

Sunday, July 5, 2026
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 † *Eucharistic Celebrations* †

Mon. July 6 no mass
 Tue. July 7 no mass
Wed. July 8 no mass
 Thu. July 9 no mass
Fri. July 10 no mass

Sat. July 11
 4:00 PM at Wendelin
5:00 PM *Loren & Lucille Ginder*
Albert, Clara, & Rose Ellen Hahn
James E. Hemrich, Jr.

Sun. July 12
8:00 am *Rod Kelley*
Dale Tibbs
Margie Piercefield
 8:00 am at Stringtown
 10:00 am at Wendelin
 10:00 am at Lawrenceville

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OUR TITHES FOR JUNE 28th

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
 Envelopes: \$9,411 (94) Loose: \$297
 Guatemala: \$75 (5) Peter's Pence: \$629 (20)
 Cemetery: \$125 (2) Building Fund: \$525 (12)
 CSMA: \$519 (Vicariate mass collection)

Let Us Pray For: Mary Jane Kuenstler, Ed Steber, Rita Kocher,Carolynn Buckels, Sue Dickerson, Brett Stirnaman, Allen Kocher, Charlotte Hough, Blaine Sholders, Kevin Bookhout, Marilyn McCormick, Elizabeth Ginder, Dolores Hemrich, Valerie Weidner, Julie Oesch, Margaret Burgener, Fr. Joe Erbacher, Jeff Beard, Judy Spitz, Jerry L. Harper, Emery Oesch, Gene Bergbower, Luke G. Kocher, Marlene Harris, Bessie Rossiano, Mary Rowark, Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, and Ruth Zwilling.

~ *AROUND OUR PARISHES* ~

Saturday, July 4th – First Saturday 🌸

- **America is 250!** Let's begin our celebration with prayer. Mass will be offered Saturday morning July 4, at St. Joseph, Olney and at Holy Cross, Wendelin at 9:00 am followed by a rosary for our nation.
- **New!!** Children's Liturgy now at the 5 pm mass. All students entering into grades K-3 are welcome to attend.
- Mass for *Jean Zwilling* and *Maren Zuber*.

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- Mass for *Carl & Una Kocher, Tom Zuber, and Dave Zerkel*.
- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass. All students entering into grades K-3 are welcome to attend.

Tuesday, July 7th

- 12:00-3:00 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Olney. There must always be 2 people in church.
- 5:00 PM, Sisters in Christ at Olney, Queen of Heaven Study for lessons 7 & 8.
- 7:00 PM, Choir practice in the church.

Wednesday, July 8th

- Rosary after mass.
- 12 noon, bulletin deadline.
- No mass at Carle. Rescheduled for next week.

Wednesday, July 15th

- 1:30 PM, mass at Carle on the 3rd floor.

Week of July 13-17th

- Parish office is closed.

Sunday, July 19th

- **11 am – 6 pm, Stringtown Picnic!** Raffle drawing, food stand, beer garden, and entertainment. All you can eat smorgasbord from 11-2pm. Come and enjoy the food and fun at the Stringtown Parish Center.
- **Flocknote!** Keep in touch with us via email and text. To join Flocknote text STJOEHOLYCROSS to 84576 to register, or connect with us online at stjosepholney.flocknote.com.

🐾 **St. Joseph School News** 🐾

- **Summer Office Hours:** Monday & Thursday, 10:00 am – 3:00pm.
- **Registration:** July 14-16: 9am-3pm.
- **Now Hiring!!** Join the team at St. Joseph School. 2 positions needed. Full-time custodial position and full-day hybrid instructional & support aide. For more details or to submit your resume, please contact Josy Hart, principal at jhart@stjoeolney.com.

~ *PARISH NEWS* ~

- **Thank you** to everyone who attended Bishop Godfrey Mullen's vicariate mass! We deeply appreciate those who made the day a success:
 - **Our Servers:** Conor Buchner, Peyton Decker, Ella Fitch, Grant McClain, and Hallie Ochs.
 - **The Reception Team:** Jeffrey Rosenberg and everyone who helped with food, refreshments, setup, and cleanup.
 - **The Choir:** Our partnership members for providing the music.
- **Save the Date!!** Noodle making will be the morning of September 12th!
- **Fall Kids Mall of Richland County:** We will be collecting clothing, toiletries, and school supplies for families in need. Please place your donations in the tubs by the church entrances **before July 18th**. If you know of a family that could benefit from this charity, please have them contact fallkidsmall@hotmail.com between June 29th-July 10th.
- **The Grief Group** that meets on the first Monday of the month at St. Joseph Olney will pause over the summer months. While we take this seasonal break, please remember that the St. Raphael Ministry of Care continues to provide spiritual support to the sick, homebound, elderly, and their caregivers. If a loved one is anticipating surgery, relocating, or in need of a pastoral visit, please contact your parish representative or the parish office.

