



St. Sylvester, Woodsfield founded 1866

Fr. Timothy Davison Pastor 1-918-637-1774

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Office Hours Monday– Thursday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm St. John the Baptist, Miltonsburg ^{founded 1841} e of Steubenville

Parishes of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Steubenville

The Monroe County Catholic Churches

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February 20, 2022 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1SM 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 1COR 15:45-49 LK 6:27-38

Bulletin Information

Must be in to the office by Thursday at 10:00am.

<u>**Parish Registration</u>** New Parishioners are always welcome! Please contact the parish office (740) 472-0187 to register.</u>

<u>Infant Baptism</u> 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.

<u>Weddings</u>

No date may be reserved for a wedding until the couple meet with the priest.

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Infirmed

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 Second Wednesday of each month at St. Sylvester School @ 6:00p.m. <u>St. Sylvester</u>: Diane Burkhart (740) 391-0391 <u>St. John the Baptist</u>: Eileen Ackerman (740) 757-2481 or Eileen Miller (740) 472-0279

<u>Knights of Columbus</u> *St. Joseph of Monroe County Council* 5009 Meet on 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

<u>Purgatorial Society</u> 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.

<u>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</u> (RCIA): RCIA is an adult preparation for Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist. Mr. Joseph Long, coordinator.

<u>Parish School of Religion (</u>PSR aka. CCD) The Parish Religion Classes children 1st – 8th 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

St. John The Baptist Hall

Schedule to Rent Hall for Any Occasion ~ Jennifer Winkler 740-472-0187 or 740-213-2430

<u>St. Sylvester Central Elementary</u> (PreK-8) 119 Wayne Street, Woodsfield, Ohio. Mrs. Robyn Guiler, principal. (740) 472-0321 Preschool (740) 472-0420

<u>Catholic Youth Group</u> Leader: Regina Knox <u>Diocesan Vocation Director</u> Fr. Michael Gossett: <u>mgossett@diosteub.org</u>

Catholic Cemeteries

<u>St. Sylvester</u> Woodsfield: Donald & Rita Biedenbach (740) 472-1849 <u>St. John the Baptist</u>, Miltonsburg & <u>Immaculate Conception</u>, Ozark; Jason Weiss 740-472-1210

<u>St. Joseph</u> & <u>Chapel Hill</u>, Burkhart Station: Russell Betts (740) 567-3286 <u>St. Patrick's</u>, 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 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

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN **ORDINARY TIME**

SUNDAY FEB 20TH St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m. +Donald Miller by Mary Rose Robison St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg 12:30p.m. +Grayce Dierkes Pot Luck to Follow

FEB 21ST MONDAY St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:30p.m. Michael Phibbs Family by Charlene Phibbs

6:00p.m. St. Sylvester, Woodsfield Bible Study

TUESDAY	FEB 22 ND
St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg	9:00a.m.
Holy Hour 8:00a.m.	
+Debra Block by Gene Guercia	

WEDNESDAY	FEB 23 RD
St. Sylvester, Woodsfield	6:30p.m.
+Francis Schumacher by Joan &	Catherine
Schneider	

THURSDAY	FEB 24 TH
St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg	9:00a.m.
8:00a.m. Holy Hour	
All Priest by Cathy & Shelby Cline	

FRIDAY **FEB 25**TH St. Sylvester, Woodsfield School Mass 8:30a.m. +Fred Miller by Connie Richter

SATURDAY **FEB 26**TH St. Sylvester, Woodsfield Latin Mass 8:30a.m. Peter Nguyen by Wuti & Juliane Chainakul

St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 5:00p.m. +Gravce Dierkes by Lance & Angie LaFollette

FEB 27TH SUNDAY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME St. Sylvester, Woodsfield 8:30a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parishes

St. John Baptist, Miltonsburg 10:30a.m. +Donald Miller by Evelyn Ackerman

JOHN & BLANCHE MUSSIO SCHOLARSHIP FUND

If interest in applying for a scholarship, Application Forms can be picked up at our Church Office. Please call or stop by .

