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Reconciliation/Confession:

Thursday 5:30-6pm

Baptism: by appointment

Marriage Prep: Notify the priest six months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick & Visits

Please call the office if you know of someone in need of a pastoral visit.

Diocesan Website: www.cdlex.org

Mass times:

Sunday 10:30am

4:00pm Spanish

Thursday 6pm

*Confession 5:30 on Thurs.
10AM on Sun.*

Sixth Sunday of Easter

MASS INTENTIONS

May 14... Jodi Ortiz
May 18... Families in Need
May 21... Jim Shaw
May 25... Peace in Ukraine
May 28... Patty Schmidt
June 1... For Our Community
June 4... Ann Bonfield
June 8... For Those Traveling



A Word from Fr. Jim: Sunday, May 14, 2023

After mass last Sunday, in attempting to explain my practice of not using bells to highlight the epiclesis of the eucharistic prayer, I **incorrectly** cited the GIRM as mandating their non-use when in fact it does allow their use. In order to further explain the non-use of bells, I contacted the Dean of the St John's Seminary in Minnesota from which I received my priestly training to ask why I had been taught such non-use as the preferred practice during the epiclesis and institution. St John's is well known for its contributions to Vatican II liturgical reforms with a number of its priests/liturgical reformers attending as consultants to the bishops who voted for those reforms.

The dean confirmed the Seminary's preference since "it regards the entire eucharistic liturgy as important" and not just the epiclesis. "By accenting the epiclesis and the words of institution by the ringing of bells, the assembly might unintentionally be diminishing the importance of the liturgy of the word, the offertory and communion."

A similar concern motivated my policy that the saying of the rosary **aloud** before mass be discontinued. When such practice continues along with the ringing of the bells, it becomes easier for our children and some other church members to assume they are a necessary part of the mass whose absence diminishes "the source and summit of our lives" or, worse, invalidates it.

New Beginnings
PREGNANCY & RESOURCE CENTER

Baby Bottles Return!

New Beginnings in Winchester has asked for our participation in the Baby Bottle Donations! Starting on Mothers' Day (**Sunday, May 14, 2023**) the campaign will begin and they will need to be returned on Fathers' Day (**Sunday, June 18, 2023**). Bottles are at the back of church.



The Letter Viewing

Wednesday, May 24, 2023
@ 6:30PM

In the Parish Hall. Refreshments will be provided.

May Birthdays

5/14-- Trevor James Pate
5/15-- Steve Lane, Rosa Villasana, Marsha Walker
5/16-- Jose Mata-Renia
5/17-- Alexia Cervantes, AnAjeli Mata-Renia, Mercedita Oney, Daniel Pecina, Dayanara Villeda, Sr. Liz Wehri
5/19-- Joyce Enoch
5/21-- Pat Romano
5/22-- Angelica Miracle
5/23-- Ronaldo Enriquez Cruz, Gisselle Enriquez
5/26-- Betty Bernard
5/29-- Bryce Gomes, Lynn Parsons, Maria Vargas
5/31-- Ana Hernandez, Isaul Mata-Reina, Freddie Pecina, Mike Shouse



“Fifth Sunday” Collection Thank You

On behalf of St. Agatha’s Academy, we wish to thank St. Patrick’s parishioners for their generous support thru your 5th Sunday collection in helping one of your parish families with tuition, books and fees assistance. We want to assure you that all this money is being applied to this family’s account and the additional money will be used in the future to offset any shortfalls that they or any other St. Patrick’s parish family attends St. Agatha Academy my experience. This helps provide a Catholic education for 3 young children. Once again, we thank you much for this generous support.

Deacon Ron & Fr. Kinney



Upcoming Second Collection

Next week our special collection supports the

Catholic Communications Campaign. This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. **Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Lexington** to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

The Sterling Food Coalition needs your help!

The Sterling Food Coalition has seen an increase in the amount of people coming to their doors, and they are in dire need of donations. They are in need of non-perishable items (pantry items). Some popular items include:

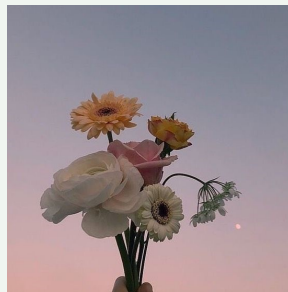


- ◆ Peanut butter
- ◆ Canned soup
- ◆ Chef Boyardee (large and single serve cans)

If you have any donations, please call Jackie Jones @ (661)-902-9552.

Monument Blessing at St. Thomas Cemetery

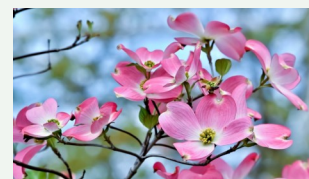
Sunday, May 14, 2023 @ 3PM



A monument is being erected at the St. Thomas Cemetery for the unborn and the dedication is **today**. Fr. Frank Brawner will be blessing the monument and everyone has been invited to come to the ceremony.

Dogwoods at St. Thomas Cemetery

The church has purchased **6 dogwood trees** to be planted at St. Thomas Cemetery. If you would like to reimburse the church for one or more of these, they are **\$250/per tree**. They will be planted and will have an “In Memory” plaque placed in front of them.



ATTENTION!

There are a couple of construction projects coming up regarding the church. Estimated start time will be the coming week or the following week.

The front doors will not be open during those times once construction begins. Please use the side handicap door to access the church.

