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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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A Note From Fr. Jim Kinney

Growing up and perhaps even later in life we have come to know members of our family, friends and even the broader community by so-called "nicknames." Some contain a bit of humor, others a bit of a sarcastic bite. Due to Thomas' early skepticism about the risen Christ, he and others who express doubt are called "doubting Thomases." This is remarkably unfair for this saint, surely, due to his being the only one in the Upper Room who proclaims Jesus to be the "Son of the living God." In today's world, more remarkable are those who choose to ignore the importance of the healthy skepticism in science that is a critical complement to our faith in revelation.

Before modern methods of CPR or cardiopulmonary resuscitation, people who stopped breathing were simply allowed to slip away. In today's gospel, the risen Christ reinfuses the breath of life into the constricted lungs of the believing community, releasing them from the fear that choked their ability to breathe together and to live fully for his mission. Their fear is understandable. And fear of "the Jews" is code language for anyone who does not believe in or opposes Jesus. Of course, Jesus and all his first disciples are Jews. The peace that Jesus repeatedly offers to those gathered in the room recognizes full well the horror of what had occurred and enters into the willingness to enter into processes of healing, forgiveness and reconciliation.

There can be no secondhand faith. The testimony of others leads one to Jesus, but it does not substitute for the tangible experience of Christ needed by each one. No matter how one comes to believe, it is with a "conspiratorial" faith community - people who "breathe together" through the Spirit, who dissolves fear through peace and forgiveness. Having been enlivened by Christ's life-giving inspiration, on this Sunday of Divine Mercy, we can be witnesses of God's own mercy by the way we care and share with others. Although evil continues in many ways, we can be bearers of living hope, people who exemplify the future, the full transfiguration of creation in God.

Blessings, Fr. Jim

Liturgical Roles

<p>Saturday, April 18</p> <p><u>Lector</u> Jim Jones</p> <p><u>Communion Minister</u> Katie Beauchamp Volunteer</p> <p><u>Servers</u> Jason Thomas</p>	<p>Sunday, April 19</p> <p><u>Lector</u> Linda Rector, John Rompf</p> <p><u>Communion Minister</u> Nick Comer, Courtney Davis</p> <p><u>Servers</u> Josh McBride</p>
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Blessings for April: David Jacobs-2, Olivia Maslin-2, Zeke Simunovic-11, Suzi Van Etten-12, Herminia McBride-13, Gabriela Mendoza-14, John Pohl-14, Kennedy Abner-15, Isaiah Keultjes-16, Mary Jo McCormick-16, Nash Williams-16, Daniel Schwendaman-16, Robin Simunovic-17, Gregory Pena-18, Betty Sherrill-19, Savannah Anderson-20, Richard Gomez-20, John Stokes-20, Brian Flinchum-21, Eileen Pitts-21, Amy Schwab-22, Emilee Schwendamen-25, Jason Neely-27, Martin Hatler-30, Killian Hurley-30



Happy Birthday !

	Thru 4/5
Total (Offertory Only)	\$265,009
Budget (Offertory Only)	\$225,030
Excess/(Short)	\$39,979

Bulletin for Sunday, April 12, 2026

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 14

12:00 pm
Ellie Larson
(Chapel)

Wednesday, April 15

12:00 pm
Lee Poston III
(Chapel)

Thursday, April 16

12:00 pm
Chuck and Fran Muller
(Chapel)

Friday, April 17

8:30 am
Barbara LaMendola
(Church)
Adoration in the Chapel
9am to 8pm

Saturday, April 18

3:00 pm Confession
3:10 pm Rosary
4:00 pm
Gail DeCapio
(Church)

Sunday, April 19

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, Joyce Sloan, Sharon Vetter, Fredwyn Schwendeman, Jo Brennan, Mary Jo McCormick, Deborah Roach, Jon Keller, Sue Lassanske

Shawn Roach, John Owens, Jane Ann Tomlinson, Elaine Adler, Royce A. Paynter, Jr., Diane Gilbert, Lyn Dorgan, Dalton Carter, Barry Warner, Ethel Townsend

LAUDATO SI: Please pray for the success of the work of ecumenical and interfaith communities to promote global unity, to stir hope, and to restore Earth as a nurturing home to all its inhabitants. Remember those who are lonely or afraid, for teenagers on the street, old people in nursing homes, prisoners with no one to visit them, and all whom the world has forgotten: that Christ might lead us to them.



