

# **HOLY CROSS – WENDELIN**

## **Bulletins**

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## June 22, 2025

### The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ +Eucharistic Celebrations+

**Saturday, June 21, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Jack & Lavera Bryan+ and Larry Bryan+”** 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

**Sunday, June 22, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Joseph & Eunice Schackmann+” “Charles, Evelyn, & Patty McCreery+” “Sam & Hermena Medernach+”**

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

**Monday, June 23, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown**

**Tuesday, June 24, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville**

**Wednesday, June 25, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney**

**Thursday, June 26, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Clifford & Gertrude Rauch+”**

**Friday, June 27, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney**

**Saturday, June 28, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Wayne Kessler+”** 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

**Sunday, June 29, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin “Richard Weidner+, Raymond & Bernadine Kuenstler+, & Elizabeth Weidner+”** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown; 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

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**June Bulletins: For the Parish**  
**June Missalettes: For the Parish**

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#### **BULLETIN & MISSALETTE SPONSORS:**

Interested in sponsoring a bulletin or missalette as a business, individual, or in memory of loved ones? Have questions or if interested in scheduling, please contact Ashley. **Price to sponsor for a month is \$100 for bulletins and \$100 for missalettes.**

#### **\*JUNE LITURGICAL MINISTERS\***

<u><b>SATURDAY</b></u>	<u><b>SUNDAY</b></u>
<u><b>Open/Lock/Greet:</b></u>	<u><b>Open/Lock/Greet:</b></u>
Keith & Pam Blank	Jason Warfel
<u><b>EMHC:</b></u>	<u><b>EMHC:</b></u>
Kathy Kuenstler	Martha Deimel
Dave Rauch	Travis Weber
Emma Rudolphi	Jason Warfel
Josy Hart	Ellen Weber
<u><b>Lectors:</b></u>	<u><b>Lectors:</b></u>
Jennifer Rudolphi	James Kistner
<u><b>Money Counters:</b></u>	
*Herb & Martha Deimel*	
<u><b>Ushers:</b></u>	<u><b>Ushers:</b></u>
James Rudolphi	Kevin Blank
Tim Weidner	Gary D. Fehrbacher
Hank Weidner	Michael Kistner
Maria Rudolphi	Jim Rauch

#### **SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. June 15, 2025**

(68) Envelope Collection: \$2,305.00

Loose: \$601.00 **Total: \$2,906.00**

(9) Building Fund: \$285.00

(4) Cemetery: \$405.00

#### **HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:**

As of Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> – **\$274,028.57**

has been received from 390 donations – thank you!



#### **REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:**

Carl Klingler, Mary Beth Scherer,  
Gerry Carter, Terry Tolliver, Wesley  
Frohning, Wilma Jean Geier, Cindy

Henson (Daughter of Dean Klingler), Lee Patridge

#### **CRMH COMMUNION:**

**June 29** – Lynn Weidner (618)-843-0361

#### **MASS SERVERS:**

**Sat. June 21** – Mattux Hart, Ellee Nettleton, and & Ian Kessler

**Sun. June 22** – Alex Street, Blaine & Brooke Bergbower

**Sat. June 28** – Mattux Hart, Levi & Noah Rudolphi

**Sun. June 29** – Cora Warfel, Kaleb & Kelby Iffert

#### **PARISH EVENTS:**

**Monday, June 23 – Parish Office 9-12pm ONLY! Young Adult Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish House, 7pm.**

**Tuesday, June 24** – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am. Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 10am. Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm. Must be 2 people in church. Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Olney Conference Room B, 5pm.

**Wednesday, June 25**– Deacon Jack Bible Study at St. Joseph-Olney, 9:15am.

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

**Thursday, June 26 – Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Cross-Wendelin Followed by Weekday Mass, 5:30pm.**

**Brothers in Christ at Holy Cross Parish Center, 7pm.**

**Todd Herendeen Concert at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish Center, 7pm.**

**Monday, June 30 – Friday, July 4 – No Weekday Masses at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, St. Joseph-Olney, St. Joseph-Stringtown, or Holy Cross-Wendelin.**

#### **TODD HERENDEEN CONCERT NEXT WEEK:**

Tribute to Legends of Rock and County including hits from many decades from Cash to The King! Doors open at 5pm with show at 7pm on June 26<sup>th</sup> at Holy Cross Parish Center. Tickets are \$15 at the door. Light refreshments will be served with soda and water available to purchase. You can also bring your own drinks. Contact Cindy Blank at 618-843-8018 for more information.

#### **THANK YOU:**

Thank you to Family Life Committee for providing donuts, milk, and juice to the parish last Sunday on Father’s Day!

