

April 17, 2022
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Mon. April 18
NO MASS at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tues. April 19
5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wed. April 20
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thurs. April 21
6:30pm at Holy Cross Wendelin Melvin & Helen Rudolphi +

Sat. April 23
4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin Wayne Kessler +
5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sun. April 24
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown
10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin Kuenstler & Rohr Families
10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

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****HOLY CROSS OFFICE HOURS:****
Monday, Wednesday and Friday.....9:00am to 3:00pm

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. April 10, 2022
(60) Envelopes \$2293.50 Loose \$35.00
(8) Building \$705.00 Bequest \$1250.00
(2) Easter Offering \$200.00
(1) Catholic Relief \$100.00
(1) Veterans Memorial Plaque \$100.00
(1) C.S.M.A \$250.00
Total: \$4993.50

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *OUR SICK *Devin Deisher (son-in-law of Ben & Gail Niebrugge) *Jessica Spiker (niece of Rita Buerster) *Bonnie Weidner-Frichtl, *Shirley Atwood

OUR SYMPATHY TO:
Lelia Marie Rennier Family- Daughters, Margaret (Richard) Geier, Jane (Jim) Kuhl and Sharon (Jeff) Wilson, all of Holy Cross Parish and all family. Lelia died Saturday, April 9, at Ste. Marie.
Gerald F. Blank Family – His daughters, Barbara (Greg) Amerman, Cheryl (Dallas) Colwell, & Cindy Blank. Gerald died Saturday, April 9. **“May Lelia and Gerald rest in the peace and love of our Lord”.**

THANK YOU
The family of Wayne Kessler would like to thank Fr. Mark for the wonderful funeral mass, to Kylie, Rhonda & the choir for the beautiful music. A Thank you to the ladies for the delicious meal they prepared & served. To the Newton American Legion for the Military grave services. To our family, friends, and neighbors for the many acts of kindness shown to our family during this difficult time. Everything was really appreciated. -----Linda Kessler & Family

<u>*April Liturgical Ministers*</u>	
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
<u>Open/Lock/Greet:</u>	<u>Open/Lock/Greet:</u>
Tammy Rudolphi	Tonya & Rusty Hall
<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u>
Jennifer Rudolphi	Tonya Hall, Eric Sandschafer
<u>Lectors:</u>	<u>Lectors:</u>
Sherry Geier	Ginny Zwilling
<u>Money Counters:</u>	
Delbert & Anne Hinterscher	
<u>Ushers:</u>	<u>Ushers:</u>
Mark Rudolphi	Gregg Weber
Dave Rudolphi	Henry Kessler

MASS SERVERS:
Sat. April 23: Grace & Stella Warfel
Sun. April 24: Karly Deckard, Mattux Hart

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.

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 17, EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
8:00am, Easter Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown and St. Joseph-Olney
10:00am, Easter Mass at St.Lawrence-Lawrenceville and **Holy Cross-Wendelin**
Monday, April 18, PARISH OFFICES CLOSED
7:00pm, School Board Meeting at St. Joseph-Olney
Thursday, April 21, 7:15pm, Parish Management Meeting at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Saturday, April 23, 5:00pm, First Communion Mass at St. Joseph-Olney
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
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.

HOLY CROSS WENDELIN FAMILY LIFE:
Cookies canceled this Easter Sunday. “Milk and donuts” Sunday, May 22. “Wine Tasting Event” Saturday, June 25 outdoors on the Ball Diamond.

PICNIC COMMITTEE: will be meeting on Thursday, April 28th in the Parish Hall at 6:30pm._ *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
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate
+A Joyous Easter to you and all your loves+
Our God is not dead - The tomb is empty - He is Alive! Our Lord fought the battle of *sin and death* and WON! Our Lord did this for each one of us! Live a life that mirrors the love of God. Live a life that draws you deeper and deeper into the heart of the Father. Live a life of abundance in God - not the

world- and be transformed by that beautiful Love - *the Love that Ran Red!* The tomb is empty - go forth and live this Easter different than ever before - Live Believing - Live Joyously - Live Alleluia - and Live a Life of Love! *Keep to the J.O.Y.S*

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Sisters in Christ Group, Wednesdays at 5:40 to 6:45pm 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:

Thank you so much for the generous response to our Annual Giving campaign! The cut-off date for our printer-proof letter is May 2nd. All gifts received by that date will be recognized in the initial list.

