

# **ST. JOSEPH - STRINGTOWN**

## **Bulletins**

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**Collection Total for May 24, 2026**

Envelopes: \$1,326.00 (30)  
Loose: \$108.00  
**Total: \$1,434.00**

**Building Fund: \$30.00 (1)**

**Cemetery: \$525.00 (10)**

**Catholic Communication Campaign: \$5.00 (1)**

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

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**May Bulletins: In Honor of Bill & Kathy Zuber  
Anniversary**

**May Missalettes: In Memory of Kathy Zwilling**

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**PARISH EVENTS:**

**Sunday, May 31** – Young Adults Gathering – see flyer for details.

**Monday, June 1** - Young Adults Bible Study at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 7pm.

**Tuesday, June 2** – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.

**Sister's in Christ at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 10am.**

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

Sister's in Christ at St. Joseph-Olney, 5pm.

**Wednesday, June 3** – Sister's in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.

**Sunday, June 7** – Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Ordination Anniversary to Fr. Levi! You can send a card to the parish or drop it in the basket in church.

**Monday, June 8-Wednesday, June 10** – NO Masses or Adoration. Fr. Steven & Fr. Levi will be away from the Discernment Float Trip. CRMH Mass will be moved to June 17<sup>th</sup>!

**TRI-PARISH VBS THANK YOU!**

A Huge "Thank You" to all who contributed, donated, prayed, volunteered, decorated, served on the VBS Squad and to our parents who shared their kids with us at the Tri-Parish VBS Rainforest Falls. The kids encountered God daily by learning to observe that he is all around us! They learned that "God is our Creator, God knows Everything,

God is our Safe Place and God is Forever," and their response is "Wow, God!" Thank you again!

**CAROLINE TRIMBLE - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

The Most Holy Trinity honors the most fundamental of Christian beliefs—belief in the Holy Trinity. The human mind can never fully understand the mystery of the Trinity, but we can sum it up in the following formula: God is three Persons in one Nature. There is only one God, and the three Persons of God—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—are all equally God, and They cannot be divided. There are many prayers to honor the Divine Trinity, and here is one from Fatima: The Angel of Peace appeared to the Fatima children one year prior to the Our Lady's apparitions and taught them five prayers. Here is one of those prayers. The prayer should be recited three times: *The Pardon Prayer* "My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I ask pardon of You for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love You!" Glory Be "Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen." Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

**ST. RAPHAEL'S MINISTRY OF CARE:**

The Grief Group that meets on the first Monday of the month at St. Joseph Olney will pause over the summer months. As part of the St. Raphael Ministry of Care, this monthly gathering is designed to provide a Gospel-focused space for prayer, listening, and faithful support for those suffering the loss of a loved one. Our most recent meeting was held on Monday, May 11, at 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney. 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: - St. Joseph Olney: Elaine Grimes, - St.



**Joseph Stringtown: Janette Kocher**, - Holy Cross Wendelin: Sherry Geier

For more information, you may contact Caroline Trimble, Pastoral Associate, at 618.263.7106.

**2026 GRADUATES:**

Please submit information on your 2026 graduates to be included in a special graduation flyer. Be sure to include grade and school names. For college students, please include college, degree, special awards and/or description of future plans. Photos are encouraged! Please submit by the end of May.

**ROSTER UPDATES NEEDED:**

If you did not fill out a paper at Mass, please email [levi.jamessiu@gmail.com](mailto:levi.jamessiu@gmail.com) with your family name, adults, children (and ages), phone number(s), and email address(es) for the upcoming directory. Thank you!

**2026 STRINGTOWN PICNIC COMMITTEE NEWS:**

The 2026 Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, July 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Donations** - Cash donations for the purchase of beef, ham, porkburgers, expense for the entertainment, prizes, and raffles 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. Thank you! **Noodle Day** – Thank you to all who help setup the tables for noodle day last Sunday. Noodle Day was a huge success on Saturday. All donations and volunteers were greatly appreciated. Thank you for all your help! **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. **Cake Boxes** – Cake boxes for picnic day are

available in the back of church starting today (May 31<sup>st</sup>). Please feel free to take



**St. Joseph Stringtown T-Shirts** – You are now able to preorder St. Joseph Stringtown t-shirts (see design & color below). Early bird prices for these shirts are \$10 (including youth), \$12 (2XL), and \$15 (3XL). Early bird prices are good until June 7th. Order forms are in the back of church. We will be available outside after church to take orders on May 31st and June 7 (weather permits), otherwise we will be setup in Parish Center. Money is due upon ordering. Payments may be made by check or cash. Please make checks payable to St. Joseph Stringtown. Shirts will be available in time for picnic. Thank you!

