ST. JOSEPH - STRINGTOWN

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Collection Total for September 21, 2025

Envelopes: $940.00 (27)
Loose: $155.00
Total: $1,095.00

Weekly Amount Needed: $1,400.00
Building Fund: $175.00 (5)
CSMA: $1,000.00. (1)
Retired Priest: $50.00 (4)
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September Bulletins: In Memory of George Aubrey McIntire by Ralph & Sue McIntire
September Missalettes: In Memory of Kathy Zuber
**Contact Ashley to schedule for 2026!
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PARISH EVENTS:

Monday, September 29 – Young Adults Bible Study at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish House, 7pm.
Tuesday, September 30– ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.
Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 10am.
Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm.
Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Olney, 5pm.
Wednesday, October 1 – Sisters in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish Center, 5:30pm.
Family Catechesis at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 6:30pm.
Thursday, October 2 – Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.
Brothers in Christ at Holy Cross Parish House, 7pm.
Saturday, October 4 – Confirmation Commitment Weekend, All Parishes!
First Saturday at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning at 8:15am.
Middle School Youth Group at Holy Cross-**Wendelin, Following 4pm Mass.**
MC4C Bonfire at Holy Cross-Wendelin, Following 4pm Mass.
Wednesday, October 8 – Holy Cross Parish Office is CLOSED!
Saturday, October 11 and Sunday, October 12 – 2nd Graders will receive Blessing Cups at ALL Masses.
Sunday, October 12 – High School Youth Group at St. Joseph-Olney, 5:30pm.
Sunday, October 19 – Young Adults Gathering, 6pm. Details coming soon!
Saturday, October 25 – Middle School Youth Group at St. Joseph-Olney, Following 5pm Mass.
Sunday, October 26 – Tri-Parish CYM Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 8-10:30am.
High School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.
Tuesday, October 28 – Young Adults Bible & Brews at HVs. Social 6:30pm, Talk at 7pm – TBD.
Wednesday, October 29th – CYM Halloween Pickleball Tourney at the Drey, 6;30pm. Contact Tyler to register.
Thursday, October 30 – All Saints Rosary 6pm, Mass 6:30pm, Trunk or Treat to Follow at Holy Cross-Wendelin.

CAROLINE TRIMBLE - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

Amen, Amen, I say to you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man. John 1:51

Yes, Angels are real! And they are mighty glorious, beautiful, powerful, and magnificent in every way. We honor the three Archangels - *St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael* – September 29th. These 'holy angels' are found throughout the Old and New Testament helping, healing, warning, and guarding. They continue today to offer the same touch of God to our lives too. How does one seek their assistance you might ask? The *St. Michael* prayer is one avenue to enlist the mighty angelic warrior for his assistance in our lives from the snares and temptations of Satan. We can ask *St. Gabriel* to proclaim the wonders of God in us, and *St. Raphael* is God's remedy- he brings healing to the afflicted, and he can help bring healing in our lives, too. The feast day of the Guardian Angels, October 2nd, God has given each of us a Guardian angel for protection from physical and spiritual harm, guidance in decision-making, and intercession with God. Take time each day to speak to your -personal angel- and ask for help! Here is a little prayer you can say each day and night. *Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day[night] be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.* Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us!*

SISTERS IN CHRIST:

Sisters in Christ will take a little "fall break". The new book and return date will be shared in the upcoming weeks. Always be grateful for the days that the Lord gives you." ~ Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher (October 6th)

BAPTISM:

The Sacrament of Baptism represents the first step in a lifelong journey of discipleship. To inquire about a Baptism and/or to schedule a date, contact Caroline Trimble, Pastoral Associate.

FAMILY CATECHESIS:

Join us at our next Family Catechesis Gathering on October 1st at 6:30pm. We will meet in the Parish Center at Holy Cross followed by a presentation for Adults and an activity for the Youth. Man should tremble, the world should vibrate, all Heaven should be deeply moved when the Son of God appears on the altar in the hands of the priest." ~ St. Francis of Assisi (October 4th)

ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

We welcome Fr. Michael Caruso, Diocesan director of Education, Tuesday, September 30!
NED's Resiliency Ride, a character-ed program filled with storytelling, humor and yo-yo tricks, visits on Thursday, October 2.
Bring your pets on Friday, October 3 at 2:30pm for a Pet Blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi! We will meet in the grassy lot north of the school.

