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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

When I was still in my single digits age wise, I was easily enthralled with the lives of our saints and particularly those who had suffered particularly spectacular, fiery martyrdom's like St Lawrence and Joan of Arc. But when I was thinking of entering the priesthood, it was a saint like St. Therese of Lisieux who garnered my most rapt attention with her "little way" as our own Sisters of St Joseph's and St Patrick's, Therese and Danielle, have also been inspired.

You might say that today's Gospel of Matthew has captured the essence of Jesus' attention to the little ways in which he has perfectly fulfilled the law and the prophets. And contrary to the claims and the would-be righteousness of the scribes and the Pharisees, he does not abrogate the law, but in fact extends it further: not murder alone, but anger as well; not just adultery, but lust also. Acknowledging their understanding and current practice, Jesus invites his audience to recognize God in a newer, more personal way---in himself---and challenges them to look beyond the written Law to its divine author, present in their midst.

Yet when we think about Jesus in his context, we too often denigrate Pharisees and other religious groups of his time as being mire in the law. In truth, they debated the same theme Jesus preached about: how to live as God hopes we will. Jesus interpreted the deep purpose of the law, demonstrating that the letter was nothing more than the entryway into its richness. While giving disciples concrete examples of fulfilling the intention of the law, he wasn't using hyperbole to discuss ordinary life in society he was explaining the ethics of the Reign of God.

Blessings, *Fr. Jim*

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, February 21

Lector

Kathy Howard

Communion Minister

**Jennifer Hollon,
Volunteer**

Servers

**Kimbrell Abner,
Kennedy Abner**

Sunday, February 22

Lector

**Stacey Maslin,
Sharon McDaniel**

Communion Minister

**Nick Comer,
Courtney Davis**

Servers

John McBride

Blessings for February: Jeremy Hatler-6, Alice Hatler-8, Blanche Zalone-9, Cory Davis-10, Kelly Ann Keese-11, Cheri Wellner-11, Suzanne Jacobs-12, Patricia Fuller-13, Rosemary Ann Mayzes-15, Daniel Vetter-15, Fr. Jim Kinney-16, Francese Hatler-17, Mary Kicha-18, Courtney Davis-20, Florida Alma Blanco-21, Philipp Roseman-24, Annie Taulbee-24, Richard Brown-26, Cole Horn-26, Katherine Vetter-26



Happy Birthday !

Thru 2/8

Total (Offertory Only) \$200,770

Budget (Offertory Only) \$184,640
Excess/(Short) \$16,130

Bulletin for Sunday, February 15, 2026

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, February 17

12:00 pm

Dominic Volino
(Chapel)

Ash Wednesday,

February 18

8:30 am

St. Agatha Students and Faculty

12:00 pm

Bernard Smith
6 pm

Ronald Fox
(Church)

Thursday, February 19

12:00 pm

Richard Hayden
(Chapel)

Friday, February 20

8:30 am

Fr. Frank Brawner (L)
(Church)

Adoration in the Chapel
9am to 8pm

Saturday, February 21

3:00 pm Confession

3:10 pm Rosary

4:00 pm

Josie Melton
(Church)

Sunday, February 22

8:30 am

Robert Kern

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, 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.



"The courage and strength that are in me are not of me, but of Him who lives in me -- it is the Eucharist." +St Faustina

Join us for Adoration Fridays 9am-8pm in the Chapel.

Choir Practice:
Thursdays at 6pm

The Women of St. Joseph:

Upcoming Events:

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

March 13: Spring Paint Party with Sova's Workshop 6pm

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

Senior Group:

Senior Outing: February 19 at Don Senior in Winchester at 11:30 am. RSVP to Tina Flinchum 859-771-7168.

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

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:

Meeting March 3 at 7pm

SVDP Item of the Month: Can Soup/Manual Can Openers

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

This Months Special Collections:

First Weekend of the Month St. Agatha February 21/22 Mission among Black and Native Americans

Parish Finance Council Members: Karen Ward, Mary Clay and Tom Lynch

Parish Pastoral Council Members: John Stokes, Tim Patrick, Janie Perales, Nick Comer, Shiela Medina, Mark Bordas and Connie Stokes

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

Parish Information:

A New Pastor for St. Joseph: Fr. Kinney has served our parish for the past three and a half years. He wants to make sure that you are aware that, while this has been a great blessing for him, his role as pastor here will end as of July 1st of this year. He asks that you pray for the new pastor who will be assigned and that you welcome him with the same warmth and grace that you have always given him. Finally, he asks that you understand how grateful he is for your hospitality and all that you have done to make St. Joseph a welcoming beacon of Christ's love for all.

