



St. Sylvester, Woodsfield  
founded 1866

St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg  
founded 1841

*Parishes of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville*

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## The Monroe County Catholic Churches

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### MARCH 5, 2023

### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**GN 12:1-4a 2TM 1:8b-10 MT 17:1-9 (Page 638 Year A)**

#### **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 March 29th Wednesday  
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](mailto: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

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**SUNDAY** **MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 8:30a.m.  
 +Joy Taylor Graham *by Lois Stephen*

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

**MONDAY** **MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 8:30a.m.  
 +William Calvert *by Margie Partridge*

**TUESDAY** **MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg** 9:00a.m.  
 Holy Hour 8:00a.m.  
 Karly Robb *by Shelly Carpenter*

**WEDNESDAY** **MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 6:30p.m.  
 Dwight Brannon *by John Paulus*

**THURSDAY** **MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg** 9:00a.m.  
 Holy Hour 8:00a.m.  
 +Larry Zwick *by Mary Stephen*

**FRIDAY** **MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (School Mass)** 8:30a.m.  
 +Danny Betts *by Russell & Mary Betts*

**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 6:00p.m.  
 Stations of the Cross

**SATURDAY** **MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (Latin Mass)** 8:30a.m.  
 Fr. Jonas Shell

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

**SUNDAY** **MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>**  
**St. Sylvester, Woodsfield** 8:30a.m.  
 Living & Deceased of our Parishes

**St. John The Baptist, Miltonsburg** 10:30a.m.  
 +Debra Block *by Steven Hall*

**CEMETERY SPRING  
 CLEAN UP**

It is that time of year again. Please remove any grave blankets from the graves. Any flowers or decorations in the cemetery should be attached to the tombstones and off the ground to make it easier for those who take care of the lawns. Thank you

School Cancellations or Delayed because of snow ~ A.M. Mass will be reschedule to: 12p.m. St. Sylvester Church

**FISH FRY**



**St. Sylvester School Cafeteria  
 Eat In or Carry Out**

**March 10th & March 24th  
 4:00p.m.—6:00p.m.  
 or until sold out**

Coleman Fish Sandwich Dinner - Baked Potato, Green Beans, Coleslaw & Dessert  
 \$12.00

Coleman Fish Sandwich Only \$6.00

*Proceeds benefit Knights of Columbus Charities &  
 St. Sylvester Central School*

**Our Sunday Offering  
 for  
 FEB 25 - FEB 26**

**St. John the Baptist**  
 Adult Collection \$ 3,560.00  
 Loose Collection \$ 37.00  
 School Fund \$ 65.00  
 Easter Flowers \$ 50.00  
 Eastern Europe \$ 165.00  
 Propagation Faith \$ 5.00  
 Mass Request \$ 20.00  
 Building Fund \$ 100.00  
 St Joe Burk Cem \$ 1,000.00

**St. Sylvester**  
 Adult Collection \$ 2,111.00  
 Loose Collection \$ 68.00  
 School Fund \$ 2,235.00  
 Candle \$ 33.00  
 Ash Wednesday \$ 100.00  
 Starter Set Fund \$ 70.00  
 Easter Flowers \$ 80.00  
 Mass Request \$ 1,040.00  
 Cemetery Fund \$ 1,050.00  
 East Euro/Ukraine \$ 245.00  
 Pro of Faith \$ 125.00

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

Next week our parish will take up **The Catholic Relief Services Collection.**

Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's Love to those most in need.  
 ~Diocese of Steubenville

**CWC MEETING...**

Reminder for the CWC Meeting in March. The date will be moved to March 29th @7:00p.m. at Generations Building.

We will be working on Easter Egg Baskets for the School Easter Hunt. Please bring Candy & Loose Change for our baskets. Thanks Louise Kress



***This Week***

**Wednesday**

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

**2023 DPSC Share Campaign**

Thanks again for your participation. If you have not pledged, please do so. You can place a pledge in the collection basket or mail it directly to DPSC envelope or go online at [www.Give.Diosteub.org](http://www.Give.Diosteub.org). 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.