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Sunday, September 28: Knight led Rosary before Olney 8AM Mass. **Thursday, October 9:** 3rd Degree Meeting, 7pm. **Thursday, October 16:** 4th Degree Meeting, 7pm. **Sunday, October 26:** Knight Led Rosary before Olney 8am Mass. **Can you volunteer for an hour for Tootsie Rolls? -** Contact Scott Seiler. IGA on 10/3: Noon-6pm. (Volunteers needed 4-6pm!), IGA on 10/4: 8am-Noon. (Covered by Special Olympics! **Kudos to the Soccer Kick Challenge winners**: Elliot Dobbs, Haven Hensley, Brooklyn VanBlaricum, Meira Cotterell, Belle Graves, Lauren French, Sadie Seiler, Pierce White, Gavin Ochs, Cruz Padilla, Hudson Bible, Kolsyn Erwin, Camden Blank, and Hayden Womack! These winners qualify for the Regional at Charleston, Linder Sports Complex at 2924 Community Dr., October 25th.

SIGN UP FOR FORMED.ORG SUBSCRIPTION:

Your parish has gifted you a subscription! This is Catholic streaming for everyone. There are movies, kid programming, bible studies, audiobooks and more for your family to use. To access this for your Smart TV, computer, or phone, just download the app, go to www.formed.org and enter the Zip Code: 62448, Tri-Parish Newton, IL. will appear. Just create a login and you can watch on all your devices. **The Week of September 28th Recommendations:** St. Therese, St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction, St. Jerome.

ST. JOSEPH SMORGASBOARD & BAZAAR:

St. Joseph Church-Olney Smorgasbord and Bazaar will be held Sunday, October 19th from 11am-1:30pm. Meal includes pork loin, noodles, baked beans, corn, mashed potatoes, rolls, salads and desserts. Adults $12, Children 5-10 $8, Children 4 and under FREE, and take out meals $12. Bazaar includes chance stand, country store, cake stand and games including plinko, bag toss, sucker draw, and more! Raffle drawings will be held at 2pm. Come join the fun!

MC4C MARRIED CATHOLICS FOR CHRIST:
Inviting all married and engaged couples. Please join us after Mass on Saturday, October 4th for an evening of good food and fellowship as we celebrate the vocation of marriage. BBQ will be provided as well as table service. Please bring a finger food or dessert to share, a lawn chair, and your own drink. RSVP to Sandi Kessler at 618-676-5080.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:
"The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt. 25:40)."**NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.* USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Live the Gospel of Life" respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life

VOCATION CORNER:
This Sunday is Priesthood Sunday – a day set aside to celebrate Priesthood and all those who have accepted it as their life's work. When praying the rosary today, offer the first decade for the priest who **baptized** you, the second for the priest who gave you **first Communion**, the third for the bishop who **confirmed** you, the fourth for the priest who **witnessed your marriage** or the bishop who **ordained you** (or will do so in the future), and the fifth decade for the priest who will **anoint you at your death.** These are the priests who have been with you in your life.

2025 CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL:
A most heartfelt thanks to all those who have already responded with a gift to the 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. If you have not done so as yet, there's still plenty of time. One-time donations or pledges – in any amount – are needed and can be made through your parish or at www.diobelle.org (click on "Giving to the Diocese"). Your generosity supports 17 agencies and programs that daily serve thousands of people. Please consider making your gift today or at any time you are able in the coming months. We also ask for your prayers for the success of this year's appeal and all those we serve. Thank you and may God bless you always.

AMEN APP:
A FREE Catholic Prayer, Meditation, and Scripture App. The Amen app is the free Catholic prayer app that inspires your daily conversation with God through faithful meditations and nourishing Scripture. Please enjoy this latest offering from the Augustine Institute. Scan QR code with your phone camera. Download and app and enjoy the content you want. Visit amenapp.org for more information.

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Rick Rennier, Teresa Zehner, Judy Brown, Brenda Zuber, Valerie Weidner, Steve Zuber, Carolyn Elie, Linda McWhirter, Deacon Jack Shuster, Brad Robards

Thank you, Fr. Steven and Fr. Levi!

