

**November 19, 2023**  
**33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**+Eucharistic Celebrations+**

**Monday, November 20,** 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

**Tuesday, November 21,** 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

**Wednesday, November 22,** 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney

**6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin “For The Parish”**  
 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

**Thursday, November 23,** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

8:00 at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

**Friday, November 24, NO MASS**

**Saturday, November 25, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Tom Buerster+” “Don and Alice Line+”**  
 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

**Sunday, November 26, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Francis & Hermina Zuber+” “Alfrieda Kuenstler+”**

8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

**SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. November 12, 2023**

(48) Envelope Collection: \$1,692 Loose \$227

**Total: \$1,919.00**

(12) Building Fund: \$505.00

(1) Propagation of Faith/World Mission: \$100.00

(1) Cemetery: \$25.00 (1) Christmas Flower

Offering: \$55.00 (2) Cath. Campaign for Human Development: \$30.00

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS,** Leonard Kessler, who died on Monday, November 13. Our sympathy and prayers to his wife Norma, his children, and all relatives. ***May Leonard rest in the peace and love of our Lord.***

<b>*NOVEMBER LITURGICAL MINISTERS*</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Open/Lock/Greet:</b> Henry & Sandi Kessler	<b>Open/Lock/Greet:</b> Kevin & Heather Blank
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> David Rauch	<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b> Travis Weber
<b>Lectors:</b> Victoria Rudolphi	<b>Lectors:</b> Ginny Zwilling
<b>Money Counters:</b> *Kelly and Sherry Geier*	
<b>Ushers:</b> Kelly Geier Hank Weidner	<b>Ushers:</b> Austin Zwilling Ben Street

**\*Note: List will be revised to include additional Eucharistic Ministers for December. \***

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS \*OUR SICK**

Devin Deisher, Shirley Atwood, Tim Schnautz, Doug Frichtl, Julia Weber, Harold Deimel, Carl Klingler, Gary Kuhl, Jeff Kirts

**CRMH COMMUNION:**

Nov. 19 – Sheryl Klingler (618) 843-3083

Dec. 10 – Diane Herdes (618) 723-2506

Dec. 17 – Ellen Weber (618) 752-5225

Dec. 31 – Maria Rudolphi (618) 752-5900

Jan. 14 – Marge Kessler (618) 843-6841

Jan. 21 – Martha Deimel (618) 663-8275

**MASS SERVERS:**

**Sat. Nov. 18** – Mattux Hart, Ian Kessler

**Sun. Nov. 19** – Grace & Stella Warfel

**Sat. Nov. 25** – Levi & Noah Rudolphi

**Sun. Nov. 26** – Brooke & Brayden Bergbower

**PARISH EVENTS:**

**Tuesday, November 21** – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am and Stringtown Study, 10am

**Wednesday, November 22** – Parish Office Will Close at 12pm for Thanksgiving

**Sister’s in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm**

**Thanksgiving Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 6:30pm**

Thanksgiving Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 6:30pm

**Thursday, November 23 – Parish Offices Closed**

Thanksgiving Mass at St. Joseph-Olney, 8:00am

Thanksgiving Mass at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, 8:00am

**Friday, November 24 – Parish Offices Closed**

**CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

*Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.* These final days of our Liturgical year and approaching end of our calendar year are a call to remain firm and steadfast. Our Lord tells us over and over -*To Remain-Be Still-Do not be Afraid-Trust in Me!* I read recently, that we should spend as much - *if not more time with God* - as we do eating! So, typically, one might spend 15 minutes eating breakfast, Lunch around 20 minutes, Supper a good 30 minutes, snacking possibly 10 minutes a day - this adds up to 75 minutes! How much time do you spend in prayer each day? Seriously, think about it! How awesome is our God who never says it is too late! So Today- Open your Bible, Read your Devotional, Pray your Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Pray/Offer Hail Mary’s throughout the day, Sing joyfully to the Lord in Song, Sit in Silence. *Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me bears much fruit.* Live a Life of Love-a Life bearing Heavenly Fruit! Keep to the J.O.Y.S

**SISTERS IN CHRIST/STRINGTOWN STUDY:**

The True Meaning of Christmas by Michael Barber  
**Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin and Tuesday mornings at 10:00am after Rosary at St. Joseph-Stringtown.** If interested in joining, contact Kristi Sandschafer, Janette Kocher, or Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate.

**FAMILY CATECHESIS:**


**November Faith Focus – Purgatory**

**Live Your Catholic Faith:** Remember your loved ones who have died, by placing a picture of them at your family altar or family table, share stories and pray the Family Prayer of the month for them. Also, visit the cemetery and pray a Rosary for all the souls in Purgatory. **Family Prayer:** *Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen. St. Gertrude the Great, pray for us!* **Act of Love:** The **Gift of Love** and prayers for that family.

**First Reconciliation:** December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

**Confirmation:** April 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

**First Eucharist:** April 27-28<sup>th</sup> at All Masses

 The season of giving is upon us and in remembrance of our parishioners who have lost a loved one this year, the Family Catechesis families are going to be giving a “**Gift of Love**”. Our hope is that this token of Love will bring comfort knowing that your loved one is remembered during this Advent and Christmas season. On Sunday, **December 10,** these **Gifts of Love** will be presented to the family of: **Richard Weidner, Kevin Frohning, Linda Rudolphi, Hermena Medernach, Wayne Stark, Floyd Carter, Patricia Volk, Larry Bryan, Eva Herdes, and Leonard Kessler.** In this Season of Glad Tidings and what a JOY it is to SHARE GIFTS OF LOVE!

