

Sunday, September 8th, 2024
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

✠ Eucharistic Celebrations ✠

Mon. Sep. 9 6:30 PM at Stringtown
Tue. Sep. 10 5:00 PM at Lawrenceville
Wed. Sep. 11 8:05 am Rose M. Kocher
Thu. Sep. 12 6:30 PM at Wendelin
Sat. Sep. 14 4:00 PM at Wendelin
5:00 PM Ethel Zwilling;
Kuenstler-Rohr
Families
Sun. Sep. 15 8:00 am Linda Gumble
8:00 am at Stringtown
10:00 am at Wendelin
10:00 am at Lawrenceville

OUR SEPTEMBER SPONSORS

Bulletins: Carolyn Hartrich
Missalettes: Camille Weiler

OUR TITHES FOR SEP. 1st

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$8,176 (98) Outreach: \$171.10
Guatemala: \$303 (23) Retired Priests: \$245 (9)

~ Thank you ~

Your incredible generosity through the Baby Bottle Project has once again shown the profound impact that faithful support can have in the kingdom of God. Our church contributed **\$781.52** toward this year's Baby Bottle Project! We are thrilled to share the churches in the communities we serve have raised an astounding **\$114,417**. Thank you to everyone who participated in this fundraiser in support of the Family Life Center.

Let Us Pray For: Luke G. Kocher, David Fehrenbacher, Margaret Burgener, Marlene Harris, Don Kocher, Ruth Matheny, Bessie Rossiano, Mary Rowark, Mary Beth Scherer, Eleanor Steber, Tony Tredway, Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, Deloris Nix, and Ruth Zwilling. *Please call or email the Parish Office to add any new names to the Prayer List.*

~ AROUND OUR PARISHES ~

Sunday, September 8th

- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass.
- Happy Grandparent's Day! Thank you to all our grandparents for their wisdom and love.

Monday, September 9th

- Fr. Felix leaves for officer training in South Carolina. We wish him good luck and pray for his safe travels. We will see him again in December.
- Finance council meets at noon.

Tuesday, September 10th

- 12 PM - 3 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There must always be 2 people in the church.
- 3rd grade and 7th grade attends Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Wednesday, September 11th

- Rosary, after Mass
- 9:00 am, Good Samaritan
- 9:15 am, Bible Study, St. Joseph Olney, Room B: Deacon Jack will take you through the Bible readings for the Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time and we'll hear Peter, spokesman of the disciples, recognize who Jesus is - the Messiah! But wait! He's not the Messiah people are expecting! Don't miss this week!
- 12 noon, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.

Friday, September 13th

- 9:00 am, Good Samaritan
- Mum pickup across from gym. 10 am – 5:30 pm.

Saturday, September 14th

- 1st graders red plate blessing at all masses.
- 7:00 am noodle making.

Sunday, September 15th

- 1st graders red plate blessing at all masses.
- Catechetical Sunday

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

Aug. 26: John & Ginny Hovermale (#768)
Aug. 27: DeAnn Dorn (#702)
Aug. 28: Jill Eagleson (#389)
Aug. 29: Ashley McAdow (#634)
Aug. 30: Karen Winkels (#445)

🕯 St. Joseph School Notes 🕯

- Join us on the courtyard for the first 6-8th grade band performance of the year Tuesday, September 10 at 2:30pm!
- Thank you to all who supported our mum fundraiser! Drive-through pickup in the grassy lot north of the school Friday, September 13 from 10 am- 5:30 pm.
- 1st Graders red plate blessing at weekend masses September 14-15.

~ SMORGASBORD & BAZAAR ~

- **Mark your Calendars** for the St. Joseph-Olney Smorgasbord and Bazaar which will be held on Sunday, October 20.
- **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, text or email Jeffrey Rosenburg(618-302-0391) or jar325@yahoo.com. Tickets are also available in the Parish Office. Hopefully we will be able to sell all 1300 tickets as this is what funds necessary repairs and upkeep of our parish. The drawing will be held on Sunday, October 20.
- **Quilt Raffle Tickets** will be handed out after Masses beginning on September 14th. The items will be on display.

~ CYM NEWS ~

Sun, September 8th: High School Youth Group @ Holy Cross - 5:30 pm.
Sun, September 15th: CYM Mass & Meeting in Olney.
Sat, September 21st: Middle School Night @ Olney - after 5 pm Mass (~6 pm).
Sun, September 22nd: High School Youth Group @ Holy Cross - 5:30 pm (Praise and worship music at 7 pm, all are welcome!).

