

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

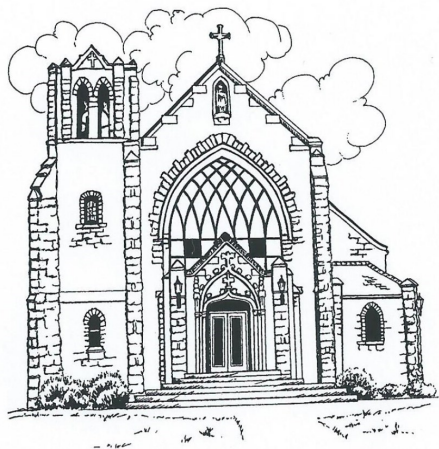
JUNE 21, 2026

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JER 20:10-13 ROM 5:12-15 MT 10:26-33

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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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ORDINARY TIME**

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SUNDAY JUNE 21ST
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
+Donald Dick by Rita & Lawrence Griffith

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

MONDAY JUNE 22ND
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield NO MASS

TUESDAY JUNE 23RD
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg NO MASS

WEDNESDAY JUNE 24TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield NO MASS

THURSDAY JUNE 25TH
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg NO MASS

FRIDAY JUNE 26TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield NO MASS

SATURDAY JUNE 27TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield NO AM MASS

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00 p.m.
+Jeffery Woodell by Jennifer Winkler

SUNDAY JUNE 28TH
Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30 a.m.
+Francis & Edith Block by Sony Block

SCHOOL NEWS...

Religion Teacher Position

2026-2027 School Year
1st, 2nd, and 4th grade

**St. Bernard's Chicken &
Ham Dinner**

Wednesday June 24th

St. Bernard's Catholic Church Social Hall
307 7th Street, Beverly, Ohio

Meal Serving Time 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Adult Meal \$15.00,
Child Meal \$6.00 (ages 10 and under). Take-out meals avail-
able. Meal includes dessert and beverages. Children's games
begin at 5:00 p.m. Raffle, including a large Ohio State Universi-
ty quilt. Information contact 740-984-2555 or Email to
StBerBev@Frontier.com

THE BANNS OF MARRIAGE

On May 28th in the presence of God and His
Sacred Minister, following a thorough
examination of both parties,

Rebecca S. Baldwin & Robert P. Crum

Were solemnly betrothed at

St. Sylvester Church in Woodsfield

They will be joined in Holy Matrimony at a
Nuptial Mass to be held at St. Sylvester Church
on September 5th 2026.

If anyone knows of any grave reason why these two should
not be joined in marriage, please present yourself to Father
Ward before the date of the marriage. Otherwise,
forever hold your peace!

Our Sunday Offering
June 13 - June 14

St. John The Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 1,455.00
Loose Collection	\$ 105.00
Education Fund	\$ 50.00
Father's Day	\$ 25.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 310.00
Mass Request	\$ 20.00

St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 2,551.00
Loose Collection	\$ 303.00
Candle Fund	\$ 90.00
Education Fund	\$ 120.00
Brothers & Sisters	\$ 10.00
Mass Request	\$ 80.00
Father's Day	\$ 240.00
Building Fund	\$ 50.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 50.00

THANK YOU!!

*for your continued
support of our
Parishes & School*

**This Week
Wednesday**

St. Sylvester Church
NO ADORATION

This week I will be away on my
canonical retreat at Gethsemani
Abbey in Bardstown, KY. Please
know you are all in my prayers!
-Fr. Nick

Pilgrimage

Info Meeting

August 13th 7:00 p.m.

St. Sylvester Rectory

2026 Cemetery Lawn Care

St. Sylvester Cost	\$ 21,000.00
Lawn Care Donations	\$ 4,947.00
St. John The Baptist Cost.....	\$ 8,400.00
Donations	\$ 3,829.00
Imm Conception Cemetery Cost.....	\$ 4,200.00
Donations	\$ 3,500.00
St. Joseph/Chapel Hill Cost.....	\$ 9,000.00
Donations	\$ 2,300.00
St. Patrick Cemetery Cost.....	\$ 2,800.00
Donations	\$ 850.00

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 \$ 14,960.00
St. John The Baptist Goal:	\$ 17,726.00	Goal Received \$ 6,120.00

THANK YOU !!

For all 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.
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,

I would like to wish all of you, and especially all fathers and grandfathers, a very blessed Father's Day weekend.

Let us take a moment to reflect on the love and providence of the Father. As I stated in my homily of last weekend, the Father is united to the Son in love. Jesus' heart, which burns for sinners, also burns with love for the Father.

Jesus has utter confidence of the love and the providence of the Father. And he urges us to as well. Jesus tells us to "fear no one." He says: "Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?

Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."

Now truthfully there are difficulties and dangers to be faced in this world. The many hardships we face, the struggles we encounter in one form or another... How can Jesus tell us not to be afraid? People suffer all sorts of hurts and fall prey to a host of different problems. From disease, to wicked men, to natural disasters...

