



SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Tuesday- Friday

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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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St. Joseph Website:
www.stjosephwinchester.com

Diocesan Website: www.cdlex.org

St. Vincent DePaul Society:
(859) 771-2572

Kroger Rewards: www.kroger.com
ID # 55334

A Note from Fr. Rob... Hi everyone!

This week is the 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time. We have another long Gospel reading this Sunday, and it's full of the parables that we talked about last week. I think these are really challenging parables to wrap our minds around - especially if we remember that the parables of Jesus are not about us!

I haven't decided if I want to preach on the parables again though. I am really drawing to our second reading from Romans 8. If you aren't familiar with Romans, it is a fascinating read. Unfortunately, Romans has become more of a battlefield of dogma between different kinds of Christians, but I don't think the letter was meant to be read that way.

In our reading this weekend, Paul tells us that the Spirit makes intercession for us with groans that cannot be expressed in speech. This actually belongs with the previous verses that we read last week about all creation being in labor pains. The groans are the groans of someone in pain. They are not the ecstatic cry of a spiritual experience. Creation (and we ourselves, by extension) is in pain until the new creation is here. Paul is saying that the Spirit prays inside us in the middle of this pain, especially when we don't have any words left.

I think this is the role of the Holy Spirit in the world and the Church. He lives in the middle of the pain of this world while also being the one who is changing this world. The Spirit takes your pain and exhaustion and cries out on your behalf to the Father. There are a couple of things to take from this. First, it shows us that suffering and difficulty are part of the Christian life. Jesus never promised that we would all be blessed and happy if we follow him. He actually said, "In this world you will have trouble". If you struggle in your life of faith, that is not a sign that you are disqualified or bad. Second, it reminds us that God is actively with us in our pain, not just as a far-away observer, but as someone who shares our pain and is working to do something about it. The next time things look really bad, and you're scared and don't know what to say, remember that the Holy Spirit is right there with you bringing your groans before the Father's throne. *Fr. Rob*

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, July 25

Lector

Anna Bast

Communion Minister

Cathy Gatson

Servers

Volunteer

Sunday, July 26

Lector

**Kellee Keesee,
Jason Thomas**

Communion Minister

**Jennifer Thomas,
Dick Brantigan**

Servers

Josh M

Blessings for July: Asher Hurley-2, Wanda Jones-2, Mark Beauchamp-3, Mark Waldkirch-6, Thomas Whelan-6, Jeanne Andries-7, Deborah Prekopa-7, Timothy Hoke-8, Mark Bordas-9, Beau-Michael Bordas-9, Michael Williams-10, Branson Ballard-11, Ashlyn McDaniel-11, Emmett Davis-13, Sue Faulconer-13, Frances Fanning-13, Olivia Schwendaman-13, Sarah Graham-15, Eric Pitts-15, Karen Ward-15, Lisa Sherman-16, Jason Burden-18, Kathryn Holbrook-18, Virginia Lassanske-18, John Keller-20, Gabriella Lopez-21, Michelle Williams-22, Morgan Owens-24, Michael Peyton-25, Jacob Maslin-27, Amber Goulet-29, Sophia Schwendaman-29 **Happy Birthday!**



Thru 7/12

Total (Offertory Only)

Budget (Offertory Only)
Excess/(Short)

Bulletin for Sunday, July 19, 2026

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 21

12:00 pm

**Sunday De Capio
(Chapel)**

Wednesday, July 22

No Mass

Thursday, July 23

No Mass

Friday, July 24

8:30 am

**Boo Nunan
(Chapel)**

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

Saturday, July 25

3:00 pm Confession

3:30 pm Rosary

4:00 pm

**Joyce Beauchamp
(Church)**

Sunday, July 26

8:30 am

Chuck and Fran Muller

8:00am Rosary

2:00 pm (Spanish)

"Pro Populi"

(For the People)



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



"During Eucharistic adoration you can look at Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. You know that He looks at you and He looks at you with love. He often speaks to us gently, in stillness." + Pope Leo XIV **Join us for Adoration Fridays 9am-8pm in the Chapel.**

