

April 7, 2024
Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday of Divine Mercy
+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Saturday, April 6, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
“Michael & Eloise Kocher+” “Wayne Kessler”
Sunday, April 7, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin
“Chuck & Patty McCreery+” “Eva Herdest+”
Monday, April 8, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown
Tuesday, April 9, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
Wednesday, April 10, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney
Thursday, April 11, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
“Blake Fehrenbacher+”
Friday, April 12, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Saturday, April 13, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
“Kevin Frohning+” “Leonard Kessler+”
 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Sunday, April 14, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin
“Wayne Stark+” “Louis & Lelia Volk+”
 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown
 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. March 31, 2024

(50) Envelope Collection: \$2,250.25
 Loose \$406.00
Total: \$2,279.25
 (5) Building Fund: \$290.00
 (1) Easter Flowers: \$20.00
 (18) Holy Land: \$380.00
 (62) Easter Offering: \$3,495.00

HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT

FUNDRAISING UPDATE: As of Wednesday, April 3rd - \$190,884.72 has been received from 196 donations – thank you!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *OUR SICK

Devin Deisher, Carl Klingler, MaryAnn Bierman (Sister of Ruth Rauch), Maurice Will, Fr. Mark Stec, Mary Beth Scherer

APRIL LITURGICAL MINISTERS	
SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Open/Lock/Greet:	Open/Lock/Greet:
Dave & Tammy Rudolphi	Jason Warfel
Eucharistic Ministers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
Christine Hall Dave Rauch Lynn Weidner	Kristi Sandschafer Ginny Zwilling Paul Kocher
Lectors:	Lectors:
Maria Rudolphi	Melissa Weidner
Money Counters:	
Gregg & Milissa Weber	
Ushers:	Ushers:
Toby Hall Hank Weidner	Gregg Weber Jim Rauch

CRMH COMMUNION:

Apr. 14 – Maria Rudolphi (618)-752-5900
Apr. 21 – Martha Deimel (618)-663-8275

MASS SERVERS:

Sat. Apr. 6 – Clara & Boyd Weidner
Sun. Apr. 7 – Cora Warfel, Brooke Bergbower
Sat. Apr. 13 – Noah & Levi Rudolphi
Sun. Apr. 14 – Ellee Nettleton, Nora Street

PARISH EVENTS:

Saturday, April 6 – First Saturday Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning at 8:15am.
Sunday, April 7, Stringtown Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 1pm with Reception to Follow
Monday, April 8 – Parish Office will be closed.
Tuesday, April 9 – 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
Wednesday, April 10 – Sisters in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm
Friday, April 12 – Confirmation at St. Joseph-Olney, 5pm

Saturday, April 13 – Holy Cross Road Rally
Sunday, April 14 – CYM Pancake & Sausage Breakfast at St. Joseph-Olney
Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28 – First Eucharist Weekend At All Parishes

HOLY CROSS ROAD RALLY:

The Family Life Committee is sponsoring a Road Rally to be held on Saturday, April 13th. Registration will begin at 11:00am at Vic's Cafe and will leave promptly at 1:00pm. A basket and 50/50 winner will be drawn at each stop. Also, a cash/gift certificate raffle will conclude the afternoon. Must be present to win prizes, so plan to spend the day with us.

HOLY CROSS PARISH PICNIC WORKER'S LIST:

If you would like to change your job for any reason or will be unavailable on picnic day, please contact Christine Hall 618-554-2019, Marty Klingler 618-843-4305, Kristy Weidner 618-843-8320, or Kim Correll 618-676-5789 **by May 26th**. After that you will be required to find your own replacement.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:

Our deepest sympathy to the Gary Griffith family. Gary died on Good Friday after a battle with brain cancer. He mowed the parish grounds and cemetery for many years. *May Gary rest in the peace and love of our Lord.*

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:

Our deepest sympathy to Brenda Streif and her family on the death on her father, Bill Tooley. *May Bill rest in the peace and love of Lord.*

CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

What a world we live in- one week ago we were in Holy Week-the most solemn week of the year. We journeyed alongside our Lord- we wept, felt contrition, and emptiness. Then came Easter and we were overjoyed- our hearts were filled with Alleluia- He is Risen! And yet, somehow amid it all- *we continue to fail- we still prefer our sinfulness.*

The question comes to mind, are we just living the “moments” with little to no time spent allowing our hearts and souls to be transformed? Seriously, last week was Holy Week- is there anything about those days that remain, or do we just quickly pick up, and move onto the next “moment- the next moment- the next moment?” Providentially, Our Good and Gracious God knew we would need ongoing help-....and He offers us Mercy- Divine Mercy! *...let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy. It is a sign for the end times; after it will come the day of justice. While there is still time, let them have recourse to the fount of My mercy... —Divine Mercy in My Soul, Diary of St. Faustina, n. 848* Do not let this “moment” pass you by -spend some time this day and ask (beg) for God’s Mercy- for all that we fail to do- *mea culpa-me culpa- mea maxima culpa!* - *--He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice... Diary n. 1146* St. Faustina, pray for us! Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us!

