



**SAINT
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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

It would be so much easier for us Americans, who have no experience of life under a king, to appreciate God's "reigning" in their lives instead of ruling over the "Kingdom of God." The "reigning of God" has no geography. It's more like a force or tone that permeates all of creation. In today's Gospel, we hear the carpenter from Nazareth talking like a kid from a farming family. First, like an entranced child he describes stage one--- the hidden growth of seeds. Just like our Neolithic ancestors who discovered that if they planted a foraged seed, they could expect lots more fruit in due season, we're invited to marvel at the miracles of growth all around us. This kind of discovery is world changing. How (extra)ordinary! Farmers scatter seed, they sleep and get up, maybe even play catch. All while the seeds are invisibly sprouting and growing through a power the farmers didn't invent, probably don't understand and can't control. All they can do is water the seeds and pull weeds. This parable invites us to joy-filled wonder.

How might Jesus' images enlighten us today? Perhaps the image of the seed that grows surely and imperceptibly suggests that the reigning of God is a power inherent in creation. Is God's rule the dynamic of growth and grace that has driven evolution ever since the big bang? St. Paul hinted at this when he said, "All creation is groaning in one great act of giving birth." Some theologians call this creation's "initial aim," an inborn purpose and energy attracting everything toward union in God. Whatever does not collaborate in the movement will disappear "like chaff driven in the wind."

Jesus' mustard seed image complements the notion of the hidden seed's tenacious tendency toward life. Not only does God's reigning grow from a power inherent in creation, but it can take over like an irrepressible weed.. Because it is creation's destiny, we can do no more than collaborate or temporarily hinder it. The paschal mystery teaches that it cannot be stopped. Ultimately, the reigning of God that Jesus preached is far more ordinary than what his contemporaries were hoping for. Ironically, it is also immensely more powerful than any army or bank account. As people of the resurrection, we can hear Jesus' images as an assurance that God's reigning is here and there and everywhere, and that will be the future of everything. When we believe that, we can relax because it is not all in our hands. So kings may not be on our horizon, but the reigning of God is among us. We're on the way to it and we can make it the way of our life.

Blessings, Fr. Jim

Mass Intentions

**Tuesday,
June 18**

12:00 pm

John McCormick Sr.
(Chapel)

**Wednesday
June 19**

12:00 pm

Paul Howard
(Chapel)

**Thursday
June 20**

12:00 pm

George and Mary
Elizabeth McCormick
(Chapel)

**Friday
June 21**

8:30 am

Kathryn Skordos
(Chapel)

Adoration in the Chapel
9 am to 8 pm

**Saturday
June 22**

4:00 pm

Larson Family

**Sunday
June 23**

8:30 am

Clair Hunter
1:00 pm (Spanish)
"Pro Populi"
(For the People)

Prayer List

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

Lyn Dorgan, Marilyn
Holmes, Chris Roemer,
Josey Evans, Appolin, Wayne
Spencer, David Moser,
Shawn Berger, Tarry Kemp,
Marilyn Huber, Takashi
Muraoka, Theo Leverenz,
Frances Kinney, Susan Zabel,
Chuck Muller, Cathy Pelfrey,
Helen Gross, Darrell
Barber, BJ Stamper

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, June 22

Lector

Kathy Howard

Extrodinary Minister
Volunteers

Servers
Blairs

Sunday, June 23

Lector

Sharon McDaniel,
Joe Prekopa

Extrodinary Minister
Mary Hammonds,
Courtney Davis

Servers
Lauren P,
Abigail Mills,
Amber Goulet

Birthday Blessings for June: Gene Woestman-1, Patrick Oliphant-2, Garett Horn-4, Leanna Comer-5, Kenneth Morse-6, Ron Jackson-8, Don Puckett-8, Norma Nixon-9, Katie Beauchamp-11, Kathy Grawe-14, John Settles-18, Shiela Medina-19, Harold Rupard-20, Lisa Waldkirch-20, Billy Maslin-22, James Gonyer-24, Mary Puckett-24, Ashalee Turner-26, Kate Blair-27, John Rompf-28, Mary Emmons Clay-28, Jason Thomas-30

Happy Birthday!!