Choir Practice:

TBD at 6pm

The Women of St. Joseph:

Upcoming Events:

No July Activity

August 7: Movie Night at Peggy's 6pm

The King's Men:

**St. Joseph Men's Group Upcoming:
July 25 9:30 am Parish Office Building
Blue Room**

Senior Group:

**Senior Outing: Join us August 20 at
Ramsey's (Brighton Place)**

**in Lexington at 11:30 am. RSVP to Tina
Flinchum. If you need to Carpool meet at the
church at 10:30am.**

**Senior Potluck Lunch in the Hall on
August 3 at 11:30 am. All are invited to
attend.**

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL:

Meeting August 4 at 7pm

SVDP Item of the Month: Goldfish Crackers

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

Next Meeting: July 14 at 7pm

This Month's Special Collections:

**First Weekend of the Month: St. Agatha
July 18/19 Church in Central and Eastern
Europe**

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

Parish Pastoral Council Members: John Stokes,
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:

Skip the Sip: Share the Blessing

Have you ever wondered what skipping on cup of coffee a month could do? For the cost of one cup of coffee you could...help repaint the Parish Hall (Building Fund), refinish the front doors of the church (Building Fund), cover a box of donuts on Sunday morning (Hospitality), help buy bereavement meal supplies (Bereavement), and the list goes on. Drop the cost of one cup of coffee in the wicker coffee cups in the back of church. Your generosity helps in so many ways!! **Thank you to the generous souls who took the time to participate in the kick off weekend of Skip the Sip! We raised \$249.** We will report monthly going forward on our progress and project. Together we can find a simple way to Maintain our Parish, which is not a simple feat. Blessings and thank you!

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!!!

We are in great need of Lectors, Communion Ministers and Servers, a Saturday Night Sacristan, Offertory Collection Counters, Coffee and Donuts and Altar Linen Volunteer (take home position). 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.



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St. Agatha Academy News:

SAA Donation Spotlight: Meade Wireless

Composition Books, Elmers Glue or a Ream of Copy Paper

Each month we will spotlight a school need that will help our parents and teachers. Items will be things that wear out or need to be replaced regularly at the expense of the parent or teacher. This is a small way to make a big impact. Items can be left in the back of church or dropped off at the school or parish office. Thank you for your generosity and support.



Volunteer Opportunity: We are looking for volunteers to join our Spaghetti Supper planning committee. Planning will get underway once school has begun. Contact Miss Thompson if you can help be a part of this major fundraising event. stagatha@cdlex.org

St. Agatha Academy enrollment for 2026-27 school year!

We accept CCAP for our preschool students as a means to assist you in paying tuition, and offer tuition assistance as well for grades K-8. Email Kathleen Thompson at stagatha@cdlex.org Or contact the school office at 859-744-6484 for enrollment information and to learn more about our faith-filled, Catholic classical education community.

Come discover what has made St. Agatha Academy so special since 1919!

Upcoming Events:

August 5: PreK & Kindergarten Parent Orientation 6 pm

August 6: Grades 1-8 Parent Orientation 6 pm

Kickoff with a Backpack Blessing at 6 pm: students are invited to bring their backpacks for a blessing to begin our new

August 7: Montessori Student Orientation

Faith Formation:

Kathie Schweikart

July 23: Youth Group 6pm

July 25: 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory Book Club 1 pm

July 26: OCIA 9:45am in the office blue room

ARE YOU or SOMEONE YOU KNOW ...

interested in becoming Catholic contact Kathie at 859-808-1269.

Mass Intentions are available for the Months of November and December 2026 and the new year 2027. 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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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



St. Apollinaris of Ravenna
Feast: July 20

Mentioned in the *Acts of the Apostles*. Spiritual student of Saint Peter the Apostle. First bishop of Ravenna, Italy; as such he faced nearly constant persecution. He and his flock were exiled from Ravenna during the persecutions of Emperor Vespasian. On his way out of the city he was identified, arrested as being the leader, tortured, and martyred. Noted miracle worker. Centuries after his death he appeared in a vision to Saint Romuald. **Born:** Antioch, Turkey **Died:** run through with a sword c.79 at Ravenna, Italy; relics at the Benedictine abbey of Classe, Ravenna and in Saint Lambert's church, Düsseldorf, Germany **Canonized:** Pre-Congregation

THE HISTORY OF SAINT JOSEPH...