St. John Paint Project

We are in the process of painting stars in the blue area above the alter at St. John the Baptist Church. The stars and blue background represent the heavens. In the Liturgy earth and heaven are united in praise of God.

We are also painting medallions above the statues of Mary & Joseph. Finally, we are touching up the gold trim on the alters. Right now we have \$3600.00 of the \$4400.00 needed for this work. If you would like to contribute please write the check to St. John the Baptist, be sure to put "paint" in the memo.

Thank You Fr. Tim Davison



St Sylvester Church Basement

SNOW DAY

When School is Cancelled or Delayed A.M. Masses will be rescheduled for 12:00P.M. at St. Sylvester Church

Our Sunday Offering for February 12-13

St. John the Baptist

Adult Collection	\$1	,125.00
Loose	\$	22.00
School Fund	\$	55.00
In Loving Memor	y\$	10.00
Cemetery Fund	\$	200.00

St. Sylvester

Adult Collection	\$ 3,068.00
Loose Collection	\$ 71.00
School Fund	\$ 273.00
Building Fund	\$ 5.00
CWC Dues	\$ 10.00
MI Prayers	\$ 90.00
Loving Memory	\$ 10.00

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.

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2022 IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

If interested in adding a deceased family name, just send in to the office with an envelope donation, vour name & deceased names listed. Thanks

In Loving Memory of:

Emma Schumacher Paul Ditto Debra Schumacher Francis (Fritz) Schumacher Danny Betts Paul Madison Katy Madison Paul Madison Jr. Rosemary Schumacher Roman Schumacher Clara Schumacher Rick Schumacher Susan Schumacher Thomas Deloris Knowlton Robert M. Miller Sr. Walter Knox Francis Paulus Freeda Paulus Mary Paulus Hilda Paulus David Baker Lowell Baker William Bolon Herman Burkhart Hilda Burkhart Darrell Cline Clara Rush Virgil Rush Norbert Burkhart Agnes Burkhart Francis Reischman Hazel Reischman Monica Long Michael & Bertha Burkhart Paul & Barbara Conner George Block William B. Schumacher Madeline Mellinger Imelda Scott Billie Elliott

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time is also called "Sexagesima Sunday" in the Traditional Calendar of the Church. It is a time of "pre-Lent" when we are invited to prepare ourselves for the strenuous days of fasting and penance soon to commence with Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday this year falls on March 2nd. And so this time of "pre-Lent" is an opportunity to consider how we might best take advantage of the holy season of Lent. What penances are we to undertake? What spiritual reading are we prepared to do? What acts of charity will we do? What will our prayer life look like during the forty days of Lent? Lent is a time to be renewed in the practice of the faith. Some suggestions might be to attend daily Mass more frequently, to make a holy hour before the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday during the day, to attend the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings, to pray morning and evening prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours. Penances might include doing some fasting during the week or abstaining from certain foods, or lessening the time spent on social media or t.v. Charitable acts could include visiting some of the shut-ins, helping out at S.O.M.A. or some other organization, giving money to foreign aid societies, or spending time with aging parents or grandparents. In determining what religious practices we will undertake it is important not to take on too much too quickly. When that is done it is difficult to follow through for the entire forty days. It is better to try to consider what we really need to curb our appetites, to correct our faults, and to live our lives in closer union with God. Lent is meant to set us back on the right track not only for the forty days that lead us to Easter but even beyond Easter and throughout our lives. It is a very good practice to make a thorough confession of our sins at some point during the Lenten season. I personally like to go to confession every week or every two weeks and to begin the Lenten season by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the first days of Lent. We will have a Parish Penance Service on Thursday, March 31st at 6:30 p.m. with Father Dan Huesel and Father Tim Kozak assisting me. I think it is a very good practice to go to confession at least monthly.