**BASKETS NEEDED:**

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 7<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**FORMED.ORG SUBSCRIPTION:**

Download the app or go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and enter 62448. **The Week of May 31<sup>st</sup> – Lectio: God,**

**Saint Justin Martyr-Catholic Saints, St. Boniface-Catholic Saints**

**ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

School office summer hours: Monday and Thursday, 10am-3pm.

**OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**Sunday, May 31:** Knight led Rosary at 8AM Olney Mass. member Ministry followed by member and family fellowship at a local restaurant. **Thursday, June 11:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree meeting, 7PM. Please attend for the attendance incentive drawing. Last reading for the Officer nominees. **Thursday, June 18:** 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting, 7PM, 2026-2027 Officers announced.

**TRI-PARISH GOLF SCRAMBLE:**

Join us for a fun afternoon of golf and fellowship while supporting the Tri Parish CYM Youth Group! **17** Sunday, June 28, **1** Richland Golf Club, **\$** \$300 per 4-person team, **L** Lunch at 12:00PM, **S** Shotgun Start at 1:00PM; All proceeds will benefit the Tri Parish CYM Youth Group. To register your team or for more information, contact: Austin Zwilling – (618) 562-1994 or Tyler Timm – (507) 530-2911 **Support Our Church Golf Outing!** You don't have to golf to make a difference! For a donation of \$100, you or your business can sponsor one of the holes during our upcoming church golf outing. Hole sponsors help support the event and will be recognized with a sign displayed on the course the day of the outing. If you would like to participate or have questions, please contact Austin Zwilling (618)562-1994 or Tyler Timm (507) 530-2911.

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER:**

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of the look of love with which God wanted us, one by one, and continues to want us." Pope Leo XIV, Message to Participants in "Building Communities that Safeguard Dignity" © 2025 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

**VOCATION CORNER:**

At many sporting events, you often witness signs promoting today's Gospel reading – John 3:16. Yes, God so loved us that He sent His Son for us to have eternal life. "Whoever believes in him will not be condemned." We, Christians, are charged with sharing this belief with the rest of the world. We do this by our example of receiving the Sacraments. Our greatest witness is our frequent reception of the Holy Eucharist. This is emphasized in the Holy Mass for which we need priests to say. Encourage young men to explore the vocation of Priesthood which is vital to the life of the Church.

**BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER:**

You can give online using the QR code or website link below or leave your donation in the baby bottle in the vestibule of the church. <https://secure.anedot.com/family-life-center/newton-baby-bottles>

**FLOAT DISCERNMENT TRIP:**

Single young adult men ages 18 and older are invited to join Fr. Thomas Lugge, Fr. Levi James, & Fr. Steven Beatty for a summer retreat June 8th-10th. Spend a few days on the Current River in Missouri while building brotherhood with other men seeking purpose and direction.

**FLOCKNOTE REMINDER:**

Text STJOEHOLYCROSS to 84576 or connect with us online at [stjosepholney.flocknote.com](http://stjosepholney.flocknote.com).

**REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:** Rick Rennie, Judy Brown, Brenda Zuber, Valerie Weidner, Steve Zuber, Jim & Norma Kocher, Ralph McIntire



**Sunday, May 31, 2026**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

**Sunday, May 31, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**

**"Elmer & Elfrieda Zwilling†"**

**Monday, June 1, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown**  
**"For the Parish"**

**Tuesday, June 2, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville**

**Wednesday, June 3, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney**

**Thursday, June 4, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin**

**Friday, June 5, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney**

**Saturday, June 6, 9:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:00pm at Saint Joseph-Olney**

**Sunday, June 7, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**  
**"Herman & Ethel Zwilling and Kathy Zwilling†"**

**8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville**

**05/31/2026**

**Servers:**

Izzy Volk  
Will Volk  
Gabriel Volk

**Lector:**

Beth Kocher

**EMHC:**

Volunteers

**Gifts:**

Harold & Lisa Boehl

**Ushers:**

Evelyn Volk  
Volunteer

**Greeters:**

Sam & Mary  
Zwilling

**Children's Liturgy:**

Laura, Dorothy, & Delana

**06/07/2026**

**Servers:**

Kaitlyn Ginder  
Haley Ginder  
Julian Seaman

**Lector:**

Shelly Seaman

**EMHC:**

Gary Kocher  
Beth Kocher  
Owen Kocher

**Gifts:**

Bill Zuber

**Ushers:**

Carter Seaman  
Jack Weidner

**Greeters:**

Caden Kocher

**Children's Liturgy:**

Anne & Kaitlin

**St. Joseph Church**

**Stringtown, Illinois**

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Website: [www.stjosephstringtown.com](http://www.stjosephstringtown.com)

