



# SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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 **serving** 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.

## **St. Joseph email address:**

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## **St. Joseph Website:**

www.stjosephwinchester.com

**Diocesan Website:** www.cdlex.org

**St. Vincent DePaul Society:** 771-2572

**Kroger Rewards:** www.kroger.com

ID # 55334

### A Note From Fr. Jim Kinney

Today's Gospel reading is taken from Jesus' dialogue with Nicodemus, a Pharisee, and member of the Sanhedrin who was sincerely interested in Jesus' teaching. Jesus speaks of being "lifted up" as the serpent was lifted up in the desert, healing Israelites bitten by asps as they sought a new life on their way from Egypt to the Holy Land. It was an omen of Christ's healing us by his crucifixion and death on the cross. While we rejoice in the cross of Jesus, it should at least give us momentary pause to be celebrating a Roman torture device. In truth what Jesus says must be "lifted up" is instead brutally ugly- the bloodied and broken God-man, nailed to wood.

The salvation God brings us does not come from any means we might expect. Instead, God sends his Son who, taking the form of a slave, humbled himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a cross. Paul's song in Philippians describes Jesus Christ as a revelation of what God is like. While most religions fashion images of God as an all-powerful dominant one to be placated, as the one who dishes out punishment and reward, Jesus reveals a scandalous --- some say blasphemous --- image of God in Christ. Jesus' image of God turns human projections inside out.

The God revealed in Jesus has no need or desire to awe or frighten us into submission. Paul calls Jesus a slave. He was not purchased or compelled, rather he chose consciously and purposely to consecrate himself to doing the will of God. Jesus loved what God loves --- all of creation. He was born of a woman, he had to grow and learn and fall and get up. He used his eyes to see God's creation, his ears to see people's cries, his heart to know and share God's love, his touch to heal and his will to do everything he could to help human beings to flourish. The will of Jesus, as that of his Father, is always that humans fulfill their vocation to live in God.

*Blessings, Fr. Jim*

### Liturgical Roles

#### Saturday, September 20

Lector  
**Anna Bast**

Communion Minister  
**Deacon Ron,  
Jeanne Haddad**

Servers  
**Volunteer**

#### Sunday, September 21

Lector  
**Jason Thomas,  
Kellee Kessee**

Communion Minister  
**Dick Brantigan,  
Courtney Davis**

Servers  
**Amber**

**Blessings for September:** Delores Strohacker-3, Stephanie Faulkner-4, Bradley Gillespie-4, Wyatt Jackson-4, Patti Breeden-5, Rosemary Campbell-7, Kathy Beauchamp-8, Annabelle Dorsey-10, Rebecca McDaniel-10, Maggie Neely-13, Lorraine Houchin-17, Connie Poynter-17, Joyce Hall-19, Nichole Draper-22, Hunter Maines-22, Bobby Tucker-22, Jim Barlow-23, Isaac Williams-23, Richard Sladic-24, Itzae Juarez-26, Rita Rowady-26, Ashalee Turner-26, Susan Litzinger-27, Mark Poole-27, Morgan Barger-28, Joseph Cuellar-28, Matt Goulet-28, Brad Conley-30

**Happy Birthday !**



**Thru 9/7**

Total (Offertory Only)

Budget (Offertory Only)  
Excess/(Short)

## Bulletin for Sunday, September 14, 2025

**Fr. Jim is on Vacation  
from September 15 thru  
October 13**

### Mass Intentions

**Tuesday, September 16**  
12:00 pm  
**NO MASS**

**Wednesday, September 17**  
12:00 pm  
**NO MASS**

**Thursday, September 18**  
12:00 pm  
**NO MASS**

**Friday, September 19**  
8:30 am  
**Communion Service**  
(Church)

**Adoration in the Chapel**  
9am to 8pm

**Saturday, September 20**  
3:00 pm Confession  
3:10 pm Rosary  
4:00 pm  
**John and Jim Bachman**  
(Church)

**Sunday, September 21**  
8:30 am  
**Holly VanMeter**  
9:30am Rosary  
2:00 pm (Spanish)  
"Pro Populi"  
(For the People)

**LAUDATO SI:** Please pray that we may take up our prophetic responsibilities in this time of urgent crisis to speak God's Truth to each other and to call each other into ways of living on Earth wisely, sustainably, justly, and reverently. May we remember those that are forgotten or cast off: that we might value each human life, as a priceless gift from God.