#### **VBS THANK YOU:**

**Thank you** to the children, families, crew, and everyone that helped making VBS a tremendous success. We had 63 kids present and 42 crew members. We spent four nights learning about Jesus being our **True North** and why we should always ***Trust Him in this Wild World.***

#### **THANK YOU:**

Thank you to Prairie Farms for making a generous donation of milk and juice for our VBS week, as well as for the parish after Mass on Father’s Day Sunday! Their continued support of our parishes is greatly appreciated. Thank you, Prairie Farms!

#### **CAROLINE TRIMBLE, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

Our Good Father always provides, always supplies, and is always there. So often we journey through life failing to remember the goodness of God. We forget in the moments that there is only One- who offers true comfort, peace, and restoration- the Most Holy Eucharist. It is here where the mystery of True Love is unveiled, and we enter the Heavenly Banquet. Saint Maximilian Kolbe tells us, *“If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Eucharist.”* So, when you find yourself despairing, or unsure of what the future holds - remember that the God who created the universe- also created you. You are loved and precious in His sight and he will never – ever - leave you! Then in haste, come to the Heavenly Banquet and receive the Most Holy Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of the One Who created you in His own image. This is our Spiritual Food for the journey-*receive it as often as possible!* May this Holy Sacrament be honored and adored throughout the whole world and in our own lives. Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us!*

#### **2025 HOLY CROSS PICNIC NEWS:**

2025 Picnic Committee Members: **Chair-** Mareah Rauch, **Co-Chair-** Chris Warfel, **Co-Treasurers-** Tim Weidner and Grace Weidner, **Secretary-** Allison Schnepper, **Raffle-** Tyler Buerster, Gracey

Himelick, Macie Weidner, **Inventory-** Kyle Amerman, Dalton Tinder, Victor Sandschafer, Ashley Hinterscher

**Heads of Stands-** Please let someone on Picnic Committee know if you have any concerns or need anything for picnic as soon as possible so we can be sure to help you out before picnic weekend. All Heads of Stands need to come on Friday (August 1<sup>st</sup>) or Saturday (August 2<sup>nd</sup>) to set up their stand and check in with picnic committee. This helps picnic run smoothly for everyone. Thank you all for everything you do to make picnic a success! The Picnic Committee is accepting hog donations! Please call/text either Mareah Rauch 618-553-6839 or Chris Warfel 618-843-3367 for donations, drop them off in the collection basket at church, mark hog donation for picnic. Or drop off in the Parish office.

**LARGE RAFFLE TICKETS** (140+ prizes) are available in back of church. Please pick these up if you need them.

**RAFFLE SALES CONTEST:** there will be a contest again - for those selling the most tickets. (Please have your sold books in by Friday, August 1st at 12:00 Noon). Bring to the rectory or Parish Center to a committee member.

**For all stands below items:** contact Mareah Rauch (618-553-6839), Chris Warfel (618-843-3367), or the Parish Office to schedule a time to drop off items if dropping off items early. Items can also be dropped off picnic weekend in parish center, starting Thursday, July 31 from 5- 7pm.

**COUNTRY STORE:** Please identify each item brought for the country store. This will help with organizing items day of picnic. Any questions please contact Natalie Hopson at 217-240-4281 or Mareah Rauch 618-553-6839.

**MYSTERY BOX STAND:** Items valued at \$1.00, \$0.75, \$0.50 or \$0.25. No less than \$0.25. Please NO candy (it melts). Bring bagged items to Rectory or to the stand day of picnic.

**LUCK OF THE DRAW:** (formerly Instant Winner) prizes are also being accepted at this time. If you would like to donate, we are looking for unique,

one-of-a-kind, quality items (i.e. coffee mugs, pot holders, decorative items, etc.) If you have any questions, please contact Karla Volk at 618-752-7531.

**THEME BASKETS:** can be dropped off the week of picnic on Thursday (July 31st) evening 5-7 or during set up on Friday (August 1st) and Saturday (August 2nd). Please also list the theme name on each of your baskets.

#### **BAPTISM:**

The Sacrament of Baptism represents the first step in a lifelong journey of discipleship. To inquire about a Baptism and/or to schedule a date, contact Caroline Trimble, Pastoral Associate by emailing [ctrimblepa@gmail.com](mailto:ctrimblepa@gmail.com) or calling 618-263-7106.

#### **SISTERS IN CHRIST:**

“Loving Like a Saint.” **Tuesday** - 10:00am at St. Joseph- Stringtown, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney **Wednesday** - 5:30pm Holy Cross-Wendelin

#### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

Thursdays at 5:30pm prior to Mass. Please text/call Ashley to secure a date for you to assist with Exposition.

