

Sunday February 5, 2023
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
+Eucharistic Celebrations+

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

Tuesday, February 7, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, February 8, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, February 9, NO MASS

Friday, February 10, NO MASS

Saturday, February 11, 4:00pm, at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Ivan & Mary Weber+, Colette Bahl+"
 5:00pm, at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, February 12, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Jack & Lavera Bryan+"

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.**

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. Jan 29, 2023

(62) Envelopes \$2134.00 Loose \$186.00

(1) Building \$50.00 (2) First Offering \$10.00

TOTAL: \$2380.00

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *OUR SICK

Devin Deisher, Shirley Atwood, Patricia (Gib) Volk, Wyatt Hayes (Grandson of Herb & Martha Deimel), Tim Schnautz, Norma Weidner, Doug Frichtl, Sam & Hermena Medernach, Linda Rudolphi

Please take a few minutes to send "thinking of you" cards to Linda Rudolphi.
 281 Ruby Rd., Noble, IL 62868

| *February Liturgical Ministers* | |
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| Saturday | Sunday |
| Open/Lock/Greet: Henry & Sandi Kessler | Open/Lock/Greet: Keith & Pam Blank |
| Eucharistic Ministers: Gail Niebrugge | Eucharistic Ministers: Lynn Weidner |
| Lectors: Sherry Geier | Lectors: Evan Rudolphi |
| Money Counters: Mark & Jeannie Nix | |
| Ushers: Mark Rudolphi | Ushers: Greg Weber |
| Ben Niebrugge | Michael Kuenstler |

MASS SERVERS:

Sat. Feb. 4 Levi Rudolphi, Karly Deckard

Sun. Feb. 5 Lily & Bella Stevens

Sat. Feb. 11 Briley Wilson, Clara Weidner

Sun Feb. 12 Grace & Stella Warfel

CRMH COMMUNION:

Diane Herdes (618) 723-2506, Feb. 12th

Marge Kessler (618) 752-6841 Feb. 3rd

Maria Rudolphi (618) 752-5900 March 12th

Martha Deimel (618) 663-8275 March 19th

Ellen Weber (618) 752-5225 April 9th

Lynn Weidner (618) 723-2426 April 16th

Diane Schackmann (217) 343-8799 April 30th

PARISH EVENTS:

Tuesday, February 7, 5:30pm, Adult Faith Formation "The Eucharist" at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Friday, February 10, 7:00pm, Euchre at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Tuesday, February 14, 5:30pm, Adult Faith Formation "The Eucharist" at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Come and join the Sisters in Christ group as we begin a new book study. **We will meet on**

Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. -this is an 8 week study.

CYM: Spaghetti Lunch is set for Sunday, February 19th from 10:30-12:30 at the Holy Cross Parish Center. Spaghetti, breadsticks, salad and desserts. Donations only. Also will have a basket/dessert raffle. EVERYONE WELCOME!

EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS HOLY CROSS PARISH CENTER, Sponsored by Family Life of Holy Cross.

*Card playing begins on time. \$3.00 per player admission. Cash prizes awarded 1st, 2nd, 3rd place. Free popcorn. Soda/water available for purchase. Public Welcome to Attend! **Feb. 10th 7pm, Feb 19th 6pm, March 10th 7pm, March 19th, 6pm.** (you may bring your favorite adult beverage.

Next weekend, February 11 and 12, every parish in the diocese will be participating in The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. This annual collection supports the ministries and agencies in our diocese whose scope of service could not be duplicated by an individual parish. You will have an opportunity to make your pledge or gift at Mass next weekend. No gift is too great or too small. If you do not receive a pledge card in the mail or forget to bring it, please use one of the reply envelopes that will be available. Please be as generous as you are able.

SAVE THE DATE:

We are having a **Lenten Quad-Parish Renewal on March 5-8, a night at each of our parishes!** Dr. Mark Ginter will be our speaker and I have added his bio:

Dr. Mark Ginter, catechist, theologian, author, and speaker, works to cultivate a new springtime of the Church through the new evangelization. As a husband, father, and grandfather, he works to renew Catholic family life. In 1997, he received a PhD in theology and psychology from Marquette University. For over 38 years, Dr. Ginter has taught

in parishes, high schools, universities, and seminaries. Writing the first academic article on St. John Paul II's new evangelization, he met that great pope on Jan. 5, 2005. He led the publication of the recently released book, Spirit of God: Short Writings on the Holy Spirit. Currently, Dr. Ginter serves as strategic partnership liaison fellow for Franciscan University's Catechetical Institute.