**CYM YOUTH GROUP:**

CYM Youth Group gathering on Wednesdays at Holy Cross Rectory basement from 7-8:30pm. All high school youth invited. Questions? Please contact Tyler Timm.

**CYM MISSION TRIP 2024:**

Tri-Parish Youth will attend the mission trip on July 7th- July 12th. The campsite Tri-Parish will attend

is Milwaukee, WI. Accepting sign-ups for current 8th graders, high school students, and college students through the age of 20. Anyone interested in attending that is 21 or older can register as a chaperone. Tri-Parish youth may also register a friend to attend as well. Registration requires \$100 down payment. Please let us know if you would like to attend! If you have questions regarding this trip, please contact Tyler Timm.

**OCIA-ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS - (PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS RCIA):**

Interested in joining the Catholic Church or just want more information? We are always excited to welcome new members/families. For more information, contact Fr. Steven Beatty or Caroline Trimble.

**ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

Any active parishioners interested in a full-time Catholic education in 2024-25 should contact the school office before the Christmas break.

**Tuesday, November 21st** - Early Dismissal 1:50pm (Bus Service Available) **Wednesday, November 22nd** - Early Dismissal 1:50 pm (No AM OR PM Bus Service) **Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th** - No School – Thanksgiving Break The staff at St. Joseph School is grateful for the support of our parents, extended families, and parishes!

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**Wednesday, Nov. 22:** Christ in Christmas Posters due to St. Joe School Office or at Sunday Masses at the back of Church. Cash prizes in each age divisions of Pre K-K; 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>; 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>; 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup>–8<sup>th</sup> for \$10, \$5, \$3, & \$2. Winners advance to Belleville if the poster is 11x17 and in the three age divisions of 5 through 7, 8 to 10 and 11 to 14.

**Sunday, Dec. 3:** Olney Council Members and Family Christmas Appreciation Dinner at St. Joe-Olney MPR, 5PM. Santa arrives after the meal.

**Kudos** to 1<sup>st</sup> place, gold medalist Josiah Williams attending the State Soccer Challenge in

Bloomington last Saturday! **Thanks** to 71 in attendance at the Mass for the eight Deceased members last Wednesday. Thanks Carl Sager-Chairman, Fr. Steven, Dan Hahn, Kylie Rauch, volunteer ministers, Jeffery Rosenberg and all those bringing cookies. Checks for \$250 were written in honor of 4<sup>th</sup> Degree member Richard Hahn to St. Joe School and also to Richland County H.O.P.E. in honor of Edwin Ginder. **Welcome** new 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Members Scott Seiler and Rodney Ochs with 40 others at Breese last Sunday. **Knight of the Month** – Carl Sager- Chairman of the Mass for Deceased Members **Congratulations** to Rod Kelley on being a member of Knights of Columbus for 76 years.

**NEWTON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

The Knights of Columbus Newton Council 1704 will hold their Annual Mass of Remembrance on Tues, Nov. 28, 2023, at 5:30pm. at the St. Thomas Catholic Church in Newton. All family and friends are encouraged to attend. Newton Council 1704 Brother Knights who have died this year:

- † Samuel Richard Zuber † George Joseph Roth
- † Leroy Paul Frohning † Ronald Alan Kirts
- † Leonard F. Kessler † Clarence Joseph Vahling
- † Wayne Thomas Stark † Neil Joseph Ochs
- † Keith James Long † Donald “Cotten” Kevin Maginn † Kevin W. Frohning

Following Mass, all are invited to the Newton KC Hall, 707 South Van Buren Street for the November Stag meal and fellowship. Brother Knights will be preparing Hearty Vegetable Soup, and all are welcome.

**CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:**

The next cake/craft drawing will be on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. December’s proceeds will again be donated to CYM. If anyone would be willing to donate to the cake/craft drawing for future months, please contact the parish office or a Ladies Altar Sodality member.

**SPIRITUAL 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.

**REPRESENTATIVE NEEDED:**

Our area still needs representatives from Holy Cross, Wendelin, and St. Joseph, Stringtown for Catholic Relief Services. If you want to serve your parish in this role, please contact Carol Potter (rep from St. Joseph, Olney) at school (618-395-3081).

**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE:**

Holy Cross Church of Wendelin is sponsoring a blood drive on Monday, December 4, 2023 from 1:30-5:30pm at Wakefield Fire Department. Please help us make this drive a success!

**Please be generous in this week’s special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.** Through this collection, you support programs that address the root of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collection remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd).

**Friends of Newton Family Life Center** Provides loving, nonjudgmental, free support for persons in the community who are experiencing an unexpected pregnancy or pregnancy decision. 301 S. Jackson Street, Newton, IL 62448 618-783-5433



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**The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.**



**Holy Cross Church-Wendelin**  
**5782 Ingraham Lane, Newton, IL 62448**  
**Website - - [www.holycrosswendelin.com](http://www.holycrosswendelin.com)**  
**Mass Schedule: Thurs., 6:30pm**  
**Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am**

**\*\*Very Rev. Steven L. Beatty, V.G. Pastor**  
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**Trustees \_\_\_\_\_ Carl Will & Sherry Geier**  
**Pastoral Council: Tony Kuenstler-Chair; Kevin Blank-Vice-Chair; Heather Blank-Secretary; Cindy Blank, Gregg Weber, Sheryl Klingler, Pam Blank, Sharon Edwards, Kelly Geier, Tonya Hall, Tammy Rudolphi**