~ YOUNG ADULT NEWS ~

Sun, September 29th: Young Adults Theology on Tap - more details soon.

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **O.C.I.A. Order of Christian Initiation of Adults.** Are you or anyone you know interested in exploring the Catholic Church as your church home? Have you been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what you have to do to become Catholic? Statistics show that most people respond to a personal invitation. So, this is that personal invitation and a challenge to all of you who might know someone who fits the categories above invite that person. An informational meeting will be scheduled in October. Contact Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate if interested or have questions.
- Starting in **September** and through the month of **December** there will only be First Friday mass at St. Joseph Olney at 8:00 am. There will be **NO** other Friday morning masses during these months.
- **Attn: Noodle Making 9-14-2024**, 7am – 1pm in Cafeteria. Volunteers Needed- No experience necessary just a willing attitude. 8th Grade Confirmandeas welcomed Saturday to make noodles and Sunday for sweeping up after 8am Mass. Please join us for some fun and laughter Saturday morning 9-14-2024 and cleanup after Mass Sunday. Call Julie Herring 618-562-9655 or Vicki Stuckey 618-292-4357 with questions.
- **Parish & Family Life Event: Attention All Anniversary Couples:** This year, the Parish and Family Life Committee will be sponsoring an Anniversary Brunch celebration on Sunday, September 22, following the 8:00 am mass. Any couple of the parish who already has or will be celebrating in 2024 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 18**. Those attending will be asked to bring a wedding picture to share with everyone in attendance. Thanks.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

Thurs. Sep. 12th: 3rd degree meeting at 7 PM.
Thurs. Sep. 19th: 4th degree meeting at 7 PM.

- Annual Tootsie Roll drive, we will collect in front of IGA (Sept 27 & 28), Big R (Rural King) (Sept 28), and Olney Tiger Home Football Game (Sept. 27). To sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FAFAF2DA3F4CF8-51129884-kofc> or text Scott Seiler - 618-843-0540

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Jesus heals! In our Gospel today, we read where Jesus restored the speech and hearing of the mute and deaf man. Interesting, point to ponder- but we all are mute and deaf on some level-physically-spiritually-mentally-emotionally. We go through this life picking and choosing what we want to see and hear. Then we wonder why we stumble around on our journey towards God. There is opportunity every moment of the day to seek the Lord. So, whatever is weighing on you heart- bring it to Jesus. Ask the Lord of Lords, and King of Kings, to open your ears and tongue for God Alone. Be healed and Live a Life of Love- sharing and showing the wonders of His Healing. Praise the Lord My Soul! Praise His Holy Name! Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us!

~ DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE NEWS~

The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal
Serve the Lord with gladness
-Psalm 100

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.

Respect Life Corner: Sep. 8, 2024

"We pray to you, O Lord, that we always recognize each member of this human family as being made in your image and beloved by you, with worth and dignity."
USCCB, "Prayer to Heal Racial Division"
<https://www.usccb.org/prayers/prayer-heal-racial-division>

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.

Mass of Remembrance
For People Who Have Died by Suicide

The Diocese of Belleville is sponsoring a Mass of Remembrance for those who have died by suicide, on Sunday, September 15, at 2:00 PM, at St. Mary Church, 1706 W. Main Street, Belleville, IL. Bishop Michael McGovern will preside and preach. Family members and friends who grieve the loss of a loved one are encouraged to attend this Mass and bring a photograph of the person you wish to pray for to be placed in the Sanctuary during Mass. The week of September 8-14 is National Suicide Prevention Week. At this time, let us remember those who have died by suicide and recommit ourselves to providing hope and healing for those who mourn their passing. For more information, call Judy Hoffmann at (618) 722-5003.

Belleville Diocese Marriage Enrichment "Date Night"

Come socialize and learn a swing dance step! Featuring Gabrielle from "Step by Step" Dance Studio. Saturday, September 21, 2024, 5:30pm St. Nicholas Parish Hall, O'Fallon, IL
Cost: \$30 per couple, includes appetizers, soft drinks and wine. Register at www.diobelle.org/marriage-enrichment

St. Joseph Church
208 South Elliott St.
Olney, Illinois 62450
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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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- Elliot Brazil..... Trustee

~ Sacraments ~
Baptism: Infant or adult, please contact the Parish Office.
Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:30 PM - 4:45 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.)
Office hours: Mon. Wed. Fri. 7:30-3:00 pm

~ St. Joseph School ~
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