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

**Very Rev. Fr. Steven Beatty** \_\_\_\_\_ **Pastor**

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E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ [frsteven.beatty@gmail.com](mailto:frsteven.beatty@gmail.com)

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**Tyler Timm** \_\_\_\_\_ **Youth Minister**

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Sunday, May 31, 2026

The Most Holy Trinity

✠ Eucharistic Celebrations ✠

Mon. June 1 6:30 PM at Stringtown  
Tue. June 2 5:00 PM at Lawrenceville  
**Wed. June 3 8:00 am For the Parish**  
Thu. June 4 6:30 PM at Wendelin  
**Fri. June 5 8:00 am First Friday**  
**Sat. June 6 First Saturday**  
9:00 am at Wendelin  
4:00 PM at Wendelin  
**5:00 PM Carl & Una Kocher  
Loren & Lucille Ginder  
Debbie Rauch**  
**Sun. June 7**  
**8:00 am Raymond, Marsclene, & Cody Nix  
Alma Hahn  
Dale Tibbs**  
8:00 am at Stringtown  
10:00 am at Wendelin  
10:00 am at Lawrenceville

#### OUR MAY SPONSORS

Bulletins: Dan Kuenstler Family  
Missalettes: Edward Jones – Leon Stallard

#### OUR TITHES FOR MAY 24<sup>th</sup>

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00  
Envelopes: \$6,387 (96) Loose: \$240  
Guatemala: \$0 Cath. Comm. Campaign: \$120 (2)  
Building Fund: \$330 (5) Cemetery: \$3,855 (47)

**Let Us Pray For:** Rita Kocher,Carolynn Buckels, Sandy Fehrenbacher, 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, May 30<sup>th</sup>

- Mass for *Susan Ferrell-Stout, Maren Zuber, and Rod & Sarah Kelley.*

#### Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>

- Mass for *Susan Ferrell-Stout and her parents William & Maxine Ferrell, Albert, Clara, & Rose Ellen Hahn, and Ruth Matheny.*
- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass. All students entering into grades K-3 are welcome to attend.
- Young Adults Gathering. See flyers for details.

#### Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

- 12:00-3:00 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Olney. There must always be 2 people in the church.
- 5:00 PM, Sisters in Christ.
- 7:00 PM, Choir practice in the church.

#### Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>

- Rosary after mass.
- 12 noon, bulletin deadline.

#### Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> – First Friday

- 8:00 am, First Friday mass followed by communion delivery.

#### Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> – First Saturday

- 9 am, First Saturday mass at Holy Cross.

#### Week of June 8-11<sup>th</sup>

- The carpets in the church will be cleaned Monday June 8<sup>th</sup> through June 11<sup>th</sup>. There will be **no masses or adoration** on these days. It should be finished for Friday morning mass at 8 am.
- If any **volunteers** are available after the 8 am mass on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be moving things out of the church in preparation for Monday. Any help is greatly appreciated.
- **Fr. Steven and Fr. Levi will be gone** for the discernment float trip on the 8<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> as well.
- **No Carle mass** on June 10<sup>th</sup>, moved to June 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Card Shower** for Fr. Levi's ordination anniversary on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Please send a card to the church or rectory by June 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

🐾 St. Joseph School News 🐾

- **Summer Office Hours:** Monday & Thursday, 10:00 am – 3:00pm.
- **Preschool Screenings:** Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **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 18<sup>th</sup>**. If you know of a family that could benefit from this charity, please have them contact [fallkidsmall@hotmail.com](mailto:fallkidsmall@hotmail.com) between June 29<sup>th</sup>-July 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **There has been an interest in adding Children's Liturgy to the 5 pm mass at Olney.** We currently have 2 volunteers to help lead the class. One more is needed. Please contact the parish office if interested.
- **Join us in supporting the Family Life Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser** from Mother's Day to Father's Day! You can give online using the QR code or website link below or leave your donation in the baby bottle in the vestibule of the church. Every gift makes a difference for local families in need. Thank you!  
Website: [rebrand.ly/bbnew](http://rebrand.ly/bbnew)



- **Tri Parish Golf Scramble** 🏌️  
Join us for a fun afternoon of golf and fellowship while supporting the Tri Parish CYM Youth Group!  
📅 Sunday, June 28  
📍 Richland Golf Club  
💰 \$300 per 4-person team  
🕒 Lunch at 12:00 PM  
🏹 Shotgun Start at 1:00 PM