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

June 29: Kim Weber (#064)
 June 30: Connie Kuenstler (#041)
 July 1: Jerry Shan (#546)
 July 2: Diana Corry (#670)
 July 3: Elmer & Bev Weiler (#607)

~ *KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS* ~

- **Thursday, July 9:** 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM
- **Thursday, July 16:** 4th Degree meeting, 7PM
- **Sunday, July 26:** Knight led Rosary at 7:40 am before the 8:00 am mass in Olney.
- **Congratulations** to the 2026-2027, 3rd Degree Officers: Chaplain-Fr. Levi James, Grand Knight - Rodney Ochs, Financial Secretary-Mike Ginder, Advocate-Elmer Weiler, Treasurer-Steve Kuenstler, Recorder-Scott Seiler, Warden-Dan Zwilling, Guards- Kyle and Preston Kuenstler, Trustees- Ben Weiler, Hank Ginder and Matt Zuber, Lecturer-Hank Ginder.

The 2026 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Those who are kind to the needy honor Him

Did you know **YOUR GIFT** to the 2026 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal can be made online? Visit your Belleville Diocese's website at www.diobelle.org and click on "Giving". It's that simple! Every donation – large or small – is needed to continue our diocesan ministry to those in need. We are counting on **YOU**. Please visit www.diobelle.org today!

Thank you to the **68** households at St. Joseph, Olney that have already pledged **\$16,312.75** to support this mission. We are 73% to our goal of \$22,468.

Bluegrass in the Bend - Oblong, IL

The Bend Ice Cream Social and Bluegrass music by freewill donations. All are invited! Join us from 3pm-5pm at St. Valentine Hall -The Bend on **Sunday, July 26, 2026**. Pork Burgers, Hotdogs, Chips, and drinks for sale. Rain or shine, bring your lawn chairs.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners

Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

“Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.” Where do you seek rest in your day? While we all may enjoy the lounge by the pool, fishing in the favorite spot, and enjoying BBQs with family and friends for moments of rest or as we refer to it as “a little “r & r”. All are wonderful and can offer moments of relaxation, but one must always remember that true rest comes from God. When we ask him to help us in our labors, to carry our burdens and seek his humble and contrite heart- we are changed! So, invite God into your “r & r”, and find true rest for yourself! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

Respect Life Corner: July 5, 2026

"Man cannot fully find himself except through a sincere gift of himself." -St. Pope John Paul II
At the heart of every human person is the call to love. Young or old, single, married, widowed—we are each capable of becoming a gift to another. We become a self-gift when we sit beside a friend in need, offer our time in service, faithfully "show up" for our children, choose love when it is most difficult, and when husbands and wives give themselves to one another freely, totally, faithfully, and fruitfully. *In giving ourselves away, we do not lose who we are; we discover who we were created to be.* Through these daily acts of self-giving love, we reflect the very heart of God and His infinite, unconditional love for each of us. The call to become a gift of self lies at the heart of God's beautiful plan for marriage and family. Through St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body, discover the deeper meaning of authentic love. Scan the QR code to learn more. USCCB, “Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty”



Vocation Corner: July 5, 2026

This weekend, we mark another anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. “On the 51st anniversary, Charles Carroll, the only Catholic to have signed the Declaration and the last surviving signer, said, “God grant that this religious liberty may be preserved in these States to the end of time, and that all believing in the religion of Christ may practice the leading principle of charity, the basis of every virtue.” Today is a time for choosing how we will keep faith with the great accomplishments of our Catholic forebears as we seek to make our own contributions. If we or someone in your family is called by the Holy Spirit to a religious vocation, we should encourage and accept this challenge as we are all endowed by our Creator with life and liberty. “*Columbia*, “Culture of Life”, Oct. 2015, pg. 47.

Mid-life Singles (mid-30s to 50s): Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at the Pallottine Renewal Center, Florissant, MO (30 min from downtown St. Louis), on July 17-19, 2026. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$290 including meals. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or call (630) 222-8303 for details.

The O2 Youth Center

Great opportunity for the youth in our community!

