

**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

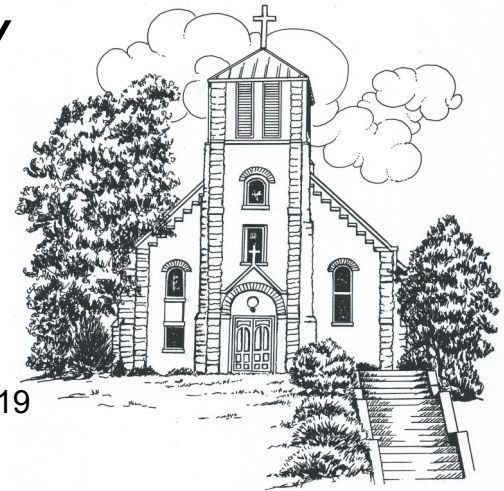
**JUNE 29, 2025**

**SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES**

**ACTS 12:1-11 2TM 4:6-8, 17-18 MT 16:13-19**

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**Fr. Nicholas Ward**  
**Administrator**



## **Parish Contacts**

New Parishioners are always welcome! Please contact the office.

**Fr. Nicholas Ward** (740) 457-7098

[nward@diosteub.org](mailto: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, Woodsfield, Ohio.

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

## **Catholic Cemeteries**

**St. Sylvester** Woodsfield: 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](mailto: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

## SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

**SUNDAY** **JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.  
 +Helen Miller *by Dayle Miller Family*

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

**MONDAY** **JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 5:30 p.m.  
 +Norma Koval *by Mike & Missy Knowlton*

**TUESDAY** **JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>**  
**St. John The Baptist**, Miltonsburg 9:00 a.m.  
 Holy Hour 8:00 a.m.  
 +Mary Rossman *by Carol Miller*

**WEDNESDAY** **JULY 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield NO MASS

**THURSDAY** **JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>**  
**St. John The Baptist**, Miltonsburg NO MASS

**FRIDAY** **JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield NO MASS

**SATURDAY** **JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield NO MASS

**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 5:00 p.m.  
 +Oliver Jenne *by Regina Garfold*

**SUNDAY** **JULY 6<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester**, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.  
 Living & Deceased of our Parishes

**St. John The Baptist**, Miltonsburg 10:30 a.m.  
 +Ty Burkhart *by Margie Partridge*

## SCHOOL NEWS...

The School is looking for Volunteers to  
 Call Bingo and Register Workers

This would only be one day a month  
 commitment.  
 Please call Tammy 740-472-0321

## Our Sunday Offering June 21 - June 22

### St. John The Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 804.00
Loose Collection	\$ 158.00
Education Fund	\$ 95.00
Peter Pence	\$ 55.00
Father's Day	\$ 10.00
Chapel Hill Ceme	\$ 200.00
Ozark Cemetery	\$ 150.00

### St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 1,577.00
Loose Collection	\$ 127.00
Candle Fund	\$ 95.00
School Fund	\$ 190.00
Peter Pence	\$ 137.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 50.00
Father's Day	\$ 10.00
Building/Boiler	\$ 20.00
Mass Request	\$ 30.00

*Thank You for your  
 continued support of  
 our Parishes & School*

## PETER PENCE COLLECTION

Today is the Peter Pence Collection, a  
 worldwide collection that supports the  
 work of the Universal Church, including  
 the work of the Holy See and charitable  
 works of the Pope. Be a sign of mercy to  
 our suffering brothers and sisters. For  
 more information, visit  
[www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html).

## CONGRATULATIONS!

DCN RYAN BUDD  
 &  
 DCN PETER STETSON

### *This Week Wednesday*

St. Sylvester Church  
 NO Adoration

### 2025 Cemetery Lawn Care

St. Sylvester Cost .....\$ 12,800.00  
 Lawn Care Donations .....\$ 3,942.00

St. John The Baptist Cost.....\$ 8,400.00  
 Donations .....\$ 3,058.48

Imm Conception Cemetery Cost.....\$ 4,200.00  
 Donations .....\$ 2,600.00

St. Joseph/Chapel Hill Cost.....\$ 9,750.00  
 Donations .....\$ 570.00

St. Patrick Cemetery Cost.....\$ 2,800.00  
 Donations .....\$ 500.00

## PARISHIONERS...

Anyone needing  
*"The Steubenville  
 Register"*  
 mailed to your home,  
 contact Jennifer  
 740-472-0187

THANK YOU !!