All proceeds will benefit the Tri Parish CYM Youth Group. To register your team or for more information, contact:  
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Step away from the noise of daily life and into something deeper. Single young adult men ages 18 and older are invited to join Fr. Thomas Luge, Fr. Levi James, & Fr. Steven Beatty for a summer retreat **June 8th-10th** to encounter Christ and His call in the beauty of the outdoors. Spend a few days on the Current River in Missouri while building brotherhood with other men seeking purpose and direction. Please email [vocations@diobelle.org](mailto:vocations@diobelle.org) for more information.
- **We are now accepting mass intentions through September 30, 2026.** 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.
- **Flocknote!**  
We love having you as a part of our Flock! Keep in touch with us via email and texts. To join Flocknote text STJOEHOLYCROSS to 84576 to register, or connect with us online at [stjosepholney.flocknote.com](http://stjosepholney.flocknote.com).

#### CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

May 25: Lona Peavler (#709)  
May 26: Ellison Camfield (#105)  
May 27: Brian North (#662)  
May 28: Mike & Ann Dowty (#230)  
May 29: Laney Peavler (#113)

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~ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS** ~

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- **Thursday, June 18:** 4th Degree meeting, 7PM, 2026-2027 Officers announced.

**The 2026 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**

*Those who are kind to the needy honor Him*

Your contribution to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal enables the Office of Education to impact the lives of over 10,283 students at 25 Catholic grade schools, three Catholic high schools and in PSR (Parish School of Religion) classes throughout our Belleville Diocese. If you haven't already done so, we prayerfully ask you to consider making a gift to the 2026 Appeal today...no amount is too large or too small! Thank you.

**Thank you** to the **62** households at St. Joseph, Olney that have already pledged **\$14,443.75** to support this mission. We are 64% to our goal of \$22,468.

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**Journey Onward Ye Sojourners**

*Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate*

Receive the Holy Spirit

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**St. Joseph Church**

208 South Elliott St.  
Olney, Illinois 62450



**Sunday, May 31, 2026**

*The Most Holy Trinity*



~ **St. Joseph Church** ~

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E-mail ..... [stjosephchurch\\_olney@yahoo.com](mailto:stjosephchurch_olney@yahoo.com)

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 masses on Sunday and Wednesday are now available! To watch it live, go to [stjosephchurcholney.com](http://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** ~

Josy Hart ..... Principal

Carol Potter ..... Assistant Principal

Catherine Fritschle ..... Office Manager

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FAX ..... 618-395-8500

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

May 31, 2026

The Most Holy Trinity

† Eucharistic Celebrations †

Saturday, May 30, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-

Wendelin "Louis & Lelia Volk† and Melvin &

Helen Rudolphi†", 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, May 31, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

"Eva Grace Street†" "Leonard, Carl, and Ben

Kessler†", 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown,

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St.

Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Monday, June 1, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, June 2, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Law-

renceville

Wednesday, June 3, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, June 4, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

"Edward & Corrine Wells†"

Friday, June 5, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Saturday, June 6, 9:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

"For the Parish", 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

"Ivan & Mary Weber† and Devin Deisher†",

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, June 7, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

"Leonard Kessler Family† & Ralph & Coletta Bahl

Family†", 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown,

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St.

Lawrence-Lawrenceville

May Bulletins and Missalettes:

In Memory of the Deceased Members of the  
Carl & Judy Kessler Family

BULLETIN & MISSALETTE SPONSORS:

To schedule, contact Ashley. Price to sponsor for a  
month is \$100 for bulletins and \$100 for mis-  
salettes.

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sunday, May 24, 2026

(72) Envelope Collection: \$2,568.00 Loose:

\$253.00 – Total: \$2,821.00, (3) Building: \$310.00,

(1) Seminarian Education: \$20.00, (34) Cemetery:

\$1,550.00, (1) Catholic Communication: \$20.00

\*JUNE LITURGICAL MINISTERS\*

SATURDAY SUNDAY

Open/Lock/Greet: Open/Lock/Greet:

Marge Kessler Cindy Blank

Marty Klingler

EMHC: EMHC:

Martha Deimel Marcia Street

Sherry Geier Travis Weber

Emma Tinder Missy Buerster

Lynn Weidner Diane Schackmann

Lectors: Lectors:

Jennifer Rudolphi Marcia Street

Money Counters:

\*Mark & Jeannie Nix\*

Ushers: Ushers:

Henry Weidner Jim Rauch

Kelly Geier Aaron Eggers

Daniel Baker Eric Sandschafer

James Rudolphi Victor Sandschafer

Mass Servers:

