



St. Sylvester, Woodsfield
founded 1866

St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg
founded 1841

Parishes of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville

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JANUARY 8, 2023

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

IS 60:1-6 EPH 3:2-3a, 5-6 MT 2:1-12

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: Saturday 4:00pm to 4:45pm.

Sunday 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 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

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 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 ~ 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 Youth Group Leader: Regina Knox

Diocesan Vocation Director Fr. Joshua Erickson

Catholic Cemeteries

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

St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg & **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

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

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SUNDAY **JAN 8TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
 +Francis Schumacher *by Jennifer Winkler*

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

MONDAY **JAN 9TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:30p.m.
 +Charles Habig *by Cathy Vinskovich*

TUESDAY **JAN 10TH**
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.
 Holy Hour 8:00a.m.
 +Paul & Jim Crum

WEDNESDAY **JAN 11TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30p.m.
 +Joe Block
by Shelly Carpenter & Doug Hendershot

THURSDAY **JAN 12TH**
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.
 Holy Hour 8:00a.m.
 Yolanda & Seiford Popkie
by Edwin & Teresa Paulus

FRIDAY **JAN 13TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (*School Mass*) 8:30a.m.
 +Raymond Baldwin *by Becky Baldwin*

SATURDAY **JAN 14TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (*Latin Mass*) 8:30a.m.
 +Joy Taylor Graham *by Regina Knox*

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00p.m.
 +Dar Zwick *by Don & Janet Zwick*

SUNDAY **JAN 15TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
 Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30a.m.
 +Joe & Debra Block *by Tom & Becky Stephen*

ST. SYLVESTER
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

If interested in a copy of your church donations from **2022 for your tax deduction**, please sign your name on the list at the front of the church entrance. Your copy will be sent to you in the beginning of January 2023

Our Sunday Offering
 for
 DEC 31 - JAN 1

St. John the Baptist
 Adult Collection \$1,775.00
 Loose Collection \$ 62.00
 School Fund \$ 90.00
 Christmas offer \$ 15.00
 Sol of Mary \$ 146.00
 CWC Dues \$ 80.00
 First Offering \$ 90.00
 Thanksgiving \$ 20.00
 World Mission \$ 5.00
 Mass Request \$ 120.00

St. Sylvester
 Adult Collection \$ 6,448.00
 Loose Collection \$ 32.00
 School Fund \$ 220.00
 Sol of Mary \$ 500.00
 CWC Dues \$ 550.00
 First Offering \$ 95.00
 Christmas Offer \$ 230.00
 Mass Request \$ 40.00
 Cemetery Fund \$1,000.00
 In Mem 2023 \$ 60.00

In Loving Memory of: listed on next page of bulletin is \$15.00 each if interested. This list is for the entire year of 2023.

BIBLE STUDY

Every Monday after the 5:30p.m.
 St. Sylvester Mass in the Church
 Basement.

January 16— April 3rd

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

This Week

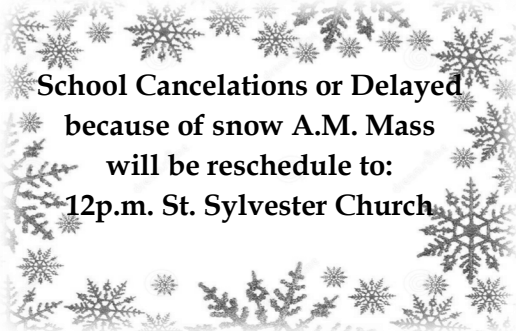
Wednesday

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

2022 DPSC Share Campaign

Thanks again for your participation this year DPSC. If you have not pledged, please do so. You can place your pledge in the collection basket or mail it directly to the diocese using the address DPSC envelope or online at www.Give.Diocese.org Your sacrificial gifts enable the diocese 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: \$20,896 Goal Received \$ 20,095
St. John The Baptist Goal: \$11,308 Goal Received \$ 14,725



In Loving Memory of:

Emma Schumacher
Paul Ditto
Debra Schumacher
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher
Katy Madison
Paul Madison
Paul Madison Jr.
Francis Paulus
Freeda Paulus
Mary Paulus
Hilda Paulus
Herman Burkhart
Hilda Burkhart
Madeline Mellinger
Raymond Baldwin
Alice & Ralph Buckalew
Grace Joyce
Joe Fillippi

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. I hope that your Christmas season was truly blessed. On Monday, January 9th we will celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and conclude the Christmas Season unless you follow the traditional calendar. In that case the Christmas season continues until February 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. Ordinary Time begins on Monday and goes until Ash Wednesday which this year falls on February 22nd. This week our Mass schedule at both churches is the same as usual. Again, I encourage all those who can to please come to daily Mass and pray for the needs of the world, our country, and of course your families. You will “eat” at the table of the Word and Feast at the table of the Eucharist. It will be time well spent.

