ST. JOSEPH - STRINGTOWN

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Collection Total for May 25, 2025

Envelopes: $2,081.00 (26)
Loose: $124.00
Total: $2,081.00

Weekly Amount Needed: $1,400.00

Religious Education Fund: $500.00 (1)
Seminarian Education: $5.00 (1)
Cemetery Fund: $285.00 (9)

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June Bulletins: In Memory of Bill & Catherine Zwilling & Families
June Missalettes: In Memory of Raymond Zuber
Available for 2025. Contact Ashley to schedule. Missalette sponsors are still needed. Bulletins are full for 2025. Price is $100 to sponsor missalettes.

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PARISH EVENTS:

Monday, June 2 - Young Adults Bible Study at Holy Cross, 7pm.

Tuesday, June 3– ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am. Sisters in Christ, 10:00am in St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center.

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm. Must be 2 people in the church at all times.

Wednesday, June 4– Deacon Jack Bible Study at St. Joseph-Olney, 9:15am.

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

Thursday, June 5 – Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Cross-Wendelin Followed by Weekday Mass, 5:30pm.

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

Friday, June 6 and Saturday, June 7 – NO FIRST FRIDAY OR FIRST SATURDAY MASSES!

Saturday, June 7 and 8 – Graduation Recognition Weekend at ALL parishes!

Sunday, June 11 – True North VBS begins at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish Center, 5:30pm.

Sunday, June 22 – Senior Citizen Breakfast at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, Following Mass.

CAROLINE TRIMBLE - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

"I will rise when he calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain!" I will rise – I will rise - I will rise! Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings, suffered, died, and ascended into heaven, and reigns forever and ever. Our King defeated the throngs of death and darkness and opened the heavens for us to enter. However, the process of being transformed does not just wait for us at the end of our life but happens with every breath we take. This transformation is either more of HIM and less of me, or more of the world with more of me! One cannot serve two masters; either the prince of this world is your taskmaster and holds you bound, or The King of Kings is God and sets you free! The choice is yours! I will rise when he calls my name - to the heights of heaven! Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us*!

SISTERS IN CHRIST:

"Loving Like a Saint." **Tuesday** - 10:00am at St. Joseph- Stringtown, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney **Wednesday -** 5:30pm Holy Cross Wendelin "Let us stir up our hearts, rekindle our faith, and long eagerly for what Heaven has in store for us. To love thus is to be already on our way." +Pope St. Gregory the Great

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 by emailing ctrimblepa@gmail.com or calling 618-263-7106.

SENIOR CITIZEN BREAKFAST:

The Stringtown Community Club is hosting the annual Senior Citizen Breakfast on Sunday, June 22nd after 8:00am Mass. All parishioners age 65 and older are invited to attend with a guest. Please RSVP by June 8th to Anne Crites at 618-838-3935.

GRADUATES 2025:

Graduation Recognition Weekend - June 7 & 8

During the Masses we will celebrate the graduates and offer a blessing for our 8th grade, high school, and college graduates. ***Our list of graduates flyer will be released then***.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY*:*

To all family and friends of Carl Joseph Kessler. Carl died on Thursday, May 22nd. ***Eternal rest grant unto Carl, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.***

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

We wish everyone a very happy and safe summer! School office hours for the summer are Mondays and Thursdays from 8am-3pm.

DONUT SUNDAY:

Please join us in celebrating the Fathers and Sons of our parish, after mass on Sunday, June 15, in the Parish Center. There will be donuts and games and door prizes! Everyone welcome!

2025 STRINGTOWN PICNIC COMMITTEE NEWS:

The 2025 Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, July 20th.

Donations - Cash donations for the purchase of beef, ham, porkburgers, expense for the entertainment, and prizes are welcomed and can be given to any Picnic Chair.

Raffles – Envelopes with raffle tickets and list for parishioners, along with extra raffle tickets and list are available in the back of church. Please take the time to pick up your envelope.

Please put raffle tickets (with money) in an envelope marked picnic raffle on front when turning them in either to the Parish Office or dropped into the collection basket. Thank you!

