



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.

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ID # 55334

A Note From Fr. Jim Kinney

After last Sunday's remarkable confession of my email to the Bishop, today's Gospel warning, of not sitting down and calculating the cost before doing so, struck home with real impact. Indeed I did not calculate if I had enough wisdom to complete what my email had offered the Bishop, namely my retirement as pastor. The Bishop, inevitably kind and wise, offered me a meeting to discuss our shared options. As I write this- last Monday, I don't know what that meeting has resolved; but I trust God's good graces will have prevailed.

Many who have undertaken a path of doing great things for God- in my case, a request of being a pastor in the Lexington Diocese- have realized that doing so is one thing but honoring it is quite another. Such a scene confronts us in today's Gospel. God's call to hate life, family and possessions goes against our natural instincts. I know, however, that these attachments can not take priority over our attachment to Jesus.

As Jesus' blood kin can also be disciples, so can our families. But as Jesus asks, they must be willing to embrace as kin others not related by blood, who are different by whatever markers that potentially can cause tension and even rupture in one's biological family. A disciple needs to be forewarned of this difficulty and be prepared to confront it. As Paul implores Philemon, we must embrace our non-biological siblings as family and equals. Let us then build up our resources to accomplish the great things to which God has called us.

Blessings, Fr. Jim

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, September 13

Lector

Amelia Winters-Roberts

Communion Minister

**Cathy Gatson,
Katie Beauchamp**

Servers
Volunteer

Sunday, September 14

Lector

**Joe Prekopa,
Linda Rector**

Communion Minister

**John Rompf,
Emily Roche**

Servers
John McBride

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 !



Bulletin for Sunday, September 7, 2025

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 9

12:00 pm

**Bernard Smith
(Chapel)**

Wednesday,

September 10

12:00 pm

**Madeleine Breeden
(Chapel)**

Thursday, September 11

12:00 pm

**Shawn Berger
(Chapel)**

Friday, September 12

8:30 am

**Carl and Kay Kohlbecker
(Church)
Adoration in the Chapel
9am to 8pm**

Saturday,

September 13

**3:00 pm Confession
3:10 pm Rosary
4:00 pm**

**Peggy Ludwig (L)
(Church)**

Sunday, September 14

8:30 am

**Bob and Lucy Fiefhaus
9:30am Rosary
2:00 pm (Spanish)
"Pro Populi"
(For the People)**



Prayer List

Dolores Strohacker, Wanda Bachman, Greg Pena, Gene Woestman, Joyce Sloan, Sharon Vetter, Fredwyn Schwendeman, Michael Pelfry, Jean Logsdon, Jo Brennan, Mary Jo McCormick, Mary Frances Puckett, Deborah Roach

Rachel Riddell, Vicki Embs, Ashley Kelley, Regina Finlay, Allen Chaney, Royce A. Paynter, Bill Massey, Willa Massey, Jeff White, Frank Glunz, Eldon Mock, Shawn Roach

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.**



"How sweet, the presence of Jesus to the longing, harassed soul! It is instant peace, and balm to every wound."- St Elizabeth Ann Seton

Join us for Adoration Fridays 9am-5pm in the Chapel.

The Women of St. Joseph:

Upcoming Events:

October 3: Created by You on N Highland 6pm

October 26: Raffa 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. RSVP to Jeanne Haddad 859-595-3878.

Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on September 8 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

ID # 55334 which benefits SVDP and St. Agatha.

Knights of Columbus:

**Grand Knight: Matt Goulet (606) 425-1980
Meeting September 9 at 7pm**

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

Thru 8/31

Total (Offertory Only)

\$40,623

Budget (Offertory Only)
Excess/(Short)

\$46,160
(\$5,537)

Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269

September 10: Religious Ed 6pm

September 11: Youth Group 6pm

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? **Starting this weekend and continuing for several weeks**, Parish Council members will be available in the Youth Room, located in the front of 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.

Holy Land Art is in the Parish Hall After Mass. Start your Christmas shopping early with beautiful items from the Holy Land. Proceeds support Christian family in the Holy Land. Visit www.holylandart.org for more information.

Knights of Columbus Annual Blue Mass will be on **September 11 at 10 am. Light Lunch to Follow.** All are welcome to attend!

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.

SAV THE DATE: We will have a St. Joseph Cookout **October 5 at 3 pm.**



St. Agatha Academy News:

SAA Fundraiser: Charleston
Wrap Support SAA through Charleston Wrap Sales: Gift Wrap, home decor, kitchen essentials, food items, etc.... Order on-line using the QR code or <https://registercw.com/gateway?organizationMidasId=25787>. Funds raised will go toward school restroom repairs. Thank you for your support!



SAA's 8th grade class is excited to announce that they are hosting a coffee fundraiser to help fund their class trip to Yellowstone! The fundraiser is through Creative Coffees located in Winchester. Scan the QR code to place an order to benefit this year's 8th graders. Thank you for your support!

Job Openings at St Agatha: Substitute Teachers

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.

Parish Information:

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.

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

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 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 by Thursday at 5 pm!

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

Pray for our newly elected Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, that the Holy Spirit may fill him with wisdom and discernment as he begins his pontificate and shepherds 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 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 or scan this qr code.

