



St. Sylvester, Woodsfield
founded 1866



St. John Bosco, Sardis
(founded 1863) dedicated 1976



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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September 19, 2021

Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

WIS 2:12, 17-20 JAS 3:16-4:3 MK 9:30-37

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: Sat. 4:00pm to 4:45pm.; Sun 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 First Wednesday of each month at the Brown Center at 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

St. Joseph of Monroe County Council 5009 Knights of Columbus

Meet on the first Wednesday of each month at St. Sylvester Church, following 6:30pm Mass. Grand Knight::Joseph Long

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 1-8 grade (not enrolled in a Catholic School)

St. Sylvester: Jill Schumacher (740) 472-5483

St. John the Baptist: Eileen Ackerman (740) 757-2481

Call to register your children.

Catholic Education

St. Sylvester Central Elementary: (Pre-K-8) 119 Wayne Street, Woodsfield, Ohio. Mrs. Robyn Guiler, principal. (740) 472-0321

Catholic Youth Group

Leader: Regina Knox

Diocesan Vocation Director Fr. Michael Gossett: mgossett@diosteub.org

Catholic Cemetery Contacts:

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

Diocese of Steubenville Office of Family and Social Concerns & Referral (i.e. Catholic Charities), 1-800-339-7890.

Diocesan Child Protection and reporting of abuse

Father James M. Dunfee, Vicar General of the Diocese of Steubenville, (740) 282-3631 or e-mail jdunfee@diosteub.org.

Emergency Contact "When Fr. Tim Davison is out of town"

Assumption Church, Barnesville, Ohio, Fr. Dave Cornett

Rectory Office:(740) 425-2181 Cell: (740) 381-4415 or

St. Stephen Church, Caldwell, Ohio, Fr. Wayne Morris

Rectory Office: (740) 732-4129

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

SUNDAY SEPT 19TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30a.m.
+Susan Schumacher Thomas by Mike & Missy Knowlton

St. John Bosco, Sardis 12:30p.m.
+Debra Block by Gene Guercia

MONDAY SEPT 20TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:30p.m.
+Sandra A Emdren by Helen Ring

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30p.m.
Adult Education Program

TUESDAY SEPT 21ST
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 9:00a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00a.m.
+Peggy Lowell by Loretta Williams

WEDNESDAY SEPT 22ND
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 6:30p.m.
Knights of Columbus

THURSDAY SEPT 23RD
St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg 9:00a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00a.m.
+Donald Miller by Andy Block

FRIDAY SEPT 24TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield School Mass 8:30a.m.
+Otto Burkhart by Class of 61

SATURDAY SEPT 25TH
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield (Latin Mass) 8:30a.m.
Peter Nguyen by Juliane & Wuti Chainakul

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00p.m.
+Francis Schumacher by Schneider Family

SUNDAY SEPT 26TH
**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m.
+Hilda Paulus by Paulus Family

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

St. John Bosco, Miltonsburg 12:30p.m.
+Robert Gaydosik Sr. by Larry & Connie Richter



Baptism Congratulations

Baptism

BRADY THOMAS ISCHY

September 25, 2021

Knights of Columbus

Thursday, September 23rd @ 7p.m.
Estate Planning & Long Term Care
Information Meeting

St. Sylvester Church Basement
Open to Everyone

St. John The Baptist Parish

If there are any families that want
their children to take Catechism les-
sons please call Eileen Ackerman (740)
757-2481.

**Classes Start Sunday, September
19th @ 9:30a.m. at the St. John's
Church**

St. Paul's Church



Tuesday, September
21st 9a.m.

We would like to Thank
everyone for the
donations toward our
Lawn Company this
year.

KEEP IT GROWING!



**Our Sunday Offering
for
September 11-12**

St. John Bosco Mission
Adult Collection \$ 485.00
Loose Cash \$ 40.00
Haiti Fund \$ 139.00
Assumption Mary \$ 50.00

St. John the Baptist
Adult Collection \$ 735.00
School Fund \$ 50.00
Building Fund \$ 100.00
Cemetery \$ 25.00
Haiti Fund \$ 200.00

St. Sylvester
Adult Collection \$ 1,910.00
Loose Collection \$ 31.00
School Fund \$ 190.00
Lawn Fund \$ 20.00
Haiti Fund \$ 2,659.00
Prayer Fund \$ 110.00

*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.