Wine Pull – The Wine Pull Stand is seeking donations of unopened bottles of wine to make this year's Wine Pull a successful stand. If you are interested in donating to this stand, you may put your unopened bottles of wine in the special box in the back of church, or contact Janice Zwilling (618-562-1990) to make arrangements for drop off. Please have all donations dropped off or contact Janice by **Monday, July 14th**.

Workers List – Workers List is available in the back of church. If your name does not appear on this list and you are willing to help, please contact one of the Committee members.

Next Meeting - Picnic Committee's next meeting is scheduled for June 17th at the Parish Center starting at 6:30pm.

Picnic Chairs - Lisa Boehl (Financial & Kitchen), Janice Zwilling (Beer Garden, Entertainment, 50/50, Bingo), Francis Ochs (Food Stand), Mona Kocher (Basket Stand), Chad & Jenny Hancock (Raffle Stand); Ethan Steber & Delaney Steber (Cake Stand, Country Store, & Games), Shelly Seaman (Kids Games), and Scott Seiler (Grounds & Maintenance).

PICNIC BASKET STAND:

The Picnic Basket Stand Committee needs your help! We are asking each parish family to donate one basket OR a donation of $15 to $20 so we can put a basket together for you. If you choose to donate a filled basket, there is an idea list in the back of church. The contents should value $15 and should be ready by July 6th. You may put your filled baskets in the back of church for pick up. If you're donating money, please put the donation in an envelope and place in the donation can in the vestibule as soon as possible so we have time to shop for items. Donations may also be given to any committee member listed at the end of this announcement. If you or several families would like to go together and make a larger basket for the individual basket raffle, contact Mona.

We appreciate everyone's time and effort in helping the basket stand be a success.

Questions??? Contact Mona Kocher @ 618-843-

6662 or 618-869-2498, Janette Kocher @ 618-843-1650, Mary Zwilling @ 618-562-8433, or Kathy Zuber @ 618-869-2306.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

True North "Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" When: June 8-11th **Where:** Holy Cross-Wendelin **Time:** 5:30pm - 7:30pm (Sunday-Tuesday) 5:30pm-8:00pm (Wednesday). Contribution envelopes are still available in the vestibules of the parishes.

VBS COMMUNITY OUTREACH:
At the VBS, June 8-11, True North, the kids will discover that they can trust Jesus in a wild world! This year our Outreach will be Operation Kid-to-Kid™ partnered with the Newton Knights of Columbus, this will provide kids in North America with new warm clothes and blankets. Bring in money each day to drop in the cooler for Operation Kid-to-Kid™. Parents, grandparents, parishioners, and friends are invited to join us at Compass Closing Wednesday, June 11 at 7:30-8:00 p.m. Holy Cross Parish Center with music, festive snacks and fellowship, to celebrate our trust in Jesus in a wild world!

ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY BIBLE STUDY:
Wednesdays at 9:30am, Room B.

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
Thursday, June 12: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.
Thursday, June 19: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.
Sunday, June 29: Knights of Columbus led Rosary before the 8AM Mass. Also, Knights Volunteer Ministry at this Mass followed with a fellowship breakfast at a local restaurant. **3rd Degree and 4th Degree members consider being an Officer for 2025-2026.** Contact Steve or Dan Kuenstler, Elmer Weiler, or Hank Ginder.
Kudos to Dan Kuenstler and Dan Zwilling for carrying the flags at the Memorial Day Mass at the Olney St. Joseph Cemetery.

TODD HERENDEEN CONCERT:
Tribute to Legends of Rock and County including hits from many decades from Cash to The King! Doors open at 5pm with show at 7pm on June 26th at Holy Cross Parish Center. Tickets are $15 at the door. Light refreshments will be served with soda and water available to purchase. You can also bring your own drinks. Contact Cindy Blank at 618-843-8018 for more information.

