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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

There are various ways in which we can interpret the meaning of the "Lamb of God" John the Baptist refers to in the beginning of today's gospel. One is the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross as atonement for human sins. Another is as a declaration of faith in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. But there are other ways to interpret John's declaration.

John proclaimed that Jesus would take away not "sins", the plural implying the sins or failings of each of us, but the singular "sin of the world," implying the healing of divisions and humanity's estrangement from God. The translation makes a big difference! Another issue of translation is hearing John call Jesus the "lamb" of God- the only time in the Gospels anyone called Jesus a lamb --- and that gentle image is striking coming as it did from John the Baptist, the firebrand prophet. Some scholars claim that John's use of the word "lamb" came from the Aramiac word translated as boy, child or servant. Whichever word we choose, it connotes someone gentle and almost categorically incapable of violence.

This latter connotation corresponds well with what Isaiah says about the servant of God- a servant to the coastlands and distant peoples --- to the whole world. The servant could be Christ, Israel or anyone chosen to be God's light to the nations --- or all of these. The servant relies on the strength of God, reveals God's glory, brings God's people home and offers salvation to all the earth. That's quite a vocation --- given even before birth.

The prayer that today's psalm invites us to pray with Jesus the servant is an ideal prayer for discerning a vocation and remaining faithful to it. It centers us and reminds us of the purpose of our lives- ultimately to do the will of God and become as fully human and unique as God created us to be. Sanctified in Christ, our communal vision is to continue the work of taking away the sin of the world. "Here we are, Lord, we come to do your will."

Blessings, Fr. Jim

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, January 24

Lector
Anna Bast

Communion Minister
Cathy Gatson

Servers
Volunteers

Sunday, January 25

Lector
**Sharon McBride,
Kellee Keese**

Communion Minister
**Tina Flinchum,
Anna Hall**

Servers
Carmen Roche

Blessings for January: Terry DeCapiro-1, Geneva Gonyer-1, Kevin Skillern-1, Danny Abner-2, Kateri Hurley-3, Nathan Davis-6, Stacey Maslin-6, Christine McDaniel-6, Bobby McDaniel-8, Bill Dodson-10, Annette Icenogle-10, Jennifer Thomas -10, Jose Velazquez-Cruz-12, Matthew Turner-13, Elaine Harrison-14, Sandra Sandoval-15, Tim Patrick-18, John Pica-20, Daniel Fanning-24, Jake Halverstadt-28, James Barger -30

Happy Birthday !



	Thru 1/11
Total (Offertory Only)	\$174,200
Budget (Offertory Only)	\$155,790
Excess/(Short)	\$18,410

Bulletin for Sunday, January 18, 2026

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 20

12:00 pm

Alice DeCapiro
(Chapel)

Wednesday, January 21

12:00 pm

Lee Poston
(Chapel)

Thursday, January 22

12:00 pm

John and Dolores Tabor
(Chapel)

Friday, January 23

8:30 am

Ray and Phoebe Moses
(Church)

Adoration in the Chapel
9am to 8pm

Saturday, January 24

3:00 pm Confession

3:10 pm Rosary

4:00 pm

**Dand and Heather
Morales**
(Church)

Sunday, January 25

8:30 am

Waldkirch Family

9:30am Rosary

2:00 pm (Spanish)
"Pro Populi"
(For the People)



Prayer List

Dolores Strohacker, Wanda Bachman, Greg Pena, Gene Woestman and the Woestman Family, Joyce Sloan, Sharon Vetter, Fredwyn Schwendeman, Jo Brennan, Mary Jo McCormick, Mary Frances Puckett, Deborah Roach, Jon Keller

Shawn Roach, John Owens, Jane Ann Tomlinson, Elaine Adler, Royce A. Paynter, Jr., Diane Gilbert

LAUDATO SI: May we have an ever-deepening trust in the faithful presence and loving work of God in us, among us, and through us. **Please remember those deprived of their human needs, and their human rights: that they may be given the dignity which God confers on all his people.**



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



"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 in the Chapel.**

The Women of St. Joseph:

Upcoming Events:

February 6: Discussion of Prayer in Office
Blue Room 6pm

February 28: Clean the Church for Easter
9am to noon. All hands on deck :)!

April 4: Decorate the Church For Easter 9am
All are invited!!

Senior Group:

Senior Outing: January 22 at Woody's in Winchester's at 11:30 am. RSVP to Tina Flinchum 859-771-7168.

**Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on
February 2 at 11:30 am. All are invited to
attend.**

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:

Meeting February 3 at 7pm
**SVDP Item of the Month: Instant
Potato Packs**

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
Next Meeting: February 10 at 7pm

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

Parish Information:

Children under 18 are not to be left unattended in the Parish Hall. Several items have been broken that do not belong to the church, also our bathrooms in the hall have been abused. Repairs are costly and most can be avoided. Please treat the Parish Hall as you would treat your own home. It is a shared space by many. Blessings.