Everyone, for the donations toward the  
 Care of our Cemeteries

**KEEP IT GROWING!**

## 2025 DPSC Share Campaign

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: \$29,390**  
**St. John The Baptist Goal: \$17,806**

**Goal Received \$10,049**  
**Goal Received \$4,425**

***In Loving Memory Of:***

Emma Schumacher  
Paul Ditto  
Deb Schumacher  
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher  
Katy Madison  
Paul Madison  
Paul Madison Jr.  
Charles & Mary Hunkler  
Donald & Lois Stephen  
Michael E. Koval  
Norma H. Koval  
Herman Burkhart  
Hilda Burkhart  
Madeline Mellinger  
Billie Jean Elliott  
Harry & Lucille Elliott  
David Baker  
Lowell Baker  
William Bolon  
Meri C Welsh  
Raymond Baldwin  
Alice & Ralph Buckalew  
Grace Ann Joyce  
Joe Fillippi  
Ty A. Burkhart  
Darrell & Charlotte Cline  
Clara Rush  
Virgil Rush  
Francis & Edith Block  
Virgil Block  
Joe & Debbie Block  
Gladys (babe) Burkhart  
Jimmy Norris  
Mary Ellen Barber Norris  
Quinn Kahrig  
Danny Betts  
Edward Rensi  
Vernon Butler  
Cinderella Butler  
Francis Stephen  
Carol Moore  
Imelda D. Scott  
Francis Paulus  
Freeda Paulus  
Mary Paulus  
Hilda Paulus  
Michael Burkhart  
Bertha Burkhart  
Rebeca Burkhart  
Robert Miller Sr.  
Walter Knox  
Josephina Jack  
Lawrence Crock  
Helen Burkhart  
Francis Burkhart  
Wes & Clare Hossman  
Donald Miller  
Larry Krone  
Joy Taylor  
Cindy Miller Stevens  
Norbert Burkhart  
Agnes Burkhart  
Tina Burkhart Muffett  
Francis Reischman  
Hazel Reischman  
Harold Robinson  
Ellen Robinson  
Cyril Burkhart  
Eunice Gallagher  
Joe Gallagher  
Thelma Scott  
Harmon Scott  
Jimmy Scott  
Richard Scott  
Delores Quarles  
Carol Lumbatis  
Richard J. Sobocinski  
Fr. Samuel Saprano

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

Dear Parishioners,

Over the past few weeks, we have begun this “Ordinary Time” with the celebration of extraordinary mysteries, contemplating such glorious realities as the Trinity and the Eucharist. This past Friday was the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and was Saturday the Immaculate Heart of Mary, the patronal feast of the Diocese of Steubenville.

Today’s Solemnity, while not always occurring on a Sunday, is of such significance that when it does, it replaces the normal readings and color of the day.

Saints Peter and Paul were two ordinary men who accomplished extraordinary things. In their own lifetime they converted many Jews and gentiles to the Gospel. Our ancestors, the pagan gentiles of Europe, came to know Jesus Christ through their efforts and the efforts of their successors, the bishops and martyrs of the early Church.

Saint Paul says to the church in Ephesus: “You are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the holy ones and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the “capstone. Through him the whole structure is held together and grows into a temple sacred in the Lord.”

What St. Paul is describing is the Church. The Hierarchy of Apostles and bishops form a necessary part of its infrastructure, while Christ is here described as the capstone, the pinnacle and crowning achievement of God’s Temple, the Church. Jesus describes himself in the Gospels as “the cornerstone” mentioned in Psalm 118 (Matthew 21:42, Mark 12:10, Luke 20:17).

So, Jesus is necessarily important, in a number of roles, to the “structural” integrity of the Church. As are the Apostles. As are you and I.

Like Ss. Peter and Paul, you and I are also called to be “living stones” in the household of God which is the Church (1 Peter 2:4-5). We are called to be fitted together into God’s Church, not just with our family and friends, but also the Apostles, martyrs, virgins, doctors, confessors, pastors, preachers, and all the holy men and women who form up the Church Triumphant in heaven.