As I promised I want to include a quote each week in the bulletin regarding the value of suffering. This quote is from St. Ignatius of Loyola: “If God gives you an abundant harvest of trials, it is a sign of great holiness which He desires you to attain. Do you want to become a great saint? Ask God to send you many sufferings. The flame of Divine Love never rises higher than when fed with the wood of the cross, which the infinite charity of the Savior used to finish His sacrifice. All the pleasures of the world are nothing compared with the sweetness found in the gall and vinegar offered to Jesus Christ. That is, hard and painful things endured for Jesus Christ and with Jesus Christ.”

One has to possess much charity to wish to become a great saint. And one must also have the virtue of fortitude to embrace sufferings for the sake of Christ. Most people run from suffering or try immediately to lessen its painful aspects. I think only a few people use suffering to grow closer to Christ and to help in their own sanctification and those of others. Suffering is part of the human condition and if we see the value of suffering we can use suffering to our own benefit and that of others.

We will start back this week with the catechism lessons on Tuesday evenings at 4:30 p.m. and on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. for those preparing for confirmation. Next Monday, January 16th we will start back for 12 weeks with the Bible study. Once again we will look at the Sunday readings and try to understand them in preparation for Mass the following Sunday. All of these classes are held at St. Sylvester’s in the basement of the Church.

I hope everyone will have a good week and grow closer to the Lord in this new year.

Take care and God bless. Fr. Tim Davison

Eternal rest grant unto

TUESDAY BINGO

January 10th

Jason Winkler
Monica Habig
Brooke Yontz
Angie LaFollette
Jess Knowlton
Nick Murdy

January 17th

Brenda Fisher
Monica Habig
Jenna Rosnick
Tom Stephen
Linda Piatt
Jason Weiss

January 24th

Brenda Fisher
Monica Habig
Anna Lang
Angie LaFollette
Adrienne Shelton
Jennifer Caretti

January 31st

Randy/Jo Sefert
Monica Habig
Tyler Knowlton
Uriah Wilson
JC/Stacy Sharp
Tyler Schumacher

SUNDAY BINGO

January 8th

Sam Schumacher
Robyn Guiler
Gina Ball
David Barnhart
Carey Bott
Sean/Tiff Zeakes

January 15th

Robyn Guiler
Missy Knowlton
Tony Schumacher
Evan/Johnna Yoss
Dorothy Rentz
Brandy Lucas

January 22nd

Sean Edgell
Ashley Guiler
John/Casey Kemp
Charity J
Aaron Brown
Crystal Cunningham

January 29th

Randy/Jo Sefert
Monica Habig
David Barnhardt
Marissa Cole
Jeff Dean
Chrissy Ferguson

TUESDAY KITCHEN

January 10th

St John CWC

January 17th

Missy Knowlton
Jeannie Dixon

January 24th

Missy Knowlton
Angie Hooper

January 31st

Missy Knowlton
Tammy Jones

SUNDAY KITCHEN

January 8th

Louise Kress
Robyn Guiler

January 15th

Louise Kress
Jill Schumacher

January 22nd

Louise Kress
Catherine Paulus

January 29th

Louise Kress
Kathy Singleton

**Scripture Reading
of the Week**

Sunday

JAN 1ST

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
THE HOLY MOTHER OF
GOD, THE OCTAVE DAY
OF THE NATIVITY OF THE
LORD**

NM 6:22-27

GAL 4:4-7

LK 2:16-21

Monday

JAN 2ND

1JN 2:22-28

JN 1:19-28

Tuesday

JAN 3RD

1JN 2:29-3:6

JN 1:29-34

Wednesday

JAN 4TH

1JN 3:7-10

JN 1:35-42

Thursday

JAN 5TH

1JN 3:11-21

JN 1:43-51

Friday

JAN 6TH

1JN 5:5-13

MK 1:7-11

Saturday

JAN 7TH

1JN 5:14-21

JN 2:1-11

Sunday

JAN 8TH

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LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE

- Jan 1.....Bill Long
- Jan 7.....Steve Burkhart
- Jan 8.....Jill Schumacher
- Jan 14.....Catherine Paulus
- Jan 15.....Tom Dick
- Jan 21.....Steve Burkhart
- Jan 22.....Becky Baldwin
- Jan 28.....Catherine Paulus
- Jan 29.....Bill Long

**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, February 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.

*Catholic Women's Club Meeting, Wednesday, February 8th @ Generations 7:00p.m.