#### **ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

The school playground will undergo tree work and updates throughout June and July. This may also impact the office parking lot on select days. School office hours for the summer are Mondays and Thursdays from 8am-3pm. **Staff Appreciation Sponsorship** - We are often asked throughout the year how families and community members can show their appreciation for the incredible work our teachers and staff do every day. With your support, we've been able to provide **staff gatherings** and a **staff lunch** from Joe's Pizza once per month. To make this possible, we're again inviting monthly sponsorship donations. A donation of \$100 provides refreshments for gatherings and for \$300 you can sponsor a meal

for the entire staff! Please contact [jhart@stjoeolney.com](mailto:jhart@stjoeolney.com) if you would be interested in sponsoring one or more of these events!

#### **OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**Sunday, June 29:** Knights of Columbus led Rosary before the 8AM Mass. Knights also have volunteer Ministry at this mass followed with a fellowship breakfast at a local restaurant. **\$75.00 attendance drawing winner is Rodney Ochs.** Attendance at one meeting gives you a chance at \$100. next year! **Knight of the Month** - Rodney Ochs - Mother's Day - carnation/donut volunteer on both weekend Masses! **Congratulations to the 2025-2026 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Officers:** Grand Knight: Carl Sager, Deputy Grand Knight: Rodney Ochs, Financial Secretary: Mike Ginder, Chancellor: Dan Kuentler, Advocate: Elmer Weiler, Treasurer: Steve Kuentler, Recorder: Scott Seiler, Warden: Dan Zwilling, Guards: Preston and Kyle Kuentler, Lecturer: Deacon Jack Shuster, Chaplain: Father Steven, Trustees: Ben Weiler, Hank Ginder and Matt Zuber.

#### **PEW REPLACEMENT AND SALE:**

**All pews are sold!**

#### **CARD SHOWER AND FAREWELL FOR FR. FELIX:**

There will be baskets in the vestibule of the parish for you to offer a card of "Thank and Prayers" for Fr. Felix, who is leaving us at the end of the month. Please join in on the celebration with a Farewell Dinner at St. Lawrence Catholic Church Sunday, June 29 after the 10:00am Mass. The meat, table service, and drinks will be provided. Bring your favorite covered dish to share.

#### **FAMILY LIFE CENTER BABY BOTTLE PROJECT:**

Please remember to bring back filled and unfilled baby bottles.

#### **Sunday, June 22, 2025** **The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with the honey from the rock.



**Holy Cross Parish in Wendelin**  
**5782 Ingraham Lane, Newton, IL 62448**  
**Website - - [www.holycrosswendelin.com](http://www.holycrosswendelin.com)**  
**Parish Phone Number: (618)-752-5671**  
**Parish E-mail: [holycrosswendelin@outlook.com](mailto:holycrosswendelin@outlook.com)**  
**Mass Schedule: Thursdays 6:30pm, Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am**  
**Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays 5:30pm**  
**\*\*Very Rev. Steven L. Beatty – Pastor**  
**Fr. Steven's Cell: 618-697-2632**  
**E-mail: [frsteven.beatty@gmail.com](mailto:frsteven.beatty@gmail.com)**  
**\*\*Reverend Felix Chukwuma – Pastor**  
**Fr. Felix's Cell: 812-899-2415**  
**E-mail: [chibuchuma@yahoo.com](mailto:chibuchuma@yahoo.com)**  
**\*\*Caroline Trimble – Pastoral Associate**  
**Caroline's Cell: 618-263-7106**  
**E-mail: [ctrimblePA@gmail.com](mailto:ctrimblePA@gmail.com)**  
**\*\*Ashley Hinterscher – Administrative Assistant**  
**Ashley: 618-843-1892, [creholycross@gmail.com](mailto:creholycross@gmail.com)**  
**\*\*Tyler Timm – Youth Minister**  
**Tyler: 507-530-2911; [ttimm@stjoeolney.com](mailto:ttimm@stjoeolney.com)**  
**Trustees: Carl Will & Sherry Geier; Pastoral Council: Tony Kuentler-Chair; Kevin Blank-Vice-Chair; Cindy Blank, Sharon Edwards, Kelly Geier, Tammy Rudolphi, Holly Nettleton, Dusty Smithenry**

Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025  
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

✠ Eucharistic Celebrations ✠

Mon. June 23 6:30 PM at Stringtown  
Tue. June 24 5:00 PM at Lawrenceville  
**Wed. June 25 8:00 am For the Parish**  
Thu. June 26 6:30 PM at Wendelin  
**Fri. June 27 8:00 am For the Parish**

