

Thanks to Deacon Steve for training our fourth and fifth grade servers!

Thursday, February 1 - Winter Sports Photos

Tuesday, February 6 - Boosters 7pm in the cafeteria

Thursday, February 8 - Band Festival

Mark your calendars:

- **Saturday, February 24:** Boosters Pasta Dinner and PTO Carnival
- **Saturday, March 9:** Bingo Bash and Auction (tables are going fast - call to reserve yours today). We are accepting donations for items to auction, prize money, and wine. Contact the school office if you want to participate.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Thursday, February 8: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.

Monday, February 12: 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Spelling Bee, St. Joseph School. Cash prizes. Winners qualify to advance to Regional and State Competition.

Thursday, February 15: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.

Friday, February 16: Friday, February 16: Fish Fry Night, 5-7PM, Olney City Park Community Building to benefit the Richland Mentor Program. All are welcome. Carry-outs are available.

Sunday, February 25: Knights of Columbus led Rosary at 7:40am, before St. Joseph-Olney Mass.

Monday, February 26: 5th Grade Spelling Bee.

Tuesday & Wednesday, February 27th & 28th:

Free Throw Competition, St. Joseph School PE Classes. Winners qualify to advance to the Regional and State Competitions.

High School Seniors information will soon be in the Guidance Office for Olney Knights of Columbus Scholarships.

During Lent Baby Cribs will be in Stringtown and Olney Churches to benefit young mothers and babies through the Jasper County Health Department, Richland Clinic in Olney.

HELP NEEDED:

Picnic Committee 2024 is looking for 1 final person to join our team. This is a 3-year commitment that meets at least monthly through August.

Preferably, we are seeking individuals who will be 21 years old by picnic day. If interested or have any questions, please reach out to Taylor Hall (217-663-8520) or Mareah Rauch (618-553-6839). Thank you!

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION/CATHOLIC CONVERSION:

Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Are you interested in learning more about how to grow closer to our Lord? Do you want to learn how to pray better? Interested in reading more about a certain topic of our faith, but don't know where to start? Possibly even have a hurt or misunderstanding that you want to talk to someone about. Contact Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate to set up an appointment.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS:

Please join us on Sunday, February 18th at 2pm and Sunday, March 3rd at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center for the next Euchre Tournaments. Card playing will begin on time. It will be \$3.00 per player admission. Cash prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Free popcorn available with soda/water available for purchase. You may bring your favorite adult beverage. All are invited to attend!

CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:

The February cake/craft drawing will be held this weekend on Saturday, February 3rd and Sunday, February 4th.

The Messenger Newspaper Subscription Renewal Weekend is Feb. 3-4. Please stay connected with your Diocese through a subscription to *The Messenger* Catholic Newspaper. Payments can be made via your Messenger envelope or by credit card on-line at www.bellevillemessenger.org and click SUBSCRIBE. The cost for a 1-year subscription

is \$30 for printed, home-delivery, \$25 for digital access and \$35 for both. Please make checks payable to **The Messenger**.

The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Serve the Lord with gladness

-Psalm 100

From The Pastor's Desk. . .

Next weekend, every parish in the diocese will be participating in The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. This annual collection supports the ministries and agencies in our diocese whose scope of service could not be duplicated by an individual parish. You will have an opportunity to make your pledge or gift at Mass next weekend. No gift is too great or too small. If you do not receive a pledge card in the mail or forget to bring it, please use one of the reply envelopes that will be available. Please be as generous as you are able.

NOTICE:

No parishioner should be contacted via phone, email, text, or home visit to request or pressure anyone for a donation to the rebuilding project for Holy Cross.

Please note you will also not be asked for gift cards via any method from Fr. Steven, Fr. Felix, or any parish employee.

Sunday, February 4, 2024
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**O come, let us worship God and bow low
before the God who made us, for he is the Lord
our God.**



Holy Cross Church-Wendelin

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Mass Schedule: Thurs., 6:30pm

Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am

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