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St. Joseph Parish... "is a vibrant faith community" committed to **seeking** a full Christian life, **sharing** an active Catholic faith, and **servng** others with love, grace and dignity.

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*Easter Sunday  
April 5, 2026*

*He Is Risen; he is not here. Mark 16:6*

**A Note From Fr. Jim Kinney**

There is a pronounced, heart-pounding urgency weaved into our Easter Sunday scripture. Mary of Magdala is found running with the surprising, good news. Then Peter and John go running to the tomb in response to Mary's message. It is easy to imagine why each of them was struck with such urgency. Two thousand years later, we can still feel the excitement that was in the air on that first Easter Sunday morning.

We can also understand the doubts that troubled the pounding hearts of those three disciples. As John recounts, "For they did yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." Today's Gospel is, at best, a half story: lots of details, little plot and not much of a conclusion. Mary found the tomb empty and told Peter and John. They all raced back, saw the empty swaddling cloths of death: another tragic discovery of nothing. But just to guarantee that we remain confused, one of the disciples saw and believed.

We listened to John's half story this morning and might ask, "What's the point?" Too often we listen without paying enough attention to the questions John tries to provoke. We gloss over inconsistencies because the words of the Creed we recite explains it all with clear logic. But we have gotten thus far in the Gospel of John only to realize that logic is not his strong suit. John deals in mystery, luring us into narratives which lead us into ever-deeper questions.

Finally, what was all the excitement and wonder leading us to on this Easter Sunday morning. Jesus called his disciples, people of little faith. That little gave them- as it does us- something to grow on. He had been more than they, or we, could grasp. But he had drawn them, as he draws us, into becoming more than we ever imagined we could be. Jesus has introduced us, as it did his early disciples, to mystery - to a kind of glory all disciples experience but don't really understand.

What is yet to come for his early disciples, as it will for us, makes sense of everything that went before it. And just as we will die with him, we also will rise with him.

Blessings, *Fr. Jim*

**Liturgical Roles**

<p><b>Saturday, April 11</b></p> <p><u>Lector</u> <b>Katie Vetter</b></p> <p><u>Communion Minister</u> <b>Cathy Gatson</b> Volunteer</p> <p><u>Servers</u> <b>Volunteer</b></p>	<p><b>Sunday, April 12</b></p> <p><u>Lector</u> <b>Kellee Keesee,</b> <b>Stacey Maslin</b></p> <p><u>Communion Minister</u> <b>John Hall,</b> <b>Anna Hall</b></p> <p><u>Servers</u> <b>Amber Goulet</b></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 Schwendaman-25, Jason Neely-27, Martin Hatler-30, Killian Hurley-30

**Happy Birthday!**



**Bulletin for Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026**

**Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday, April 7**

12:00 pm  
**Chloan Zito**  
(Chapel)

**Wednesday, April 8**

12:00 pm  
**Richard Hayden**  
(Chapel)

**Thursday, April 9**

12:00 pm  
**Jan Hoke**  
(Chapel)

**Friday, April 10**

8:30 am  
**Robert and Lucy Fiefhaus**  
(Chapel)

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

**Saturday, April 11**

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

**John and Dolores Tabor**  
(Church)

**Sunday, April 12**

8:30 am  
**Groen Family**  
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 4:30-7:30pm

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 April 6 at 11:30 am.** All are invited to attend.

**ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:**

Meeting April 7 at 7pm

**SVDP Item of the Month: Cereal**

**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 (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>**

	<b>Thru 3/29</b>
Total (Offertory Only)	\$245,838
Budget (Offertory Only)	\$219,260
Excess/(Short)	\$26,578

## 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

Join us for a Parish Easter Egg Hunt April 5 at 3 pm. Prize and candy filled eggs for children (walking to 10 yrs old) Potluck to follow. Bring a hot dish to share. All are invited!!!!

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.

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.



## Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart (859) 808-1269

April 8: Religious Ed 6pm  
April 9: NO Youth Group  
April 11: 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory Book Club 1pm in the Conference Room



## 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](mailto: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.

## Easter Memorials



In Memory/Honor of:

Donald and Agatha Dews  
Dorsey Family  
Drennen Family  
Robert and Lucille Fiefhaus  
Wagner Family  
Phillips Family  
Poynter Family  
Adrian Wallace  
Keller Family  
Webb Family  
Billy and Minnie Belle Adams  
Mary Nelson Adams  
Bernam and Janet Adams  
Curry and Ervin Families  
Alvin Pasley Sr. Family  
Philip and Ruth Shank  
Fred and Maxine Kuhlman  
James and Mary Martha McBride  
Mary McBride Schmidt  
Harvey and Margaret McBride  
Robert and James Robert McBride  
James and Dorothy Jackson  
Donald Brennan  
James Brennan  
Gerard Brennan  
Otto and Mary Jo Hayden  
Paxton and Lillian Stokes  
Poston Family  
Hayden Family  
Wethington Family  
Jerome Gallenstein  
Sylvia Morefield  
Michael and Alma Rowady  
Tom and Cheryl Schrantz  
Haddad Family  
Hollon Family  
Thomas Hall and Family  
Swisher Family  
Bill and Jack Daniel

By:

Deborah Sainte  
Richard and Annabelle Dorsey  
Richard and Annabelle Dorsey  
Harry Fiefhaus  
Phyllis Wagner  
Rick and Connie Poynter  
Rick and Connie Poynter  
June Wallace  
Jon and Kathy Keller  
Jon and Kathy Keller  
Harold & Mary Virginia Rupard  
Harold & Mary Virginia Rupard  
Harold & Mary Virginia Rupard  
Harold & Mary Virginia Rupard  
Harold & Mary Virginia Rupard  
Dan and Regina Shank  
Kathryn Howard  
Margaret Howard  
Margaret Howard  
Margaret Howard  
Margaret Howard  
Ron and Melody Jackson  
Jo Brennan  
Jo Brennan  
Jo Brennan  
John and Connie Stokes  
John and Connie Stokes  
Carolyn Poston  
Carolyn Poston  
Carolyn Poston  
Jeff and Melody Gallenstein  
Jeff and Melody Gallenstein  
Alex & Rita Rowady  
Alex & Rita Rowady  
Bobby and Jennifer Hollon  
Bobby and Jennifer Hollon  
Joyce Hall  
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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.