**Sat. June 28**  
4:00 PM at Wendelin  
**5:00 PM Linda Gumble**  
*Living & Deceased Joe Steber Family*

**Sun. June 29**  
**8:00 am Neil Adams**  
**Carl Kessler**  
8:00 am at Stringtown  
10:00 am at Wendelin  
10:00 am at Lawrenceville

OUR JUNE SPONSORS

Bulletins: Blank Farms  
Missalettes: Knights of Columbus Council #1352

OUR TITHES FOR JUNE 15<sup>th</sup>

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00  
Envelopes: \$9,646 (120) Loose: \$257  
Guatemala: \$25 (1) Cemetery Fund: \$100 (1)  
Catholic Communications \$25 (1)

**Let Us Pray For:** Julie Oesch, Deacon Jack, Margaret Burgener, Fr. Bill, Fr. Joe Erbacher, Jeff Beard, Judy Spitz, Clara Rose Wilson, John Bower, Kevin Bookhout, Jerry L. Harper, Margaret Fehrenbacher, Emery Oesch, Gene Bergbower, Luke G. Kocher, David Fehrenbacher, Marlene Harris, Don Kocher, Bessie Rossiano, Mary Rowark, Eleanor Steber, Tony Tredway, Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, and Ruth Zwilling. *Please call or email the Parish Office to add any new names to the prayer list.*

~ AROUND OUR PARISHES ~

Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>

• Mass for Maren Zuber, and Carl, Norman, & Joseph Zwilling.

Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Corpus Christi

• Children’s liturgy at 8 am mass. We will continue children’s liturgy through the summer months. All students entering K-3 grades are welcome. If you have a child that would like to attend, we would love to see them at 8 am mass.

Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>

• 12 PM - 3 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There must always be 2 people in the church.  
• 5:00 PM, Sisters in Christ meeting in conference room B at St. Joseph, Olney.

Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup>

• Praying the rosary after mass, Olney.  
• 9:15, Bible study at St. Joseph Olney in Room B.  
• Parish Office closed for cleaning.

Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>

• 7 PM, Concert at Holy Cross Parish Hall. Todd Herendeen will be live singing tributes to the legends of rock and country music. Doors open at 5 pm and show starts at 7 pm. Tickets are \$15 at the door. Bring your own drinks.

Monday June 30<sup>th</sup> – Friday July 4<sup>th</sup>

• There will be no weekday masses at any of the quad parishes.  
• CYM mission trip this week. Fr. Steven and Fr. Levi will both be gone on the mission trip.

Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup> - First Saturday

• 8:15 am, First Saturday mass at Holy Cross. Confession at 9 am.

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

June 16: Brianne Fehrenbacher (#405)  
June 17: Lyndia Kuykendall (#160)  
June 18: Kylee Volk (#097)  
June 19: Elizabeth Zuber (#376)  
June 20: Mary Jane Kuenstler (#552)

🔔 St. Joseph School News 🔔

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~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **Meals for Moms** would like to welcome *Wylder Blake Stanley*, born on June 6, 2025. Son of Treston and Chelsea (Heindselman) Stanley. And *Sylvee Ann Shreve*, born on June 4, 2025. Daughter of Trevor and Katie (Royse) Shreve. If you would like to sign up to provide a meal and dessert to one or both of these families, or other families who welcome little ones, please contact Laura Matthews at 618-924-5901 or lmatthews@stjoeolney.com.
- **Fall Kids Mall:** Online registration for families begins on June 30 and concludes on July 11<sup>th</sup>. During the months of June and July, we are asking for donations of new children’s underwear and socks. These will be for both boys and girls ages 3-13. Please place donations in the tubs labeled by the doors of church, or drop them by the church office. **Donations are due by July 18<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Card Shower Farewell for Fr. Felix:** There is a basket in the vestibule of church for you to offer a card of "Thanks and Prayers" for Fr. Felix, who is leaving us at the end of the month. Please join in on the celebration with a Farewell Dinner at St. Lawrence Catholic Church **Sunday, June 29** after

the 10:00 am Mass. The meat, table service, and drinks will be provided. Bring your favorite covered dish to share.

