

Sunday, June 25, 2023
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

† *Eucharistic Celebrations* †

Mon. June 26 6:30 PM (at Stringtown)
Tue. June 27 5:00 PM (at Lawrenceville)
6:30 PM (at Wendelin)
Wed. June 28 8:00 am For the Parish
Thu. June 29 No Mass
Fri. June 30 8:00 am Special Intention
Sat. July 1 4:00 PM (at Wendelin)
5:00 PM Ed & Mary Jo Zuber;
Ed Weiler, Mr. & Mrs. Ves Weiler;
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Faller
Sun. July 2 8:00 am Henry Clow;
Virgil & Mabel Shryock
8:00 am (at Stringtown)
10:00 am (at Wendelin)
10:00 am (at Lawrenceville)

OUR MONTHLY SPONSORS

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

OUR TITHES FOR JUNE 18

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$7,559 (83) Loose: \$198
Guatemala: \$129 (3)
Seminarian Education: \$20 (1)

*** AROUND OUR PARISHES ***

Sunday, June 25

- 10 AM, Mass at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, followed at 11:30AM with a carry-in lunch for Fr. Mark. All are invited and welcome to attend!
- 11 AM, Open House of remodeled rectory and Blessing of Religious Cross at Holy Cross-Wendelin.

Monday, June 26

- 7 PM, Finance Council at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, June 27

- **6 PM, Smorgasbord Meeting**
- 6:30 PM, Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, followed by Farewell Party for Fr. Mark. Bring finger foods, drinks, and dessert to share. All will gather at the Pavilion after Mass.

Wednesday, June 28

- **8 AM, Mass at St. Joseph-Olney, followed by Farewell Party for Fr. Mark. Stop by for coffee and doughnuts until 12 PM Noon. All are invited and welcome to attend!**
- **Rosary, after Mass.**
- **9:15 AM, Adult Formation - 'Why Do Catholics Do That?' - facilitated by Deacon Jack.**
- **3 PM, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.**

Saturday, July 1

- Welcome Fr. Steven Beatty

Tuesday, July 4 - Independence Day

- **Parish Office closed**

Thursday, July 6

- 7:15 PM, Finance Council meeting at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, July 7- First Friday

- **8 AM, Mass at St. Joseph-Olney, followed by First Friday Communion Visitation at 9 AM.**

Sunday, July 16

- St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Picnic. All-You-Can-Eat Smorgasbord, 11 AM - 2 PM. Food, fun and games, 11 AM- 6 PM. Entertainment all day. Raffle drawings at 6PM. Everyone is invited.

 **St. Joseph School Notes** 

* St. Joseph School will host doughnuts and coffee Wednesday, June 28, after morning mass - approximately 8:30 AM, to honor Fr. Mark's time with our collective children. Fr. Mark will remain available to visit for the morning. Join us! Bring your children - stop by anytime that morning!

* All outstanding tuition must be paid by June 30 to complete registration for the 2023-24 school year.

* Summer Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9AM - 3 PM. Please call first. There will be times we cannot be in the office (carpet cleaning, banking, etc.).

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

June 12: Robbin McPheron (#309)
June 13: Norma Dirks (#747)
June 14: Marissa & Brandon Graves (#238)
June 15: Herman Zuber (#380)
June 16: Reece & Grant Shan (#114)

Let Us Pray For: Willy Deimel, Bob Geiger, Angela Geltz, Kenneth Hann, Sarah Kocher, Deloris Nix, Emery and Julie Oesch, Anita Shultz, Eleanor Steber, and Tony Tredway. *Please call or email the Parish Office to add your name to the Prayer List. Unless notified to extend, the listing in the bulletin will be for four weeks.*

FROM FR. MARK: THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR LOVE AND SUPPORT FOR THESE YEARS THAT I HAVE BEEN WITH YOU AS YOUR PASTOR. You will always be in my thoughts and prayers.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Do Not Be Afraid! We see these words, and probably hear them said quite often. But do we live a life that bears witness to these words? When the changes, uncertainties, and struggles of life occur what is our reaction? Let us remember to pause and turn to our God. Let us be strong in our faith-kind- generous- grateful- loving. God is always constant- He is Good- He is faithful! *In that spirit of thanksgiving and love, let us keep Fr. Mark in our ongoing prayers as he leaves us this week and let us welcome with open hearts, Fr. Steven Beatty V.G. Live a life that reflects the love of God- it is a life of Love!*

Annual Baby Bottle Project (BBP): It is very important that all the baby bottles (filled and unfilled) are returned. You may place the baby bottles in the baskets located on the table in the church vestibule and at the church doors, or bring the bottles to the Parish Office. Thank you to everyone who participated in this fundraiser in support of the Family Life Center in Effingham.