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



"Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament is more powerful than in any other place."+ St. Francis de Sales

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

Choir Practice:
Thursdays at 6pm

The Women of St. Joseph:

Upcoming Events:
May 17: Rapha Dinner 4:30-7pm
June 5: Dinner at Southwind 6pm
No July Activity
August 7: Movie Night at Peggy's 6pm

Senior Group:

Senior Outing: April 16 at Melini Cucina in Mt. Sterling at 11:30 am. RSVP to Tina Flinchum 859-771-7168.
Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on May 4 at 11:30 am. All are invited to attend.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:

Meeting May 5 at 7pm
SVDP Item of the Month: Cereal
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: April 14 at 7pm

This Month's Special Collections:

First Weekend of the Month: St. Agatha
April 25/26 Home Mission

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:

Father Rob Adams is our New Pastor for St. Joseph starting July 1. If you see him from time to time visit our church and school say hello, until then you can catch him on his YouTube channel. Search: Father Rob Adams



It's Pancake Time!!! Join the Knights of Columbus for our COMPLIMENTARY Pancake Breakfast after Mass on April 12. Items served include pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits n'gravy with juice, milk and coffee. There will be **no** Fellowship coffee and doughnuts.

Divine Mercy Sunday April 12
We will gather in the chapel at 3pm for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet as a community.



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.



Prayerfully Consider being a VOLUNTEER!!! Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers are needed. **Saturday Night Sacristan** needed. **Extra Offertory Collection Counters: One month commitment on Sunday after Mass** needed. **WE NEED A COUNTER FOR MAY!**

A volunteer that will be out of town. **Are you willing to let our Ministries DIE!!!** This parish does not run itself. It takes everyone and most positions take minimal effort. If you have questions about anything you may be interested in please call us 859-744-4917.

Cleaning out your Clutter. SVDP is now accepting Household items (silverware, dishes, pots and pans, sheets etc. no decorative items or clothing) and wood furniture for clients. If you have a question about an item to donate contact Mark Bordas at 859-556-3539.

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



St. Agatha Academy News:

St. Agatha annual **Golf Scramble** on May 4 at the Winchester Country Club. Check out our website and click the box for Golf Scramble to sign up or sponsor a hole. We'd love to have you join us! <https://saintagathaacademy.org/>

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).

Part-Time Music Teacher and Aftercare Workers needed for the 26-27 school year! Email stagatha@cdlex.org to apply.

Now Enrolling for 2026-2027

Enrollment at St. Agatha Academy is now open for students in PreK (3 year olds) through 8th grade! Visit our website at <https://saintagathaacademy.org> and click on **Registration**, then **New Family Registration**. Select **Sycamore Schools Registration** and follow the prompts to begin the process. For more information call 859-744-6484.

Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269



April 15: Religious Ed 6pm
April 16: Youth Group 6pm
April 18: 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory Book Club 1pm in the Conference Room

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is April 26 – The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity, secular institutes), and to the missionary life.

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.

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.

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.

We would like to hear from you! If you have recently married, moved, had children, would like to be on 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.

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 (PCI Compliant). Click 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!