Parish Music Minister Needed for Sunday Mass, Holy Days, Choir and Funerals for 5 hours a week. (Funerals are separate) If you or anyone you know is in need of a Part-time position please call the office.

The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a trip to a **Cincinnati Cyclones Hockey game versus the Fort Wayne Komets** on January 30 at the Heritage Bank Arena in Cincinnati at 7:30pm. Transportation from the church at 5pm will be provided. Cost per person is \$25 (the ticket, transportation and a light meal).

Interested? Contact John Hall 859-329-8201 or Joe Prekopa 859-595-2948. We need confirmation by January 19. Limit is 50 seats. Hope you can join us for what promises to be a great time!

The Knights of Columbus and St. Vincent de Paul Society are having a **Volunteer Appreciation party on February 1 at 4pm.**

All volunteers, their spouses and family members are invited. A buffet dinner and prizes awarded. Please contact a Knight to RSVP (including # of people attending). Joe Prekopa (859) 595-2948, Chuck Bast (859) 749-0951 or Mark Bordas (859) 556-3539. We need a count in order to make sure enough food is ordered. Please respond by, January 26. Hope to see you there!!!

Bible Study: The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Timeline. Sundays after Mass (9:45) starts **This Sunday**. Call Kathie (859) 808-1269.

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

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

Mass Intentions are available for the second half of 2026. Please call the office to schedule a Mass for your loved ones.



St. Agatha Academy News:

8th grade class fundraiser: Creative Coffees Proceeds fund their class trip to Yellowstone! Scan the QR code to place an order. Thank you for your support!



Tidal Wave Car Wash certificates are available for \$10 each. Each certificate is good for the top of the line Graph-X4 wash (\$30 value). **Proceeds fund the 8th grade class trip to Yellowstone!**

Now Enrolling for 2026-2027

Enrollment at St. Agatha Academy begins January 25 for students in PreK (3 year olds) through 8th grade!

Discover a Classical Catholic School where faith, academics, and community come together to help students thrive. Enroll online today at saintagathaacademy.org.

Have Questions? Call 859-744-6484.

Open House January 26 from 9am to 11am for prospective parents.

Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269

January 21: Religious Ed All Grades 6pm
January 22: NO Youth Group

IT IS DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL TIME: Prayerfully consider how you can help St. Joseph meet our 65% Participation Goal. We are at 63% we need 4 more families to meet goal.

Prayerfully Consider being a VOLUNTEER!!!

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers are needed.

Extra Offertory Collection Counters Needed. Contact the office if interested, 859-744-4917.

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.

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.

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF LEXINGTON AND OUTSIDE OPPORTUNITIES:

AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AIDE is again offering free tax preparation at Central Baptist Church in Winchester beginning February 2. We will begin accepting appointments January 20 from 9 to 4pm call 859-361-9290. For more information call Pat Roncella 859-771-3124.

RETURN TO HIM: A Message of Hope for Divorced Catholics "THE LORD, YOUR GOD, IS GRACIOUS AND MERCIFUL AND HE WILL NOT TURN AWAY HIS FACE FROM YOU, IF YOU RETURN TO HIM." -2 Chronicles 30:9 God has a plan for our happiness in this life and in eternity. The time to begin the process is always the present! Please let us help you! Contact your local parish advocate with any questions you may have or email Fr. John List at jlist@cdlex.org or Mrs. Renata Babicz-Baratto at ribabicz@cdlex.org. or call at (859) 253-1993 and ask for the Tribunal Office. *Why do you wait? Return to Him as soon as possible!*

Freewill, 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 The program consists of four quarterly mini-retreats (9am-1pm on a Saturday) and is open to couples in any parish (and non-Catholic couples too!). For info and to register, see cdlex.org/grace-marriage.

Catholic Singles of the Bluegrass Second Saturdays Coffee are at 11 am at DV8 Kitchen in Lexington. All are invited to meet and learn about other events. For info go to CatholicSinglesoftheBluegrass@gmail.com



Saint of the Day: Agnes of Rome January 21

Foster-sister of Saint Emerentiana. At age 12 or 13 Agnes was ordered to sacrifice to pagan gods and lose her virginity by rape. She was taken to a Roman temple to Minerva (Athena), and when led to the altar, she made the Sign of the Cross. She was threatened, then tortured when she refused to turn against God. Several young men presented themselves, offering to marry her, whether from lust or pity is not known. She said that to do so would be an insult to

her heavenly Spouse, that she would keep her consecrated virginity intact, accept death, and see Christ. Martyr. Mentioned in first Eucharistic prayer. On her feast day two lambs are blessed at her church in Rome, Italy and then their wool is woven into the palliums (bands of white wool) which the pope confers on archbishops as symbol of their jurisdiction. *Died:* beheaded and burned, or tortured and stabbed to death, or stabbed in the throat (sources vary) on 21 January 254 or 304 (sources vary) at Rome, Italy buried beside the Via Nomentana in Rome