2021 Diocesans/Parish Share Campaign

Reminder!

Thanks once again for your participation in this year's
DPSC. If you've not yet turned in your pledge, please do so.
You can place your pledge in the collection basket, or you
can mail it directly to the diocese using the pre-addressed
DPSC envelope. Additional pledge cards are available at
the parish office and in the entrance to the church. You can
also contribute to the **Amounts raised over the goal is
returned back to the parishes.** Thank you for your sup-
port!

	Goal for 2021	Goal Received
St. John Bosco	\$ 1,942	2,630 %135
St. John the Baptist	\$ 8,954	6,200 %69
St. Sylvester	\$ 17,653	17,010 %96

In Loving Memory of:

Emma Schumacher
Paul Ditto
Debra Schumacher
Francis (Fritz) Schumacher
Katy Madison
Paul Madison
Paul Madison Jr.
Danny Betts
Billie Jean Elliott
David Baker
Lowell Baker
William H. Bolon
Robert M. Miller Sr.
Walter Knox
Clarence & Dorothy Howell
Ralph & Ella Richter
Ruth Ellen Howell
Lawrence & Lucy Gallaher
James Gallaher
Andrew & Ova Howell
Clarence Smith
Thurman & Martha Smith
Charles & Susannah Richter
Lawrence M. Gallaher
Lawrence C. Gallaher
Francis Paulus
Freeda Paulus
Hilda Paulus
Mary Paulus
Darrell Cline
Clara Rush
Raymond Baldwin
Grace Ann Joyce
Ralph & Alice Buckalew
Imelda Scott
Herman & Hilda Burkhart
Monica Long
Roman & Clara Schumacher
Susan Schumacher Thomas
Deloris Knowlton
Cyril Burkhart
Joe Gallagher
Eunice Gallagher
William B. Schumacher
Meri C. Welsh
Ray & Rita Yontz
Vernon & Cinderella Butler
Eugene & Mary Louise Wells
Meri C Welsh
Ches & Freda Schafer
Betty Smith
Andrew & Ova Howell Family
Thurman & Martha Smith Family
Lawrenc & Lucy Gallaher Family
Charles & Suzann Richter Family
Debra Block
Jennylinde Sue Crum
Charles W. Smith
Donald W. Miller

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

My dear friends in Christ,


I don't know if you saw it or not but Father Jonas Shell wrote an excellent article in the Steubenville Register about the priest facing East when offering the Sacrifice of the Mass. That position is usually referred to as "ad orientem" (toward the East). Father Shell gives excellent arguments for this ancient practice from a scriptural viewpoint as well as from the Tradition of the Church. I hope that you will read his article if you have not already done so. As you know I offer the Mass "ad orientem" and do so for precisely the same reasons that Father Jonas enumerates in his article. However, at the Saturday evening Mass I offer the Mass toward the people because after 50 years of priests doing so it has become very much a part of most people's liturgical custom and it seems strange to them to see the priest facing "ad orientem".

With our school in session and the adult education classes going on every Monday evening and the Youth Group starting up as well as the catechism classes that are now in full swing it feels like our Catholic community of Monroe County is on a roll. I might mention too that there are three people from our county who have begun to take classes to become Catholics. I wish there were more but I am happy with what we have because it's more than we have had in the past two years that I have been here. I hope that we can continue to draw more and more people into our holy and divine faith, the faith that has endured throughout these past 20 centuries.

I'm also happy that I have another little baby to baptize. I baptized one at the beginning of September and now I have another one to baptize this coming Saturday. Danna and Joshua Ischy are presenting their little boy for Baptism and we should all rejoice to have another member of our Church.

