Sunday March 5, 2023 2nd Sunday of Lent

+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Monday, March 6, 6:00pm, at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, March 7, 6:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, March 8, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney 6:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, March 9, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Alice Line+"

Friday, March 10, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney Saturday, March 11, 4:00pm, at Holy Cross-Wendelin " J.V Frohning+, Robert N. & Bernadette Kocher+"

5:00pm, at St. Joseph-Olney **Sunday, March 12,** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville **10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Sharon Correll+"**

KEEP CONNECTED: with the church and receive important messages and updates via text and email! Sign up for Flocknote by texting stjoeholycross to 84576 to get connected.

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. Feb 26, 2023

(60) Envelopes \$2507.00 Loose \$102.00 (4) Building \$375.00 (1) Messenger \$30.00 (1) Black & Indian Mission \$25.00 (11) CSMA \$2415.00, (4) Easter Flowers \$150.00

TOTAL: \$5604.00

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *OUR SICK

Devin Deisher, Shirley Atwood, Wyatt Hayes (Grandson of Herb & Martha Deimel), Tim Schnautz, Norma Weidner, Doug Frichtl, Sam & Hermena Medernach

March Liturgical Ministers	
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
Open/Lock/Greet:	Open/Lock/Greet:
Sheryl Klingler	Gregg & Milissa Weber
Eucharistic Ministers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
Breanne Buerster	Patrick Slover
Lectors:	Lectors:
James Kistner	Kylie Rauch
Money Counters:	
Herb & Martha Deimel	
Ushers:	<u> Ushers:</u>
Greg Sandschafer	Danny Quinn
Daniel Baker	Aaron Eggers

MASS SERVERS:

Sat. March 4 Hank & Clara Weidner Sun. March 5 Brayden & Brooke Bergbower

Sat. March 11 Noah & Victoria Rudolphi Sun. March 12 Beau & Bella Stevens*

CRMH COMMUNION:

Maria Rudolphi (618) 752-5900 March 12th Martha Deimel (618) 663-8275 March 19th Ellen Weber (618) 752-5225 April 9th Lynn Weidner (618) 723-2426 April 16th Diane Schackmann (217) 343-8799 April 30th Jason Warfel (618) 562-5822 May 14th Maria Rudolphi (618) 752-5900 May 21st

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, March 5, 8:00am, CYM assisting at Mass at St. Joseph-Olney

9:00am, CYM Meeting at St. Joseph-Olney

6:30pm, Parish Mission at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Monday, March 6, 6:00pm, Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown followed by 6:30pm, Parish Mission at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, March 7, 6:00pm Mass at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville followed by 6:30pm, Parish Mission at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, March 8, 12:00pm (Noon), East Vicariate Clergy Meeting at Holy Cross-Wendelin

6:00pm Mass at St. Joseph-Olney followed by 6:30pm, Parish Mission at St. Joseph-Olney

Friday, March 10, 12:00pm (noon) Finance Council at St. Joseph-Olney

6:30pm, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at St. Joseph-Stringtown

6:30pm, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

7:00pm, Euchre Tournament at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Monday, March 13, 10:00am, Bishop Consultor Meeting in Belleville

11:00am, Presbyteral Council Meeting in Belleville 1:30pm, Vicar Forane Meeting with the Bishop in Belleville

6:30pm, First Reconciliation/Parish Reconciliation at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, March 14, 9:00am, St. Joseph-Stringtown Investment Portfolio Meeting at Trust Bank 6:30pm, First Reconciliation/Parish Reconciliation at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, March 15, 9:00am, Reconciliation for parish and students at St. Joseph-Olney

6:30pm, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, March 17, 6:30pm, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at St. Joseph-Stringtown 6:30pm, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Our parishes will be engaged in a Lenten Parish Mission., Sunday, March 5 at 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin. Then on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, we will begin with mass at 6:00pm followed with a reflection by Dr. Ginter. I encourage to attend each of these four nights. On the Friday's of Lent, mass will be celebrated at 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney. Please note the days and times of Reconciliation and the praying of the Stations of the Cross.

PICNIC NEWS:

Heads of Stand meeting on Tuesday March 21st at 6:30pm in the Parish Center.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS HOLY CROSS PARISH

CENTER, Sponsored by Family Life of Holy Cross. \$3.00 per player admission. Cash prizes awarded 1st, 2nd, 3rd place. Free popcorn. Soda/water available for purchase. Public Welcome to Attend! **March 10**th **7pm**, **and March 19**th, **6pm**. (you may bring your favorite adult beverage.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Rise, and be not afraid

There is so much that can occur in one day alone, that can invoke fear, anger, and tremendous hurt. It is very easy to get caught up in the emotions, the thoughts, and the adrenaline. We then use our voices to slander, judge, and invoke fear, anger, and hurt. The present moment is given to each one of us to be Christ-like or Satan-like. These days of Lent strive to live each day with Christ-like love! Our gracious Lord tells us to Rise and be not afraid! Rise from your sins -reach for the hand of our Lord-Live a Life of Love! **Keep to the J.O.Y.S.**

