Jimmy Scott
Thelma Scott
Harmon Scott
Richard Scott
Phyllis Krone
Wes & Clara Hossman
Donald Miller
Joy Taylor
Cindy Miller Stevens
Jim & Jimmy Partridge

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

Dear Parishioners,

Many of you already know that I am away this weekend to be with our new priests for their ordination and first Masses this Sunday. Please welcome Fr. Anthony Kekai who will be celebrating Masses here in Monroe County this weekend.

Having concluded the Solemnities which celebrate the end of Our Lord's earthly ministry (Easter, the Ascension, Pentecost), our attention focuses to the Solemnities which deal with the central mysteries of our faith: Trinity Sunday, Corpus Christi, and the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart.

The belief in God as Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) is the central mystery of our faith. It is the central mystery of our faith because it is the central mystery of God, who is Himself the central mystery of our faith.

No one could summarize this article of belief like the great St. Athanasius of Alexandria, the defender of Trinitarian Orthodoxy at the Council of Nicea (325 AD): "We acknowledge the Trinity, holy and perfect, to consist of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. In this Trinity there is no intrusion of any alien element or of anything from outside, nor is the Trinity a blend of creative and created being. It is a wholly creative and energizing reality, self-consistent and undivided in its active power, for the Father makes all things through the Word and in the Holy Spirit, and in this way the unity of the holy Trinity is preserved. Accordingly, in the Church, one God is preached, one God who is *above all things and through all things and in all things*. God is *above all things* as Father, for he is principle and source; he is *through all things* through the Word; and he is *in all things* in the Holy Spirit."

Why is it so important for us to believe that God is a Trinity? Because that is how He has revealed Himself. We do not choose who God is, or invent who God is. We do not make Gods for ourselves based on our conception of the Universe. The acceptance of God as Trinity is the acceptance of Divine Revelation: God as He reveals Himself.

God first revealed Himself to humanity at the beginning of creation. The Father who created the world guided the children of Abraham to begin to learn how to walk with God again and worship Him. The Son redeemed fallen man in the twofold mysteries of the incarnation and crucifixion. The Son having established the Church, the Spirit now guides her members until the conclusion of history.

No one should be more appreciative of this mystery than us privileged members of the Church. Living at this fortunate time in human history, we are the recipients to everything that has already been revealed. We no longer have to wonder, like the Israelites, about who God is and why He hides himself. We are not like the disciples of Jesus either, wondering why this Carpenter of Nazareth is so different.

We have seen the whole story play out now; The whole magnificent revelation of God to man as it has played out through the ages. We know who is God is, and now we must get to know Him. And He wishes us to know Him: That is why He reveals Himself to us.

He reveals His mystery to us in the Trinity, and gives Himself to us in the Holy Eucharist: a mystery of the faith we will ponder next Sunday.

God Bless you All,

In Christ,

Fr. Nick

TUESDAY BINGO

June 2nd

Missy Knowlton
Randall Sefert
Tim/Tiff Woodell
Safreed/Piatt
Phillip/Chelsea Masters
Missy Dean

June 9th

Missy Knowlton
Mary Atkinson
Justin/Abby Friday
Missy Dean

SUNDAY BINGO

June 7th

Justin Hogue
Missy Dean
Robyn Guiler
David/Kasey Block
Holly Merideth

June 14th

Missy Knowlton
Terry Schumacher
Tyler/Tiffany
Schumacher
David/Jess Murphy
Cody/Sam Miller

TUESDAY KITCHEN

June 2nd

Julie Selmon

June 9th

St. John CWC

SUNDAY KITCHEN

June 7th

June 14th

LECTOR READERS

May 30....Steve Burkhart

May 31....Bill Long

June 6....Tammy Jones

June 7....Jill Schumacher

**Scripture Reading
of the Week**

Sunday

**JUNE 31ST
THE MOST
HOLY TRINITY**

EX 34:4b-6, 8-9
2COR 13:11-13

JN 3:16-18

Monday

JUNE 1ST

2PT 1:2-7

MK 12:1-12

Tuesday

JUNE 2ND

2PT 3:12-15a, 17-18

MK 12:13-17

Wednesday

JUNE 3RD

2TM 1:1-3, 6-12

MK 12:18-27

Thursday

JUNE 4TH

2TM 2:8-15

MK 12:28-34

Friday

JUNE 5TH

2TM 3:10-17

MK 12:35-37

Saturday

JUNE 6TH

2TM 4:1-8

MK 12:38-44

Sunday

JUNE 7TH

**THE MOST
HOLY BODY AND
BLOOD OF CHRIST**

DT 8:2-3, 14b-16a

1COR 10:16-17

JN 6:51-58

FATHER'S DAY...

IN MEMORY OF:

Francis Fritz Schumacher
Clarence E. Stephen

IN HONOR OF:



**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 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 is Wednesday, June 10th - 7:00 p.m. @ Generations