Monday, April 18th - No School - Easter break

Friday, April 22nd - 7th/8th grade spring dance
The staff at St. Joseph School wishes everyone a Happy Easter!

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

April 21: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM.

FROM FR. MARK:

Easter Sunday and the following seven days present a special time to bask in the glory of the resurrection, which are known as the Octave of Easter, culminating in the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday (also known as the Second Sunday of Easter).

Starting from at least the 3rd or 4th century, Christians began to extend certain feasts beyond the initial day. This meant that the joyous

celebrations of Easter Sunday were prolonged and lasted a full eight days.

In fact, Christians treated each day in the octave as if it were Easter Sunday. This tradition has been preserved by the Roman Rite and many of the Eastern Rites, where the liturgical readings and actions of each day mimic what happened on Easter Sunday.

The St. Andrew Daily Missal further explains the connection the Easter Octave had to the newly baptized members of the Catholic Church:

The Octave of Easter, during which formerly no servile work was done, was one continual feast. Each day the neophytes attended Mass at a [different church in Rome], at which they received Holy Communion. In the evening they went to Saint John Lateran for the Office of Vespers.

Furthermore, the newly baptized would wear their baptismal gowns during the entire octave. According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, the Second Sunday of Easter “was consequently known as dominica in albis (deponendis), the Sunday of the (laying aside of the) white garments.” While these particular baptismal traditions are no longer practiced by the Catholic Church, the Octave of Easter remains a celebratory time for Christians around the world and is meant to be a joyous time to remain in the beauty of the Lord’s resurrection.

As with the way Christmas is celebrated in the Catholic Church, the Easter season only begins with Easter Sunday. It is a season for feasting, praising God and enjoying the company of family and friends.

Gone are the fasting days of Lent! (Even the weekly Friday abstinence, which many Catholics practice all year long, is suspended on Easter Friday.) Now is the time to feast!

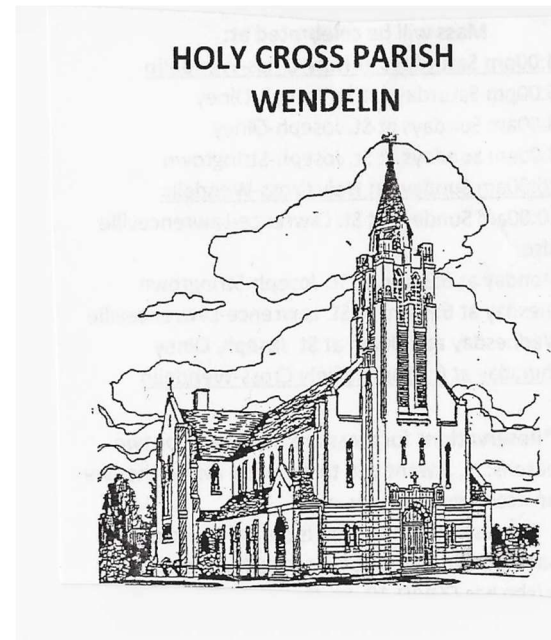
Thank you to all who have made our Holy Week and Easter celebrations prayerful and holy.

A BIT OF HUMOR:

DID NOAH FISH? – A Sunday school teacher asked, ‘Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark? ‘No, replied Johnny. ‘How could he, with just two worms.’

Sunday April 17, 2022

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS: You are welcome to donate to our Easter Flower Fund, “In Memory of a loved one” use donation envelopes.

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Mass Schedule: Thurs., 6:30pm

Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am

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