**Daily Mass and Adoration are in the chapel.**  
**Friday daily Mass is in the Church when St. Agatha is in session.**



"When we go before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, we represent the one in the world who is in most need of God's mercy."- St John Paul II  
**Join us for Adoration Fridays**  
**9am-8pm in the Chapel.**

## The Women of St. Joseph:

**Upcoming Events:**  
October 3: Created by You on N Highland 6pm  
October 26: Rapha Dinner 5pm  
December 5: Winchester Choral  
December 21: Help Decorate the Church for Christmas  
All are invited!!

## Senior Group:

**Senior Outing: September 19 at Olive Garden in Andover at 11:30 am.** Meet in the Church parking lot to carpool at 11 am 859-595-3878.  
**Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on October 6 at 11:30 am.** All are invited to attend.

## ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:

**Meeting October 7 at 7pm**  
**SVDP Item of the Month: Bar Soap**  
**SVDP: Sign up for the Kroger Rewards Program at [www.kroger.com](http://www.kroger.com)**  
**ID # 55334** which benefits SVDP and St. Agatha.

## Knights of Columbus:

**Grand Knight: Matt Goulet**  
**Next Meeting: October 14 at 7pm**

**Link for This Weeks Daily Readings can be found at,**  
**<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings>**

## Parish Information:

**Fr. Jim is on vacation September 15 thru October 13. If you have a sacramental emergency please contact the Parish Office, Kathie Schweikart or Jennifer Hollon so we can help assist you.**

Saint Joseph's **Parish Council** wants to hear from you about our parish. What are your needs, hopes, concerns and ideas about St. Joseph parish? What do we do well? What can we do better? Parish Council members will be available in the Parish Hall, Saturday nights and Sunday mornings for 1-on-1 conversations. Your feedback will help the council better respond to your needs, and plan for the future. Please plan to stop by.

**The 18th annual "Friends of the Poor" Walk** will be at College Park on September 30 from 9-11am. The walk is sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul conferences nationwide.

Funds raised are used to stock our pantry and provide assistance to residents of Clark County. SVDP volunteers will be outside after Mass on September 13 & 14 and September 20 & 21 to sign-up parishioners to participate in the walk and accept donations. Thank you for your generosity and support.

### St. Joseph Parish Picnic

October 5 at 3 pm. Sunday October 5 at 3pm.

Where: Parish Hall /Courtyard (weather permitting)  
Bratwurst, hotdogs, sides and drinks will be provided. Desserts will be potluck - sign-up sheet is in the back of church.

**Join Catholics Across the Diocese of Lexington in The Pilgrims Trail Scriptural Rosary.** Pray daily, meditate as you read the scripture with your family, friend's or by yourself. Be astonished by what scripture reveals to you as you pray to our Lord. Booklets are in the back of church. To use your phone go to <https://cdlex.org/the-pilgrims-trail/> and download the TPT Scriptural Rosary.

**Join Us for Coffee and Donut Fellowship after mass on Sunday morning.** If you would like to volunteer to help Joyce Hall. Please call the office.



## St. Agatha Academy News:

**SAA's 8th grade class is excited to announce their new fundraiser through Creative Coffees located in Winchester. Proceeds will help fund their class trip to Yellowstone! Scan the QR code to place an order to benefit this year's 8th graders. Thank you for your support!**



**SAVE THE DATE: IT'S ALMOST HERE!!!**  
**St. Agatha Spaghetti Supper will be November 6.**

**Job Openings at St Agatha: Substitute Teachers/After Care workers**

**Did you know that we still have spots available in PreK3 - 8th grade?** We would love for your family to join us in providing our children with a Christ-centered education focused on the academic, spiritual, and moral growth of every child. To enroll, use the link: <https://sycamore.school/login?schoolid=3375>  
Under I NEED A NEW ACCOUNT click REGISTER  
Type your name and email address. Click SUBMIT You'll receive an email from Sycamore. Follow the link in the email to continue the registration process. Call our school office 859-744-6484 if you need assistance or would like a tour.

## Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart

September 17: Religious Ed 6pm

September 18: Youth Group 6pm

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**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.

### Mass Intentions are now available for 2026.

Offering a Catholic Mass for loved ones is important because: \*We believe in the power of intercession. \*Masses can be said for the living and the dead. \*Saying a Mass is a source of many fruits and graces. \*It is an act of charity for a bereaved family. Please call the office to schedule a Mass for your loved ones.

**Join our text messaging system...Flocknotes is our way of communicating information to parishioners.** Texting rates may apply. **Are you good at praying for others? We have an online prayer group.** Call the office if you would like to be added to either of these Flocknote texting lists.

**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 Offertory Collections...** Vanco Solutions manages the Donate button located on our website: [www.stjosephwinchester.com](http://www.stjosephwinchester.com) and is PCI Compliant. Click on the Donate button and follow the prompts for Online giving. Thank you for your support.

**If you have something that needs to be announced at Mass**  
PLEASE email it to [stjoseph@cdlex.org](mailto:stjoseph@cdlex.org) by Thursday at 5 pm!

### Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

Pray for our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, that the Holy Spirit may fill him with wisdom and discernment to shepherd the universal Church.

## CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF LEXINGTON AND OUTSIDE OPPORTUNITIES:

**Freewill**, offered by the Diocese of Lexington free to all parishioners, allows you to make a legally valid will in the privacy of your home. It allows you to include a health directive and even a gift to your church if you choose. **Freewill**, can ensure that your gifts are stewarded in a manner that honors your legacy, and blesses generations to come. Website: [www.freewill.com/catholicdioceseoflexington](http://www.freewill.com/catholicdioceseoflexington) Contact Robert Watts, Sara Spellman or Emma Jones in the Development Office at 859-253-2993.

**Grace Marriage** is offered in four diocesan parishes this Fall: Ss. Francis and John in Georgetown, Mary Queen and Seton in Lexington, and Our Lady of the Mountains in Stanton. The program consists of four quarterly mini-retreats (9am-1pm on a Saturday) over the school year (starting in September), and is open to couples in any parish (and non-Catholic couples too!). For info and to register, see [cdlex.org/grace-marriage](http://cdlex.org/grace-marriage) or scan this qr code.



**Catholic Singles of the Bluegrass** Second Saturdays Coffee Event starting September 13 at 11 am at DV8 Kitchen and Coffee Shop, 857 S Broadway Lexington. Come and meet some of our members and learn about the other events we have throughout the year. For more information:

[CatholicSinglesoftheBluegrass@gmail.com](mailto:CatholicSinglesoftheBluegrass@gmail.com)



**Saint of the Day: St. Cornelius September 16**  
 Bishop. Reluctant 21st pope, elected after a year-and-a-half period during which the persecutions were so bad that papal ascension was a quick death sentence. Worked to maintain unity in a time of schism and apostasy. Fought Novatianism and called a synod of bishops to confirm him as rightful pontiff, as opposed to the anti-pope Novatian. Had the support of Saint Cyprian of Carthage and Saint Dionysius. He welcomed back those who had apostatized during the persecutions of Decius; the documents that settled this matter prove the final authority of the Pope. Exiled to Centumcellae in 252 by Roman authorities to punish Christians in general, who were said to have provoked the gods to send plague against Rome. Martyr. A document from Cornelius shows the size of the Church in Rome in his papacy: 46 priests, 7 deacons, 7 subdeacons, approximately 50,000 Christians. *Papal Ascension: 251 Died: martyred in 253, buried at the cemetery of Saint Callistus at Rome, Italy*