Free Entry and snacks available for purchase. Games include; racing simulator, ping pong, shuffleboard, foosball, pool table, glow dodgeball, Nintendo, reflex game, and NBA Jam.

Summer Hours:

Wed. Open to 6th-12th grades, 3:30-8 pm
Thurs. Discipleship Night, 6th-12th grades 5:45-8 pm
Fri. Open to 6th-12th grades 3:30-8 pm

Also available to rent for an event!

Located at 215 S. Whittle Ave. Olney. IL

St. Joseph Church

208 South Elliott St.
Olney, Illinois 62450



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~ St. Joseph Church ~

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~ Welcome ~

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

Join us for mass:

Wednesday 8:00 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

New parishioners, please register as soon as you move into our parish. Call the Parish Office

Office hours: Mon. Wed. Fri. 8:00-3:00 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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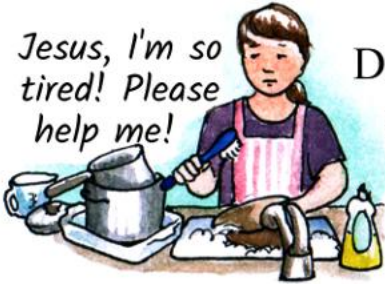
Brianne Fehrenbacher, Ladi Phillips, Heather Colwell, Samantha Foust, Marissa Graves, Tyler Ochs, Andrea Kuentler, Doug Kocher (*St. Joseph-Stringtown Representative*), and Holly Nettleton (*Holy Cross-Wendelin Representative*).

"I Will Give You Rest"

Today Jesus tells us, "Come to Me, all you who labour and are burdened and I will give you rest." God understands that we get tired and worn out. He wants us to come to Him when we need to rest. He refreshes our souls and gives us the energy and strength to carry on.



Jesus, I'm so tired! Please help me!



Do you ever feel like quitting when a job gets hard? Maybe you get tired of school or helping your Mom or Dad. When you feel like giving up it's time to start

praying! Your work might seem easier when you pray, but even if it still seems hard you will be happier knowing that you are doing it for God.

Jesus tells us to take His yoke on our shoulders. A yoke is a sort of bar that is used to help carry heavy things. Jesus is saying that we should do His work. For some people that means preaching like He did, or healing the sick, or being a priest, but for most people it means just doing everything we have to do out of love for God.

Wow! This all seems easier now!

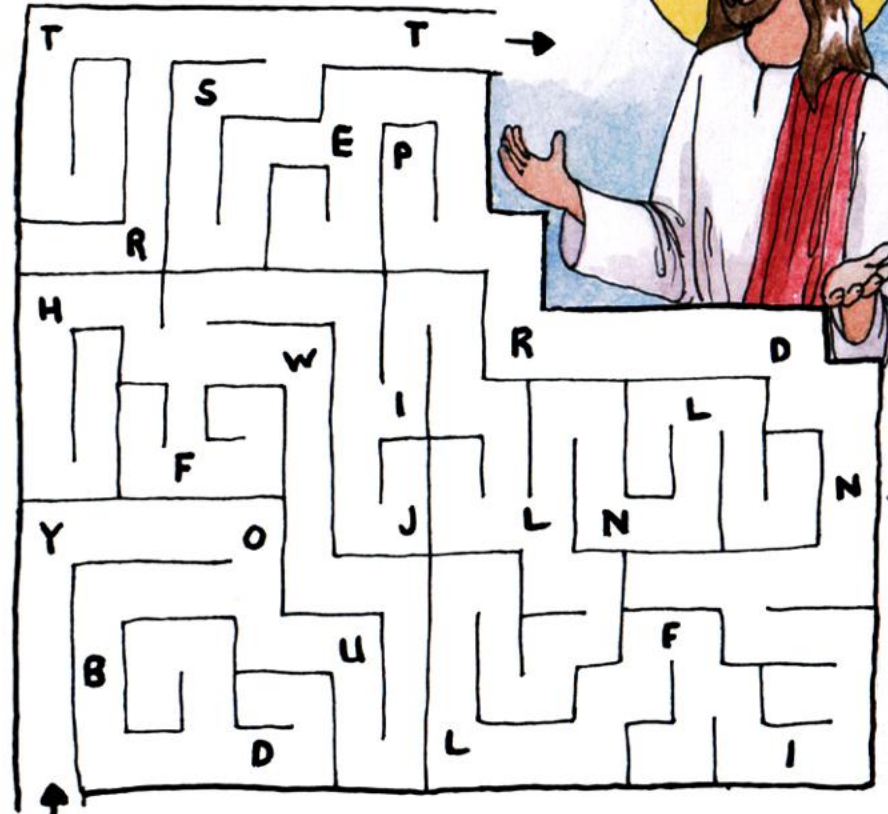


Answer to maze on front: You will find rest.
Answer to word-find: He is compassionate.

