April 24, 2022

Sunday of Devine Mercy

+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Mon. April 25

6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tues. April 26

5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wed. April 27

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thurs. April 28

6:30pm at Holy Cross Wendelin +

Fri. April 29

7:00pm (Confirmation) at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Sat. April 30

10:00am (Confirmation) at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Sun. May 1

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

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin Elizabeth Weidner+ Kenneth & Pauline Kistner+

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

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.

HOLY CROSS OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday.....9:00am to 3:00pm

SUNDAY COLLECTION - Sun. April 17, 2022

(39) Envelopes \$2172.50 Loose \$150.00

(4) Building \$290.00

(59) Easter Offering \$2780.00

Beguest 1500.00

(18) Holy Land & Good Friday \$490.00

(3) C.S.M.A \$575.00

Total: \$7957.50

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *OUR SICK

*Devin Deisher (son-in-law of Ben & Gail Niebrugge) *Bonnie Weidner-Frichtl, *Shirley Atwood

OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Jessica Spiker Family. Jessica (14) died last Sunday. "May she rest in the peace and love of our Lord." Her parents are Scott & Amy Spiker.

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of Gerald Blank whose funeral liturgy we celebrated this past week. "May he rest in the peace and love of our Lord"

THANK YOU: The daughters of Lelia Rennier would like to thank everyone for the food, flowers, phone calls and prayers. Your thoughtfulness was much appreciated with the passing of our Mother.
-Margaret Geier, Jane Kuhl and Sharon Wilson.

THANK YOU: The family of Gerald Blank would like to extend our many thanks to Fr. Mark for the beautiful funeral mass, Rhonda, Kylie and the choir for the beautiful music and to the ladies who prepared and those who brought food for the meal. To those who have sent cards, brought food, shown such kindness and sympathy during this difficult time, we appreciate everything. May God bless each of you.

-The Gerald Blank Family

May Liturgical Ministers

Saturday	Sunday
Open/Lock/Greet:	Open/Lock/Greet:
Kelly Geier	Heather Blank
Eucharistic Ministers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
Tammy Rudolphi	Missy Buerster
Lectors:	Lectors:
Victoria Rudolphi	Evan Rudolphi

Money Counters:

Kevin & Heather Blank

Ushers:Ushers:Carl WeidnerAaron EggersKelly GeierJames Kistner

MASS SERVERS:

Sat. April 30: Nora & Ben Street Sun. May 1: Evelyn Volk, Briley Wilson

MASS SERVERS: If you are interested in serving mass (as a new mass server or if you have served before)— please see Fr. Mark, Jason Warfel (618-752-5473) or Holy Cross parish office (618-752-5671) as soon as possible. We are in the process of appointing mass servers and want to include everyone again.

WE HAVE RESUMED Communion to the Shut-Ins and those who are in nursing facilities. If you can spare the time for this wonderful out-reach ministry of visiting and distributing the Eucharist, please contact Fr. Mark or the Parish Office.

ROSARY: The rosary will now be offered 30 minutes before mass on both Saturdays and Sundays. If you are interested in helping lead the rosary, please contact Kristi Sandschafer at 217-994-2754.

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, April 24, 8:00am, First Communion Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown 10:00am, First Communion Mass at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

10:00am, First Communion Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Monday, April 25, 7:00pm, Finance Council at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Wednesday, April 27, 12:00pm (Noon) Vicariate Meeting at St. Patrick-Enfield

Friday, April 29, 7:00pm, Confirmation Mass at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Saturday, April 30, 10:00am, Confirmation at St. Joseph-Olney From Holy Cross-Wendelin: Karly Deckard, Elizabeth Kessler, Lance Volk Wednesday, May 4, 6:30pm, PSR Closing Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin 7:15pm, CYM Meeting at Holy Cross-Wendelin, Parish Hall

Thanks to the CYM youth for the very touching Living Stations program on Good Friday. You are greatly appreciated! Isaac Street, Peter Rudolphi, Ben Street, Luke Seiler, Caden Kocher, Owen Kocher, Abigail Atwood, Kylie Rauch, Grace Warfel, Victoria Rudolphi, Morgan Buerster, Joselyn Kocher, Kylie Kocher, and Karly Deckard.

The Easter Egg Hunt was well attended and everyone found eggs! Thanks to Bonne the Bunny and to the CYM members that helped with this: Morgan Buerster, Grace Warfel, Kylie Rauch, Peter and Victoria Rudolphi, and Karly Deckard.

Next CYM meeting Wednesday May 4th after PSR closing mass at 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin and meeting starting at 7:15pm in the parish hall. All Tri-Parish 8th grade students are invited and encouraged to attend. We will be taking a trip to Holiday World on Thursday June 2nd, and this will be discussed at the meeting. All Tri-Parish high school youth and graduating 8th graders will be invited to attend this trip.

CYM Mass at Holy Cross will be held Sunday, May 15th. CYM will arrange reading, cantoring, serving, ushering, and will lead the rosary.

