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Mission Statement

St. Joseph Parish.... "is a vibrant faith community" committed to seeking a full Christian life, sharing an active Catholic faith, and servicing others with love, grace and dignity.

Sacramental Preparation

Baptism: By Appointment
Reconciliation: Saturday 3pm
or By Appointment
Matrimony: Contact Pastor Six months prior

Anointing of the Sick & Visits

If you or someone you know is in need of our **Homebound Ministry** please contact the Church Office.

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ID # 55334

A Note From Fr. Jim Kinney

All of us can remember various portrayals of Matthew's story of the "Three Kings" of Epiphany with names and other details not recounted in the scripture but gaining a foothold in our minds nevertheless - through the inventions of non-scriptural media. Even when such details are in scripture, we have to remember that Matthew was writing to educate and inspire but not as a historian. Matthew's account of the Epiphany clearly shows us the irony- disappointing as well as delightful- of the event as these travelers from the East, pagans- not Jewish, are not the seekers one would expect from the Jewish faithful long awaiting the Messiah.

Matthew structured his Gospel so that everything would illuminate Jesus's last command and final promise. After telling the disciples to spread the Gospel throughout the whole world, he promised, "behold, I am with you, until the end of the age." The Holy Family has been the chief protagonists for all three masses of the Christmas Octave. Yet in the Epiphany that follows, Matthew exhibits more interest in the star than in the Holy Family. The star, a symbol visible to the whole world, proclaimed that an extraordinary event has taken place. Who paid attention? Pagans, not the religious leaders and their scripture scholars but people who read the signs of the times and had enough humility and courageous curiosity to venture beyond their certainties.

Jesus' enemies are convinced that they have the whole truth and that Jesus is a heretic or worse. To God's grief, their certainty blinded them to the natural wonder of the star and the wisdom of their scriptures. In today's feast, in addition to singing "We three Kings," we might imitate the humble and courageously curious with the simple mantra: "I wonder as I wander out under the sky." Ironically, wandering wonder is the recipe for being open to epiphany. Blessings, Fr. Jim

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, January 13	Sunday, January 14
<u>Lector</u> Jim Jones, Jeanne Haddad	<u>Lector</u> Kellee Keesee, Stacey Maslin
<u>Extroinary Minister</u> Sandra Caudill, Volunteer	<u>Extroinary Minister</u> Courtney Davis, Debbie Neil
<u>Servers</u> Kimbrell Abner, Ellie Draper, James McDaniel	<u>Servers</u> Lillian Hall, Markell Mattingly, Kelton Mattingly

Birthday Blessings for January: Terry DeCapiro-1, Geneva Gonyer-1, Kevin Skillern-1, Danny Abner-2, Nathan Davis-6, Stacey Maslin-6, Christine McDaniel-6, Bobby McDaniel-8, Betsy Catron-9, Bill Dodson-10, Annette Icenogle-10, Jennifer Thomas -10, Elaine Harrison-14, Sandra Sandoval-15, Tim Patrick-18, Jacob Settles-18, Len Midden-19, John Pica-20, Daniel Fanning-24, Jake Halverstadt-28, Sue Taulbee-29

Happy Birthday!!



	Thru 12/31
Total	\$151,985
Budget	\$155,790
Excess/(Short)	(\$3,805)

Mass Intentions

Tuesday
January 9
12:00 pm
NO MASS
(Chapel)

Wednesday
January 10
12:00 pm
Carol Gabbert (L)
(Chapel)

Thursday
January 11
12:00 pm
Jerry Brennan
(Chapel)

Friday
January 12
8:30 am
Paul and Jackie Ehinger
(Church)
9:30 am to 8 pm
Adoration in the Church

Saturday
January 13
4:00 pm
Lee Poston III

Sunday
January 14
8:30 am
Chris Romer (L)
1:00 pm (Spanish)
"Pro Populi"
(For the People)

Our Mass intention book for 2024 is available.

