

**Collection Total for September 3, 2023**

Envelopes: \$1,436.80  
Loose: \$501.00  
**Total: \$1,937.80**

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

**Building Fund:** \$80.00 (3)  
**Retired Diocesan Priest Collection:** \$100.00 (1)  
**Religious Education:** \$200.00 (5)

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**September Bulletins:** In Memory of Barbara Ochs  
**September Missalettes:** For the Parish

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**-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.

**BULLETIN NEWS:** Deadline Wednesday 2:00PM

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

**PARISH NEWS:**

**The ministers' list for September had some errors regarding servers and will be corrected for October. If unable to attend on your scheduled date that was printed for September, please find a replacement or call into the parish office. Thanks!**

**PARISH EVENTS:**

**Saturday, September 9 and Sunday, September 10** – CYM Mission Trip Bake Sale Fundraiser Following Masses at Holy Cross-Wendelin

**Sunday, September 10** – CYM is assisting with Mass at Holy-Cross Wendelin. CYM Meeting at 8:30am before Mass this date. Parents are encouraged to come as well.

**Monday, September 11 – Finance Council Meeting, St. Joseph-Stringtown, 7pm after Mass**  
**Tuesday, September 12 – Rosary and Stringtown Study at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am**  
**Community Club Meeting at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 7pm**

**Wednesday, September 13** – Sister's in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm  
CYM Youth Group Gathering at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 7pm

**Thursday, September 14** – Brother's in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 7pm

**Saturday, September 16 and Sunday, September 17** – **Red Plate Blessing for 1<sup>st</sup> Graders At All Masses**

**STRINGTOWN STUDY:**

**Tuesday, September 12- After Rosary 9:30am**  
Read Intro, Chapter 1 & answer discussion questions.  
St. Therese of Lisieux, pray for us!

**SISTERS IN CHRIST:**

**Wed. Sept. 13, 5:30pm, at Holy Cross-Wendelin.**  
The Devil in the Castle.  
Chapter 5 and answer discussion questions.

**BROTHERS IN CHRIST:**

**Thurs. Sept. 14, 7pm, at Holy Cross-Wendelin.**  
Topic will be on Evangelization.

**MARIAN MOMENT:**

*"From Mary we learn to surrender to God's Will in all things.  
From Mary we learn to trust even when all hope seems gone. From Mary we learn to love Christ her Son and the Son of God!"*

St. Pope John Paul

**CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

*For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.*

We have an awesome God who always is present, and always faithful. What joyous words they are to know that God is with us in the storms and trials of life. We only have to turn to Him, surrender it, and wait upon the Lord. So, when you pray, invite others to pray with you, call upon the name of our God and trust that He is here. ... *if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.* Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us! Keep to the J.O.Y.S

**FAMILY CATECHESIS:**

**Family Catechesis Online Registration Opens September 1.** The registration forms can be located on the parish website: <https://www.holycrosswendelin.com> and click on the Catechesis tab. **The Opening Family Catechesis Mass is on September 24 at the 10:00am Mass at Holy-Cross Wendelin with Parent/Student Confirmation meeting to follow.** The schedule for the year is there along with the OSV workbook calendar. There will be monthly Family shared experiences, sacrament meetings, and monthly check-in meetings for the sacraments. It will be a Catholic faith filled family sharing year.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:**

We are looking to see if there is any interest in once again offering Children's Liturgy of the Word during our Sunday Eucharistic celebrations. This program would be available for preschool (age 3) through first graders and held in the parish center. Children would be brought back to their families after the homily.  
If you are interested in this program for your child, please sign up in the back of church or contact Anne Crites at 618-838-3935.  
If you are interested in helping with this program

either as a teacher or an assistant, please contact Anne Crites.

**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 (507)-530-2911.

**Upcoming Schedule:**

**Saturday, September 9 and Sunday, September 10** – CYM Mission Trip Bake Sale Fundraiser Following Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
**Saturday, September 10** – CYM Meeting at 8:30 am before Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin. Parents are encouraged to come as well. CYM will also be assisting with mass this date.  
**Sunday, October 1** – CYM Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph-Stringtown, Time TBD  
**Sunday, October 8** – CYM Meeting after 8AM Mass at St. Joseph-Olney

**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 (frsteven.beatty@gmail.com/618-697-2632) or Caroline Trimble (ctrimblePA@gmail.com/ 618-263-7106).

**STRINGTOWN COMMUNITY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP:**

Any parishioner that graduated from high school in 2023 and is attending college or an institution of higher education, may apply for a scholarship from the club. To apply, please pick up an application and rules in the back of church or call Janice Zuber at 618-392-3411 for the forms. The deadline to return the application is October 1, 2023. Please return the forms to Janice Zuber.

**ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

**Tuesday, September 12th** - Ag Safety Day for 5th Grade

**Wednesday, September 13th** - Stewardship of Treasure collection at the school mass - supporting Sacred Hearts School in Lahaina, Hawaii (devastated by the fire on Maui). Wear brightly colored clothing and/or Hawaiian attire.

**Thursday, September 14th** - Buster Bus presentations

**Friday, September 15th** - Mum pick-up in the field across from the gymnasium from 10am-5:30pm

**THE EUCHARIST**, facilitated by Deacon Jack, invites you to take a deeper look at the “source and summit” of our Faith. This five-week series in the St. Joseph-Olney Room B is held on Wednesday mornings after the Rosary at 9:15AM or in the evening at 7PM, through October 4. The Eucharist, with Bishop Robert Barron brings to light the Blessed Sacrament’s reality as a sacred meal, the sacrifice necessary for the communion with God, and most importantly, as the Real Presence of Christ.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**Thursday, September 14:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Meeting, 7PM

**Thursday, September 21:** 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting, 7PM

**Sunday, September 24:** K of C led Rosary at 7:40AM before the St. Joseph-Olney Mass

**Tootsie Rolls Days for the Intellectual Disabled** that supports Richland County Special Olympic Programs and Special Needs Programs will be Friday, at IGA, September 15 and Saturday, September 16th at IGA and Wal-Mart. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084FAFAF2DA3F4CF8-kofc> or Text/Message Scott Seiler (618-843-0540 or [sseiler76@gmail.com](mailto:sseiler76@gmail.com)) for available hour slots. Thank you for your continued support!

**YOUNG ADULT MASS:**

Bishop McGovern will be hosting his annual Mass for young adults on Sunday, Sep. 10th at the Cathedral of St. Peter, 5 PM. Following mass, we will have our social downstairs in the undercroft. We will offer sandwiches, snacks and refreshments! We will also have a table available for SEEK Registration,

future events, and upcoming opportunities you don't want to miss out on.

**DIOCESAN FALL BLESSING OF THE HARVEST:**

All are invited to join Bishop McGovern for the **Diocesan Fall Blessing of the Harvest**, which will be held on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 1:00 P.M. at the Lavern and Terry Thole Farm. The Thole Farm is located at 8606 Tank Road; New Baden, IL 62265. One heads EAST out of New Baden on IL-161 approximately 2 miles (past IL-160) and turns left (North) onto Tank Road; go 1 mile and farm will be on your right. The “Farm Blessing” signs will guide you, too. Those attending are invited to bring harvested grain, fruit and 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!

**THANK YOU:**

Thank you all who donated to the **Quilt for Alzheimer’s Research**. We were able to collect \$936.00 to add to the walk on the 16<sup>th</sup>. The lucky winner was Chassidy Roberts, who is a CNA and works with Alzheimer’s patients at CRMH.

**ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION AND CARD SHOWER:**

John & Norma Weidner will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary. A come and go reception will be held in the Multipurpose Room at St. Joseph Olney on Sunday, September 24th, 2023 between 2:00-5:00 p.m. All family and friends are welcome to attend. No gifts necessary. Cards may be mailed to 605 Copper Ln, Noble, IL 62868.

**Remember in our prayers...**

Rick Rennie, Carolyn Elie

**Sunday, September 10, 2023**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**+Eucharistic Celebrations+**

**Monday, September 11, 6:30** at St. Joseph-Stringtown “Judy Wagner+”

**Tuesday, September 12, 5:00pm** at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

**Wednesday, September 13, 8:00am** at St. Joseph-Olney

**Thursday, September 14, 6:30pm** at Holy Cross-Wendelin

**Friday, September 15, 8:00am** at St. Joseph-Olney

**Saturday, September 16, 4:00pm** at Holy Cross-Wendelin

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

**Sunday, September 17, 8:00am** at St. Joseph-Olney

**8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “Kathy Zuber+”**

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

**MINISTERS LIST**

**09/10/2023**

**Servers:**

Owen Kocher

Alex Schneider

**Lector:**

Anita Seiler

**Eucharist Minister:**

Jenny Hancock

**Gifts:**

Gary & Dorothy

Zwilling

**Ushers:**

Doug Kocher

Ray Schneider

**Greeters:**

Bill Zuber

**09/17/2023**

**Servers:**

Ian Kocher

Kaitlyn Kocher

**Lector:**

Kathy Kocher

**Eucharist Minister:**

Beth Kocher

**Gifts:**

Tom Kocher

Family

**Ushers:**

Isaac Zwilling

Byron Zwilling

**Greeters:**

Elmer & Mary

Ochs

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