Sunday, September 28, 2025
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 28, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Herman, Ethel, & Kathleen Zwilling✝" "Bill & Catherine Zwilling✝"
Monday, September 29, NO MASS
Tuesday, September 30, NO MASS – Prayer Service at 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
Wednesday, October 1, NO MASS – 8:00am Prayer Service at St. Joseph-Olney
Thursday, October 2, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Friday, October 3, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Saturday, October 4, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Sunday, October 5, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Clara Kocher✝", 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney**,** 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

09/28/2025
Servers:
Delana Sterchi
Grayson Sterchi
Brady Ochs
Lector:
Laura Sterchi
EMHC:
Gary Kocher
Beth Kocher
Ian Kocher
Gifts:
John Ochs
Family
Ushers:
Harold Boehl
Werner Kocher
Greeters:
Bill Zuber
Children's Liturgy:
Joselyn & Mallory

10/05/2025
Servers:
Kerigan Kocher
Will Volk
Gabriel Volk
Lector:
Wayne Kocher
EMHC:
Scott Seiler
Janette Kocher
Gary Zwilling
Gifts:
Chad & Jenny
Hancock Family
Ushers:
Jack & Jared
Weidner
Greeters:
Caden Kocher
Children's Liturgy:
Madison & Natalie

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Sunday, September 28th, 2025
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

✝ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✝

Mon. Sep. 29	No mass	
Tue. Sep. 30	No mass	
Wed. Oct. 1	**8:05 am**	Prayer service
Thu. Oct. 2	6:30 PM	at Wendelin
Fri. Oct. 3	**8:00 am**	**First Friday**
Sat. Oct. 4	**First Saturday**	
9:00 am	at Wendelin	
4:00 PM	at Wendelin	
5:00 PM	***Joe Hubbard***	
	Jeff, Jeanette, & Jamie Ping	
Sun. Oct. 5		
8:00 am	***Dudley Chamberlin***	
	Ed Pool	
	Eleanor Steber	
8:00 am	at Stringtown	
10:00 am	at Wendelin	
10:00 am	at Lawrenceville	

OUR SEPTEMBER SPONSORS
Bulletins: Carolyn Hartrich
Missalettes: Anonymous Parishioner

OUR TITHES FOR SEPTEMBER 21st
Parish Operating Expense per Week = $9,847.00
Envelopes: $6,055 (106) Loose: $143
Retired Diocesan Priests: $110 (3)
Guatemala: $35 (3)

Let Us Pray For: Dolores Hemrich, Clara Rose Wilson, Kenneth Ochs, Valerie Weidner, Julie Oesch, Deacon Jack, Margaret Burgener, Fr. Bill, Fr. Joe Erbacher, Jeff Beard, Judy Spitz, John Bower, Jerry L. Harper, Emery Oesch, Gene Bergbower, Luke G. Kocher, Marlene Harris, Bessie Rossiano, Mary Rowark, Tony Tredway, Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, and Ruth Zwilling.

Congratulations to newly baptized *Benton Lee Cowman*, son of Tyler and Michelle (Weiler) Cowman.

~ AROUND OUR PARISHES ~

Saturday, September 27th
- Mass for ***Donald Kocher*** and ***Jean, Norman, & Joseph Zwilling.***

Sunday, September 28th
- Mass for ***Fr. Jerry Wirth.***
- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass. All students in grades K-3 are welcome to attend.

September 29th – October 1st
- There will be no masses Monday, September 29th through Wednesday, October 1st. Fr. Steven and Fr. Levi will be at convocation. On Wednesday, October 1st there will be a prayer service at 8 am.

Tuesday, September 30th
- 12 PM - 3 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Olney. There must always be 2 people in the church.
- 5:00 PM, Sister's in Christ meet in conference room B at St. Joseph, Olney. This will be the final meeting for the current book.

Wednesday, October 1st
- Prayer service at 8:05.
- Praying the rosary after service, Olney.
- 12 noon, Bulletin deadline.
- St. Joseph, Olney at Good Samaritan.
- 6:30 PM, Family Catechesis Gathering will meet in the Parish Center at Holy Cross followed by a presentation for adults and an activity for the youth. The evening will offer you Saints that will leave your hearts full of maternal love! Let us continue to Follow in the Footsteps of the Saints!

Friday, October 3rd – First Friday
- 8:00 mass followed by communion delivery.
- St. Joseph, Olney at Good Samaritan.
- 2:30 PM, pet blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi in the grassy lot across from the gym.