FORMER PASTORS OF ST. JOSEPH: Father Edward Healy: 1887-1892; Father Thomas Major: 1892-1895; Father William Ryan: 1895-1909; Msgr. Herbert Hillenmeyer: 1909-1915; Msgr. George O' Bryan: 1915-1928; Father Henry Schulte: 1928-1946; Father William O'Hare: 1946-1947

Pause and Pray: Talk Less, Listen More

Reflect: My grandmother had a wisdom nugget she would share from time to time: "There is a reason God gave us one mouth and two ears: We need to listen more!" St. Benedict was known to share with those who sought a different way of life through monasticism, "Listen with the ear of your heart." I think both my grandma and Benedict's wisdom are needed more than ever in today's world. **Pray:** God of Peace, Sometimes I do all the talking in my relationship with you, and you never get a word in! Show me how to listen to you and others with the ear of my heart. Teach me how to listen well so that I may be a calming presence to those in my life. Amen. **Act:** Spend some time reflecting upon the relationships and people in your daily life. Do you do most (or a majority) of the talking? Why or why not? What about *listening with the ear of your heart* is a challenge sometimes? Consider where God may be inviting you to learn and grow. *Albert Haase, OFM*

Información de comunidad Español

¡Hola a todos!

Esta semana es el decimosexto domingo en Tiempo Ordinario. Este domingo tenemos otra larga lectura del Evangelio, y está llena de las parábolas de las que hablamos la semana pasada. Creo que estas son parábolas realmente difíciles de entender, especialmente si recordamos que las parábolas de Jesús no son sobre nosotros.

Sin embargo, no he decidido si quiero volver a predicar sobre las parábolas. Realmente estoy pensando en nuestra segunda lectura de Romanos 8. Si no estás familiarizado con los romanos, es una lectura fascinante. Desafortunadamente, los romanos se han convertido más en un campo de batalla de dogmas entre diferentes tipos de cristianos, pero no creo que la carta haya sido pensada para leerse así.

En nuestra lectura de este fin de semana, Pablo nos dice que el Espíritu intercede por nosotros con gemidos que no pueden expresarse en el habla. Esto en realidad pertenece a los versículos anteriores que leímos la semana pasada sobre que toda la creación está en dolores de parto. Los gemidos son los gemidos de alguien con dolor. No son el grito extático de una experiencia espiritual. La creación (y nosotros mismos, por extensión) está sufriendo hasta que la nueva creación llegue. Pablo está diciendo que el Espíritu ora dentro de nosotros en medio de este dolor, especialmente cuando no nos quedan palabras.

Creo que este es el papel del Espíritu Santo en el mundo y en la Iglesia. Vive en medio del dolor de este mundo mientras también es quien está cambiando este mundo. El Espíritu toma tu dolor y agotamiento y clama por ti al Padre. Hay un par de cosas que se pueden sacar de esto. Primero, nos muestra que el sufrimiento y la dificultad son parte de la vida cristiana. Jesús nunca prometió que todos seríamos bendecidos y felices si lo seguimos. De hecho, dijo: "En este mundo tendrás problemas". Si luchas en tu vida de fe, eso no es señal de que estés descalificado o malo. Segundo, nos recuerda que Dios está activamente con nosotros en nuestro dolor, no solo como un observador lejano, sino como alguien que comparte nuestro dolor y está trabajando para hacer algo al respecto. La próxima vez que las cosas se vean muy mal y tengas miedo y no sepas qué decir, recuerda que el Espíritu Santo está contigo trayendo tus gemidos ante el trono del Padre. Padre Rob



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

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

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



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