Mark the Calendar - MEN- and join the newly formed MEN'S GROUP. By joining together in brotherhood, men receive the support they need to grow in virtue and to take action to serve Christ and others. This is an invitation to join this battle, to step into the breach and to join the evangelical offensive. It challenges men to seek greatness, to be heroically virtuous and to develop a character marked by goodness and truth, strength and courage. It helps prepare men to be capable of standing in the breach and fighting for Christ. **When:** Thursday, July 6. **Time:** Mass at 6:30 PM, then group

afterwards. **Where:** Holy Cross (parish house). Men of the parishes come together as Brothers in Christ and stand INTO THE BREACH! Contact Henry Kessler or Dan Quinn if interested or have questions.

St. Joseph-Stringtown Study Group will meet on Tuesday mornings with Rosary at 9:30 AM in the church. Then the study discussion will be held in the parish hall afterwards at 10 AM. The 6-week book study will be Fatima for Today. If you would like to participate, contact Janette Kocher or Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate.

Fall Kids Mall of Richland County is a ministry providing new clothing, tennis shoes, socks, underwear, toiletry items and love to the children and youth (ages Pre-K through entering 8th grade) of Richland County. This year's annual shopping days will be August 4/5. Churches are being asked in June and July for donations of new socks and underwear. In addition, you can provide financial support to FKM or be a volunteer on Shopping Day. We also ask that you pray for the FKM program to be a success and a blessing to families in our community. For more information, follow the Fall Kids Mall Facebook Page or email fallkidsmall@hotmail.com

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

Winner of the \$75 monthly meeting attendance was Dan Kuenstler.

Knights of the Month: New members- Ethan Steber, Seth Kocher, Brett Kocher and Evan Uhl.

Kudos to the Olney Knights of Columbus members replacing roofing and new shingles for the Rectory garage.

Congratulations to the 3rd Degree 2023-2024 Knights of Columbus officers: Grand Knight- Preston Kuenstler, Deputy Grand Knight- Kyle Kuenstler, Treasurer- Steve Kuenstler, Financial Secretary- Mike Ginder, Chancellor- Kurt Ginder, Advocate- Ben Weiler, Recorder- Scott Seiler, Warden- Dan Zwilling, Guards- Carl Sager, Matt Zuber, Trustees- Dan Zwilling, Elmer Weiler, Hank Ginder, Lecturer- Deacon Jack Shuster .

Congratulations to the 2023-2024 Officers for 4th Degree Olney Assembly 229: Faithful Navigator- Steve Kuenstler, Comptroller- Jim Gibson, Purser- Hank Ginder, Scribe- Mike Ginder, Captain- Don Seger, Admiral- Dan Zwilling, Pilot- Bill Denham, Sentinels- Ben Weiler and Matt Zuber, Trustees- Elmer Weiler, Dan Kuenstler and Deacon Jack Shuster.

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~ Mission Statement ~

St. Joseph Parish family is a community of believers rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ. Using the individual gifts, we have been given by God, we minister to ourselves and others through prayer, support, and service. We nurture our inherited faith life and through the power of the Spirit pass it to future generations.

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~ Sacraments ~

Baptism: Infant or adult, please contact the Parish Office.
Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:15 PM - 4:30 PM or contact the Parish Office.
Marriage: Call no later than 6 months in advance.
Anointing of the Sick: Any time of need.



~ Welcome, New Parishioners ~

Please register as soon as you move into our parish. Call the Parish Office (392-8181) to receive a new member packet.
(If you are not receiving church offering envelopes, you are not properly registered.)

~ St. Joseph School ~

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