

ST. JOSEPH - STRINGTOWN

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Collection Total for August 31, 2025

Envelopes: \$685.00 (21)
Loose: \$62.00
Total: \$747.00

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Building Fund: \$25.00 (1)

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!**

PARISH EVENTS:

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High School Youth Group at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 5:30pm.

Sunday, September 21 – **CYM Mass at 8am at St. Joseph-Stringtown.**

Young Adults Gathering, TBD – More info to come!

CAROLINE TRIMBLE - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

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SISTERS IN CHRIST:

The Story of the Soul" the life of St. Thérèse of Lisieux; Tuesday - 10:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Wednesday - 5:30pm Holy Cross-Wendelin

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:

Following in the Footsteps of the Saints: Family Catechesis September 3, we celebrated and honored the Blessed Mother for her Birthday (Monday, Sept. 8) with prayers, song, a gathering around the Grotto, and a cookie party. Our Saints were Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati [Jason Warfel] and St. Padre Pio [Fr. Levi James]. Our kids and adults made “Following in the Footsteps of the Saints” placemats. Our families received Guardian Angel nightlights and Be Saint bracelets. It was a huge gathering of parish families learning, laughing, and loving Following in the Footsteps of the Saints.

ROOF BIDS:

St Joseph Parish in Olney is receiving bids for a shingle roof on the rectory at 215 S Elliott. Please submit bids to the parish office if interested. Thank you!

ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

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Thank you for supporting our mum fundraiser! Mum orders may be picked up at the drive through Cattle Barn in City Park on Friday, September 12 from 10am to 5:30pm.

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Wednesday, September 10: Olney Knights of Columbus Soccer Kick during St. Joseph School PE Classes.

Thursday, September 11: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.

Thursday, September 18: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.

Sunday, September 28: Knight led Rosary before Olney 8AM Mass.

Can you volunteer an hour for Tootsie Rolls?

Contact Scott Seiler:

September 19th at Olney Football Game, Volunteers Needed

October 3rd at IGA, Volunteers Needed from 4pm-6pm

October 4th – 8AM to Noon at Wal-Mart, Volunteers Needed.

October 4th – 8AM to Noon, Covered by Special Olympics

Thanks to the thirteen attending the Sunday Fellowship Breakfast.

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. **September Recommendations** - This



movie captures the Capuchin friar's intense faith, devotion, and deep spiritual concern for others, as well

as his great compassion for the sick and suffering. It reveals the amazing details and events in Padre Pio's life as a boy and throughout his fifty years as a friar, dramatizing the frequent attacks from the devil, as well as the persecution he suffered at the hands of people, including those in the Church. This movie is not rated, but was created with an adult audience in mind. It may contain violence indicative of the life and times the character portrayed. We would recommend Parental Guidance and that parents preview it before watching with children.



Frassati was a handsome, athletic and fun-loving young man from a rich, aristocratic Italian family who

turned from a life of privilege to one devoted to working with the poor, suffering and homeless, and was a courageous witness of Christian faith and charity to many others. An avid mountain climber, Frassati exemplified a great love for life, nature and humanity. He was a leader of youth in Italy in Catholic social justice and charitable organizations and is the patron saint of World Youth Days. He died of the polio virus at the age of 24.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:

“Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Every Suicide is Tragic”
www.usccb.org/every-suicide-tragic

VOCATION CORNER:

Did you know that there are special seminaries for men entering the priesthood later in life, seminaries where students range from ages 25 to 60? Many of these men have thought about being a priest at one time or another but, for whatever reason, pushed the idea to the back of their minds. They are men who have made a career change to a second vocation, the priesthood. They are ordinary people, men who have been electricians, teachers, barbers, police officers, social workers, businesspeople, farmers, dentists. Some are widowers, even grandfathers. Diverse though their backgrounds may be, they now share one aim in life: to become a priest and serve God’s people. Could you be one of them?

2025 CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL:
Hope in the Lord - *The Messenger*, our diocesan newspaper, brings local, national and international news of our Catholic faith right into your home through its print and online editions. Your gift to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps to support *The Messenger*. If you haven’t done so, subscribe to *The Messenger* today and also make your gift to the Appeal! Thank you for your generosity.



REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Rick Rennier, Teresa Zehner,
Judy Brown, Brenda Zuber,
Valerie Weidner, Steve Zuber,
Carolyn Elie, Linda McWhirter,

Deacon Jack Shuster, ***“May the Prince of Peace bring healing and strength to our brothers and sisters of Annunciation Parish in Minneapolis. May those who have died rest in peace.”***



Sunday, September 7, 2025
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 7, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown, “Elmer & Elfreida Zwilling†” “Judy Zuber†”
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Sunday, September 14, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “Herman, Ethel, and Kathleen Zwilling†”, “Jean, Norman, & Joseph Zwilling†”, “Carolyn Zuber†” 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

09/07/2025

Servers:

Emmitt Kocher
Gabriel Volk
Will Volk

Lector:

Jocelyn Kocher

EMHC:

Scott Seiler
Janette Kocher
Owen Kocher

Gifts:

Bill Zuber

Ushers:

David Muhs
Evelyn Volk

Greeters:

Jean Kocher Family
Laura, Dorothy, & Delana

09/14/2025

Servers:

Amity Zuber
Anna Seiler
Nathaniel Zwilling

Lector:

Owen Kocher

EMHC:

Gary Zwilling
Grayson Sterchi
Jenny Hancock

Gifts:

Jack Weidner Family

Ushers:

Scott Seiler
Luke Seiler

Greeters:

Doug & Lora Kocher Family
Anita & Anna

St. Joseph Church
In Stringtown, Illinois
P.O. Box 10, Dundas, IL 62425



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Email: stjoestringtown@hotmail.com

Website: www.stjosephstringtown.com

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

Very Rev. Fr. Steven Beatty _____ **Pastor**
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Sunday, September 7th, 2025
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✠ Eucharistic Celebrations ✠

Mon. Sep. 8 6:30 PM at Stringtown
Tue. Sep. 9 5:00 PM at Lawrenceville

Wed. Sep. 10 8:05 am For the Parish
1:30 PM Carle 3rd Floor

Thu. Sep. 11 6:30 PM at Wendelin

Fri. Sep. 12 8:00 am For the Parish

Sat. Sep. 13
4:00 PM at Wendelin
5:00 PM Living and Deceased Hermina
& Frances Zuber
Donald Kocher

Sun. Sep. 14
8:00 am Henry Weiler
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 AUGUST 31st

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$6,474 (97) Loose: \$237
Guatemala: \$5 (1)

Let Us Pray For: 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, Eleanor Steber, Tony Tredway,
Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, and Ruth Zwilling.

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

Sep. 1: Krystal Volk (#116)
Sep. 2: George Wessel (#325)
Sep. 3: Eric Howard (#511)
Sep. 4: Bridget Minchuk (#135)
Sep. 5: Judy Beal (#256)

~ AROUND OUR PARISHES ~

Saturday, September 6th

- Mass for **Maren Zuber, Rita Damm**, and **Living & Deceased Dan & Helen Steber Family**.

Sunday, September 7th

- Mass for **Dudley Chamberlin, Raymond & Marcelene Nix and Cody Nix**, and **Cleone & Delbert Gumble**.
- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass. All students in grades K-3 are welcome to attend.

Monday, September 8th

- Finance council meets at noon in conference room

Tuesday, September 9th

- 12 PM - 3 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Olney. There must always be 2 people in the church.
- Sisters in Christ **will not** meet at Olney.

Wednesday, September 10th

- Praying the rosary after mass, Olney.
- 12 noon, Bulletin deadline.
- 1:30 PM, mass at Carle 3rd floor.

Thursday, September 11th

- 5:30 PM, Parish and Family Life Committee meeting in the quilting room.

Saturday, September 13th

- Red plates will be given out at all masses for all first graders as part of the kitchen table catechesis.
- 5:00 PM, Middle school youth group meets at Holy Cross after the 4 pm mass.