The Kids' Bulletin

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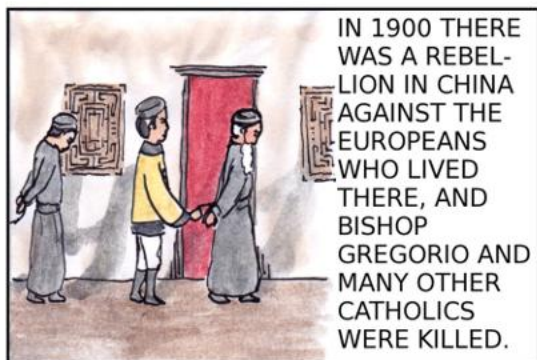
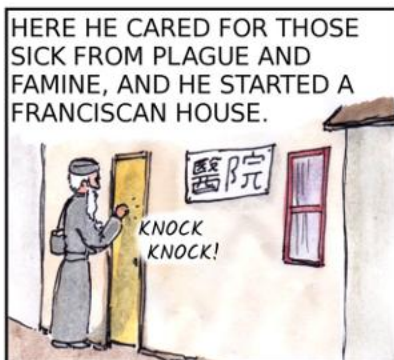
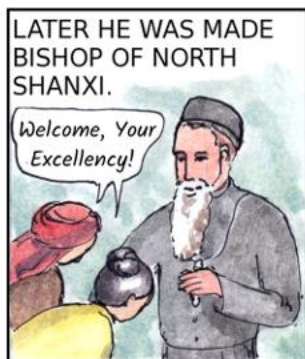
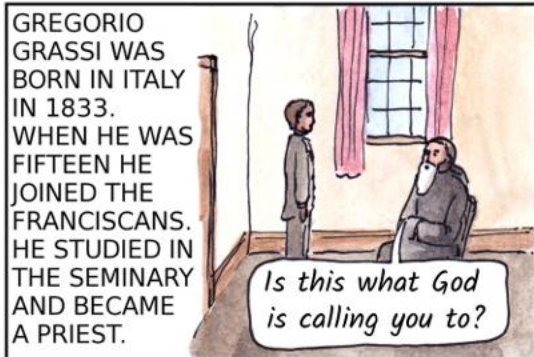
"Come to Me, all you who labour and are burdened..."



What does Jesus say will happen if you go to Him when you're tired and worn out? First find your way through the maze and then use the words from that path to fill in the blanks.

SAINT GREGORIO GRASSI

JULY 8



WHEN THE REBELLION STARTED BISHOP GREGORIO WAS WARNED TO LEAVE CHINA, BUT HE HAD LONG DESIRED TO DIE AS A MARTYR FOR CHRIST. HE CHOSE TO KEEP HELPING THE POOR AND SICK AND TO GIVE HIS LIFE FOR JESUS AND HIS CHURCH. WOULD YOU BE BRAVE ENOUGH TO DO THAT?

Psalm 145 Word-Find

L H A N G E R Y O U G
 O E F O R E V E R I O
 R B S F A L L I N G D
 D L C O C M P G O O D
 M E R C I F U L A W K
 K S A S O A S O W O I
 I S I I U I P R O R N
 N P S M S T R Y R D D
 G E E I T H A N K S N
 D A S G O F I A S L E
 O K N H A U S M T O S
 M E X T O L E E E W S

Find the words from today's Psalm that are in CAPITALS.

Use the letters that are left over to fill in the blanks:

What is one of the things this Psalm tells us about God?

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I will EXTOL you, O my GOD and King,
 and I will bless your NAME forever and ever.
 Every day will I bless YOU,
 and I will PRAISE your name FOREVER and ever.

The Lord is GRACIOUS and MERCIFUL,
 SLOW to ANGER and of great KINDNESS.
 The Lord is GOOD to all
 and compassionate toward all his works.

Let all your works give you THANKS, O Lord,
 and let your faithful ones BLESS you.
 Let them discourse of the GLORY of your KINGDOM
 and SPEAK of your MIGHT.

The Lord is FAITHFUL in all his WORDS
 and holy in all his WORKS.
 The LORD lifts up all who are FALLING
 and RAISES up the bowed down.