FAMILY LIFE CENTER BABY BOTTLE PROJECT:
We will collect the filled bottles on Father's Day weekend and donate the proceeds to the Family Life Center for the continuation of its life-saving ministry. **YOUR CHANGE CAN CHANGE A LIFE!**

ORDINATION OF LEVI K. JAMES:
You are cordially invited to attend the Ordination of the Reverend Mr. Levi K. James the son of David & Ann James of St. Mary Parish in Mt. Carmel to the Order of the Sacred Priesthood by The Most Reverend Mark S. Rivituso, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, Titular Bishop of Turuzi, through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit on Saturday, June 7, 2025 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning in the Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 West Harrison Street, Belleville, Illinois. Reception following in the McCormick Center.

2025 CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL:
Hope in the Lord - A donation to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal assists people throughout southern Illinois through the work of 17 diocesan ministries and programs. Your donation can be a one-time gift or a pledge and be made in cash, by check, credit card (MasterCard or VISA) or stocks and securities. If you haven't yet done so, please consider making your gift today! Thank you for your generosity.

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Rick Rennier, Teresa Zehner, Judy Brown, Brenda Zuber, Ralph McIntire

Sunday, June 1, 2025
The Ascension of the Lord

Sunday, June 1, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Ed & Janel Ginder+" "Ralph & Cyril Zwilling+" 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
Monday, June 2, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown "For the Parish"
Tuesday, June 3, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
Wednesday, June 4, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney
Thursday, June 5, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Friday, June 6, NO MASS
Saturday, June 7, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Sunday, June 8, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "For All Graduates" 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

06/01/2025
Servers:
Delana Sterchi
Grayson Sterchi
Brady Ochs
Lector:
Kylie Kocher
EMHC:
Gary Kocher
Beth Kocher
Ian Kocher
Gifts:
John Ochs
Family
Ushers:
Brian Ochs
Mitchell Ochs
Greeters:
Seaman Family

Children's Liturgy:
Anita & Anna

06/08/2025
Servers:
Kaitlyn Ginder
Haley Ginder
Gus Kocher
Lector:
Natalie Zwilling
EMHC:
Harold Boehl
Lisa Boehl
Janette Kocher
Gifts:
David Muhs
Family
Ushers:
Doug Kocher
Caden Kocher
Greeters:
Gary & Beth Kocher Family

Children's Liturgy:
Anne & Kaitlin

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday 9-2pm & Thursday 9am-1pm

Sunday, June 1st, 2025
The Ascension of the Lord

✞ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✞

Mon. June 2	6:30 PM	at Stringtown
Tue. June 3	5:00 PM	at Lawrenceville
Wed. June 4	**8:00 am**	***For the Parish***
Thu. June 5	6:30 PM	at Wendelin
Fri. June 6	**8:00 am**	***First Friday***
Sat. June 7		***First Saturday***
9:00 am		at Wendelin
4:00 PM		at Wendelin
5:00 PM		***Jason & Jared Roark***
Sun. June 8		
8:00 am		***For the Parish***
8:00 am		at Stringtown
10:00 am		at Wendelin
10:00 am		at Lawrenceville

OUR JUNE SPONSORS

Bulletins: Blank Farms
Missalettes: Knights of Columbus Council #1352

OUR TITHES FOR May 25th

Parish Operating Expense per Week = $9,847.00
Envelopes: $12,364 (97) Loose: $188
Guatemala: $115 (2) Building Fund: $1,270 (7)
Cemetery Fund: $3,250 (45)

Let Us Pray For: Julie Oesch, Deacon Jack, Margaret Burgener, Fr. Bill, Fr. Joe Erbacher, Jeff Beard, Judy Spitz, Clara Rose Wilson, John Bower, Jane Kocher, Kevin Bookhout, Jerry L. Harper, Margaret Fehrenbacher, Emery Oesch, Gene Bergbower, Luke G. Kocher, David Fehrenbacher, Marlene Harris, Don Kocher, Bessie Rossiano, Mary Rowark, Eleanor Steber, Tony Tredway, Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, and Ruth Zwilling. *Please call or email the Parish Office to add any new names to the prayer list.*

Deepest Sympathy to the family of *Carl Joseph Kessler*. May he rest in the peace of God's love.