*****Will need the previously assigned Eucharistic Ministers to assume their duties for this date

PICNIC COMMITTEE: If you are unable to attend the 2022 Church Picnic and work your shift or have a request please contact Worker's List Committee no later than June 1st. Thanks! Kimberly Correll: 1-618-676-5789 Kristy Weidner: 1-618-843-8320 Marty Klingler: 1-618-843-4305 Christine Hall: 1-618-554-2019

The Ministry of Presiding at Prayer for Deacons and Lay Leaders: is a seminar of two study days on May 13-14 (The location is to be determined) followed by a one-day practicum for competency in presiding at prayer. The seminar includes teaching and demonstration of the skills of effective presiding, deepening the understanding of theological and liturgical issues and exploring the rite, Sunday Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest,

at which lay leaders and deacons preside. Contact Fr. Mark for more information and registration package.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners <u>Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate</u> +Give thanks to the Lord-Be not afraid-Peace be with you-My Lord and my God+

Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed. Although we are not able to place our fingers into the wounds or into the side of Christ like St. Thomas, we really do touch Christ every time we receive Eucharist when we receive our God – Body – Blood – Soul - and Divinity! Do you believe this? When we do not realize what we receive we become complacent, insensitive, and even more, unworthy to receive Eucharist. We end up even doubting God's Presence in our daily lives! When we do realize what we receive we become what we receive! Even though we have not seen with our human eyes the face of God, we can believe even more! We believe because He is Worthy- He is Risen - He is the King of the Kings - He is God! Journey onward this Easter season in renewed vigor of believing and receiving Our God who loves us with an infinite LOVE to the point of making us like HIM! Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.

Keep to the J.O.Y.S

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Sisters in Christ Group, Wednesdays at <u>5:40 to 6:45pm</u> at Holy Cross - Contact Kristi Sandschafer, or Caroline Trimble, Pastoral Associate

You are invited to JOIN the *Sisters in Christ* Ladies group. We will begin our New Book - This Present Paradise by Claire Dwyer- book cost is \$13.00, on May 11 at 5:30 pm at Holy Cross. If you are interested in joining *Sisters in Christ*, contact Kristy Sandschafer or Caroline Trimble, to R.S.V.P. your book, by April 29. More information will be sent via Flocknote.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:

Congratulations to our second grade students on receiving their First Communion. Thanks to our families for supporting their children as primary catechists.

Thursday, April 28th - Fourth Grade State Fair Public Viewing 11 am - 1 pm Friday, April 29th - Walk/Bike to School Day Saturday, April 30th - Confirmation

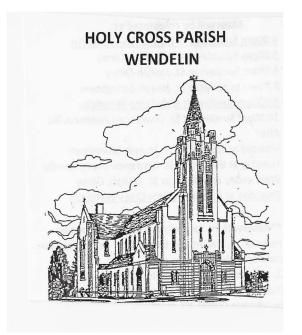
A BIT OF HUMOR:

The wise old Mother Superior was dying. The nuns gathers around her bed, trying to make her comfortable. They gave her some warm milk to drink, but she refused it. Then one nun took the glass back to the kitchen. Remembering a bottle of whiskey received as a gift the previous Christmas, she opened it and poured a generous amount into the warm milk. Back at Mother Superior's bed, she held the glass to her lips. Mother drank a little, then drank a little more, and then before they knew it, she had drank the whole glass down to the last drop. "Mother, Mother", the nuns cried, "Give us some wisdom before you die!" She raised herself up in bed with a pious look on her face and pointing out the window, she said, "Don't sell that cow!"

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Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY



FIRST COMMUNION CLASS:

Adler Weidner Alex Street Chloe Deckard Johnna Volk

Holy Cross Church-Wendelin

5782 Ingraham Lane, Newton, IL 62448 Website - - www.holycrosswendelin.com <u>Mass Schedule:</u> Thurs., 6:30pm Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am

** Very Rev. Fr. Mark D. Stec, V.F., Pastor Fr. Mark's Cell 618-841-7324 mstec88@msn.com E-Mail **Reverend Felix Chukwuma Pastor 618-671-0641 Fr. Felix's Cell chibuchuma@yahoo.com E-mail **Pastoral Associate** **Caroline Trimble Caroline's Cell 618-263-7106 E-mail CtrimblePA@gmail.com ** Martha Buerster Administrative Assistant Parish Office 618-752-5671 Monday-Thursday 8:30am-12:00 Noon Parish Office Fax 618-752-6006 holycrosschurch@frontier.com E-Mail **Ashley Hinterscher (CRE) Cell 618-843-1892 E-mail.....creholycross@gmail.com Carl Will & Sherry Geier Trustees Pastoral Council: Tony Kuenstler-Chair; **Kevin Blank-Vice-Chair; Heather Blank-Secretary;** Cindy Blank, Gregg Weber, Sheryl Klingler