"Building on our Heritage" Program: I invite each of you to participate in this important program and help us respond to God's great gift of love. I ask that you prayerfully consider how you and your family can help St. Joseph's Catholic Church by renewing your annual commitment to financially support our ministries, further our mission, and reinforce our future. We ask that all faithful parishioners complete a Commitment Card. If you need a card please contact the office or visit our parish website www.stjosephwinchester.com for an electronic Card. *Fr. Jim*

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.

Parish Council Nominations: Immediately after Easter, on April 11/12, we will be asking parishioners to submit their nominations for our parish council- either themselves or another parishioner who qualifies for membership on our council. Each parishioner will nominate one candidate. Three current members will be retiring from our council as required by our by-laws and they will be replaced from among the nominees you submit. To qualify for membership, nominees must be members of our parish and understand that their primary responsibility will be to advise the pastor, in good faith, on the implementation of parish programs under the guidance of our pope and bishop as well as the pastor.

Little Black Books for Easter are available in the back of church.

If you are in need of a Year End Contribution Statement, please contact the Office at 744-4917. Thank You.

Missed the Parish Calendar in the Bulletin? Check the bulletin board in the back of church for a copy. If you have something you would like to add please let us know.



St. Agatha Academy News:

Queso Times Voucher Fundraiser. How it works: buy a \$10 Queso Times voucher from St. Agatha. Redeem it at Queso Times. 100% of the proceeds stays at SAA. Help us meet our Fundraising Goal of \$5,000. Vouchers can be purchased at the school office or from any St. Agatha family.

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 is now open 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.

Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269

February 18: No Class Go to Mass!!!
February 19: Youth Group 6pm
February 21: 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory Book Club 1pm in the Conference Room

Stations of the Cross is each Friday during Lent at 6 pm in church and Estaciones de la cruz en espanol 8 pm.

SAVE THE DATE: Parish Lenten Soup Supper February 27 at 6:30pm. Details to Follow.

Mass Intentions are available for the second half of 2026 starting in August. Ways to have a Mass said...drop a list of dates in the collection basket or in the parish mailbox. Call or email the office, Kathie or Jennifer. Simply drop by the office to schedule a Mass for your loved ones.

Children under 18 are not to be left unattended in the Parish Hall. Please treat the Parish Hall as you would treat your own home. It is a shared space by many. Blessings.

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.

ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE: We have met our St. Joseph Participation Goal. Please consider helping to meet our Financial goal as well if you have not yet donated. Thank you for your support!!!

Prayerfully Consider being a VOLUNTEER!!!

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers are needed.

Extra Offertory Collection Counters Needed. One month commitment on Sunday after Mass. COUNTERS NEEDED FOR FEBRUARY AND MAY!
We have a volunteer that will be out of town.
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

Norms of the Church for Lenten Penance

FAST - Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast. On days of fast, one full meal and two lesser meals are allowed. Eating between meals is not permitted. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are bound to fast.

ABSTINENCE - The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence. On days of abstinence, meat may not be taken. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years of age or older. If members of the Faithful are unable to observe the fast and abstinence regulations because of ill health or other reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of penance and self-denial suitable to their condition.



St . Peter Damian Feast: February 21

Youngest in large impoverished family. Orphaned young, Peter was sent to live with a brother who mistreated him. A pious boy, he was sent to live with another brother, Damian, a priest in Ravenna, Italy; Grateful he took the name *Damian*. Well educated in Ravenna, Faenza and Parma Italy. Professor. He was known for his life of strict austerity. Around 1035, he gave up teaching to become a