~ AROUND OUR PARISHES ~

Saturday, May 31st

- Mass for Nina Burcham, and Living & Deceased Hermina & Frances Zuber.
- Deacon John Gomez is giving the homily about Catholic Relief Services during 5 pm mass at St. Joseph, Olney. There will possibly be some fair-trade items available after mass as well.

Sunday, June 1st

- Mass for Dudley Chamberlin.
- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass. We will continue children's liturgy through the summer months. All students entering K-3 grades are welcome. If you have a child that would like to attend, we would love to see them at 8 am mass.

Tuesday, June 3rd

- 12 PM - 3 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There must always be 2 people in the church.
- 5:00 PM, Sisters in Christ meeting in conference room B at St. Joseph, Olney.

Wednesday, June 4th

- Praying the rosary after mass, Olney.
- There will be no bible study today.
- 12 noon, bulletin deadline.

Friday, June 6th - First Friday

- 8:00 mass, followed by First Friday Communion Visitation at 9 am.

Saturday, June 7th - First Saturday

- 9:00 am, First Saturday mass at Wendelin.
- Graduation recognition at all masses.

Sunday, June 8th - Pentecost Sunday

- Graduation recognition at all masses.
- 5:30 PM, First day of VBS at Wendelin. VBS will be from June 8-11 at Holy Cross.

St. Joseph School News

- We wish everyone a very happy and safe summer!
- School office hours for the summer are Mondays and Thursdays from 8am-3pm.

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **The Parish and Family Life Committee** has decided to postpone the First Responders meals until a later date this Fall. We will post more information on this community outreach project when it has been rescheduled. Thank you for your support.
- **Sisters in Christ**: A Tuesday evening Ladies Group will meet at St. Joseph, Olney every Tuesday from 5:00-6:00 pm in Conference Room B. Our book study begins and our journey of "Loving Like a Saint."
  - Tuesday, 10:00 am at Stringtown
  - Tuesday, 5:00 pm at St. Joseph Olney
  - Wednesday, 5:30 pm Holy Cross
- **Annual Baby Bottle Project:** Your change can change a life. We encourage everyone to continue to fill the baby bottles with your extra change and bills. This is a fundraising effort the entire family can enjoy together!
- We are now accepting **mass intentions** through **September 30, 2025**. Up to three first names with the same last name (i.e. John, Paul and Mary Smith) or two last names only (i.e. Scott and Smith Families) will be allowed per intention. We can accept up to three Mass offerings per mass.
- **Graduation Recognition Weekend, June 7 & 8:** During the Masses we will celebrate the graduates and offer a blessing for our 8th grade, High School, and College Graduates.
- **VBS students** will be participating in a hands-on mission project through a program called Operation Kid-to-Kid™ partnered with the Newton Knights of Columbus. This project will provide kids in North America with new warm clothes and blankets. Students can bring in money each day to VBS to drop in the cooler for Operation Kid-to-Kid™. Parents, grandparents, parishioners, and friends are invited to join at Compass Closing Wednesday, June 11ith at 7:30 pm. There will be music, festive snacks, and fellowship to celebrate our faith in Jesus. There are flyers posted on the bulletin boards in church for more information.

Vacation Bible School [VBS]

True North "Trusting Jesus in a Wild World"

Pre-School Crew 3-5 year olds
Elementary Crew 6-10 year olds

When: June 8-11
Where: Holy Cross, Wendelin
Time: 5:30 pm -7:30 pm (Sunday-Tuesday)
5:30 pm-8:00 pm (Wednesday)

Pre-teen and CYM can assist as Crew Leaders.
Registrations are due by **May 28.**
Register online on the parish website.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

- ***Thursday, June 12:*** 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.
- ***Thursday, June 19***: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.
- ***Sunday, June 29***: Knights of Columbus led Rosary before the 8 am Mass. Knights also Volunteer Ministry at this Mass followed with a fellowship breakfast at a local restaurant.
- 3rd Degree and 4th Degree members last week to consider being an Officer for 2025-2026. Contact Steve or Dan Kuenstler, Elmer Weiler, or Hank Ginder.
- Kudos to Dan Kuenstler and Dan Zwilling for carrying the flags at the Memorial Day Mass at the cemetery.