**St. Sylvester Goal: \$ 23,029.95**      **Goal Received \$**  
**St. John The Baptist Goal: \$ 13,711.14**      **Goal Received \$**

***In Loving Memory of:***

Emma Schumacher  
Paul Ditto  
Deb Schumacher  
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher  
Katy Madison  
Paul Madison  
Paul Madison Jr.  
Francis & Freeda Paulus  
Mary Paulus  
Hilda Paulus  
Herman Burkhart  
Hilda Burkhart  
Madeline Mellinger  
Raymond Baldwin  
Alice & Ralph Buckalew  
Grace Joyce  
Joe Fillippi  
Wes & Clara Hossman  
Cindy Miller Stevens  
Donald Miller  
Larry Krone  
Joy Taylor  
David Baker  
Lowell Baker  
William Bolon  
Danny Betts  
Billie Jean Elliott  
Meri C. Welsh  
Norbert Burkhart  
Agnes Burkhart  
Francis Reishman  
Hazel Reishman  
Robert M. Miller Sr.  
Walter Knox  
Josephine Jack  
Terri Gordon  
Joe & Eunice Gallagher  
Cyril Burkhart  
Harry & Lucille Elliott  
Monica Long  
Francis & Edith Block  
Virgil Block  
Joe & Debbie Block  
Gladys (babe) Burkhart  
William B. Schumacher  
Michael, Bertha &  
Rebeca Burkhart  
Paul & Barbara Conner  
Jim Scott  
Thelma Scott  
Harmon Scott  
Darrell Cline  
Clara Rush  
Virgil Rush  
Francis Stephen  
Carol Moore  
Roman & Clara Schumacher  
Susan Thomas Schumacher  
Rick Schumacher  
Deloris Knowlton  
Cinderella Butler  
Vernon Butler  
Wayne Forshey

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

Dear Friends in Christ,

I hope you are doing well in your Lenten resolutions and entering deeply into this holy season of Lent. Our Mass schedule for this week will be as usual except for Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. Instead of Mass in the evening we will have it at 8:30 a.m. at St. Sylvester's Church and we will not have the Bible Study that day. Adoration will occur on Wednesday as usual.

We received the DPSC Goals for 2023 and here they are: St. Sylvester's Goal is \$26,029.95 and St. John's Goal is \$13,711.14. It will take a lot of effort on everyone's part to reach the goals but I hope we can do it. We have been very generous in the past and I am sure that we will be again this year. Everyone who is registered should have received a letter from the Bishop and a request for help. There are additional envelopes in the vestibule of each of our churches. We'll keep you informed of how we are doing in the campaign as we go along.

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I want to inform you that we have several children who will be receiving First Communion and others who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. We also have four children who will be baptized, confirmed and receive First Communion at the Easter Vigil. The Church directs us to receive through all three Sacraments of Initiation those who have reached the age of reason. Here are the dates for these ceremonies:

**First Communions for St. Sylvester School Children**

March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at St. Sylvester's Church basement we will have a parents' meeting for First Communion candidates. All five candidates attend St. Sylvester's School.

Practice for these candidates will take place on Friday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Church of St. Sylvester.

First Confessions will take place April 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at the Church of St. Sylvester.

The First Communion Mass will be April 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at St. Sylvester.

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**First Communion for one child from St. John's**

Harrison's first confession will be on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at St. Sylvester's Church.

His First Communion will be the next day at 10:30 a.m. at St. John's Church

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**Reception into the Church at Easter**

We will have two children who will be received into the Church at Easter at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. at St. Sylvester's Church.

**Confirmation Mass**

There will be four candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. at St. Sylvester's Church. Bishop Monforton will be the celebrant. Rehearsal for the Sacrament will be on Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:15 p.m. after the 5:30 p.m. Mass. Confessions will be heard for the candidates and their sponsors and parents.

Please pray for these young people as they make their final preparations for these Sacraments.

Please don't forget that this Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup> the Fish Fry will begin at 4:00 p.m. and Stations of the Cross will start at 6:00 p.m.