Saturday, May 30 – Hank, Clara, & Boyd  
Weidner

Sunday, May 31 – Lane Smithenry, Brooke &  
Blaine Bergbower

Saturday, June 6 – Mattux Hart, Noah & Levi  
Rudolphi

Sunday, June 7 – Alex Street, Brooke & Braden  
Weidner

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

June 7 – Kalia & Bailey Kistner

June 14 – Stephanie Geier & Nicole Kuhl

June 21 – Holly Nettleton & Ellee Bare

June 28 – Melissa & Brooke Weidner

CRMH Communion:

May 31 – Diane Herdes

June 14 – Ellen Weber

June 21 – Lynn Weidner

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:



Mary Beth Scherer, Terry Tolliver,  
Wesley Frohning, Valerie Weidner,  
Stacy Kessler, Jim & Norma Kocher,  
Rita Kocher, Amelia Rauch

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, May 31 – Young Adults Gathering – see  
flyer for details.

Monday, June 1 – Young Adults Bible Study at  
Holy Cross-Wendelin, 7pm.

Tuesday, June 2 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adora-  
tion at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.

Sister's in Christ at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 10am.

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

Sister's in Christ at St. Joseph-Olney, 5pm.

Wednesday, June 3 – Sister's in Christ at Holy  
Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.

Saturday, June 6 – First Saturday Mass at Holy  
Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning  
at 8:15am.

Sunday, June 7 – Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Ordination Anniver-  
sary to Fr. Levi! You can send a card to the parish  
or drop it in the basket in church.

Monday, June 8-Wednesday, June 10 – NO  
Masses or Adoration. Fr. Steven & Fr. Levi will be  
away from the Discernment Float Trip. CRMH  
Mass will be moved to June 17<sup>th</sup>!

TRI-PARISH VBS THANK YOU!:

A Huge "Thank You" to all who contributed, do-  
nated, prayed, volunteered, decorated, served on  
the VBS Squad and to our parents who shared  
their kids with us at the Tri-Parish VBS Rainforest  
Falls. The kids encountered God daily by learning  
to observe that he is all around us! They learned  
that "God is our Creator, God knows Everything,  
God is our Safe Place and God is Forever," and  
their response is "Wow, God!" Thank you again!

THANK YOU STE. MARIE AMERICAN LEGION:



Thank you to Ste. Marie Ameri-  
can Legion Post #932 for the  
generous donation of a new  
flag for our cemetery in honor  
of our veterans buried at the  
Holy Cross Cemetery. It is  
greatly appreciated!

ROSTER UPDATES NEEDED:

Please help us update our roster! If you did not fill  
out a paper at Mass, please  
email [levi.jamessiu@gmail.com](mailto:levi.jamessiu@gmail.com) with your family  
name, adults, children (and ages), phone num-  
ber(s), and email address(es). The new infor-  
mation will be included in the upcoming directory.  
Thank you!

TRI-PARISH GOLF SCRAMBLE:

Join us for a fun afternoon of golf and fellowship  
while supporting the Tri Parish CYM Youth Group!  
Sunday, June 28 Richland Golf Club  
\$ \$300 per 4-person team Lunch at 12:00PM  
Shotgun Start at 1:00PM All proceeds will bene-  
fit the Tri Parish CYM Youth Group. To register  
your team or for more information, contact: Aus-  
tin Zwilling – (618) 562-1994 or Tyler Timm – (507)  
530-2911 Support Our Church Golf Outing! You  
don't have to golf to make a difference! For a do-  
nation of \$100, you or your business can sponsor  
one of the holes during our upcoming church golf  
outing. Hole sponsors help support the event and  
will be recognized with a sign displayed on the  
course the day of the outing.  
If you would like to participate or have questions,  
please contact Austin Zwilling (618)562-1994 or  
Tyler Timm (507) 530-2911. Thank you for sup-  
porting our church ministry and its youth!

ST. RAPHAEL'S MINISTRY OF CARE:

The Grief Group that meets on the first Monday of  
the month at St. Joseph Olney will pause over the  
summer months. As part of the St. Raphael Minis-  
try of Care, this monthly gathering is designed to  
provide a Gospel-focused space for prayer, listen-  
ing, and faithful support for those suffering the  
loss of a loved one. Our most recent meeting was  
held on Monday, May 11, at 5:00pm at St. Joseph-  
Olney. 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: - St. Joseph Olney: Elaine Grimes, - St. Joseph Stringtown: Janette Kocher, - **Holy Cross Wendelin: Sherry Geier.** For more information, you may contact Caroline Trimble, Pastoral Associate, at 618.263.7106.