FROM BISHOP McGOVERN:

The Memorial of Saint Patrick falls on a Friday this year. Mindful of traditions related to the celebration of the Feast of St. Patrick, Bishop McGovern has granted Catholics in the Diocese of Belleville a dispensation (an exemption) from the obligation to abstain from eating meat on Saint Patrick's Day on Friday, March 17, 2023. Catholics who avail themselves of this dispensation are encouraged to abstain from meat on some other day as part of their penitential practices during Lent. On Tuesday of Holy Week, April 4, **2023,** I will celebrate the Chrism Mass at 11 AM in the Cathedral of St. Peter. During this Mass, with the Priests, Deacons, confirmandi, and members of the Christian Faithful gathered together, I will consecrate the Sacred Chrism and bless the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick that will be used throughout our Diocese in the coming year. Want to Make A Difference in the Life of a Child? Retired too Soon and Still Want to Teach and/or

Lead? Why not Collect Your Retirement and Work in a Catholic School? We Want You and Our Students Need You! Come Share Your Expertise and Passion in a Faith Based Setting! Contact the Diocese of Belleville, Office of Education at officeofeducation@diobelle.org for More Information!

FROM FR. MARK

Like Abraham in today's first reading, we are on a journey. The circumstances of our lives are always changing. As we get older, we find that we can't do things they way we used to, so we learn to do things differently. Change isn't always easy; so, if we're smart, we learn to be flexible. This is true in our spiritual lives also. We must learn to be more sensitive to the many ways the Lord is working in us and through us. Lent is a time for developing this deeper sensitivity to God's presence and love. St. Paul reminds us that there are a few things that never change. They become the sure foundation for our Christian living:

- God has saved us in Jesus, who has robbed death of its power and has brought us life and immortality. • Salvation is a grace - a gift of God. We have done nothing and can do nothing to merit it. The gift is ours because God loves us with great compassion. • We are called to live a holy life, bearing our share of the hardship which living and sharing the gospel entails. Like Peter, James and John, we have heard and believed the voice from the clouds: "Jesus is my beloved Son on whom my favor rests. Listen to him." Listening to Jesus is a vital part of our living a holy life. Our willingness to take the time to listen to Jesus is the primary way that we grow in our sensitivity to God's working in us. Our listening can take many forms:
- Personal prayer Meditating on the life and passion of Jesus Spiritual reading Attentiveness to the needs of the people around us.

Lent is a graced time for moments of listening. What we will hear will point out the direction our journey with the Lord will take. None of us will probably hear a voice from the clouds, as the

disciples did. God will speak to us in less obvious ways, but he will speak. He speaks in every event of our lives, in every person who crosses our path. As we grow in greater sensitivity to his presence in everything and everyone around us, we will more easily understand what he is telling us about ourselves and what he wants us to say and do each day. Our daily journey becomes an ever-growing dialogue with our God who loves us and calls us to be one with him.

These days of Lent are graced. Let's be sure we take the time to accept the graces God has prepared for us and grow in our baptismal commitment.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Thanks to our families and parishioners for the quick and generous response to our Annual Giving Campaign! We are grateful for your ongoing financial support and prayers.

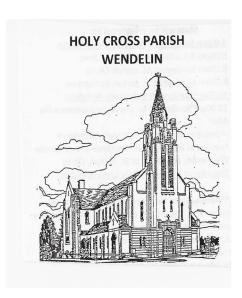
Wednesday, March 8th and Thursday, March 9th - 8th Graders to Memphis

Friday, March 10th - No School

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Thursday, March 9: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM. Friday, March 10: Fish Fry Night, 5-7PM Olney City Park Community Building. Dine in or Carry Out. Open to the public. Adults \$12. Children 12 and under \$6.**Sunday, March 12:** Regional Free Throw Competition at Breese, Mater Dei High School, 1PM. Carter Seaman, Hudson Kuhn, Carly Seiler, Briley Wilson, Carly Kessler, Leo Tompson, Kolton Mclaren, Knox Dorn, Leah Kuenstler, Austin Kuenstler- Laney Peavler and Carlie Van Blaricum Thursday, March 16: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM. Saturday, March 25: State Spelling Bee at Central Catholic High School in Bloomington, 1PM. Sunday, March 26: K of C led Rosary at 7:40AM before the Olney, St. Joe Mass. Wednesday, April **20:** Deadline for applications for \$250 Scholarships to Olney Seniors whose father is a Council member. Applications are at the Guidance office at the Olney High School and at the back of churches.

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2nd Sunday of Lent
Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It
is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not
your face from me.



CEMETERY NEWS:

Mowing season will soon be upon us. You have until March 31st to remove any flowers, grave blankets from your loved ones graves. After this time, any items left on the ground will be removed and disposed of in preparation of mowing season. PLEASE REMEMBER, during mowing season April thru October, ALL FLOWERS must be off the ground to make is easier to maintain our cemetery.

Holy Cross Church-Wendelin 5782 Ingraham Lane, Newton, IL 62448 Website - - <u>www.holycrosswendelin.com</u> <u>Mass Schedule:</u> Thurs., 6:30pm Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am

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