Ask A Franciscan: Can ashes be scattered? The funeral of John F. Kennedy, Jr., Carolyn Bessette Kennedy and Lauren Bessette led to some initial, inaccurate reports. Reporters on ships at a distance incorrectly assumed that the ashes had been scattered. In fact, containers holding the ashes were dropped overboard. The Church expects entombment of the ashes in a conventional grave, a mausoleum or a columbarium (cemetery niche for the container). The Order of Christian Funerals approved for the dioceses of the United States by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Holy See contains an alternate prayer for cremated remains. That prayer says, "My friends, as we prepare to bury (entomb) the ashes of our brother (sister)...." Later it continues, "Comfort us today with the words of your promise as we return the ashes of our brother (sister) to the earth." The Guidelines for Christian Burial in the Catholic Church, prepared by the Liturgy Advisory Committee of the National Catholic Cemetery Conference, state, "Unless otherwise directed by the diocesan bishop, the cremated remains should never be scattered or disposed of in any manner other than a dignified interment or entombment." Burial at sea is permitted for a body or a person's ashes. Federal law prohibits such burials less than three nautical miles from land. Regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency specify that "cremated remains shall be buried in or on ocean waters."

Father Pat McCloskey, OFM

Información de comunidad Español

Hay varias formas en que podemos interpretar el significado del "Cordero de Dios" al que se refiere Juan el Bautista al principio del evangelio actual. Uno es el sacrificio de Jesús en la cruz como expiación por los pecados humanos. Otra es como una declaración de fe en la presencia real de Jesús en la Eucaristía. Pero hay otras formas de interpretar la declaración de Juan.

Juan proclamó que Jesús no quitaría los "pecados", el plural implicando los pecados o fallas de cada uno de nosotros, sino el singular "pecado del mundo", implicando la sanación de divisiones y el distanciamiento de la humanidad de Dios. ¡La traducción marca una gran diferencia! Otro problema de traducción es escuchar a Juan llamar a Jesús el "cordero" de Dios; la única vez en los Evangelios que alguien llamó a Jesús cordero - y esa imagen suave es impactante viniendo de Juan el Bautista, el profeta incendiario. Algunos estudiosos afirman que el uso de la palabra "cordero" por parte de Juan proviene de la palabra aramea traducida como niño, niño o sirviente. Sea cual sea la palabra que elijamos, connota a alguien amable y casi categóricamente incapaz de violencia.

Esta última connotación coincide bien con lo que Isaías dice sobre el siervo de Dios: un siervo de las costas y de pueblos lejanos - de todo el mundo. El siervo podría ser Cristo, Israel o cualquiera elegido para ser la luz de Dios para las naciones - o todos ellos. El siervo confía en la fuerza de Dios, revela la gloria de Dios, trae al pueblo de Dios a casa y ofrece salvación a toda la tierra. Es toda una vocación - se da incluso antes de nacer.

La oración que el salmo de hoy nos invita a orar con Jesús el siervo es una oración ideal para discernir una vocación y mantenernos fieles a ella. Nos centra y nos recuerda el propósito de nuestras vidas: en última instancia, cumplir la voluntad de Dios y llegar a ser tan plenamente humanos y únicos como Dios nos creó para ser. Santificados en Cristo, nuestra visión comunitaria es continuar la labor de eliminar el pecado del mundo. "Aquí estamos, Señor, venimos a hacer tu voluntad."

Paz, Padre Jim

Niños menores de 18 años no deben quedarse sin supervisión en el Salón Parroquial. Se han roto varios objetos que no pertenecen a la Iglesia, además nuestros baños del pasillo han sido maltratados. Las reparaciones son costosas y la mayoría se pueden evitar. Por favor, trate el Salón Parroquial como trataría su propio hogar. Es un espacio compartido por muchos. Bendiciones.



Levantaos, nobles y campesinos; María invita a todos, ricos y pobres, justos y pecadores, a entrar en la cueva de Belén, a adorar y besar los pies de su hijo recién nacido... Entrémonos; No tengamos miedo." - San Alfonso Ligouri **Únase a nosotros para la adoración los viernes de 9am a 8pm en la capilla.**

Educación religiosa 2026 Las clases de educación religiosa a las 6 pm para todos los niños de los grados K-7 que no asistían a una escuela católica. Todas las clases de los años son obligatorias para recibir los sacramentos.

2026 Contacto la oficina de la iglesia o hable con Deacon John para registrarse en nuestra parroquia. ¿Necesitas algo anunciado en el boletín? Texto Kathie 859-808-1269.

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