

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

www.monroecountycatholic.org

334 South Main Street
Woodsfield, Ohio 43793-1027

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

THE THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MAL 3:19-20a 2THES 3:7-12 LK 21:5-19

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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

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

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 **NOV 16TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30 a.m.
+Robert L Hartwell, Jr. *by Sophia Hartwell*

MONDAY **NOV 17TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield NO MASS

TUESDAY **NOV 18TH**
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 6:30 p.m.
Holy Hour 5:30 p.m.
+Eva Rogalski *by Tom & Becky Stephen*

WEDNESDAY **NOV 19TH**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30 p.m.
Sick & Distressed *by Knights of Columbus*

THURSDAY **NOV 20TH**
St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00 a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00 a.m.
+Fr. Sam Saprano
by Tony & Cindy Schumacher

FRIDAY (School Mass) **NOV 21ST**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
+Elizabeth Schumacher
by John & Patricia Schumacher

West Wood Place, Woodsfield 10:00 a.m.
+Martha Brown

SATURDAY **NOV 22ND**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
Stapleton Family *by David Stapleton*

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

SUNDAY **NOV 23RD**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30 a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

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

SCHOOL NEWS...

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH
10AM TO SOLD OUT
PER MEAL \$15

Turkey or Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Noodles,
Green Beans, Stuffing, Roll & Dessert

RAFFLE TICKETS \$10
PRIZES WORTH \$1,000 &
COUNTRY STORE
DON'T MISS IT!!

CWC CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wednesday, December 10th

St. Sylvester & St. John The Baptist
Catholic Women Club Parishioners

\$25 Gift Exchange - Generations Building
Appetizers at 5:30 p.m.—Dinner to follow

RSVP before November 30th Contact
Diane Burkhart 740-391-0391 or
Louise Kress 757-474-5922

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHRISTMAS DINNER

Sunday, December 7th — following the 10:30
Mass at the Hall

Meat & Table services provided, Bring your favorite
covered dish and a Bingo prize.
Everyone Welcome!

Catholic Human Development

In the U.S. over 11% of the populations lives in poverty.
Through this collection, you support programs that cause
poverty and provide sustainable future for those struggling.
25% of these funds will go toward our diocese to fund
antipoverty projects. More information go to:
www.usccb.org/cchd

Our Sunday Offering
November 8 - November 9

St. John The Baptist

Adult Collection	\$ 2,480.00
Loose Collection	\$ 197.00
Education Fund	\$ 73.00
Starter Set	\$ 40.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 250.00
All Saints/Souls	\$ 60.00
Oil Royalties	\$ 55.67
DPSC	\$ 250.00

St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 2,896.00
Loose Collection	\$ 96.00
Candle Fund	\$ 68.00
Education Fund	\$ 225.00
Human Develop	\$ 10.00
Starter Set	\$ 20.00
Mass Request	\$ 20.00
All Souls/Saints	\$ 60.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 1,170.00
Building Fund	\$ 190.00
In Memory 2026	\$ 60.00

*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.

PARISHIONERS...

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

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 **\$17,399**
Goal Received **\$8,243**

**School Cancellation or
Delayed for Snow Days
Any morning Mass
to be reschedule
12 noon @ St. Sylvester Church**



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,

As many of you know, I am particularly fond of the ancient “sequence of death” known as the “Dies Irae,” the sequence traditionally used for Requiem Masses. It is perhaps the influential medieval piece of music, and its theme can be heard through out numerous film scores (if you keep your ears peeled), such as *The Lord of the Rings*, *It’s a Wonderful Life*, *the Nightmare before Christmas*, and *Home Alone*, just to name a few. As timeless as the tune is, it’s the words that I think match up perfectly with our first reading:

From the Dies Irae: “Day of wrath and doom impending! David's word with Sibyl's blending, Heaven and earth in ashes ending! Day of wrath and doom impending! David's word with Sibyl's blending, Heaven and earth in ashes ending!... When the wicked are confounded, doomed to flames of woe unbounded, Call me with Thy saints surrounded.”

From today’s first reading, the prophecy of Malachi: “Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire, leaving them neither root nor branch, says the LORD of hosts. But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays.”

