

Collection Total for November 21, 2021

Envelopes: \$1245.00
Loose: \$15.00
Total: \$1260.00

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Religious Edu: \$100.00 (3)

November Bulletins: In Memory of Rita Damm - Anonymus

November Missalettes: Savannah Lenear

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.

~AROUND OUR PARISHES~

*****Changing Office Hours*****

Stringtown Parish office hours will be Tuesday & Thursday 8:00AM – 3:00PM starting in December

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

There are many phishing and scams that attempt to separate us from our money. **Fr. Felix Chukwuma or myself, WILL NEVER ask for money or gift cards for ourselves or others.** These scams sound legitimate, using our names, but we will never solicit you.

Looking ahead to the upcoming Holiday Season, please remember,

THE DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE REQUIRES ALL PEOPLE ATTENDING MASS TO WEAR A MASK (Dispensation from attending mass is still in effect in the Diocese of Belleville)

Christmas:

Friday, December 24, 4:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

4:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

6:00pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

8:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

9:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Saturday, December 25 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

8:00m at St. Joseph-Stringtown

10:00m at Holy Cross-Wendelin

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Sunday, December 26 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

8:00m at St. Joseph-Stringtown

10:00m at Holy Cross-Wendelin

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

PARISH NEWS:

Bulletin News: Deadline Wednesday 3:00PM

Parish Office Hours: Hours for public are limited to necessity only. Please call first.

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 6:30pm at St. Lawrence

Lawrenceville

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

Thursday at 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

UPDATED GUIDANCE ON MASKS DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE

Based on the new State of Illinois mask mandate taking effect Monday, August 30, 2021, all individuals, regardless of their vaccination status, age two and older, are required to wear a mask while indoors. This includes weekday and weekend

Masses, Eucharistic adoration, children's liturgy of the Word, PSR, nursery, etc. Masking is also required at all indoor parish social events.

The safety protocols for Mass and Liturgy sent in June 2021 remain in effect, which include:

- All communicants should sanitize hands prior to the reception of Communion. This should occur as people approach the priest or extraordinary minister of Holy Communion.
- It is a good practice to continue to offer hand sanitizer at the entrances of the church.
- Parishes should continue to clean and disinfect pews and other high touch surfaces after every celebration and/or event.
- Priests, Deacons and servers should sanitize their hands frequently.

Parishes with upcoming outdoor festivals may also want to consider wearing masks in crowded outdoor settings with activities that involve close contact.

Layered mitigation approaches have proven to be most successful in minimizing Covid transmission in our churches. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we strive to continue to keep our people safe and our churches open.

Again...Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners

+JOYS+

Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Be Watchful! Be Alert! This is the first Sunday of Advent and we must be watchful and alert to the signal graces of *Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace*. The season of Advent can offer the opportunity to spiritually renew and enjoy the simple things- especially this year. Let this season of Advent bring forth a renewal of *Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace* that is only found in Jesus. Begin and end your day in prayer, pick up an Advent devotional, sit in silence, smile, extend kindness to those that you ignore or cast judgment upon...Change your habits to a habit of Love! *Be Watchful! Be Alert!* Live a Life of Love and light one purple candle on your Advent wreath for **Hope!** Keep to the J.O.Y.S

St. Joseph School – Olney

Thanks to Ms. Pottorff and our middle school band for the outstanding performance!

We hope everyone had a faith-filled Thanksgiving! We are grateful for the commitment of our parents and staff, the support of our parishes, and the love of God.

We are accepting donations of gently used Christmas gift bags for our Santa Workshop. We will also accept gift tags and wrapping paper to help with our effort.

Stringtown Community Club:

The Christmas Party for the Stringtown Community Club will be Saturday, Dec 4, at 9:00 a.m. at Hovey's Restaurant in Olney. Please call Mary Zwilling at 618-562-8433 or Robbie Ginder at 618-843-1742 to sign up if you would like to go.

Knights of Columbus:

Sunday, November 28: K of C Led Rosary, 7:40AM, Olney, St. Joe.

Friday, December 3: Deadline for Christ in Christmas Posters to respective teachers or at the back of the churches in Stringtown and Olney.

Sunday, December 3: Free Member and Family Catered Christmas Dinner at Olney St. Joe Multi-Purpose Room, 5PM. Santa arrives after the meal.

Kudos to all for a successful Mass for Deceased members: Father Mark, Eleanor & Dan for the music, Carl Sager family for the organization and servers, all the family members of the deceased members and the chalice ceremony with Deacon Thomas Lugge. An enjoyable meal with Deacon Thomas Lugge was at Monical's, prior to the Mass.

Remember in our prayers . . .

Kim Dallmier, Bob Dallmier, Donna Zwilling,
Rick Rennie



**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28
FIRST SUNDAY OF
ADVENT**

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR
WEEK OF November 29**

**Mon. Nov. 29 6:30PM (at Stringtown)
“Ralph Zwilling, Herman Zuber”**
Tues. Nov. 30 6:30PM (at Lawrenceville)
Wed. Dec. 1 8:00AM (at Olney)
Thur. Dec. 2 6:30PM (at Wendelin)
Sat. Dec. 4 4:00PM (at Wendelin)
5:00PM (at Olney)
**Sun. Dec. 5 8:05AM (at Olney)
8:00AM (at Stringtown) “Living &
Deceased Francis & Hermina Zuber;
Catherine Zwilling**
10:00AM (at Wendelin)
10:00AM (at Lawrenceville)

Ministers List

11/28/2021

Servers:

Carter Seaman
Anabelle Seiler

Lector:

Anita Seiler
Eucharist Minister
Harold Boehl
Lisa Boehl
Jamie Kocher

Gifts:

Brian & Amy Ochs

Ushers:

Scott Seiler
Colby Steber

Greeters:

Elmer & Mary Ochs
Kocher

12/5/2021

Servers:

Luke Seiler
Sadie Seiler

Lector:

Laura Sterchi
Eucharist Minister
Marti Kocher
Janette Kocher
Jenny Hancock

Gifts:

Tom & Kathy Zuber

Ushers:

Lester Zuber
Isaac Zwilling

Greeters:

Gary & Beth Kocher
Family

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