Saturday, October 4th – First Saturday
- 9:00 mass at Holy Cross.
- **Confirmation commitment mass** at all masses. All confirmandees are asked to come forward and present their commitment forms on Saturday mass or Sunday mass.

During the month of October, we will be praying the Rosary before all of the Masses, beginning with the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday, October 4, and ending with the 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday, October 26. We will begin a half hour before each Mass. For anyone who wishes to lead the Rosary during those times, there will be a sign-up sheet by the door at the back of the church. Thank you.

St. Joseph School News

- We welcome Fr. Michael Caruso, Diocesan director of Education, Tuesday, September 30!
- NED's Resiliency Ride, a character-ed program filled with storytelling, humor and yo-yo tricks, visits on Thursday, October 2.
- Bring your pets on Friday, October 3 at 2:30 for a Pet Blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi! We will meet in the grassy lot north of the school.
- The fall parish newsletter and annual giving report will be arriving in your mailboxes soon.
- We are incredibly grateful to Dan Hahn for his generous dedication to this important communication. For over 17 years, he volunteered his time and talent to write articles and create a beautiful finished product for our school and parish.
- We would also like to extend a warm thank you to Micah Peavler, who has graciously taken on this vital work and created this year's newsletter.

CALENDAR WINNERS - $25
Sep. 22: Paige Ginder (#434)
Sep. 23: Matt Zuber & Family (#494)
Sep. 24: Travis Park (#279)
Sep. 25: Carrie Hallam (#023)
Sep. 26: Mark Tegeler (#454)

Family Catechesis

All Saints Family Rosary and Mass at Holy Cross
Come dressed as your favorite Saint!

October 30, 2025
Rosary 6:00 PM
Mass 6:30 PM
Trunk or Treat afterwards!

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **On behalf of the Parish & Family Life committee**, we would like to thank the 8 couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries this past weekend. We had a wonderful day starting with mass, photos and a delicious breakfast prepared by Valerie McVaigh. We were blessed to have three couples celebrating their 55th anniversary; ***John & Debbie Jones, Gene & Sandy Fehrenbacher and Janie & Doug Tompson; Karen & John Dehlinger*** celebrated their 40th anniversary; ***Allyson & Angel Padilla*** celebrated their 20th anniversary and 3 couples celebrated their 10th anniversary; ***Casey & Tyler Hemrich, Sarah & Cody Crane and Chelsey & Tommy Oilar***. Thank you and Congratulations to all that participated in this special event.
- **The Parish and Family Life committee** will be sponsoring a community outreach project for November, **serving meals** to our community's First Responders. Our goal is to provide meals to as many departments of the community as we have donations for including; Richland County Sheriff's department, Olney City Police, Carle Ambulance service, as well as our area fire departments. We will be delivering platters of ham and cheese, along with bread, chips, cookies, and drinks. If anyone from our Parish would like to make a monetary donation to help cover expenses or to provide a food item (little bags of chips, cookies, bread, or individual drinks) for this service project, please bring items to the St. Joseph parish office or one of our committee members. Please have donations brought in by **Sunday, November 2nd**. Thank you.
- **Tri-Parish CYM** will hold their annual pancake breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, October 26th at Stringtown. Serving from 8:00-10:30. More info coming soon!
- **St. Lawrence Catholic Church** will have their annual picnic in the Lawrenceville City Park on **Sunday, October 5**. Mass will be at the park at 10 am followed by lunch and bingo. Please bring a covered dish to share. Fun for the whole family!