**SISTER'S IN CHRIST:**

If interested contact Kristi Sandschafer, Janette Kocher or Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate. **Tuesdays** – St. Joseph-Stringtown 10:00am; St. Joseph-Olney, 5:00pm; **Wednesdays** – Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.

**FORMED.ORG SUBSCRIPTION:**

Download the app or go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and enter 62448. **The Week of May 31<sup>st</sup>** – **Lectio: God, Saint Justin Martyr-Catholic Saints, St. Boniface-Catholic Saints**

**2026 GRADUATES:**

Submit information on your 2026 graduates to be included in a special graduation flyer. Be sure to include grade and school names. For college students, please include college, degree, special awards and/or description of future plans. Photos encouraged! **Please submit by the end of May.**

**PICNIC WORKER'S LIST:**

Please contact worker's list committee with changes or if not available to work your shift this year **by June 1<sup>st</sup>**. Contact Kristy Weidner 618-843-8320, Kim Correll 618-676-5789, Christine Hall 618-554-2019, or Taylor Hall 217-663-8520.

**LADIES SODALITY CAKE/CRAFT DRAWINGS:**

The next drawing will be June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> and proceeds will stay in the LAS account this month. Reminder there will **NOT** be drawings in July or August.

**CAROLINE TRIMBLE, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

The Most Holy Trinity honors the most fundamental of Christian beliefs—belief in the Holy Trinity. The human mind can never fully understand the mystery of the Trinity, but we can sum it up in the following formula: God is three Persons in one Nature. There is only one God, and the three Persons of God—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—are all equally God, and They cannot be divided. There are many prayers to honor the Divine Trinity, and here is one from Fatima: The Angel of Peace appeared to the Fatima children one year prior to the Our Lady's apparitions and taught them five prayers. Here is one of those prayers. The prayer should be recited three times: *The Pardon Prayer* "My God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love You! I ask pardon of You for those who do not believe, do not adore, do not hope and do not love You!" Glory Be "Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen." Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

**ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

School office summer hours: Monday and Thursday, 10am-3pm.

**OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**Sunday, May 31:** Knight led Rosary at 8AM Olney Mass. member Ministry followed by member and family fellowship at a local restaurant. **Thursday, June 11:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree meeting, 7PM. Please attend for the attendance incentive drawing. Last reading for the Officer nominees. **Thursday, June 18:** 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting, 7PM, 2026-2027 Officers announced.

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER:**

"Dignity is a gift from God, who created the human being in his own image and semblance (cf. Gen 1:26). It is not something that is obtained by merit or effort; nor does it depend on what we possess or achieve. It is a gift that goes before us:

it is born of the look of love with which God wanted us, one by one, and continues to want us." Pope Leo XIV, Message to Participants in "Building Communities that Safeguard Dignity" © 2025 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

**VOCATION CORNER:**

At many sporting events, you often witness signs promoting today's Gospel reading – John 3:16. Yes, God so loved us that He sent His Son for us to have eternal life. "Whoever believes in him will not be condemned." We, Christians, are charged with sharing this belief with the rest of the world. We do this by our example of receiving the Sacraments. Our greatest witness is our frequent reception of the Holy Eucharist. This is emphasized in the Holy Mass for which we need priests to say. Encourage young men to explore the vocation of Priesthood which is vital to the life of the Church.

**FLOAT DISCERNMENT TRIP:**

Step away from the noise of daily life and into something deeper. Single young adult men ages 18 and older are invited to join Fr. Thomas Luge, Fr. Levi James, & Fr. Steven Beatty for a summer retreat June 8th-10th to encounter Christ and His call in the beauty of the outdoors. Spend a few days on the Current River in Missouri while building brotherhood with other men seeking purpose and direction. Please email [vocations@diobelle.org](mailto:vocations@diobelle.org) for more information.

**BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER:**



Join us in supporting the Family Life Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser from Mother's Day to Father's Day! You can give online using the QR code or website link below or leave your donation in the baby bottle in the vestibule of the church. <https://secure.anedot.com/family-life-center/newton-baby-bottles>

**FLOCKNOTE REMINDER:**We love having you as part of our flock. Text STJOEHOLYCROSS to 84576 or connect with us online at [stjosepholney.flocknote.com](http://stjosepholney.flocknote.com).

**Sunday, May 31, 2026**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.



**Holy Cross Parish in Wendelin**

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Website - - [www.holycrosswendelin.com](http://www.holycrosswendelin.com)

Parish E-mail: [holycrosswendelin@outlook.com](mailto:holycrosswendelin@outlook.com)

Parish Phone Number: (618)-752-5671

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday 10am-3pm, and Friday 10am-1pm.

