


Collection Total for May 1, 2022

Envelopes: \$2110.00
Loose: \$251.50
Total: \$2361.50

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Building Fund Donations: \$80.00 (2)
Religious Education \$145.00 (8)
Easter Offering: \$140.00 (3)
Seminarians: \$200.00 (2)
Cemetery: \$300.00 (3)

May Bulletins: Bartley C. Zuber – Attorney at Law
May Missalettes: For all Mothers 

Thank you to Karen Zuber for her years of service to St. Joseph-Stringtown Church as trustee. Bishop Michael McGovern has appointed Lisa Boehl to the position of trustee and re-appointed Rick Ginder to another term as the second trustee of the parish.

-CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH-

If you are attending Sunday Mass in any of Four Partnership Churches: St. Joseph-Olney, St. Joseph-Stringtown, Holy Cross-Wendelin, or St. Lawrence, please use your contribution envelopes. Your contribution will be credited to the parish stated on the envelope.

PARISH NEWS:

KEEP CONNECTED with the church and receive important messages and updates via text and email. Sign up for Flocknote by texting stjoeholycross to 84576 to get connected

BULLETIN NEWS: Deadline Wednesday 2:00PM

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT:

4:00pm Saturdays at Holy Cross Wendelin
5:00pm Saturdays at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am Sundays at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am Sundays at St. Joseph-Stringtown
10:00am Sundays at Holy Cross-Wendelin
10:00am Sundays at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Also:

Monday at 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown
Tuesday at 5:00pm at St. Lawrence Lawrenceville
Wednesday at 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Thursday at 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, May 8, Mother’s Day
I said a Mother’s Day prayer for you to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tenderhearted love. I thanked God for the caring you’ve shown me through the years, for the closeness we’ve enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears.

And so, I thank you from the heart for all you've done for me and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be!

World Day of Prayer for Vocations: As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God’s call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

Monday, May 16, 7:00pm, School Board Meeting at St. Joseph-Olney
Tuesday, May 17, 9:00am, Clergy Day in Mt. Vernon, Illinois
12:00pm (Noon) Personnel Board Meeting in Mt. Vernon, Illinois

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES...We are putting together our 2022 Graduate Recognition insert which will be included in our May 21 & 22 Bulletin. Please submit names to the parish office by Wednesday, May 18. At all the masses on May 21 & 22 we will recognize our graduates.

AROUND OUR PARISHES:

STRINGTOWN PICNIC NEWS:

The Stringtown Picnic is coming up on July 17, 2022 and the committee is looking for another couple to join. If you would like to join or know anyone who might be interested, please contact one of the picnic members.

Committee Members: Rachel Foerster 618-843-8619, Nicholas Foerster 618-843-6478 Ross Ginder 618-843-4314, Carli Ginder 618-843-6704, Paige Ginder 618-843-0324

Noodle Day will be May 14th at 7:30 am. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church for parishioners to donate eggs, flour, and the use of noodle machines. Plenty of help is needed that morning as well and light refreshments will be provided, so please stop by. You do not have to stay the whole time, any help at all is appreciated. We will be working from 7:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

JOURNEY ONWARD YE SOJOURNERS
CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

My sheep hear My voice!

Do you hear the voice of the Shepherd or the voice of the world? Can you differentiate the two voices? The voice of the Shepherd is loving and gracious - and the voice becomes more apparent when you *spend time listening to Him*. When you listen, be still, and trust that in Him you are being transformed by His love and graciousness. The voice of the Shepherd brings about joy, peace, and love! There is a surge of graces that envelop you when you rest inside the arms of the Shepherd!

The voice of the world inundates you with noise and confusion; and your life with *things* that you crave and become addicted to. Your mind is filled with thoughts, comparisons, and judgments that leave you empty and despondent. Oh, you might feel that you are thriving- life of the party - everybody wants you - but at the end of the day which turns in to weeks, months, and years - all of that is over and done. There is no idle time with the voice of the world, there is a constant throttle to have more - do more - brag more - gossip more- and by all of that- hurt others.