It would seem to some that God is not provident, but negligent, and that he often fails to sustain and protect His children in this world. We turn on the news and see all the bad going on in the world, and we wonder: Where is God? Where is God in the face of hatred and violence, storms and plagues, and in the many dangers and difficulties in life?

The one who tells us to trust in God is also the one who bore, in His passion, a whole host of pains and abuses and betrayals. The image of the crucifix, the suffering Man alone and in pain on an instrument of torture, might be seen as an image of God's abandonment of the righteous, rather than His defense of the righteous. How could God even abandon His own son?

Jesus also tells us: "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna." The one who rose from the dead understands that many of the evils in this world are temporary and fleeting compared to the real danger which exists in sin and evil.

The Father may not defend us from getting carjacked or from getting cancer. "He did not even spare His own Son" as St. Paul tells us in Romans 8:32. He did not spare the martyrs from their torments, or many Saints from their struggles. But he will defend us from the worst evils, from sin and Satan, if we learn to trust in Him and learn to submit to Him in obedience and trust. Most of all, He will give us strength to overcome evil.

And is this not what a good Father does? A good father doesn't make all our problems go away. A good father teaches us what to do ourselves when things go bad. The Father provides for us in that he doesn't take away our difficulties, but helps us to get through them. He doesn't keep us from getting scraped up and dirty when He knows full well how much better it is for us to grow a "thicker skin." "So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand (Isaiah 41:10)."

God bless you all,

In Christ, Fr. Nick

<p><u>TUESDAY BINGO</u></p> <p><u>June 23rd</u> Susie Cunion Brenda Fisher Missy Dean Holly Merideth</p> <p><u>July 7th</u> Missy Knowlton Randall Sefert Tyler Knowlton Marcus/Alli Schumacher Missy Dean</p>

<p><u>SUNDAY BINGO</u></p> <p><u>June 21st</u> Missy Knowlton Robyn Guiler Aaron/Kendra Hines Missy Dean Gina Ball Heather Monroe Piatt/Safreed</p> <p><u>June 28th</u> Ace Guiler Lori Pirl Olivia Fisher David/Jess Murphy</p>

<p><u>TUESDAY KITCHEN</u></p> <p><u>June 23rd</u> <u>July 7th</u> Julie Selmon</p>

<p><u>SUNDAY KITCHEN</u></p> <p><u>June 21st</u> Louise Kress Jill Schumacher</p> <p><u>June 28th</u> Louise Kress</p>

<p><u>LECTOR READERS</u></p> <p>June 20....Catherine Paulus June 21....Becky Baldwin June 27....Bill Frank June 28....Bill Long</p>

**Scripture Reading
of the Week**

<p>Sunday JUNE 21ST TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JER 20:10-13 ROM 5:12-15 MT 10:26-33</p> <p>Monday JUNE 22ND 2KGS 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18 MT 7:1-5</p> <p>Tuesday JUNE 23RD 2KGS 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36 MT 7:6, 12-14</p> <p>Wednesday JUNE 24TH JER 1:4-10 1PT 1:8-12 LK 1:5-17</p> <p>Thursday JUNE 25TH 2KGS 24:8-17 MT 7:21-29</p> <p>Friday JUNE 26TH 2KGS 25:1-12 MT 8:1-4</p> <p>Saturday JUNE 27TH LAM 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 MT 8:5-17</p> <p>Sunday JUNE 28TH THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2KGS 4:8-11, 14-16a ROM 6:3-4, 8-11 MT 10:37-42</p>

FATHER'S DAY...

IN MEMORY OF:

Francis "Fritz" Schumacher
Clarence E. Stephen
Harry Elliott
Francis Paulus
Arthur L. Miller
Joe Kuhn
Kenny Kuhn
Vernon Butler
Eugene Wells
Paul Madison, Sr
Walter Knox
Robert Miller, Sr
Kenneth Knox
Albert Garfold
Francis L. Block
Richard Passio, Sr
Joseph R. Pirl, Sr
Delmas Finnicum
Robert M Miller, Sr
Delmas Finnicum, Jr
Lawrence Miller
Walter Knox
Clarence Clause
Nelson Smithberger
Francis Stephen
Bill Schumacher
Roman Schumacher
George Demchak
Ernest Kachel

Francis Dimmerling
Everett Piatt
Francis Paulus
Victor Davidson
Donald Freeman
Jerry Weiss
Anthony Biedenbach
Joseph Dick
Earl Okey
Alden Husk
Paul Archer
Leander Kuhn
Elbert Betts
Herman Burkhardt
Ty A. Burkhardt
Leander Kuhn
Chavncey Coss
Barb Sobocinski
Jim Partridge

IN HONOR OF:

George Richardson
Jeffrey Richardson
Dan Selmon
Kevin Lafferre
John Garfold
Tony Knox
Kyle Pitt
Justin Jack
Robert M Miller, Jr
Kiven Smithberger
Tom Schumacher
Brent Dick
Mike Knowlton
Delmas Betts
Keith Coss



**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, July 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 is Wednesday, July 8th - 7:00 p.m. @ Generations