**Mass Schedule:** Thursdays 6:30pm with **Adoration** at 5:30pm, Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am

**\*\*Very Rev. Steven L. Beatty – Pastor**

Fr. Steven's Cell: 618-697-2632

E-mail: [frsteven.beatty@gmail.com](mailto:frsteven.beatty@gmail.com)

**\*\*Reverend Levi James – Parochial Vicar**

Fr. Levi: 618-240-3638, [levi.jamessiu@gmail.com](mailto:levi.jamessiu@gmail.com)

**\*\*Caroline Trimble – Pastoral Associate**

Caroline: 618-263-7106, [ctrimblePA@gmail.com](mailto:ctrimblePA@gmail.com)

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Ashley: 618-843-1892, [creholycross@gmail.com](mailto:creholycross@gmail.com)

**\*\*Tyler Timm – Youth Minister**

Tyler: 507-530-2911; [ttimm@stjoelolney.com](mailto:ttimm@stjoelolney.com)

**Trustees: Carl Will & Kasey Iffert; Pastoral**

**Council: Tony Kuentler-Chair; Kevin Blank-Vice-Chair; Cindy Blank, Sharon Edwards, Kelly Geier,**

**Tammy Rudolphi, Holly Nettleton, Dusty**

**Smithenry**

# The Holy Trinity

Today we are celebrating the feast of the Holy Trinity. "Trinity" means "three" and tells us that there are three Persons in God. There is only one God, but God is a relationship of the Father and the Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit.

Each of the Persons in the Holy Trinity is really God, so the Father is really God, and Jesus is really God, and the Holy Spirit is really God. But they are not all the same Person. Each of the Persons in the Holy Trinity is also equal to all the others. So the Father is not greater than the Son or the Holy Spirit; they are all equal.

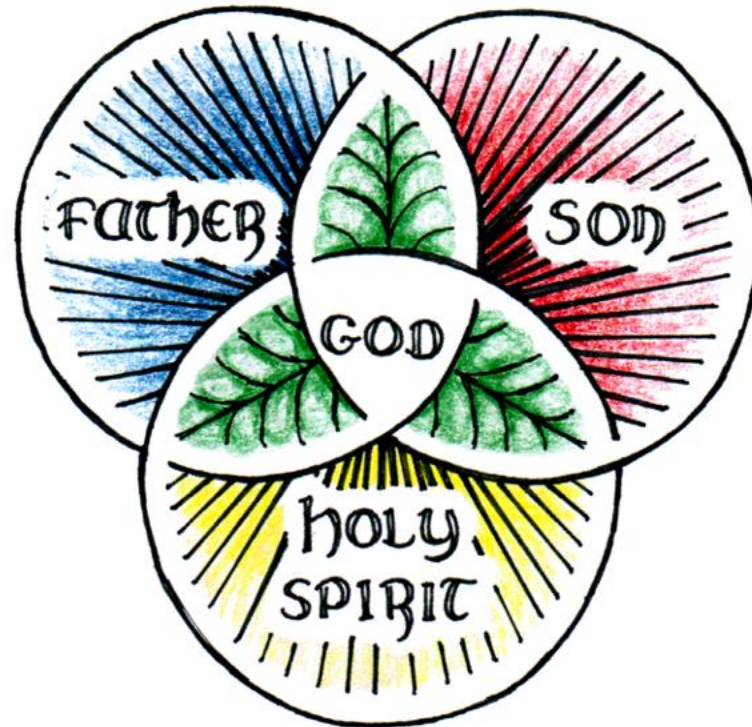
Sometimes we can understand the Holy Trinity as if it were like a family. Each of the persons is different, but the family wouldn't really exist if any one of them were missing. The Holy Trinity is also a relationship of love. Because God is so full of love He wanted to share it with others, so that is why He made us! When we live the way God wants us to we are joining in the life of the Holy Trinity. Isn't that amazing?



Answer to puzzle on front page: Three Persons in One God.  
 Answers to Cross-Word Puzzle: Across: 1. send 3. gave 5. be 6. condemn 8. life 10. loved  
 12. not 13. perish 15. only Down: 2. everyone 3. God 4. world 7. eternal 9. into 11. who 14. in

# The Kids' Bulletin

*Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity*  
 May 31st, 2026



What does the word "Trinity" say about God?  
 Use the code to find out!