CALENDAR WINNERS - $25

May 26: Pam Page (#487)
May 27: Fr. Steven Beatty (#293)
May 28: Marlene Steber (#063)
May 29: Joan Uhl (#218)
May 30: Cody Mart (#304)

The 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal
Hope in the Lord

Did you know YOUR GIFT to the 2025 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!

Please consider a gift to the appeal today! Our parish financial target is $21,855. We have received pledges for $7,634.10. Thank you!

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

"I will rise when he calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain!" I will rise – I will rise - I will rise! Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings, suffered, died, and ascended into heaven, and reigns forever and ever. Our King defeated the throngs of death and darkness and opened the heavens for us to enter. However, the process of being transformed does not just wait for us at the end of our life but happens with every breath we take. This transformation is either more of HIM and less of me, or more of the world with more of me! One cannot serve two masters; either the prince of this world is your taskmaster and holds you bound, or The King of Kings is God and sets you free! The choice is yours! I will rise when he calls my name - to the heights of heaven!
Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us!*

Respect Life Corner: June 1st

If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion"

Vocation Corner: June 1st

"I was blessed to attend strong Catholic parishes and entered the Academy of Fine Arts to study painting, which was a dream come true. Still nothing in my life satisfied me completely. I wanted to grow closer to God and I felt the call to give my all to Christ. However, I was terrified with the idea of leaving my family and my dreams, painting, dancing and children. Then a moment came in prayer when deep in my heart I simply said to God, "OK, I will do it". Suddenly, a peace entered my life like I never experience before. I never knew such peace existed. I completed my school studies and soon went to the convent with my suitcase." Sister Gaudia Skass, Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy, Krakow Poland, Columbia, May 2016, pg. 42.

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe
January 15-20, 2026
Hosted by CRS in the Diocese of Belleville
Retreat Leaders: Fr. Bob Flannery, Sue Huett Asbeck, and Cheryl Sommer
Initial Registration Deadline June 30, 2025

Registration is now open for a 6-day pilgrimage to Mexico to visit the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe and to witness the work that Catholic Relief Services does on behalf of U.S. Catholics. Pilgrimage cost is $2994. To register go online to gocatholictravel.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Sommer-2026-Mexico-Brochure.pdf.

St. Joseph Church

208 South Elliott St.
Olney, Illinois 62450

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Sunday, June 1, 2025

The Ascension of the Lord

~ 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 8:00 am
Friday 8:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am

Live streaming of the 8 am mass on Sunday is 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

~ Sacraments ~

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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Carol Potter ..... Assistant Principal
Catherine Fritschle ..... Office Manager
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Kristen Eagleson……...Financial Manager

School Board: Angel Padilla *(Chairperson)*, Heather Colwell, Samantha Foust, Marissa Graves, Andrea Kuenstler, Lauren McClain, Sara Peavler, Doug Kocher *(St. Joseph-Stringtown Representative)*, Holly Nettleton *(Holy Cross-Wendelin Representative)*

June 1, 2025

The Ascension of the Lord

+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Saturday, May 31, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Leonard Kessler+, Judy & Carl Kessler+" 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, June 1, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Bernice Klingler+"
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**,** 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Monday, June 2, 9:00am at St. Joseph-Olney Cemetery, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, June 3, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, June 4, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, June 5, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Louis & Lelia Volk+" "Ivan & Mary Weber+, Nathan Deisher+"

Friday, June 6, NO MASS

Saturday, June 7, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Arthur & Barbara Rauch+", 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, June 8, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Gerald & Linda Blank" "Raymond & Christina Kocher Family"
8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**;** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

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June Bulletins: For the Parish
June Missalettes: For the Parish

BULLETIN & MISSALETTE SPONSORS:
Interested in sponsoring a bulletin or missalette as a business, individual, or in memory of loved ones? Have questions or if interested in scheduling, please contact Ashley**. Price to sponsor for a month is $100 for bulletins and $100 for missalettes.**