God bless and keep you always in His love. Yours, Fr. Tim Davison

**TUESDAY BINGO**

**March 7th**

Sam Schumacher  
Monica Habig  
Jennifer Caretti  
Jess Knowlton  
Gene Hupp  
Melissa Miller

**March 14th**

Jason Winkler  
Monica Habig  
Brooke Yontz  
Jani Wheeler  
Adrienne Shelton  
Nick Murdy

**March 21st**

Brenda Fisher  
Monica Habig  
Jenna Rosnick  
Andy Schumacher  
Tyler Schumacher  
JC/Stacey Sharp

**March 28th**

Brenda Fisher  
Monica Habig  
Anna Lang  
Tom Stephen  
Phillip Masters  
Uriah Wilson

**SUNDAY BINGO**

**March 5th**

Sam Schumacher  
Robyn Guiler  
Gina Ball  
Brandy Lucas  
Dugan/Cassie Demchak  
John/Casey Kemp

**March 12th**

Sam Schumacher  
Robyn Guiler  
Carey Bott  
Tony Schumacher  
Sean/Tiff Zeakes  
David Barnhardt

**March 19th**

Robyn Guiler  
Missy Knowlton  
Crystal Cunningham  
Evan/Johnna Yoss  
Nicole Wilson  
Brandy Lucas

**March 26th**

Sean Edgell  
Ashley Guiler  
John/Casey Kemp  
Jason Weiss  
Aaron Brown  
Dorothy Rentz

**TUESDAY KITCHEN**

**March 7th**

Missy Knowlton  
Sara Yonak

**March 14th**

St John CWC

**March 21st**

Missy Knowlton  
Tammy Jones

**March 28th**

Missy Knowlton  
Dawn Dierkes

**SUNDAY KITCHEN**

**March 5th**

Louise Kress  
Phyllis Demchak

**March 12th**

Louise Kress  
Michelle Speelman

**March 19th**

Louise Kress  
Jill Schumacher

**March 26th**

Louise Kress  
Sandy Barnes

**Scripture Reading of the Week**

**Sunday**  
**MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**  
GN 12:1-4a  
2TM 1:8b-10  
MT 17:1-9  
**Monday**  
**MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup>**  
DN 9:4b-10  
LK 6:36-38  
**Tuesday**  
**MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>**  
IS 1:10, 16-20  
MK 23:1-12  
**Wednesday**  
**MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>**  
JER 18:18-20  
MT 20:17-28  
**Thursday**  
**MARCH 9<sup>TH</sup>**  
JER 17:5-10  
LK 16:19-31  
**Friday**  
**MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup>**  
GN 37:3-4,  
12-13a, 17b-28a  
MT 21:33-43, 45-46  
**Saturday**  
**MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>**  
MT 7:14-15, 18-20  
LK 15:1-3, 11-32  
**Sunday**  
**MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>**  
**THIRD SUNDAY**  
**OF LENT**  
EX 17:3-7  
ROM 5:1-2, 5-8  
JN 4:5-42

**LECTORS MASS SCHEDULE**

March 4.....	Bill Frank
March 5.....	Jill Schumacher
March 11.....	Steve Burkhart
March 12.....	Tom Dick
March 18.....	Catherine Paulus
March 19.....	Becky Baldwin
March 25.....	Robert Blatt
March 26.....	Bill Long

**EASTER FLOWERS**

Clarence Stephen Cinderella Butler    Luzelda Stephen    Lonnie T. Stephen    Katy Madison  
Billie Elliott    Vernon Butler    Gene & Mary Louise Wells    McDougal Family    Hilda Burkhart  
Madeline Mellinger    Deloris Knowlton    Roman Schumacher    Clara Schumacher  
Rick Schumacher    Susan Thomas Schumacher    Don & Bessie Ann Freeman  
Gerald & Goldie Weiss    Francis Schumacher    Louis Schumacher    Stella Schumacher Family



**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, March 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, March 29th @ Generations 7:00p.m.