The sheep who hear the voice of the Shepherd follow Him - and you were made to be HIS sheep! You are LOVED by HIM! The Shepherd wants to bring you to everlasting life in the Kingdom where peace and love abound! The voice of the world will only bring darkness and death! A Life of Love awaits - Listen to the Shepherd’s voice and follow Him! *Keep to the J.O.Y.S*

ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Wednesday, May 11th - Honors Mass
Band Concert 6:30 in the gym (5th grade beginners and 6th - 8th)

Friday, May 13th - 3rd Grade Author's Corner 2 pm in the church

Saturday, May 14th - State Track Meet and Science Fair public viewing after 5 pm mass in the MPR

Any gifts received after May 1st will be recognized in the fall newsletter. All gifts received prior to May 1st will be in the printer proof letter. Thank you so much for your generosity!!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Sunday, May 8: K of C Recognition of Senior \$250 Scholarships Winners at the Olney St. Joe, 8AM
Mass: Gabriel Rodriquez, Olivia Steber, Alec Kocher, and Dane Steber.
Thursday, May 12: 3rd Degree meeting, 7:30PM.
Thursday, May 19: 4th Degree meeting, 7:00PM.
Sunday, May 29: K of C Mass Ministry at St. Joe

Thanks to all the parishes and community for the success of the K of C Charity Tootsie Roll Drive to benefit the Intellectual Disabilities with donations totaling approximately \$3300 distributed to the Olney Rebel Special Olympics, The Summer Camp Program for the Community Support Systems, Richland County Special Needs classrooms, and South Eastern Special Education Classes.

STRINGTOWN COMMUNITY CLUB:

"In lieu of a Mother/Daughter banquet and the Father/Son breakfast, the community club would

like to invite all parishioners and their families to join us on Saturday, June 4th from 5p-8p for our first annual family BBQ. Families of all kinds are invited. We will have the installation of new officers from 5-5:30, Pulled pork meal from 5:30-6:30, and games to follow including a corn hole tournament and water ballon toss. Please RSVP to Janette Kocher or Mary Ochs no later than May 20th."

FAMILY LIFE CENTER- EFFINGHAM

On Mother's Day, local churches in Effingham and the surrounding area will be participating in the Family Life Center's BABY BOTTLE PROJECT. The Baby Bottle Project (BBP) is a fundraising effort the whole family can enjoy. Simply take a bottle provided to you at church and fill it with change from Mother's Day to Father's Day. The church will collect the filled bottles and donate the proceeds to the Family Life Center for continuation of its pro-life ministry. This fundraiser provides an excellent opportunity for people of all ages to be involved in supporting local pro-life efforts!

YOUR CHANGE CAN CHANGE A LIFE!

Remember in our prayers . . .

Rick Rennier

Sunday May 8, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter

+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Saturday May 7, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Sunday, May 8, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "For all Mothers Living & Deceased"
 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Monday, May 9, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Catherine Zwilling"
Tuesday, May 10,
 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
Wednesday May 11, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Thursday, May 12, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Friday, May 13, NO MASS
Saturday, April May 14, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Sunday, May 15, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Barbara Ochs +, Brenda Kocher +"
 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Ministers List

<u>05/15/2022</u>	<u>05/22/2022</u>
<u>Servers:</u> CYM KIDS	<u>Servers:</u> Natalie Ochs Mitchell Ochs
<u>Lector:</u>	<u>Lector:</u> Hank Ginder
<u>Eucharist Minister:</u>	<u>Eucharist Minister:</u> Mary Ochs
<u>Gifts:</u>	<u>Gifts:</u> Scott & Anita Seiler
<u>Ushers:</u>	<u>Ushers:</u> Gary Kocher Tom Kocher
<u>Greeters:</u>	<u>Greeters:</u> Gary & Beth Kocher

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