	Thru 6/9
Total (Offertory Only)	\$296,954
Budget (Offertory Only)	\$288,850
Excess/(Short)	\$8,454

The Rosary Returns to the CHURCH on Saturday evenings at 3:10pm and Sunday immediately following Mass in the Church. **All are invited!!!**

There will be **no Coffee and Donuts Fellowship** in the Hall on Sunday mornings for the summer. It will resume in the Fall after school starts. Volunteers needed to cover the Sunday morning pick up and serving of the coffee and donuts. Joyce Hall needs your help. Please call the office.

"We too can rest on the heart of Christ -- in Eucharistic Adoration. So many of the saints have recommended this practice, and the benefits are innumerable. It is in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament that the Sacred Heart of Jesus speaks with, comforts, and guides us along our life's journey to fulfilling his will." - Joseph Tuttle, Word on Fire
Join us for Adoration Fridays 9am-8pm in the Chapel.



2024 Mass Intentions are Available. Contact the Office.

The Women of St. Joseph Upcoming Events:
Enjoy your Summer with Family. We will meet again in August.

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.

A SVDP Family is in need of furniture, beds etc... If you have something you are willing to donate call 859-771-2572 and leave a message.

Senior Outing: June 20 at Ramsey's in Brighton Place off Man O War in Lexington at 11:30 am. Meet in the Church parking lot to carpool at 10:30 am
RSVP to Jeanne Haddad at 859-595-3878.
You are invited to a Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on July 8 at 11:30 am. All are invited to attend.

BABY BOTTLE BLESINGS are due back this weekend.

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St. Agatha Academy Registration for 2023-2024

Montessori Preschool - 8th Grade
 Classical Liberal Arts Education.

Tuition Assistance Available. Call 859-744-6484 for a personal tour or visit saintagathaacademy.org



Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269

June 20:

NO Youth Group

Leaving town for a much needed Vacation??? Or just looking for an easier way to manage your donations? We have an Auto Withdrawal system for your 2024 Giving for Offertory Collections... Vanco Solutions manages the Donate button located on our website at www.stjosephwinchester.com and click on the Donate button and follow the prompts for Online giving, this is PCI Compliant. Thank you for your support.

Please help us update our Database. 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.

If you have something that needs to be announced at Mass PLEASE email it to stjoseph@cdlex.org by Thursday at 5 pm!

HISTORY OF OUR ST. JOSEPH CHURCH... By 1870 there were twenty-one families in the community and Father Thomas Moore was placed in charge of the mission. Father Moore was able to come to Winchester once a month but it did not take long for the people to realize the need for a permanent structure for their worship of God. In the Fall of 1871, the present property- site at the corner of Main and Boone was purchased for \$700 While the number of Catholics in the community was growing, there were many who were unable to help financially in the construction of the church . Six members, John Burke, Charles Devine, Charles Dolphin, John Madigan, John McCourt, and Matthew Moran mortgaged their homes that security be given for a loan of \$1000. Construction was underway and by June 1872 , Mass was offered in the new church for the first time . The Winchester community remained a mission and was attached to the church of St. Patrick's in Mt. Sterling. By 1882 the mortgage on the property was lifted and plans were underway for the building of a parish rectory.

Servant Leadership Institute: July 15-20. The Diocese of Lexington week long camp focused on forming young people in an authentically Catholic leadership model. The camp is open to 10-12 graders, at Holy Trinity parish in Harlan, KY, and costs \$150 per youth. Applications at cdlex.org/youth-ministry.

Cursillo is a movement within the Catholic Church that promotes authentic Christian ideals and spiritual growth in daily living. The Diocese of Lexington Cursillo invites you to summer weekends, at Cardome campus in Georgetown. Women's Weekend: July 25-28; Men's Weekend: August 1-4. Contact Grace Wiemann at wiefam@icloud.com or 859-351-5995. More information and applications are available online at <https://cdlex-cursillo.org/>

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

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