~ SMORGASBORD NEWS ~

- The 2025 **St. Joseph Church Smorgasbord and Bazaar** will be held on **Sunday, October 19** in the cafeteria and gymnasium. Lunch will be served from 11 AM to 1:30 PM. Adults: $12, Children (ages 5-10): $8, Children 4 & under: Free, All Takeout: $12. The meal will include pork loin, noodles, baked beans, corn, mashed potatoes, rolls and desserts. Homebound meal delivery is available. Please call Casey Hemrich at the church office (618-392-8181) with name, address, and phone number. Drive-Thru/Pickup meals available on Elliot Street by the Parish Office. Bazaar includes Chance Stand, Cake Stand, Country Store and games! Raffles drawings at 2:00 PM. All are welcome for food, fun, and friendship!
- **Cash Raffle Tickets Available:** The tickets are $20 each. The prizes are: 1st prize- $5,000, 2nd prize- $1,000, (2) 3rd prizes- $500, (4) 4th prizes- $250, (10) 5th prizes; $100, (20) 6th prizes- $50. If you are willing to sell or buy tickets, please call the parish office (618-392-8181). Tickets are available to pick up or buy in the Parish Office.
- **Quilt Raffle Tickets**: You may put sold raffle tickets in an envelope marked 'Quilt Raffle' and place them in the collection.
- **Please review** the workers list. If your name is not listed or if you would like to fill an empty spot, call Lauren Tibbs (618-367-6268).
- **Please complete** the donation form for pies and cakes, etc. Mark what you would like to bring and return form by October 12. Monetary donations are always appreciated.
- **Country Store**: Many items are needed for the Country Store. These include canned produce, baked goods, cookies, bread, sweet rolls, etc. Call Mischelle Doll (618-843-4925) with any questions.
- **Cake Stand:** We will need many varieties of cakes! Example: Bundt cakes, cupcakes, decorated fun cakes and more. Please put these cakes on/in disposable containers.
- **Chance Stand:** Any new item, gift certificate(s) or cash can be donated (minimum value of $35) for this stand. When possible, please secure multiple small items together to display. Drop off items by 8 AM on Smorgasbord Day or earlier by contacting Lisa Anderson (618-838-2423) or Brianne Kuenstler (618-699-9610).

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

- Thursday, October 9: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.
- Thursday, October 16: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.
- Sunday, October 26th: Knight Led Rosary before Olney 8 am Mass.
- **Can you volunteer an hour for Tootsie Rolls?** At IGA October 3rd, noon to 6 pm? Contact Scott Seiler.
- **Kudos to the Soccer Kick Challenge winners**: Elliot Dobbs, Haven Hensley, Brooklyn VanBlaricum, Meira Cotterell, Belle Graves, Lauren French, Sadie Seiler, Pierce White, Gavin Ochs, Cruz Padilla, Hudson Bible, Kolsyn Erwin, Camden Blank, and Hayden Womack! These winners qualify for the Regional at Charleston, Linder Sports Complex at 2924 Community Dr., October 25th.

Parent Survey

As a parish, we are looking for ways to help our **youngest parishioners** to become more involved within the parish by participating at weekend masses. This survey will help us find some ideas and solutions as to what changes could be made to help increase mass attendance to fulfill our school/parish covenants. **Please fill out** all sections that would benefit the children in your family. The Google Form survey can be found by clicking the QR code. Thank you!

This Sunday is Priesthood Sunday – a day set aside to celebrate Priesthood and all those who have accepted it as their life's work. Please find a prayer for Priests on the bulletin boards by each entrance and celebrate the priests of our parishes.

St. Joseph Church

208 South Elliott St.
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Sunday, September 28, 2025

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

~ St. Joseph Church ~

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Jeffrey Rosenberg ..... Trustee
Elliot Brazil..... Trustee

~ Welcome ~

The St. Joseph Parish family is a community of believers rooted in the teachings of Jesus.

Join us for mass:
Wednesday prayer service 8:05 am
Friday 8:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am

Live streaming of the 8 am masses on Sunday and Wednesday are now available! To watch it live, go to stjosephchurcholney.com or replay anytime.

New parishioners, please register as soon as you move into our parish. Call the Parish Office (618-392-8181) to receive a new member packet

Office hours: Mon. Wed. Fri. 7:30-3:00 pm

Baptism: Contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:30 PM – 4:45 PM or contact the Parish Office.

Marriage: Call 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Any time of need.

~ St. Joseph School ~

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September 28, 2025

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time

+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Saturday, September 27, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Mildred Drewes✝", 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney**,** 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, September 28, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, "Richard Weidner and Elizabeth Weidner✝", 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**,** 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Monday, September 29, NO MASS

Tuesday, September 30, NO MASS - 5:00pm Prayer Service at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, October 1, NO MASS - 8:00am Prayer Service at Saint Joseph-Olney

Thursday, October 2, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Edward & Corrine Wells✝"

Friday, October 3, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Saturday, October 4, 9:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For the Parish", 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Floyd Carter✝" 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney**,** 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, October 5, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Wayne Stark✝" "Henry & Henrietta Deimel✝"

8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**;** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