Like Saint Peter who was called from his nets, and St. Paul who was blinded on the road to Damascus, we are called to be part of something bigger than ourselves. If only we had the humility to recognize this! The humility to lay down our lives as living stones for building up of God’s Church. Then God would use us for His glory and for ours, and make our salvation sure. May these two great saints continue to guide our Church, and may be wise enough to heed their words and example. Saints Peter and Paul, pray for us!

God bless you all,

In Christ,

Fr. Nick

**TUESDAY BINGO****July 1st**

Missy Knowlton  
Randall Sefert  
Courtney Collmar

**July 8th**

Missy Knowlton  
Mary Atkinson  
Shelly Young  
Gene Hupp  
Heather Monroe

**SUNDAY BINGO****July 13th**

Missy Knowlton  
Terry Schumacher  
Kasey/David Block  
Adam Chambers

**TUESDAY KITCHEN****July 1st**

Julie Selmon

**July 8th**

St. John CWC

**SUNDAY KITCHEN****July 13th**

Louise Kress  
Jill Schumacher

**Scripture Reading  
of the Week**

**Sunday  
JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup>  
SAINTS PETER AND  
PAUL, APOSTLES**

ACTS 12:1-11  
1TM 4:6-8, 17-18  
MT 16:13-19

**Monday  
JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>**

GN 18:16-33  
MT 8:18-22

**Tuesday  
JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>**

GN 19:15-29  
MT 8:23-27

**Wednesday  
JULY 2<sup>ND</sup>**

GN 21:5, 8-20a  
MT 8:28-34

**Thursday  
JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>**

EPH 2:19-22  
JN 20:24-29

**Friday  
JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>**

GN 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8,  
62-67

MT 9:9-13

**Saturday  
JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

GN 27:1-5, 15-29  
MT 9:14-17

**Sunday  
JULY 6<sup>TH</sup>**

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME**

IS 66:10-14c  
GAL 6:14-18  
LK 10:1-12, 17-20

**LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE**

- June 28....Tammy Jones
- June 29....Bill Long
- July 5.....Tammy Jones
- July 6.....Jill Schumacher

**FATHER'S DAY****In Memory of**

Francis "Fritz" Schumacher  
Paul Archer  
Clarence E. Stephen  
Harry Elliott  
William Frank Sr.  
Richard A. Frank  
Robert H. Wilson  
Richard L. Frank  
Robert P. Wilson  
Mike Rehtus Sr.  
Robert Haffner  
Francis Paulus  
Francis Dimmerling  
Everett Piatt  
Donald Freeman  
Jerry Weiss  
Anthony Biedenbach  
Joseph Dick  
Victor Davidson  
Paul Madison  
Michael Burkhart  
John Figel

Kenny Kuhn  
Joe Kuhn  
Donald Lafferre  
Clarence Hoff  
George Kress Sr.  
Francis Stephen  
Winfield McFarland  
Marion Stephen  
Roman Schumacher  
Arthur L. Miller  
Leander Kuhn  
Elbert Betts  
Louis Jr. Schumacher  
Donald Stephen  
Ralph Keevert  
Charles Hunkler  
Walter J. Knox  
Robert Miller Sr.  
Albert Garfold  
Kenneth Knox  
Vernon Butler  
Jim Partridge

Eugene Wells  
Harmon Scott  
Nelson Smithberger  
Secundo Baguio  
Vicente Baguio  
Deonesio Balais  
Cletus Dick  
Joe Dick  
William Archer  
Norbert Burkhart  
Harold Robinson  
Donald Miller Sr.  
Wes Hossman  
Michael Garten  
Delmas Finnicum  
Lawrence Miller  
Ray Kemp  
Leander O. Kuhn  
Elbert Betts

**In Honor Of**

Mike Laubert  
Matt Rehtus  
Dustin Brown  
Cody Lindeman  
John Yocca  
Mike Knowlton  
Delmas Betts  
Keith Coss  
John Garfold  
Robert Miller Jr.  
Tony Schumacher  
Kyle Pitt  
Brent Yarnall  
Brian McClem  
Delmas Betts



**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 2nd. 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 9th - 7:00p.m. @ Generations