Benedictine monk. His health suffered, especially when he replaced sleep with prayer. Forced to spend time in recovery; he studied Scripture, when healthy, he was assigned to teach brother monks and then the public. Economist of Fonte-Avellana; prior of the house in 1043, a post in which he served for the rest of his life. Expanded the monastery, improved its library, and founded sister hermitages in San Severino, Gamugno, Acerata, Murciana, San Salvatore, Satria, and Ocri. Attended a synod in Rome in 1047, and encouraged Pope Gregory VI to support a revitalization of Church zeal and clerical discipline. Wrote *Liber Gomorrhianus*, which described the vices of priests, worldly matters, money, and the evil of simony. Created cardinal - bishop of Ostia in 1057. Fought simony. Tried to restore primitive discipline among priests and religious who were becoming too worldly. Strongly opposed anti-pope Benedict X. Legate to Milan for Pope Nicholas II in 1059; worked there with St. Ariad the Deacon and St Anselm of Lucca. Supported Pope Alexander II. A prolific correspondent, he wrote dozens of sermons, biographies, and poetry, including some of the best Latin of the time. Tried to retire a simple monk, but regularly recalled as papal legate, to make peace between arguing monastic houses, clergymen, and government officials. Declared a Doctor of the Church in 1828. *Born:* 1007 at Ravenna, Italy *Died:* February 1072 of fever in Ravenna Italy, immediately buried in the monastery church; concerns others would try to obtain his relics, cultus developed immediately after death, relics moved several times, and since 1898 has been in the Chapel of Saint Peter Damian in the cathedral of Faenza, Italy. *Canonized:* 1823 by Pope Leo XII (cultus confirmation)

Ask A Franciscan: Aren't Martyrs Automatically Canonized?

God does not wait for the Church's canonization process in order to decide who gets into heaven. The canonization process is to benefit the Church on earth -not to keep God's records straight. If two groups of people in different centuries give up their lives for their faith, does it make sense to discuss who is more or less deserving of that title? In 1964 when **Pope Paul VI** canonized Charles Lwanga and his companion martyrs, the pope made reference to several Anglican young men who were killed by the same king and for the same reason. May all of us be as open to God's grace as all the saints in heaven (formally recognized or not) were. *Fr. Pat McCloskey, OFM*

Información de comunidad Español

Quando aún tenía un solo dígito de edad, me fascinaba fácilmente la vida de nuestros santos y, en particular, de aquellos que habían sufrido martirios espectaculares y ardientes como San Lorenzo y Juana de Arco. Pero cuando pensaba en entrar en el sacerdocio, fue una santa como Santa Teresa de Lisieux quien captó mi intención más cautivada con su "pequeño camino", ya que nuestras propias Hermanas de San José y San Patricio, Teresita y Danielle, también se han inspirado.

Se podría decir que el Evangelio de Mateo de hoy ha captado la esencia de la atención de Jesús a las pequeñas maneras en que ha cumplido perfectamente la ley y los profetas. Y contrariamente a las afirmaciones y a la supuesta rectitud de los escribas y fariseos, no deroga la ley, sino que la extiende más allá: no solo el asesinato, sino también la ira; No solo adulterio, sino también lujuria. Reconociendo su comprensión y práctica actual, Jesús invita a su audiencia a reconocer a Dios de una manera más nueva y personal ---en sí mismo---y les desafía a mirar más allá de la Ley escrita, hacia su autor divino, presente en su interés.

Sin embargo, cuando pensamos en Jesús en su contexto, con demasiada frecuencia denigramos a los fariseos y otros grupos religiosos de su tiempo como si estuvieran estancados en la ley. En realidad, debatieron el mismo tema sobre el que predicó Jesús: cómo vivir como Dios espera que vivamos. Jesús interpretó el profundo propósito de la ley, demostrando que la carta no era más que la puerta de entrada a su riqueza. Mientras daba a los discípulos ejemplos concretos de cumplimiento de la intención de la ley, no usaba hipérbolos para hablar de la vida cotidiana en sociedad, sino que explicaba la ética del Reino de Dios. *Paz, Padre Jim*

Nominaciones para el Consejo Parroquial: Inmediatamente después de Pascua, el 11/12 de abril, pediremos a los feligreses que presenten sus candidaturas para nuestro consejo parroquial, ya sea ellos mismos o otro feligrés que cumpla los requisitos para ser miembros de nuestro consejo.

Cada feligrés nominará a un candidato. Tres miembros actuales se retirarán de nuestro consejo según lo exigido por nuestros estatutos y serán reemplazados entre los nominados que presentes. Para poder ser miembros, los nominados deben ser miembros de nuestra parroquia y entender que su responsabilidad principal será asesorar al párroco, de buena fe, sobre la implementación de los programas parroquiales bajo la guía de nuestro papa y obispo, así como del párroco.

Niños menores de 18 años no deben quedarse sin supervisión en el Salón Parroquial. Bendiciones.



"El valor y la fuerza que hay en mí no son míos, sino de Aquel que habita en mí — es la Eucaristía." +Santa Faustina **Unase a nosotros para la adoración los viernes de 9am a 8pm en la capilla.**

Educación Religiosa 18 de febrero: ¡Miércoles de ceniza, sin clase, ve a misa!

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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November through May in St. Joseph Hall

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