This Sunday, February 20th is the day that those who are preparing to make a consecration to Jesus through Mary will begin their 33 day period of preparation. Some of you have requested the book that is used for this consecration preparation. On March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation those who have prepared will then make their formal consecration either privately or publicly before either the morning Mass or the evening Mass. These are difficult times and we need all the protection and divine assistance that we can get. That is why I have been encouraging this consecration. It is a way to belong to Mary even more deeply and of course to live more fully the consecration to Jesus that we received at the moment of our Baptism.

One of the things we might consider doing during this Lent is spending more time in thanksgiving after reception of Holy Communion. Our Lord Jesus Christ is truly in us as in a tabernacle for about ten or fifteen minutes after we receive Him in Holy Communion. It is our firm belief that that time is the most precious time of our lives because Jesus, our God is so intimately with us. It is only right and proper that we spend time adoring Him and thanking Him. That is why it is important that the Church be a place of quiet following the Mass so that people can reflect and pray more easily for those ten or fifteen minutes following the conclusion of the Holy Sacrifice. Perhaps we can include this in our Lenten practices this year.

God bless and keep you in His great love. Fr. Tim Davison

TUESDAY BINGO SUNDAY BINGO **TUESDAY KITCHEN** SUNDAY KITCHEN Scripture Reading of the Week February 1st February 6th February 20th February 22nd Diane Burkhart Louise Kress Sunday Amanda Schumacher Monica Habig FEBRUARY 20[™] Carol Kuhn Jess Knowlton Jenna Rosnick Anna Lang SEVENTH SUNDAY IN Aaron Brown Shelley Young **ORDIARY TIME** February 8th February 13th Crystal/Lucas Cunningham Caitlin/Jon Kinney 1SM 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Diane Burkhart Louise Kress Natalie/Casey Bott 1COR 15:45-49 Sara Yonak Lisa Chambers March 1st LK 6:27-38 Feburary 27th Monday Monica Habig February 15th February 20th Amanda Seevers Sam Schumacher St John Baptist Louise Kress Jeff Dean Adrienna Shelton CWC Becky Bott Ashely/Camden Dierkes Joella Urbanek Tuesday Randall Sefert Lindee/Uriah Wilson February 22nd February 27th Chrissy Fergusson Diane Burkhart Louise Kress March 8th March 6th Tammy Jones Jill Schumacher

Monica Habig Phillip/Chelsea Masters Ruthie Valkovic Heather Taylor Jon/Pam Knowlton

Amanda Seevers Sam Schumacher Dorothy Rentz Alison Groves Cassie/Dugan Demchak Landri Miller Rachel/Nathan Arden

Lawn Care Monroe County Catholic Churches

We do appreciate all the donations for last years lawn care. We hope that it continues! Our Lawn Care Invoice for each year for St. Sylvester's, St John's & St. Joseph Churches, St. John Hall & All 5 Cemeteries total an amount of \$23,900.00 a year.

God Bless you and thanks for helping us for another year to come so our hurch's and family in our cemeteries look fabulous!

Clarence Stephen Lonnie T. Stephen

EASTER IN MEMORY OF

Luzelda Stephen

FEBRUARY 21ST JAS 3:13-18 MK 9:14-29 FEBRUARY 22ND 1 PT 5:1-4 MK 16:13-19 Wednesday FEBRUARY 23RD JAS 4:13-17 MK 9:38-40 Thursday FEBRUARY 24TH JAS 5:1-6 MK 9:41-50 Fridav FEBRUARY 25TH JAS 5:9-12 MK 10:1-12 Saturday FEBRUARY 26TH JAS 5:13-20 MK 10:13-16 Sunday FEBRUARY 27TH **EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** SIR 27:4-7 1COR 15:54-58 LK 6:39-45



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 Wednesday, March 2nd. 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, Wednesday, March 9th @ 6:00 p.m. St. Sylvester School