Sunday, September 14th

- Red plates will be given out at all masses for all first graders as part of the kitchen table catechesis.
- Treat your family to **donuts and coffee** after the 8 am mass at St. Joseph, Olney in the MPR. Don't miss these yummy donuts and fellowship!
- 5:30 PM, High School Youth Group meets at Stringtown.

🐾 St. Joseph School News 🐾

- St. Joseph School is accepting applications for a **half-day aide position** for the remainder of the 2025-26 school year. Please contact jhart@stjoeolney.com for more information or to submit your resume.
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~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **Mark Your Calendars** for the St. Joseph-Olney Smorgasbord and Bazaar which will be held on **Sunday, October 19th**.
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 either call the parish office (618-392-8181) or email stjosephchurch_olney@yahoo.com. Tickets are available to pick up in the Parish Office. Hopefully we will be able to sell all 1,300 tickets as this is what funds necessary repairs and upkeep of our parish. Please help us by selling and buying tickets. The drawing will be held on Sunday, October 19.
- We are now **accepting mass intentions** through December 31, 2025. Up to three first names with the same last name (ex. John, Paul and Mary Smith) or two last names only (ex. Scott and Smith Families) will be allowed per intention. We can accept up to three mass offerings per mass. Mass intentions cannot be scheduled for All Souls Day, Christmas Eve, or Christmas Day. These days will be for the general intentions of our parishioners.
- **Parish Council** will have its first meeting on Tuesday, September 16th at 7:00 pm in conference room B.

- **Noodle Making, Saturday 9-13-2025** at 7:30am – Noon in Cafeteria. Volunteers Needed - No experience necessary just a willing attitude. 8th grade Confirmadees welcomed to make noodles and Sunday for sweeping up after 8am Mass. Please join us for some fun and laughter Saturday morning 9-13-2024 and/or cleanup after Mass Sunday morning. Call Julie Herring 618-562-9655 or Vicki Stuckey 618-292-4357 with questions.
- **Attention All Anniversary Couples:** This year, the Parish and Family Life Committee will be sponsoring an Anniversary Brunch celebration on Sunday, September 21, following the 8:00 am mass. Any couple of the parish who already has or will be celebrating in 2025 their 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 55, 60, 65 or 70th wedding anniversary is invited to attend the Mass celebration that Sunday and stay for brunch in the multipurpose room. Please contact the Parish office M-W-F to make reservations by **Wednesday, September 17**. Those attending will be asked to bring a wedding picture to share with everyone in attendance.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

- Thursday, Sep. 11th: 3rd Degree meeting, 7 PM.
- Thursday, Sep. 18th: 4th Degree meeting, 7 PM.
- Sunday, Sep. 28th: Knight led rosary before Olney 8 am mass.
- **Tootsie Roll volunteers...Can you volunteer for an hour?** Contact Scott Seiler Olney Football Game – Sep. 19th Walmart – Sep. 20th, 8am to noon IGA – Oct.3rd, 4pm to 6pm
- Thanks to the 13 members in attendance at the Sunday fellowship breakfast.
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Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

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Please consider a gift to the appeal!
Our parish financial target is \$21,855. We have received pledges for \$13,664.10. Thank you!

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FORMING CATHOLICS FOR LIFE

SIGN Up for Formed.org- 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. Go to 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. **This week's recommendations: Padre Pio Miracle Man and Pier Giorgio Frassati.**



FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SAINTS LIBRARY

The weather is cooler, and there is nothing like a great book and a warm drink! Be sure to check out the library and take home a book to read! Our library is located in the vestibule by the front entrance to the church. **Book Suggestions:** For Kids: Teresa of Avila Interior Castle (even shaped like a castle) and the Let's go to Mass (even shaped like a church). For Adults: My Sisters the Saints or This Present Paradise.

Retired Diocesan Priests Collection Today

Today you will have an opportunity to contribute to the annual Retired Diocesan Priests Collection. **All money collected will be used only for long-term nursing care, Medicare supplemental insurance and prescriptions for our retired diocesan priests.** Your gift is a wonderful way to show your gratitude to the priests who have and continue to serve us so faithfully. Please be as generous as you are able.