September Bulletins:
***In Memory of George Weidner* by Lisa & Neal Weber**
September Missalettes:
For the Parish

BULLETIN & MISSALETTE SPONSORS:

Have questions or if interested in scheduling, contact Ashley**. Price to sponsor for a month is $100 for bulletins and $100 for missalettes.**

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sunday, September 21, 2025 (70) Envelope Collection: $2,365.00
Loose: $278.00 – **Total: $2,643.00**

OCTOBER LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Open/Lock/Greet:	**Open/Lock/Greet:**
Marge Kessler	Eric & Kristi
Marty Klingler	Sandschafer
EMHC:	**EMHC:**
Kristy Weidner	Kim Smithenry
Celia Rudolphi	Diane Schackmann
Bev Weidner	Phyllis Eggers
Emma Tinder	Paul Kocher
Lectors:	**Lectors:**
Maria Rudolphi	Kristi Sandschafer

Money Counters:
Keith & Pam Blank

Ushers:	**Ushers:**
Michael Kuenstler	Paul Lybarger
Daniel Baker	Ben Niebrugge
James Rudolphi	Aaron Eggers
Hank Weidner	Danny Quinn

Mass Servers:

Sat. September 27 – Hank, Clara, & Boyd Weidner

Sun. September 28 – Lane Smithenry, Nora & Alex Street

Sat. October 3 – Levi & Noah Rudolphi, Ian Kessler

Sun. October 4 – Alex Street, Blaine & Brooke Bergbower

CRMH Communion:
October 12 – Marge Kessler, October 19 – Sheryl Klingler

Children's Liturgy of the Word:
October 5 – Melissa & Brooke Weidner,
October 12- Alli Kirts & Nora/Alex Street,
October 19 – Nicki Himelick & Hope Zuber,
October 26 – Gracey Himelick & Nicole Kuhl

(4) Building: $625.00, (4) Retired Priests: $195.00

HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:

As of Wednesday, September 24th – **$281,198.57** has been received from 400 donations – thank you!

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Mary Beth Scherer, Gerry Carter, Terry Tolliver, Wesley Frohning, Wilmajean Geier, Cindy Henson (Daughter of Dean Klingler), Lee Patridge, Valerie Weidner, Tonya Hall, Deacon Jack Shuster (Deacon at St. Joseph-Olney), Virginia Blank, Chase Zumbahlen (Family is requesting prayers after Chase suffered a severe motorcycle accident.)

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Tuesday, September 30 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.

Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 10am.

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm.

Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Olney, 5pm.

Wednesday, October 1 – Sisters in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish Center, 5:30pm.

Family Catechesis at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 6:30pm.

Thursday, October 2 – Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.

Brothers in Christ at Holy Cross Parish House, 7pm.

Saturday, October 4 – Confirmation Commitment Weekend, All Parishes!

First Saturday at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning at 8:15am.

Middle School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, Following 4pm Mass.

MC4C Bonfire at Holy Cross-Wendelin, Following 4pm Mass.

Wednesday, October 8 – Holy Cross Parish Office is CLOSED!

Saturday, October 11 and Sunday, October 12 – 2nd Graders will receive Blessing Cups at ALL Masses.

Sunday, October 12 – High School Youth Group at St. Joseph-Olney, 5:30pm.

Sunday, October 19 – Young Adults Gathering, 6pm. Details coming soon!

Saturday, October 25 – Middle School Youth Group at St. Joseph-Olney, Following 5pm Mass.

Sunday, October 26 – Tri-Parish CYM Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 8-10:30am.

High School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.

Tuesday, October 28 – Young Adults Bible & Brews at HVs. Social 6:30pm, Talk at 7pm – TBD.

Wednesday, October 29th – CYM Halloween Pickleball Tourney at the Drey, 6;30pm. Contact Tyler to register.

Thursday, October 30 – All Saints Rosary 6pm, Mass 6:30pm, Trunk or Treat to Follow at Holy Cross-Wendelin.

FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SAINTS:

Join us at our next Family Catechesis Gathering on October 1st at 6:30pm. We will meet in the Parish Center at Holy Cross followed by a presentation for Adults and an activity for the Youth. Man should tremble, the world should vibrate, all Heaven should be deeply moved when the Son of God appears on the altar in the hands of the priest." ~ St. Francis of Assisi (October 4th)

CAROLINE TRIMBLE, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

***Amen, Amen, I say to you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man*. John 1:51** *Yes, Angels are real!* And they are mighty glorious, beautiful, powerful, and magnificent in every way. We honor the three Archangels - *St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael* – September 29th. These 'holy angels' are found throughout the Old and New Testament helping, healing, warning, and guarding. They continue today to offer the same touch of God to our lives too. How does one seek their assistance you might ask? The *St. Michael* prayer is one avenue to enlist the mighty angelic

warrior for his assistance in our lives from the snares and temptations of Satan. We can ask *St. Gabriel* to proclaim the wonders of God in us, and *St. Raphael* is God's remedy- he brings healing to the afflicted, and he can help bring healing in our lives, too. The feast day of the Guardian Angels, October 2nd, God has given each of us a Guardian angel for protection from physical and spiritual harm, guidance in decision-making, and intercession with God. Take time each day to speak to your -personal angel- and ask for help! Here is a little prayer you can say each day and night. *Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day[night] be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.* Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us!*

MC4C MARRIED CATHOLICS FOR CHRIST:
Inviting all married and engaged couples. Please join us after Mass on Saturday, October 4th for an evening of good food and fellowship as we celebrate the vocation of marriage. BBQ will be provided as well as table service. Please bring a finger food or dessert to share, a lawn chair, and your own drink. RSVP to Sandi Kessler at 618-676-5080.

CYM PANCAKE BREAKFAST:
Tri-Parish CYM will hold their annual pancake breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, October 26th at Stringtown. Serving from 8:00-10:30am. More info coming soon!

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:
There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in vestibule if you are interested in donating a cake/craft item. You can also contact a Ladies Altar Sodality Member or the Parish Office to sign up.

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CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:
Parents are encouraged to bring their children ages 3-K to the Parish House basement before Mass for a simplified lesson on the weekend's Liturgy readings. Children will return to their parents during the offertory. Questions, contact Anna Land (618)-508-2011 or Maria Street (618)-783-9310.

SISTERS IN CHRIST:
Sisters in Christ will take a little "fall break". The new book and return date will be shared in the upcoming weeks. Always be grateful for the days that the Lord gives you." ~ Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher (October 6th)

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:
We welcome Fr. Michael Caruso, Diocesan director of Education, Tuesday, September 30! **NED's Resiliency Ride**, a character-ed program filled with storytelling, humor and yo-yo tricks, visits on Thursday, October 2. **Bring your pets** on Friday, October 3 at 2:30pm for a Pet Blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi! We will meet in the grassy lot north of the school.

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
Sunday, September 28: Knight led Rosary before Olney 8AM Mass. **Thursday, October 9:** 3rd Degree Meeting, 7pm. **Thursday, October 16:** 4th Degree Meeting, 7pm. **Sunday, October 26:** Knight Led Rosary before Olney 8am Mass. **Can you volunteer for an hour for Tootsie Rolls? -** Contact Scott Seiler. IGA on 10/3: Noon-6pm. (Volunteers needed 4-6pm!), IGA on 10/4: 8am-Noon. (Covered by Special Olympics! **Kudos to the Soccer Kick Challenge winners**: Elliot Dobbs, Haven Hensley, Brooklyn VanBlaricum, Meira Cotterell, Belle Graves, Lauren French, Sadie Seiler, Pierce White, Gavin Ochs, Cruz Padilla, Hudson Bible, Kolsyn Erwin, Camden Blank, and Hayden Womack! These winners qualify for the Regional at Charleston, Linder Sports Complex at 2924 Community Dr., October 25th.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:
"The truth of the Gospel of life is at the foundation of who we are as followers of Christ. In his earthly life, Jesus provided the perfect model for how we are to love our neighbor and live out the Gospel call: "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt. 25:40)."***NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.* USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Live the Gospel of Life" respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life

VOCATION CORNER:
This Sunday is Priesthood Sunday – a day set aside to celebrate Priesthood and all those who have accepted it as their life's work. When praying the rosary today, offer the first decade for the priest who **baptized** you, the second for the priest who gave you **first Communion**, the third for the bishop who **confirmed** you, the fourth for the priest who **witnessed your marriage** or the bishop who **ordained you** (or will do so in the future), and the fifth decade for the priest who will **anoint you at your death.** These are the priests who have been with you in your life.

Sunday, September 28, 2025
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

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