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

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](http://www.stjosephwinchester.com) (PCI Compliant). Click the Donate button and follow the prompts for Online giving. Thank you for your support.



**Saint Stanislaus of Cracow**  
**Feast: April 11**

Born to the Polish nobility, son of Belislaus and Bogna, and raised in a pious family. Educated at Gnesen, Poland, and may have studied at Paris, France. When his parents died, Stanislaus distributed his inheritance to the poor. Parish priest at Czembocz, Poland. Canon and preacher, and later vicar-general at the Cracow cathedral; noted spiritual director. Reluctant bishop of Cracow in 1072. Known for his preaching against sinful living, regardless of the sinner's class. Killed by King Boleslaus the Cruel after Stanislaus excommunicated him due to his

war crimes and attempted theft of land from the Church. Murdered while celebrating Mass. Reaction against Boleslaus was so great that he fled the country, never to return; his guilt led him to become a monk. Stanislaus became a symbol of Polish patriotism and nationalism, and is sometimes considered a martyr. *Born:* 26 July 1030 as Szczepanowski, diocese of Cracow, Poland as *Stanislaus Szczepanowsky* *Died:* murdered on 8 May 1079 in the chapel of Saint Michael in a suburb of Cracow, Poland, buried in the chapel, re-interred in the cathedral of Cracow in 1088 *Canonized:* 1253 by Pope Innocent IV at Assisi, Italy

**Ask a Franciscan? Confession has been a really sore spot for me but, having been raised Catholic, I love the Church and all the other sacraments. I feel so uncomfortable and always feel that God already knows my sins and what I am sorry for. Will I go to Hell and will God forgive me if I am truly sorry?** You will not go to hell for feeling that way—only if you commit some mortal sin for which you refuse to repent. Will God forgive you if you are truly sorry? Yes. You may, however, be seeing repentance and forgiveness too narrowly. Sin cuts us off not only from God but also from other people. Repentance is not simply about straightening things out with an angry God who, in human terms, is actually more disappointed than angry. Repentance is also about admitting that our sins affect how we treat other people. The Roman Catholic faith is an incarnational one, a sacramental one, a faith which sees God acting through physical objects (water, oil, bread, wine) and by means of human instruments, **including a priest hearing confessions which is required for mortal sin.** In almost 25 years of hearing confessions, I have always been humbled and edified as people face their sinfulness, accepting God's love and forgiveness. Remember, confessors go to confession, too!

Father Pat McCloskey, OFM

**Información de comunidad**  
**Español**

Hay una urgencia pronunciada y desgarradora entretejida en nuestras escrituras del Domingo de Pascua. María de Magdala es encontrada corriendo con la sorprendente y buena noticia. Entonces Pedro y Juan corren hacia la tumba en respuesta al mensaje de María. Es fácil imaginar por qué cada uno de ellos fue golpeado con tanta urgencia. Dos mil años después, todavía podemos sentir la emoción que había en el aire aquella primera mañana de Domingo de Pascua.

También podemos entender las dudas que atormentaban los corazones acelerados de esos tres discípulos. Como relata Juan, "Porque aún entendían la Escritura que tenía que resucitar de entre los muertos." El Evangelio de hoy es, en el mejor de los casos, una media historia: muchos detalles, poca trama y poca conclusión. María encontró la tumba vacía y se lo contó a Pedro y a Juan. Todos corrieron de vuelta, vieron los pañuelos vacíos de la muerte: otro trágico descubrimiento de nada. Pero para asegurarse de que seguimos confundidos, uno de los discípulos vio y creyó.

Esta mañana escuchamos la media historia de John y quizá preguntemos: "¿Para qué?" Demasiadas veces escuchamos sin prestar suficiente atención a las preguntas que John intenta provocar. Pasamos por alto las inconsistencias porque las palabras del Credo que recitamos lo explican todo con una lógica clara. Pero hemos llegado tan lejos en el Evangelio de Juan solo para darnos cuenta de que la lógica no es su punto fuerte. John se dedica al misterio, atrayéndonos a narrativas que nos llevan a preguntas cada vez más profundas.

Por último, ¿a qué nos llevó toda la emoción y la maravilla en esta mañana de Domingo de Pascua? Jesús llamó a sus discípulos, personas de poca fe. Ese pequeño les dio, como a nosotros, algo en lo que crecer. Había sido más de lo que ellos, o nosotros, podíamos comprender. Pero él los había atraído, como nos atrae a nosotros, para que fueran más de lo que jamás imaginamos que podríamos ser. Jesús nos ha introducido, como hizo a sus primeros discípulos, al misterio, a una especie de gloria que todos los discípulos experimentan pero no comprenden realmente. Lo que aún está por venir para sus primeros discípulos, como lo hará para nosotros, da sentido a todo lo que ocurrió antes. Y así como moriremos con él, también resucitaremos con él.

Paz, Padre Jim

**Únete a nosotros en una búsqueda de huevos de Pascua parroquial el 5 de abril a las 15:00.** Premios y huevos rellenos de caramelos para niños (que caminen hasta los 10 años) y después será comida compartida. Lleva un plato caliente para compartir. Todos están invitados!!!



**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: 8 de abril: de educación religiosa 6pm.**

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