Prayer List

Don and Mary Puckett, Clair Hunter, Dolores Strohacker, Wanda Bachman, Betty Fetzer, Rhonda Estes, Mary Kicha, Greg and Cheryl Pena, Portwood Family, Jo Brennan, Gene Woestman, Joyce Sloan, Sharon Vetter, Fredwyn Schwndeman, Lucy Fiefhaus, Mary Clay

Lyn Dorgan, Marilyn Holmes, Chris Roemer, Josey Evans, Appolin, Wayne Spencer, David Moser, Adam Novotny, Shawn Berger, Tarry Kemp, Marilyn Huber, Jerry Brennan, Takashi Muraoka, Theo Leverenz, Frances Kinney, Susan Zabel

Saturday evenings Rosary at 3:15pm in the Hall and Sunday immediately following mass In the Church. **All are invited!!!**

2024 Collection Envelopes have been mailed for January-February to your home. If you have not received them and would like a set please contact the office. If you prefer to schedule your donations go to www.stjosephwinchester.com and click on the Donate button for Online giving. Thank you for your continued support.

If anyone would like to **take a poinsettia from church home** after Mass this weekend (**leave the decorative pots in church**), please let Deb Prekopa 859-274-5000 or the church office know. A call or text is great. Thank you!



It's Pancake Time!!! Join the Knights of Columbus for our COMPLIMENTARY Pancake Breakfast after Mass on January 14.

Items served include pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits n'gravy with juice, milk and coffee. There will be **no** Fellowship coffee and doughnuts.

The Knights of Columbus Cincinnati Cyclones Hockey game versus the Toledo Walleye will be on January 26 at Heritage Bank Arena in Cincinnati at 7:30pm. Transportation provided by the Knights from the church with a departure time of 5:00pm. Cost per person is \$25 and covers the ticket, transportation and a light meal during the trip. Anyone interested contact John Hall at 859-329-8201 or Joe Prekopa at 859-595-2948. Confirmation of your interest, including payment due by January 15. Limit is 50 seats on the bus. Hope you can join us for what promises to be a great time!

The Knights of Columbus and St Vincent de Paul Society are sponsoring a **Volunteer Appreciation Party** on February 4 at 4pm. All volunteers, their spouses and family members are invited and encouraged to attend. A buffet dinner will be served and prizes awarded. Please contact one of the following people with confirmation of your attendance (including # of family members attending). Dick Brantigan (859) 771-0453; Jim Barlow (859) 749-3460; Joe Prekopa (859) 595-2948; Chuck Bast (859) 749-0951; David Kegley (859) 338-8724; Jason Thomas (859) 905-9878. We need a count on those attending in order to make sure enough food is ordered. Please respond no later than January 28. Hope to see you there!!!

**The Women of St. Joseph Upcoming Events:
February 2: TBA**

If you or someone you know is in need of our **Homebound Ministry** please contact the Church Office.

Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269
Religious Ed All Grades 6pm
Youth Group 6pm
CWBS in the Conference Room 9:45 am



Christmas Flower Memorials 2023

In Memory Of:

Virgin and Betty Scott
Frank and Joanna Campbell

By:

Bruce and Susan Campbell
Bruce and Susan Campbell

Additional FOCCUS volunteers need for Marriage Preparation Couples. Anyone can volunteer!!! Contact Kathie Schweikart or Fr. Jim for details and class registrations.

SVDP Item of the Month: Laundry Detergent

SVDP: Sign up for the **Kroger Rewards Program** at www.kroger.com ID # **55334** which benefits SVDP and St. Agatha.

Senior Outing: January 18 at Smokin Howards at 11:30 am.

RSVP to Jeanne Haddad at 859-595-3878.

You are invited to a Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on January 8 (note the change due to NY Day) at 11:30 am. All are invited to attend.

Looking for an easier way to manage your donations?

We have an Auto Withdrawal system for your Offertory Collections... Vanco Solutions manages the Donate button located on our website and is PCI Compliant. For assistance contact the office!

If you have recently married, moved, have had children, notice your birthday is not in our birthday list, had a family member pass away or need to register as a member of the Church, contact the office or email us with your updated information.



"Arise, all ye nobles and peasants; Mary invites all, rich and poor, just and sinners, to enter the cave of Bethlehem, to adore and to kiss the feet of her new-born Son...Let us enter; let us not be afraid." - St Alphonsus Ligouri **Join us for Adoration Fridays 9am-8pm. Check the bulletin for the holiday schedule.**

2023 Diocesan Annual Appeal Prayerfully consider how to support those Parishes that can not support themselves.

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Pancake Breakfast Second Sunday each month
September through May in St. Joseph Hall

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