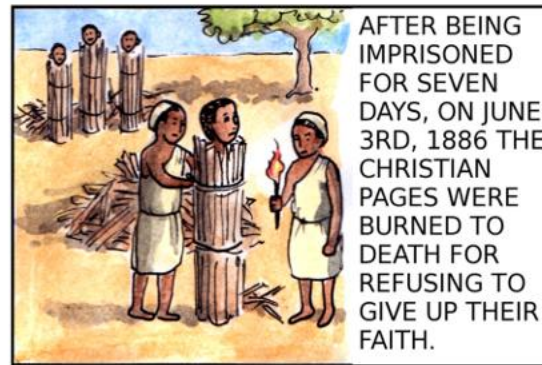
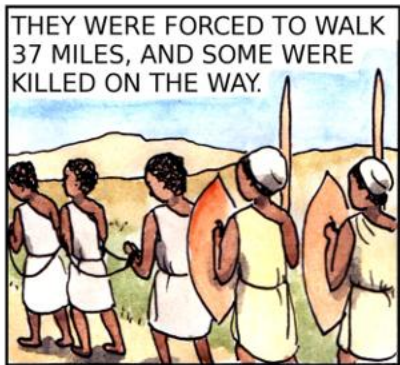
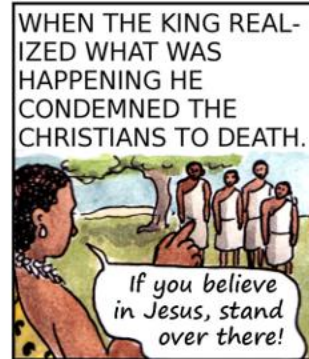
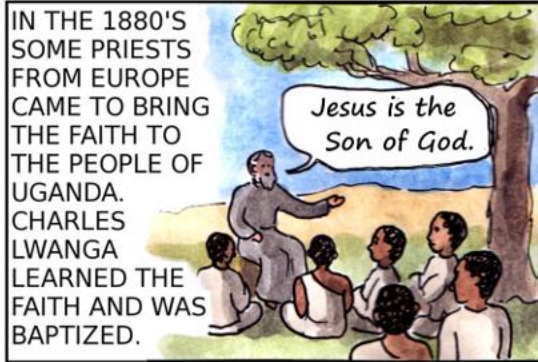
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# Saint Charles Lwanga And Companions

June 3

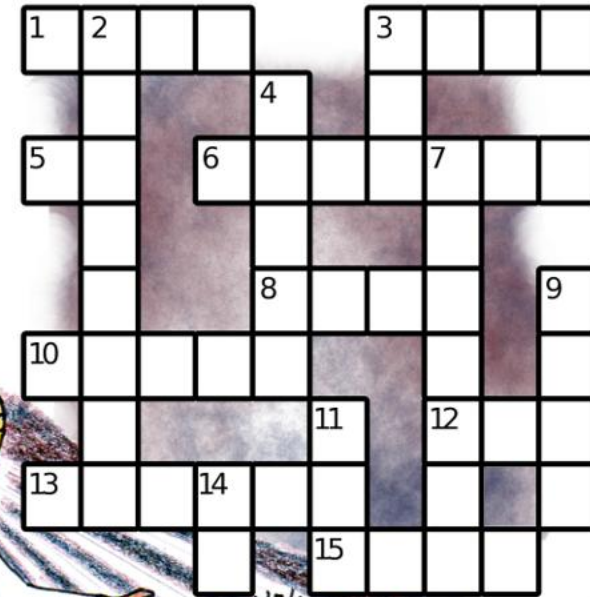


SAINT CHARLES AND HIS FELLOW PAGES DID NOT LET THE FEAR OF DEATH STOP THEM FROM FOLLOWING GOD AND DOING WHAT WAS RIGHT. IF EVER YOU ARE TEMPTED TO SIN OR TO MAKE AN EASY CHOICE THAT IS WRONG, PRAY TO SAINT CHARLES AND HIS FRIENDS FOR STRENGTH TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION.

## God So Loved The World Cross-Word

\_\_\_ (3d) so \_\_\_ (10a) the world  
that he \_\_\_ (3a) his \_\_\_ (15a) Son,  
so that \_\_\_ (2d)  
\_\_\_ (11d) believes \_\_\_ (14d) him might  
not \_\_\_ (13a) but might have  
\_\_\_ (7d) \_\_\_ (8a) For  
God did \_\_\_ (12a) \_\_\_ (1a) his Son  
\_\_\_ (9d) the \_\_\_ (4d) to  
\_\_\_ (6a) the world, but that the  
world might \_\_\_ (5a) saved through him.

Use the words in the list to fill in the blanks in today's Gospel reading. Then fit them into the cross-word



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ONLY  
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SEND  
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WORLD  
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ETERNAL  
EVERYONE