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF LEXINGTON AND OUTSIDE OPPORTUNITIES:

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 jlis@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!*

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Saint Maria Anna Blondin
Feast: April 18

Born to a pious, French- Canadian farm family, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Blondin and Marie Rose Limoges. Illiterate into adulthood, as were the other members of her family and most of her acquaintances. Domestic servant for a village merchant, and then in the convent of the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame, where she learned to read and

write. Entered as a novice in the Sisters, but ill health forced her to leave. Parochial school teacher at Vaudreuil, Quebec in 1833; she was later named directress of the school, which was renamed the Blondin Academy. There she realized the reason for the widespread illiteracy in the area: girls could only be taught by women, boys only by men; parishes that could not afford two schools simply had none. In 1848 she sought permission to form a congregation that would teach boys and girls in the same school. It was a radical notion in its day, but had government support, and the bishop authorized a test site. The Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Anne was founded in Vaudreuil on 8 September 1850 with Esther as first superior, taking the name in religion of Marie-Anne. The community grew, and the motherhouse transferred to Saint Jacques de l'Achigan in 1853. There the new chaplain, Father Louis Adolphe Marechal, abused his position, meddled in the financial and spiritual life of the Congregation, and generally sabotaged the work of Mother Marie Anne. Marechal succeeded in having her removed from her position in the Congregation. Directress at Saint Genevieve Convent, but she continued to be harassed by Marechal. Accused of mismanagement, she was recalled to the Motherhouse in 1858, and was prohibited for her remaining 32 years from an administrative position; the sisters were ordered not to refer to her as "Mother". Realizing that any fight she could make would only damage the Congregation, she accepted her lot, and worked in the laundry, the ironing room, and other menial positions. Elected several times as superior of the Congregation, she was forbidden to accept, and never tried. Her humility and resignation paid off as the Congregation continued to grow, and universal education became the norm. *Born:* 18 April 1809 in Terrebonne, Quebec, Canada as Esther Blondin *Died:* 2 January 1890 at Lachine, Quebec, Canada of natural causes *Venerated:* 14 May 1991 by Pope John Paul II (decree of heroic virtue) *Beatified:* 29 April 2001 by Pope John Paul II



Información de comunidad

Español

Al crecer y quizás incluso más tarde en la vida, hemos llegado a conocer a miembros de nuestra familia, amigos e incluso a la comunidad en general por los llamados "apodos". Algunas contienen un poco de humor, otras un poco de sarcasmo. Debido al escepticismo inicial de Tomás respecto al Cristo resucitado, él y otros que expresan dudas son llamados "Tomás dudosos". Esto es notablemente injusto para este santo, sin duda, debido a que es el único en la Cámara Alta que proclama a Jesús como el "Hijo del Dios viviente." En el mundo actual, más notables son quienes eligen ignorar la importancia del escepticismo saludable en la ciencia, que es un complemento fundamental a nuestra fe en la revelación.

Antes de los métodos modernos de RCP o reanimación cardiopulmonar, a las personas que dejaban de respirar simplemente se les permitía escaparse. En el evangelio de hoy, Cristo resucitado infunde el aliento de vida en los pulmones restringidos de la comunidad creyente, liberándoles del miedo que asfixiaba su capacidad de respirar juntos y vivir plenamente para su misión. Su miedo es comprensible. Y el miedo a "los judíos" es un lenguaje clave para cualquiera que no crea en Jesús o se oponga. Por supuesto, Jesús y todos sus primeros discípulos son judíos. La paz que Jesús ofrece repetidamente a los presentes en la sala reconoce plenamente el horror de lo ocurrido y entra en la disposición a entrar en procesos de sanación, perdón y reconciliación.

No puede haber fe de segunda mano. El testimonio de otros conduce a uno a Jesús, pero no sustituye la experiencia tangible de Cristo que cada uno necesita. No importa cómo uno llegue a creer, es con una comunidad de fe "conspirativa" --- personas que "respiran juntas" a través del Espíritu, que disuelve el miedo mediante la paz y el perdón. Habiendo sido animados por la inspiración vital de Cristo, en este domingo de la Divina Misericordia, podemos ser testigos de la propia misericordia de Dios por la forma en que cuidamos y compartimos con los demás. Aunque el mal continúa en muchos sentidos, podemos ser portadores de esperanza viva, personas que ejemplifican el futuro, la transfiguración completa de la creación en Dios.

Paz, Padre Jim



Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, 12 de abril Nos reuniremos en la capella a las 15:00 para Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento y oración del Coronel de la Divina Misericordia como comunidad.

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



Educación Religiosa: 15 de abril: de educación religiosa 6pm.

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

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