The waning of the Liturgical year brings us to consider the waning of all time; and also, our own time. At the end of all things, Christ will exercise judgement upon the whole world. Things will also be very hard for those living the Christian life. The whole world will be in torment before the end: "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky. Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name... You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

Whether we are considering the end of the world or the end of our mortal lives, the facts remain: each of us must overcome difficulties with faith and courage. Each of us will know suffering, as our Lord Himself did not shy away from suffering. Each of us will have to sacrifice something in this life to enjoy eternity with Christ in the next. And all men will be judged impartially according to their works.

With the holidays coming up, the special theological focus of these weeks can become lost on us. But each of us need these final weeks of ordinary time not just to pray for the dead (as we do throughout November), but to remind ourselves that this world is passing away, and that we must prepare ourselves for heaven (which is even more important than preparing for the holidays!)

God bless you all,

In Christ,

Fr. Nick

TUESDAY BINGO

November 18th

Donna Robinson
Brenda Fisher
Justin & Abby Friday
Missy Dean
Marcus & Alli Schumacher

November 25th

Susie Cunion
Brenda Fisher
Phillip/Chelsea Masters
Missy Dean
Becky Russell
Marcus/Alli Schumacher

SUNDAY BINGO

November 16th

Missy Knowlton
Robyn Guiler
Mike & Kara Dixon

November 23rd

Ace Guiler
Michael/Kara Dixon

TUESDAY KITCHEN

November 18th

Marcia Shipp
Julie Selmon

November 25th

Chelsea Masters
Diane Burkhart

SUNDAY KITCHEN

November 16th

Louise Kress
Jill Schumacher

November 23rd

Louise Kress
Karen Forshey

Scripture Reading of the Week

Sunday

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MAL 3:19-20a
2THES 3:7-12
LK 21:5-19

Monday

NOVEMBER 17TH
1MC 1:10-15, 41-43,
54-57, 62-63
LK 18:35-43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 18TH
2MC 6:18-31
LK 19:1-10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 19TH
2MC 7:1, 20-31
LK 19:11-28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 20TH
1MC 2:15-29
LK 19:41-44

Friday

NOVEMBER 21ST
1MC 4:36-37, 52-59
LK 19:45-48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 22ND
1MC 6:1-13
LK 20:27-40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 23RD OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

2SM 5:1-3
COL 1:12-20
LK 23:35-43

ALL SOULS DAY

Edward Rensi
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher
Deb Schumacher
Everett Platt Family
Francis Dimmerling Family
Francis & Freeda Paulus
Mary & Hilda Paulus
Dave Rodgers
Archibald & Learrena Griffith
Joseph & Margaret Paulus
Jim Partridge
William Frank Sr.
Blanche Frank
Richard Frank
Robert H Wilson
Virginia Wilson
Margaret Wilson
Richard Wilson
Ellen Frank

Billy Elliott
Francis Paulus
Freeda Paulus
Victor Davidson
Dorothy Davidson
Ray Baldwin
Alice & Ralph Bucklew
Joe Fillippi
Grace Ann Joyce
Lawrence & Clara Miller
Arla & Mary Lucas
Ray & Inez Kemp
Durwin Hagan
Walter Knox
Josephina Jack

Mike Rehfus Sr.
Richard L. Frank
Zane Kindley
Norma Haffner
Bob Haffner
All Deceased Members of St. Joseph Burkhart, St. Sylvester
& St. John The Baptist
Living & Deceased Members of Irene & Delmas Finnicum Family

OCIA

Every Thursday at 7:00p.m.

**Adult Catechesis Class,
Documents of Vatican II**
Every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

Both locations at
St. Sylvester Church Basement

2025 Cemetery Lawn Care

St. Sylvester Cost\$ 13,175.00
Lawn Care Donations\$ 9,599.70

St. John The Baptist Cost.....\$ 9,425.00
Donations\$ 4,598.00

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

St. Joseph/Chapel Hill Cost.....\$ 10,800.00
Donations\$ 720.00

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

THANK YOU !!

For all the donations toward the
Care of our Cemeteries



**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, November 5th. 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, November 12th - 7:00p.m. @ Generations