Diocesan Annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration– October 18
For all couples having their 10 , 25 , 40 , 50 or 50+ wedding anniversary in 2025, celebrated at Christ the King. The event begins with Mass at 5pm with Bishop Stowe, followed by a catered reception in Hehman Hall. We are also looking for couples newly married in the past year to be hospitality ministers. If you or someone you know is celebrating one of these jubilee anniversaries in 2025 or if you are newly married and would like to serve as hospitality ministers, please register at cdlex.org/family or contact Claudia Green at the Catholic Center at (859) 253-1993, ext. 1004 to **make reservations by September 12.** Please give your name, parish, mailing address, phone number, and original wedding date.



Saint of the Day: St. John Chrysostom September 13

John's father died when he was young, and he was raised by a very pious mother. Well educated; studied rhetoric under Libanius, one of the most famous orators of his day. Monk. Preacher and priest for a dozen years in Syria. While there he developed a stomach ailment that troubled him the rest of his life. It was for his sermons that John earned the title Chrysostom = golden mouthed. They were always on point, they explained the Scriptures with clarity, and they sometimes went on for hours. Made a reluctant bishop of Constantinople in 398, a move that involved him in imperial politics. He criticized the rich for

not sharing their wealth, fought to reform the clergy, prevented the sale of ecclesiastical offices, called for fidelity in marriage, encouraged practices of justice and charity. Archbishop and Patriarch of Constantinople. Revised the Greek Liturgy. Because John's sermons advocated a change in their lives, some nobles and bishops worked to remove him from his diocese; he was twice exiled from his diocese. Banished to Pythius, he died on the road. Greek Father of the Church. Proclaimed Doctor of the Church in 451. *Born:* c.347 at Antioch, Asia Minor *Died:* 407 of natural causes *Canonized:* Pre-Congregation

Minute Meditation: Doubt Can Benefit Us The word ponder means "to weigh." Do people need to weigh something about which they are absolutely certain? Does that describe the Virgin Mary's faith at every point of her life? Isn't it more likely that at the foot of Jesus' cross, Mary said to herself in her own way, The Lord is in this somewhere? Children understandably tend to take an either/or approach to life: faith or doubt? Adults who regularly choose a both/and approach can incorporate all of life's experiences into a growing faith. Doubt can either drive faith or kill it. The choice is ours. —from Franciscan Spirit's "Doubt: Engine or Enemy of Faith?" by Pat McCloskey, OFM

Pause and Pray: Bridging the Digital Divide Reflect: Our lives are intertwined with today's technology. In fact, sometimes it's hard to remember what life was like before we were able to find an answer to a question in seconds. The anonymity of the screen can provide people with a bravado that they might not have in a face-to-face setting. Hurtful or hateful words can be written, leaving a lasting and detrimental impact on people. **Pray:** Lord, help us to use the technology with which we are abundantly blessed as a means of lifting others up rather than tearing them down. Let us use it for the betterment of the world, and may we always remember that on the other side of our devices is a fellow child of God. Amen. **Act:** When you're at home, put your phone in another room for a while and try not to check it.

Información de comunidad Español

Después de la notable confesión del domingo pasado de mi email al obispo, la advertencia del Evangelio de hoy, de no sentarse y calcular el costo antes de hacerlo, golpeó con un impacto real. De hecho, no calculé si tenía suficiente sabiduría para completar lo que mi correo electrónico había ofrecido al obispo, es decir, mi retiro como párroco. El obispo, inevitablemente amable y sabio, me ofreció una reunión para discutir nuestras opciones compartidas. Mientras escribo esto, el lunes pasado, no sé qué ha resuelto esa reunión; pero confío en que la buena voluntad de Dios habrá prevalecido.

Muchos de los que han emprendido un camino de hacer grandes cosas para Dios, en mi caso, una solicitud de ser pastor en la Diócesis de Lexington, se han dado cuenta de que hacerlo es una cosa, pero honrarlo es otra muy distinta. Tal escena nos confronta en el Evangelio de hoy. El llamado de Dios a odiar la vida, la familia y las posesiones va en contra de nuestros instintos naturales. Sé, sin embargo, que estos apegos no pueden tener prioridad sobre nuestro apego a Jesús.

Así como los parientes de sangre de Jesús también pueden ser discípulos, también pueden hacerlo nuestras familias. Pero como Jesús pide, deben estar dispuestos a abrazar como parientes a otros no relacionados por sangre, que son diferentes por cualquier marcador que potencialmente pueda causar tensión e incluso ruptura en la familia biológica de uno. Un discípulo necesita ser advertido de esta dificultad y estar preparado para enfrentarla. Como Pablo implora a Filemón, debemos abrazar a nuestros hermanos no biológicos como familia e iguales. Construyamos entonces nuestros recursos para lograr las grandes cosas a las que Dios nos ha llamado.

Paz, Padre Jim.

Laudato Si: Por favor, oren para que podamos asumir nuestras responsabilidades proféticas en este tiempo de crisis urgente para hablarnos la Verdad de Dios unos a otros y llamarnos unos a otros a formas de vivir en la Tierra de manera sabia, sostenible, justa y reverente. Que recordemos a los olvidados o desechados: que podamos valorar cada vida humana, como un don inestimable de Dios.



"¡Qué dulce es la presencia de Jesús para el alma anhelante y acosada! Es paz instantánea y bálsamo para todas las heridas". - Santa Isabel Ana Seton **Únase a nosotros para la adoración los viernes de 9am a 8pm en la capilla**

Educación religiosa 2025 2026 Abierto a todos los niños parroquiales en los grados K-7 que no asisten a una escuela católica y niños parroquiales que asisten a la Academia de San Agatha en segundo grado. Los niños de edad sacramental deben haber asistido a clases de años anteriores. Se necesitan maestros.

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Sunday each month
November through May in
St. Joseph Hall

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