SISTERS IN CHRIST:

New Book for Sisters in Christ
 Our new book is "Diary of St. Faustina Kowalska" the Saint of Divine Mercy, it will begin on April 10. Please let Kristi or Caroline know if you are joining us again, or for the first time!

BROTHERS IN CHRIST:

Thursdays at 7:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

FAMILY CATECHESIS:

April - Divine Mercy – Live Your Catholic Faith – Share a token of your love and appreciation with your parishioners at your parish.
 Send a “Thank You”- “Praying for You”- “You are Special”- “Get Well” card. Pray a Rosary for them and support their works. Participate in: Sisters in Christ, Brothers in Christ, Family Catechesis, Stringtown Study, CYM. Schedule an appointment for Spiritual Direction. Live the Easter Joy! **Our**

Family Prayer - Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (10x)

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

May 1st is the deadline to be included in our printer proof letters for this year's annual giving campaign. Thanks to so many for your quick and generous response!

Monday, April 8 – No School – Eclipse Day!

Friday, April 12 – Confirmation – Please keep our confirmandi in your prayers.

Saturday, April 13 – Preschool Screening

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Thursday, April 11: 3rd Degree Meeting, 7pm.

Friday, April 12: 4th Degree Honor at Olney Confirmation

Sunday, April 14: State Finals of the K of C Free Throw Competition at St. Anthony High School in Effingham!

Thursday, April 18: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.

Friday, April 19: Deadline for the Olney Knights of Columbus Scholarship Applications for High School Seniors.

Kudos to St. Joseph churches in Olney and Stringtown for a successful Baby Crib Drive for Women, Infants & Children in Richland County! Diapers-1576, baby wipes-2,474, onesies 14, quilts-3, sleepers-11, pants-14, outfits-15, blankets -and other donations such as; pacifiers, hats, toys, powers, ointment, knitted shoes, nail clipper, socks, t-shirts, books, hooded towels, wash cloths, bars of soap, diaper bag, and bibs. Many thanks to Janette Kocher for organizing the Stringtown Baby Crib!

Sunday, April 28: Knight led Rosary at 7:40AM.

BIBLE STUDY:

Bible study at St. Joseph-Olney every Wednesday at 9:15am 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 also use our imaginations to enter the scene, create the characters, and be there in the world of the reading.

CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:

The cake and craft drawing for April will be held this weekend, April 6th and 7th!

EMMAUS DAYS:

Bishop Michael McGovern and the Diocese of Belleville invite you to Emmaus Days. Come encounter Jesus, the Bread of Life, as the Diocese of Belleville celebrates the Eucharistic Revival. **Sunday, July 7** – National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows **Monday, July 8** – Cathedral of St. Peter

STRINGTOWN DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:

St. Joseph Stringtown Parish invites you to join us on April 7th at 1:00pm in the church as we celebrate The Feast of Divine Mercy. We will start with an introduction about The Divine Mercy Message & Devotion followed by reciting The Divine Chaplet. This is a good opportunity to learn more about the Mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others as Christ is merciful to you. Reception in the Parish Center to follow.

DIOCESAN SPRING FARM BLESSING:

All are invited to join Bishop McGovern for the **Spring Farm Blessing**, which will be held on Friday, April 26, 2024, at 1:00 P.M. at Braeutigam Orchards located at 2795 Turkey Hill Lane, Belleville, IL.

From the West: One heads East on Rt 15 for approximately 3.3 miles (past Green Mount Road intersection) keeping in left lane. Once reaching Tractor Supply (on the right), turn LEFT onto Turkey Hill Lane – frontage road to Maple Hill

Subdivision. Keep straight on Turkey Hill Lane for 0.6 miles and veer right to enter the Orchard.

From the North: One heads South on N. Green Mount Road until you reach the intersection of Rt 15. Turn left onto Rt 15, heading East, keeping in left lane. Once reaching Tractor Supply (on the right), turn LEFT onto Turkey Hill Lane – frontage road to Maple Hill Subdivision. Keep straight on Turkey Hill Lane for 0.6 miles and veer right to enter the Orchard.

"Farm Blessing" signs will guide you, too. Those attending are invited to bring harvested grain, fruit, vegetables and garden produce in sealed, marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed.

You are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food pantry. We look forward to having you join us!

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



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Mass Schedule: Thurs., 6:30pm
Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am
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