JUNE LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Open/Lock/Greet:	**Open/Lock/Greet:**
Keith & Pam Blank	Jason Warfel
EMHC:	**EMHC:**
Kathy Kuenstler	Martha Deimel
Dave Rauch	Travis Weber
Emma Rudolphi	Jason Warfel
Josy Hart	Ellen Weber
Lectors:	**Lectors:**
Jennifer Rudolphi	James Kistner
Money Counters:	
Herb & Martha Deimel	
Ushers:	**Ushers:**
James Rudolphi	Kevin Blank
Tim Weidner	Gary D. Fehrebacher
Hank Weidner	Michael Kistner
Maria Rudolphi	Jim Rauch

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. May 25, 2025
(57) Envelope Collection: $1,952.00
Loose: $385.00 **Total: $2,292.00** (6) Building Fund: $240.00, (4) Seminarian Education: $255.00, (41) Cemetery: $2,040.00, (2) Catholic Communication: $40.00, (2) VBS: $65.00

HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:
As of Wednesday, May 28th – $**273,848.57** has been received from 387 donations – thank you!

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:
Carl Klingler, Mary Beth Scherer, Gerry Carter, Terry Tolliver, Wesley Frohning, Wilmajean Geier, Cindy Henson (Daughter of Dean Klingler)

CRMH COMMUNION:
June 8 – Maria Rudolphi (618)-752-5900
June 15 – Ellen Weber (618)-771-7752
June 29 – Lynn Weidner (618)-843-0361

MASS SERVERS:
Sat. May 31 – Hank, Clara, & Boyd Weidner
Sun. June 1 – Stella Warfel, Nora & Alex Street
Sat. June 7 – Ian Kessler, Levi & Noah Rudolphi
Sun. June 8 – Lane Smithenry, Brooke & Braden Weidner

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Saturday, June 7 and 8 – Graduation Recognition Weekend at ALL parishes!
Sunday, June 11 – True North VBS begins at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish Center, 5:30pm.
Thursday, June 26 – Todd Herendeen Concert at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish Center, 7pm.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR HOLY BAPTISM:
Congratulations to Hayden Glenn Frichtl, son of Zachary & Rachel Frichtl. Hayden was baptized on May 11, 2025. Godparents are Sam Koester and Brooke Weidner.

TODD HERENDEEN CONCERT:
Tribute to Legends of Rock and County including hits from many decades from Cash to The King! Doors open at 5pm with show at 7pm on June 26th at Holy Cross Parish Center. Tickets are $15 at the door. Light refreshments will be served with soda and water available to purchase. You can also bring your own drinks. Contact Cindy Blank at 618-843-8018 for more information.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION WEEKEND:
June 7 & 8, during the Masses we will celebrate the graduates and offer a blessing for our 8th grade, high school, and college graduates. ***Our list of graduates flyer will be released then.***

CAROLINE TRIMBLE, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:
"I will rise when he calls my name, no more sorrow, no more pain!" I will rise – I will rise - I will rise! Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of Kings, suffered, died, and ascended into heaven, and reigns forever and ever. Our King defeated the throngs of death and darkness and opened the heavens for us to enter. However, the process of being transformed does not just wait for us at the end of our life but happens with every breath we take. This transformation is either more of HIM and less of me, or more of the world with more of me! One cannot serve two masters; either the prince of this world is your taskmaster and holds you bound, or The King of Kings is God and sets you free! The choice is yours! I will rise when he calls my name - to the heights of heaven! Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us*!

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 by emailing ctrimblepa@gmail.com or calling 618-263-7106.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:
True North "Trusting Jesus in a Wild World" Pre-School Crew 3–5-year-olds & Elementary Crew 6–10-year-olds. Pre-teen and CYM can assist as Crew Leaders. **When:** June 8-11 [Sunday-

Wednesday evenings] **Where:** Holy Cross-Wendelin **Time:** 5:30pm -7:30pm (Sunday-Tuesday) 5:30pm-8:00pm (Wednesday). Register online at the parish website. Contribution envelopes are still available in the vestibules of the parishes.