Our Belleville Diocese currently has:

60 diocesan priests
34 currently retired
26 in active ministry (11 of whom are of retirement age)

Teens Encounter Christ (TEC) retreats for 2025/2026

The Belleville Diocese is providing 2 TEC retreat weekends for the 2025/2026 academic school year. TEC is a 3-day Catholic retreat weekend designed for young adults, juniors and seniors (or older) in high school, who are looking for an opportunity to develop a stronger relationship with God and/or their fellow Christians. If you, or someone you know, are looking for an opportunity to enhance your relationship with Jesus Christ or experience your Catholic faith in a dynamic and fun-filled setting, then a TEC retreat may be just what you are looking for. The TEC weekends are scheduled for October 11-13 at Mater Dei High School in Breese and January 17-19 at Immaculate Conception School in Columbia. To learn more, or attend a TEC weekend, please visit our website at bellevilletec.org. If you've attended a TEC weekend in the past and would like to attend one of the reunions, please visit bellevilletec.org for additional details.

St. Joseph Church

208 South Elliott St.
Olney, Illinois 62450



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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 School Mass 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 ~

Josy Hart.....Principal

Carol Potter Assistant Principal

Catherine Fritschle Office Manager

School Office 618-395-3081

E-mail..... office@stjoeolney.com

Website www.stjoeolney.com

FAX 618-395-8500

Kristen Eagleson.....Financial Manager

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

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+Eucharistic Celebrations+

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Friday, September 12, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Saturday, September 13, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Melvin & Helen Rudolphi†” “Bob Staser†”, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Sunday, September 14, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Betty Smithenry†” “Lowell & Hermina Buerster†”
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
September 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**

SEPTEMBER LITURGICAL MINISTERS	
SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Open/Lock/Greet:	Open/Lock/Greet:
Kelly & Sherry Geier	Gregg & Milissa Weber
EMHC:	EMHC:
Sherry Geier	Ellen Weber
Josy Hart	Martha Deimel
Dave Rauch	Travis Weber
Kathy Kuenstler	Marcia Street
Lectors:	Lectors:
Jennifer Rudolphi	Ginny Zwilling
Money Counters:	
Gregg & Milissa Weber	
Ushers:	Ushers:
Kelly Geier	Gregg Weber
Tim Weidner	Eric Sandschafer
Michael Kuenstler	Victor Sandschafer
Mark Rudolphi	Kevin Blank

sponsor for a month is **\$100** for bulletins and **\$100** for missalettes.

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sunday, August 31, 2025
(68) Envelope Collection: \$1,812.00
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HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:
As of Wednesday, September 3rd – **\$274,868.57** has been received from 395 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), ***our brothers and sisters of Annunciation Parish in Minneapolis.***

CRMH COMMUNION:
September 14 – Lynn Weidner (618)-843-0361

September 21 – Ellen Weber (618)-771-7752
October 12 – Marge Kessler (618)-843-6841
October 19 – Sheryl Klingler (618)-843-3083

MASS SERVERS:
Sat. September 6 – Hank, Clara, & Boyd Weidner
Sun. September 7 – Lane Smithenry, Blaine & Brooke Bergbower
Sat. September 13 – Ian Kessler, Levi & Noah Rudolphi
Sun. September 14 – Ellee Nettleton, Kaleb & Kelby Iffert

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Young Adults Gathering, TBD – More info to come!

HC FEAST DAY/DEDICATION CELEBRATION:
The Holy Cross Church Feast Day and Dedication Celebration will be held on September 14, 2025. Mass will be celebrated at 10am, with meal at 11am, followed by Dedication at 1pm. Meal will be catered by Ochs St. Smoked Meats and menu will be pork loin, garlic grilled chicken breast, hashbrown casserole, green beans, tea/lemonade, and a dessert. Cookies and drinks will be provided after the Dedication.

FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SAINTS:
Following in the Footsteps of the Saints: Family Catechesis September 3, we celebrated and honored the Blessed Mother for her Birthday (Monday, Sept. 8) with prayers, song, a gathering around the Grotto, and a cookie party. Our Saints were Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati [Jason Warfel] and St. Padre Pio [Fr. Levi James]. Our kids and adults made “Following in the Footsteps of the Saints” placemats. Our families received Guardian Angel nightlights and Be Saint bracelets. It was a huge gathering of parish families learning, laughing, and loving Following in the Footsteps of the Saints.

CAROLINE TRIMBLE, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:
One cannot journey this life in any way *-physically – emotionally – mentally – spiritually -* without carrying something. During our day we are typically asked to help someone carry something – groceries - boxes – babies – etc.... Sometimes, the items are heavier and more challenging to

maneuver like a piano, or a sofa. No matter the size or task, we accept to help and lighten the load for the other! Did you realize that there is something each one of us carries everyday - *knowingly or unknowingly* – a cross. The cross that we carry bears our own sins, sufferings, sacrifices, trials, and when we unite our little cross with the cross that Jesus bore, we become transformed. We are transformed by Love – in Love - and for Love - because the cross is the symbol of Love. The very Love that the Son of God took upon himself in order to redeem humankind. The cross is the pathway to a Life of Love - a life that leads to the Father. Pick up your cross, help others carry theirs and journey onward to the Kingdom. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

BELL TOLL LESSON:

If you are interested in learning how to toll the bells for a funeral, please make time at 12:45pm on Sunday, September 14 for a quick lesson. Meet in the church at the bell rope level.

LAS CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:

There will **NOT** be a cake/craft drawing for September due to construction and storage in the gathering space.

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reveals the amazing details and events in Padre Pio's life as a boy and throughout his fifty years as a friar, dramatizing the frequent attacks from the devil, as well as the persecution he suffered at the hands of people, including those in the Church. This movie is not rated, but was created with an adult audience in mind. It may contain violence indicative of the life and times the character portrayed. We would recommend Parental Guidance and that parents preview it before watching with children.



Frassati was a handsome, athletic and fun-loving young man from a rich, aristocratic Italian family who turned from a life of privilege to one devoted to working with the poor, suffering and homeless, and was a courageous witness of Christian faith and charity to many others. An avid mountain climber, Frassati exemplified a great love for life, nature and humanity. He was a leader of youth in Italy in Catholic social justice and charitable organizations and is the patron saint of World Youth Days. He died of the polio virus at the age of 24.

ROOF BIDS:

St Joseph Parish in Olney is receiving bids for a shingle roof on the rectory at 215 S Elliott. Please submit bids to the parish office if interested. Thank you!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Children's Liturgy will begin this Sunday, September 7th as our first date. Parents are encouraged to bring their children ages 3-K for the Liturgy. We are hoping the 1st grade students will be attending church with their parents to prepare for the Holy Eucharist during their 2nd grade class year. Please bring your child 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:

"The Story of the Soul" **Tuesday** - 10:00am at St. Joseph- Stringtown, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Wednesday - 5:30pm Holy Cross-Wendelin

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

St. Joseph School is accepting applications for a half-day aide position for the remainder of the 2025-26 school year. Please contact jhart@stjoeolney.com for more information or to submit your resume. **Thank you for supporting our mum fundraiser!** Mum orders may be picked up at the drive through Cattle Barn in City Park on Friday, September 12 from 10am to 5:30pm.

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Wednesday, September 10: Olney Knights of Columbus Soccer Kick during St. Joseph School PE Classes. **Thursday, September 11:** 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM. **Thursday, September 18:** 4th Degree meeting, 7PM. **Sunday, September 28:** Knight led Rosary before Olney 8AM Mass. **Can you volunteer an hour for Tootsie Rolls?** Contact Scott Seiler: **September 19th at Olney Football Game - Volunteers Needed, October 3rd at IGA, Volunteers Needed from 4pm-6pm October 4th – 8AM to Noon at Wal-Mart, Volunteers Needed, October 4th – 8AM to Noon, Covered by Special Olympics. Thanks to the thirteen attending the Sunday Fellowship Breakfast.**



Sunday, September 7, 2025 **23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.



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