February 11, 2024 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time <u>+Eucharistic Celebrations+</u>

Monday, February 12, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, February 13, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, February 14, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For the Parish"

8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney; 8:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, 6:30pm at St. Joseph Stringtown

Thursday, February 15, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For the Parish"

Friday, February 16, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney Saturday, February 17, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Joan Rudolphi+" "Wayne Kessler+" "Jeff Kirts+"

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, February 18, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Ivan & Mary Weber+" 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. February 4, 2024

(69) Envelope Collection: \$3,026.25 Loose \$179.00
Total: \$3,205.25
(38) Building Fund: \$2022.00
(1) Christmas Offering: \$50.00
(3) First Offering: \$15.00
(19) Black & Indian Mission \$455.00
(2) Easter Flowers \$45.00

HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT

FUNDRAISING UPDATE: As of Wednesday, February 7th - \$100,733.36 has been received from 98 donations – Thanks to all that have donated so far!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *OUR SICK

Devin Deisher, Carl Klingler, Kamdyn Jones

FEBRUARY LITURGICAL MINISTERS	
SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Open/Lock/Greet:	Open/Lock/Greet:
Gregg & Milissa	Eric & Kristi
Weber	Sandschafer
Eucharistic Ministers: Eucharistic Ministers:	
Emma Rudolphi	Ellen Weber
Josy Hart	Marcia Street
Jeannie Nix	Jason Warfel
Lectors:	Lectors:
Jennifer Rudolphi	Robin Deckard
Money Counters:	
Ashley Hinterscher	and Martha Buerster
Ushers:	Ushers:
Michael Kuenstler	Aaron Eggers
Daniel Baker	Dusty Smithenry

CRMH COMMUNION:

Feb. 11 – Lynn Weidner (618)-752-2426 Feb. 18 – Diane Schackmann (217)-343-8799 Mar. 10 – Sheryl Klingler (618)-843-3083 Mar. 17 – Diane Herdes (618)-723-2506

MASS SERVERS:

Sat. Feb 10 – Levi & Noah Rudolphi
Sun. Feb 11 – Brayden Bergbower, Martin Stephens
Sat. Feb 17 – Mattux Hart, Ian Kessler
Sun. Feb. 18 – Nora & Alex Street

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, February 11 – CYM Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown with Bake Sale Following Tuesday, February 13 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am and Stringtown Study, 10am Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament of St. Joseph-Olney, 12pm-3pm OCIA-Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, St. Joseph-Olney, 7pm Wednesday, February 14 – Ash Wednesday Sisters in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm

Ash Wednesday Mass and Distribution of Ashes

- 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney and St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
- 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin and St. Joseph-Stringtown

Thursday, February 15 – Brother's in Christ at Holy Cross, 7pm

Friday, February 16 – Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph-Stringtown and St. Lawrence-

Lawrenceville, 6:30pm

Sunday, February 18 – Euchre Tournament at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center Sponsored by Holy Cross Family Life, 2pm Monday, February 19 – Parish Offices Closed in Observance of Presidents' Day Friday, February 23 – Stations of the Cross at Holy Cross-Wendelin and St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, 6:30pm

OUR SYMPATHY:

Our condolences to Anne Hinterscher on the death of her brother, Gerald "Jerry" Dennis, who died on January 22nd. "*May Jerry rest in the peace and love of our Lord.*"

OUR SYMPATHY:

Our sympathy to Phyllis and Aaron Eggers on the death of Aaron's father Roy Eggers on February 7, 2023. *"May Roy rest in the peace and love of our Lord."*

OUR SYMPATHY:

Mrs. Teresa F. (Buerster) Ritz – daughter of Adam & Monica Buerster, died Tuesday, January 23. Our sympathy to all family and friends. Services were held in Charleston, IL.

POINSETTIAS:

There are poinsettias available in church. Please feel free to take them home if you would like.

END OF THE YEAR STATEMENTS:

End of the year statements are available in the kitchen. Thank you for your generosity and support throughout 2023.

CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

Hearts- and more hearts everywhere you go ...in preparation of Valentine's Day - this week. It is a joyous and heart filled time to share sweet sentiments and moments with those you love. We often give 'tokens of love' to those we "Like" and "Love" in the form of a heart shaped box of candyflowers- maybe even a nice dinner out in a restaurant- etc. This is important to do- absolutelybut what are we planning for Lent? God is the one that offers to -every one of us- a gift at every Mass that is filled with Endless Love- the Holy Eucharist! This Lent make Prayer- Fasting-Almsgiving be your Gift to God! If YOU do not die with Christ, you will not RISE with HIM! Journey onward and carry your cross with Love- carry it with Prayer- Fasting- and Almsgiving! Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us!

SISTERS IN CHRIST:

The Art of Living: The Cardinal Virtues and the Freedom to Love by Dr. Edward Sri. Contact Kristi Sandschafer or Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate if you are interested in joining.