I am convinced that through the offering of daily Mass and devout adoration several times a week of the Holy Eucharist the Lord is reviving our faith life. Don't miss out on these great opportunities to come to know and love the Lord even more. And pray the daily rosary as Our Lady of Fatima requested. She knows that the rosary is indeed a powerful weapon in our spiritual arsenal. Those who are not yet consecrated to Our Lady should do so as soon as possible. I can help you get started if you need help. St. Louis de Montfort popularized this spiritual practice seeing in it a source of great protection for our Catholic lives. Being consecrated to Our Lady is being placed securely under her powerful intercession. And this year dedicated to St. Joseph is also a good year to be consecrated to this great saint. The preparation for the consecration to St. Joseph can be a rich time to grow in knowledge and love for the foster father of Jesus. Let me know if you need help to get started with that as well. We also have a Third Order Franciscan group in the parish known as "Tau Maria". We meet on the second Wednesday after the 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Sylvester's. I highly recommend this group for anyone seeking to follow a structure or rule for growth in their spiritual life. Again see me if you are interested. And we also pray the Divine Office in common on Tuesdays and Thursdays at St. John's in Miltonsburg at 8:00 a.m. This official liturgical prayer is recommended for all. I have a couple of extra books for anyone interested in purchasing one for their own use. I just wanted to mention all these things in case you have forgotten that they are going on in our community. Perhaps you might like to see what I am talking about!!

In the meantime, God bless each and every one of you. Peace, Fr. Tim Davison

<u>TUESDAY BINGO</u> <u>September 21st</u> Monica Habig Lance LaFollette Brooke Yontz Linda Piatt Brandy Lucas Justin Hogue <u>September 28th</u> Monica Habig Anna Lang Jon/Pam Knowlton Gina Ball Jessica Amos	<u>SUNDAY BINGO</u> <u>September 19th</u> Amanda Schumacher Charity/Michael Jorris Abby/Justin Friday Brandy Lucas Tyler/Beth Knowlton <u>September 26th</u> Amanda Schumacher Charity/Michael Jorris Abby/Justin Friday Brandy Lucas Tyler/Beth Knowlton	<u>SUNDAY KITCHEN</u> <u>September 19th</u> Louise Kress Robyn Guiler <u>September 26th</u> Louise Kress Becky Bott 	<u>TUESDAY KITCHEN</u> <u>September 21st</u> St. John Baptist CWC <u>September 28th</u> Diane Burkhart Dawn Kuhn
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Scripture Reading of the Week Sunday SEPTEMBER 19TH TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME WIS 2:12, 17-20 JAS 3:16-4:3 MK 9:30-37 Monday SEPTEMBER 20TH EZR 1:1-6 LK 8:16-18 Tuesday SEPTEMBER 21ST EPH 4:1-7, 11-13 MT 9:9-13 Wednesday SEPTEMBER 22ND EZR 9:5-9 LK 9:1-6 Thursday SEPTEMBER 23RD HG 1:1-8 LK 9:7-9 Friday SEPTEMBER 24TH HG 2:1-9 LK 9:18-22 Saturday SEPTEMBER 25TH ZEC 2:5-9, 14-15a LK 9:43b-45 Sunday SEPTEMBER 26TH TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NM 11:25-29 JAS 5:1-6 MK 9:38-43
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Matthew the Apostle,^[a] also known as **Saint Matthew** and possibly as **Levi**, was, according to the New Testament, one of the twelve apostles of Jesus. According to Christian traditions, he was also one of the four Evangelists as author of the Gospel of Matthew, and thus is also known as **Matthew the Evangelist**, a claim rejected by the majority of modern biblical scholars, though the "traditional authorship still has its defenders."^[3]

The New Testament records that as a disciple, he followed Jesus, and was one of the witnesses of the Ascension of Jesus. Later Church fathers such as Irenaeus and Clement of Alexandria claim that Matthew preached the Gospel to the Jewish community in Judea, before going to other countries.

As a tax collector, he would probably not have been literate, and certainly could not write highly educated Greek.^{[5][6]} His fellow Jews would have despised him for what was seen as collaborating with the Roman occupation force.^[7]

After his call, Matthew invited Jesus for a feast. On seeing this, the Scribes and the Pharisees criticized Jesus for eating with tax collectors and sinners. This prompted Jesus to answer, "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."^{[Mark 2:17][Luke 5:32]}



**St. Joseph of Monroe County,
Council 5009 of the Knights of Columbus
Joseph Long, 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 October 6th. Adoration at 6:00 p.m.
Rosary at 6:15 p.m. Mass at 6:30 p.m. meeting to follow.

*Catholic Women's Club Meeting, October 13th, 7:00 p.m. St. Sylvester Church Basement