VBS COMMUNITY OUTREACH:
At the VBS, June 8-11, True North, the kids will discover that they can trust Jesus in a wild world! This year our Outreach will be Operation Kid-to-Kid™ partnered with the Newton Knights of Columbus, this will provide kids in North America with new warm clothes and blankets. Bring in money each day to drop in the cooler for Operation Kid-to-Kid™. Parents, grandparents, parishioners, and friends are invited to join us at Compass Closing Wednesday, June 11 at 7:30-8:00 p.m. Holy Cross Parish Center with music, festive snacks and fellowship, to celebrate our trust in Jesus in a wild world!

SISTERS IN CHRIST:
"Loving Like a Saint." **Tuesday** - 10:00am at St. Joseph- Stringtown, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney **Wednesday -** 5:30pm Holy Cross-Wendelin "Let us stir up our hearts, rekindle our faith, and long eagerly for what Heaven has in store for us. To love thus is to be already on our way." +Pope St. Gregory the Great

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:
Thursdays at 5:30pm prior to Mass. Please text/call Ashley to secure a date for you to assist with Exposition.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:
We wish everyone a very happy and safe summer**!** School office hours for the summer are Mondays and Thursdays from 8am-3pm.

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
Thursday, June 12: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.
Thursday, June 19: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.
Sunday, June 29: Knights of Columbus led Rosary before the 8AM Mass. Also, Knights Volunteer Ministry at this Mass followed with a fellowship breakfast at a local restaurant. **3rd Degree and 4th Degree members consider being an Officer for 2025-2026.** Contact Steve or Dan Kuenstler, Elmer Weiler, or Hank Ginder.
Kudos to Dan Kuenstler and Dan Zwilling for carrying the flags at the Memorial Day Mass at the Olney St. Joseph Cemetery.

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY:
Still weekends available to sponsor drawings for 2025. Sign-up in vestibule or by calling/texting Ashley. Next cake/craft weekend will be June 7th and 8th.

ORDINATION OF LEVI JAMES:
You are cordially invited to attend the Ordination of the Reverend Mr. Levi K. James the son of David & Ann James of St. Mary Parish in Mt. Carmel to the Order of the Sacred Priesthood by The Most Reverend Mark S. Rivituso, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, Titular Bishop of Turuzi, through the imposition of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit on Saturday, June 7, 2025 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning in the Cathedral of St. Peter, 200 West Harrison Street, Belleville, Illinois. Reception following in the McCormick Center.

PEW REPLACEMENT AND SALE:
Catholic Mutual Insurance will replace our pews due to the extreme cracking and splitting that occurred over winter. Mobley Construction will work, section by section, beginning with the southeast corner of the building to replace the pews with no interruption to the mass schedule. Registered parishioners of Holy Cross, on a first come, first served basis, can purchase one pew per family for $100 until June 15. **Only 11' and 15' 6" pews remain**. Any pews not spoken for by that date will again be made available to registered parishioners. **To purchase a pew, email Sherry Geier (sherrygeier@gmail.com), do not contact the church office**. Pews will be numbered with a painter's tape sticker and parishioners can request a pew they want. **Information to include on email**:

- Full name
- best phone number
- top three choices for the pew you want or "next available long pew" or "best available short pew".

Pickup and payment (check to Holy Cross Parish) will be expected on Monday, Wednesday, or Friday of the week you are notified that the pew has been replaced. Email all questions to Sherry Geier sherrygeier@gmail.com.

2025 CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL:
Hope in the Lord - A donation to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal assists people throughout southern Illinois through the work of 17 diocesan ministries and programs. Your donation can be a one-time gift or a pledge and be made in cash, by check, credit card (MasterCard or VISA) or stocks and securities. If you haven't yet done so, please consider making your gift today! Thank you for your generosity.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:
If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion"

Sunday, June 1, 2025
The Ascension of the Lord
You kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; praise the Lord, who ascends above the highest heavens; his majesty and might are in the skies, alleluia.

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