**Minute Meditation: Francis and Anthony: Brothers in Alms**

Anthony's ascent to sainthood was even more meteoric than Francis'. The citizens of Padua demanded that "their saint" be canonized, and on May 30, 1232, less than a year after his death, Gregory IX announced that this "Hammer of Heretics"—because of Anthony's profound knowledge of Scripture—was now among the saints of the church. In so doing, no doubt the pope intended to reward a staunch ally, but also to send a message to the Lesser Brothers. After all, did their Order really deserve a second saint so soon? Dominic had died in 1221, five years before Francis, and had not yet been canonized—that would not happen until 1234. But Gregory wished to point out to the Lesser Brothers at this critical moment of their history that in addition to their founder, they could aspire to another model of holiness. The Franciscans now had two saints, Francis and Anthony, who symbolized two strains that would exist, sometimes in tension, among them from that time forward.  
 —from Franciscan Media's "[Loving Brothers, Beloved Saints: Francis and Anthony](#)" by Dominic V. Monti, OFM

**Pause and Pray: All the Little Things Reflect:** How often do you stop and count your blessings? In the busyness of our daily lives, it's easy to forget them. But if you have a roof over your head and food in your pantry, you are blessed. Let us all remember, recognize, and thank God for these things. **Pray:** God of every blessing, I sleepwalk through my day, going through the motions without stopping to enjoy my life. Too often I take for granted the blessings around me. Health, family, friends: These are riches that are priceless. Let me not forget that behind every grace is a loving God to put it there. Teach me to slow down, breathe, pray, and thank a loving God for life's bounty. Amen. **Act:** Share this prayer with a loved one. Remind them that they bless your life just by being in it.

**Información de comunidad Español**

La lectura del Evangelio de hoy está tomada del diálogo de Jesús con Nicodemo, un fariseo y miembro del Sanedrín que estaba sinceramente interesado en la enseñanza de Jesús. Jesús habla de ser "levantado" como la serpiente fue levantada en el desierto, sanando a los israelitas mordidos por áspides mientras buscaban una nueva vida en su camino de Egipto a Tierra Santa. Fue un presagio de la curación de Cristo por su crucifixión y muerte en la cruz. Mientras nos regocijamos en la cruz de Jesús, al menos deberíamos darnos una pausa momentánea para celebrar un dispositivo de tortura romano. En verdad, lo que Jesús dice que debe ser "levantado" es, en cambio, brutalmente feo: el Dios-hombre ensangrentado y roto, clavado en la madera.

La salvación que Dios nos trae no proviene de ningún medio que podamos esperar. En cambio, Dios envía a su Hijo que, tomando forma de esclavo, se humilló a sí mismo, haciéndose obediente hasta la muerte, y muerte de cruz. La canción de Pablo en Filipenses describe a Jesucristo como una revelación de cómo es Dios. Mientras que la mayoría de las religiones diseñan imágenes de Dios como un dominante todopoderoso para ser aplacado, como el que reparte castigo y recompensa, Jesús revela una imagen escandalosa --- algunos dicen blasfema --- de Dios en Cristo. La imagen de Dios de Jesús da la vuelta a las proyecciones humanas.

El Dios revelado en Jesús no tiene necesidad ni deseo de asombrarnos o asustarnos para que nos sometamos. Pablo llama a Jesús esclavo. No fue comprado ni obligado, sino que eligió consciente y deliberadamente consagrarse a hacer la voluntad de Dios. Jesús amó lo que Dios ama --- toda la creación. Nació de una mujer, tuvo que crecer y aprender y caer y levantarse. Usó sus ojos para ver la creación de Dios, sus oídos para ver los gritos de las personas, su corazón para conocer y compartir el amor de Dios, su toque para sanar y su voluntad de hacer todo lo posible para ayudar a los seres humanos a florecer. La voluntad de Jesús, como la de su Padre, es siempre que los humanos cumplan su vocación de vivir en Dios.

*Paz, Padre Jim.*



**Únase a nosotros para la adoración los viernes de 9am a 8pm en la capilla**

**Picnic parroquial de San José:** Domingo 5 de octubre Hora: 3pm  
 Dónde: Salón Parroquial o Patio (si el clima lo permite). Trae un postre par compartir.

**Educación religiosa 2025 2026** Las clases de educación religiosa son los miércoles a las 6 p. m. para todos los niños de los grados K-7 que no asiste a una escuela católica. Todas las clases de los años son obligatorias para recibir los sacramentos.

**Contacto la oficina** de la iglesia o hable con Deacon John para registrarse en nuestra parroquia. ¿Necesitas algo 859-808-1269.

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