Holy Cross March 5 - "Please, may I introduce you to my Friend, the Holy Spirit?"

St. Joseph Stringtown March 6 - "How did extraordinary faith at 16 help me to face my brother's sudden death?"

St. Lawrence March 7 - "What hope do I have that my children and I will remain Catholic until the end?"

St. Joseph Olney March 8 - "How do I love God with all of my heart, soul, mind, and strength?"

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners

Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Let your light shine for the glory of God. Jesus is the Light of the world, and we are to reflect His Light. Does your life reflect the Light of God? Or it is focused on self? Does it glorify God? Or self? The Light and Glory of God is one of patience and kindness, it is not jealous or pompous, it is not inflated or rude, it does not seek its own interest or is quick tempered, it does not brood or rejoice over wrongs. If these are diminished or lacking - then your light is hidden - maybe not to the world - but to God! Take a moment and ask God if he sees your light? Journey onward to living a Life of Love and let - God's Light Shine from You - for the Glory of God. Keep to the J.O.Y.S.

FROM FR. MARK:

Looking ahead at the church calendar, February 11 is the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. What is

the significance of the apparitions at Lourdes and other places? What is the meaning of Marian apparitions in general?

In our world of rationalism and secularism, of materialism and consumerism, God and the supernatural realm seem far removed from most people. Yet He continues to intervene in human history by sending the mother of Jesus when the Christian faith is challenged and under attack.

The human family needs to be reminded, sometimes in a dynamic and supernatural way, that God exists, that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is a universal call to goodness and holiness, that we are all responsible before our Maker for our choices.

Apparitions are a wake-up call for a corporate examination of conscience about how well we may be responding to God's manifold invitations to personal salvation and world peace. So how are we responding to Him?

The Church is necessarily both cautious and open in the matter of private revelation. She must discern what is false. And she must avoid the risk of losing credibility as the guardian of public revelation by too hastily confirming a reported private revelation or apparition.

Yet we can clearly observe the abundant blessings of Mary's action in private revelation. Her appearance is a heaven-sent reminder, an invitation to the world to live the Gospel fully and to assist the Church in its continuing mission of evangelization.

What would the 16th century have been without Guadalupe? Or the 19th and 20th centuries without the Miraculous Medal revealed at Rue de Bac in Paris, without Lourdes, without Fátima? We can thank God for the tremendous graces and blessings that result from authentic apparitions of Mary.

Pope John Paul II taught us to see that Marian doctrine and devotion are indeed both Christ-centered and Church-centered. Mary is the perfect model for the People of God in their journey to

become, with Jesus and herself, co-redeemers and intercessors for each other and all humankind.

Knowing and teaching the whole truth about Mary is thus the best means to teach the whole truth about Jesus and His saving incarnation, about His redemption and about His Church. The full truth about Mary safeguards the full truth about Jesus.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

-Thanks to everyone who made Catholic Schools Week so special and joyful!

-Thanks to the VFW for supporting our kids through the fantastic spaghetti dinner!

Tuesday, February 7th - K of C Hoop Shoot competition - thanks to Hank Ginder for organizing and running this program for us!

Wednesday, February 8th - Stewardship of Treasure collection at school mass

-**Congratulations** to our Boys' Team for winning the regional championship! Good luck to them at the State Competition this weekend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Tuesday February 7: Knights of Columbus Free Throw Shoot-Out at St. Joe School for PE classes, grades, 3rd - 8th. Twelve winners from the age divisions qualify to advance to St. Anthony Effingham High School for Regionals and the State Tournament.

Thursday, February 9: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.

Friday, February 10: First Fish Fry Night, 5PM-7PM at the Olney City Park Community Building. Please participate and support Richland County charitable organizations.

Thursday, February 16: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30 PM.

Upcoming Events: Knights of Columbus Spelling Bees: **1.** St. Joe School 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Cash Prizes. Four winners advance to the State competition in Petersburg. **2.** Cash prizes for 5th grade student Spelling Bee at St. Joe School.

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O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.



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Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am

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