BROTHERS IN CHRIST:

Thursdays at 7:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

FAMILY CATECHESIS:

Live Your Catholic Faith: <u>Say out loud everyday</u> No one will Rise from the dead who has not First Died with Jesus! <u>Ask yourself this daily</u> What do I need to have die within me? so that I will rise with Jesus! Our Family: Lord, bless our family. All of us now together, those who are far away, all who are gone back to you. May we know joy! May we bear our sorrows in patience. Let LOVE guide our understanding of each other. Let us be grateful to each other. We have all made each other what we are. O Family of Jesus, watch over our family! Amen. **Confirmation**: April 12th at 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney **First Eucharist**: April 27-28th at All Masses

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Tuesday, February 13th - Burning of palms in the courtyard at 2:30 pm - join us! Thursday, February 15th - Early Dismissal 11:50 pm Friday, February 16th - No School Parent-Teacher Conferences Monday, February 19th - No School Presidents' Day Mark your calendars - Saturday, February 24th - St. Joseph Boosters Pasta Dinner featuring Joe's sauce and the PTO Carnival - join us from 4:30 pm - 7 pm for dinner and games! St. Joseph School Bingo Bash - March 9th at the Stringtown Parish Center

- Tables sold out!
- We are still accepting donations until February 15th - items to be auctioned, cash to sponsor bingo rounds, etc.
- We still need workers! If you want to help with food, table running, or the check-in process, please contact the school office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Monday, February 12: Olney Council Knights of Columbus 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade Spelling Bee, St. Joseph School-Olney. Winners receive cash prizes. Winners qualify to advance to the Regional at St. Petersburg and then the State Final at Central Catholic in Bloomington.

Thursday, February 15: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.
Friday, February 16: Fish Fry Night, 5-7PM, Olney
City Park Community Building to benefit the
Richland County Mentor Program. All are
welcome. Carry-outs are available.
Sunday, February 25: Knights of Columbus led
Rosary at 7:40am, before St. Joseph-Olney Mass.
Monday, February 26: Saint Joseph School

5th Grade Knights of Columbus Fun Spelling Bee. Winners receive cash prizes.

Tuesday & Wednesday, February 27th & 28th: Olney Council Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition during St. Joseph School 3rd-8th Grade PE Classes. Regionals are usually at Breese and the State Finals at Effingham. **High School Seniors** information for the Olney

Council Scholarships will soon be available in the High School Guidance Office and at the back of each of the churches.

During Lent, Olney Council Knights of Columbus Charity Program of Baby Cribs will be in the Stringtown and Olney Churches to accept donations to benefit young mothers and their babies through the Jasper County Health Department, Richland County Clinic.

HELP NEEDED:

Picnic Committee 2024 is looking for **1** final person to join our team. This is a 3-year commitment that meets at least monthly through August. Preferably, we are seeking individuals who will be 21 years old by picnic day. If interested or have any questions, please reach out to Taylor Hall (217-663-8520) or Mareah Rauch (618-553-6839). Thank you!

SPIRTUAL DIRECTION/CATHOLIC CONVERSION:

Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Are you interested in learning more about how to grow closer to our Lord? Do you want to learn how to pray better? Interested in reading more about a certain topic of our faith, but don't know where to start? Possibly even have a hurt or misunderstanding that you want to talk to someone about. Contact Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate to set up an appointment.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS:

Please join us on Sunday, February 18th and Sunday, March 3rd at 2pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center for the next Euchre Tournaments. Card playing will begin on time. It will be \$3.00 per player admission. Cash prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Free popcorn available with soda/water available for purchase. You may bring your favorite adult beverage. All are invited to attend!

CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:

Thanks to everyone that participated in our cake/craft drawing this past weekend, Saturday, February 3rd and Sunday, February 4th. Thank you to Theresa Smith and Anna Land for making and donating the Valentine's Boxes for February! Each box consisted of 2 mugs, homemade hot cocoa bombs, and a dozen chocolate covered strawberries! Winners were Saturday – Barb Amerman and Sunday – Jenna Smith. Total amount raised was \$254.00. If you are interested in donating items for April-December 2024, please contact the Parish Office.

BIBLE STUDY:

Bible study at St. Joseph-Olney begins on February 21 and will continue to meet every Wednesday at 9:15am and again at 7pm in Room B. Deacon Jack will take you through the readings for the coming weekend and we'll discuss if the reading is a prayer, a prophesy, a parable or a story and how it fits into the liturgical season. We'll use our imaginations to enter the scene, create the characters, and be there in the world of the reading.

The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Serve the Lord with gladness -Psalm 100 From the Pastor's Desk . . .

This weekend our parish, along with all other parishes in the diocese, will conduct our Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. The CSMA provides a convenient way for all of us, no matter what our time limitations, to take an active role in the mission of our diocesan Church. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail or forgot to bring it, please use one of the reply envelopes that are available. Please be as generous as you are able. Sunday, February 11, 2024 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name!



Holy Cross Church-Wendelin 5782 Ingraham Lane, Newton, IL 62448 Website - - www.holvcrosswendelin.com Mass Schedule: Thurs., 6:30pm Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am **Very Rev. Steven L. Beatty, V.G – Pastor Fr. Steven's Cell: 618-697-2632 E-mail: frsteven.beatty@gmail.com **Reverend Felix Chukwuma – Pastor Fr. Felix's Cell: 812-899-2415 E-mail: chibuchuma@yahoo.com **Caroline Trimble – Pastoral Associate Caroline's Cell: 618-263-7106 E-mail: CtrimblePA@gmail.com ******Ashley Hinterscher – Administrative Assistant Ashley's Cell: 618-843-1892 Parish Office: 618-752-5671 Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9-3pm Parish E-mail: holycrosswendelin@outlook.com Ashley CRE E-mail: creholycross@gmail.com ****Tyler Timm – Youth Minister** Tyler's Cell: 507-530-2911 E-mail: ttimm@stjoeolney.com **Trustees: Carl Will & Sherry Geier** Pastoral Council: Tony Kuenstler-Chair; Kevin Blank-Vice-Chair; Cindy Blank, Sheryl Klingler, Pam Blank, Sharon Edwards, Kelly Geier, Tonya Hall, Tammy Rudolphi, Holly Nettleton, Dusty Smithenry