- **Annual Baby Bottle Project:** It is very important that all the baby bottles (filled and unfilled) are returned. There are still several bottles that have not been returned. You may place the baby bottles in the basket located on the table in the church vestibule or bring the bottles to the Parish Office. Thank you to everyone who participated in this fundraiser in support of the Family Life Center.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

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Congratulations to the 2025 - 2026  
3rd Degree Officers:

Grand Knight - Carl Sager  
Deputy Grand Knight - Rodney Ochs  
Financial Secretary - Mike Ginder  
Chancellor - Dan Kuenstler  
Advocate - Elmer Weiler  
Treasurer - Steve Kuenstler  
Recorder - Scott Seiler  
Warden - Dan Zwilling  
Guards: Preston and Kyle Kuenstler  
Trustees: Ben Weiler, Hank Ginder and Matt Zuber  
Lecturer: Jack Shuster  
Chaplain: Fr. Steven

In recent weeks, subscribers to The Messenger have made us aware of a delivery problem that is resulting in papers arriving late to their mailboxes. We apologize for the service issue and are investigating the cause of it with post offices throughout the Diocese of Belleville. Please be patient during this time as we search for a solution.  
Thank you! -David Wilhelm, Messenger Editor

**The 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry  
Appeal  
*Hope in the Lord***

Each year the success of the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal depends upon the generous response of every Catholic household – **it depends on you!!** Every dollar donated to the Appeal is restricted and supports only the work of 17 diocesan ministries which serve thousands of people throughout southern Illinois each year. To learn more about the good works **your gift** makes possible, visit [www.diobelle.org](http://www.diobelle.org) and click on the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal poster or call Judy Phillips at 618-722-5007 – she’d love to hear from you!

**Please consider a gift to the appeal today!  
Our parish financial target is \$21,855. We have received pledges for \$11,234.10. Thank you!**

**Journey Onward Ye Sojourners  
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate**

Our Good Father always provides, always supplies, and is always there. So often we journey through life failing to remember the goodness of God. We forget in the moments that there is only One- who offers true comfort, peace, and restoration- the Most Holy Eucharist. It is here where the mystery of True Love is unveiled, and we enter the Heavenly Banquet. Saint Maximilian Kolbe tells us, “*If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Eucharist.*” So, when you find yourself despairing, or unsure of what the future holds - remember that the God who created the universe- also created you. You are loved and precious in His sight and he will never –ever - leave you! Then in haste, come to the Heavenly Banquet and receive the Most Holy Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of the One Who created you in His own image. This is our Spiritual Food for the journey-*receive it as often as possible!* May this Holy Sacrament be honored and adored throughout the whole world and in our own lives. Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us!*

**Peter’s Pence:** Next week, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which unites us and Catholics around the world more closely with the Holy Father in two ways: it supports the structures of the Holy See through which the Pope governs the Church as well as his charitable efforts to assist victims of war, oppression, natural disasters and others most in need. Be a sign of mercy; support the Peter's Pence Collection. For more information, visit <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en/cos-el-obolo.html>.

**Respect Life Corner: June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

“Christ’s blood reveals to man that his greatness, and therefore his vocation, consists in the sincere gift of self. ...It is from the blood of Christ that all draw the strength to commit themselves to promoting life. It is precisely this blood that is the most powerful source of hope, indeed it is the foundation of the absolute certitude that in God’s plan life will be victorious.”

Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae* © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

**Vocation Corner: June 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Today we celebrate the gift of Eucharist. This gift is what truly defines us as Catholics. We rejoice that Jesus gave His Body and Blood for our redemption. This is the remembrance we commemorate during each Liturgy. This is only possible through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass which is celebrated by a priest. We are challenged to pray for more priests; we are also challenged to encourage those who may have a calling to Holy Orders. Pose the question: “Have you ever considered being a priest?”

**Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe  
January 15-20, 2026**

**Hosted by CRS in the Diocese of Belleville**  
Retreat Leaders: Fr. Bob Flannery, Sue Huett  
Asbeck, and Cheryl Sommer

**Initial Registration Deadline June 30, 2025**

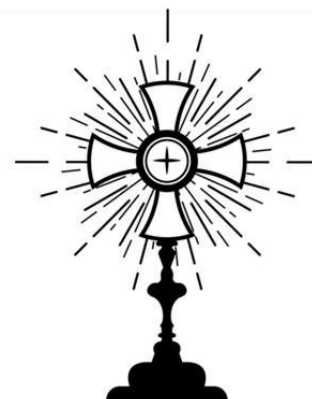
# St. Joseph Church

208 South Elliott St.  
Olney, Illinois 62450



Sunday, June 22, 2025

*The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ*



~ St. Joseph Church ~

Website .....[www.stjosephchurcholney.com](http://www.stjosephchurcholney.com)

Very Rev. Steven L. Beatty ..... Pastor

Fr. Steven’s Cell ..... 618-697-2632

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Reverend Felix Chukwuma ..... Pastor

Fr. Felix’s Cell ..... 812-899-2415

E-mail ..... [chibuchuma@yahoo.com](mailto:chibuchuma@yahoo.com)

Caroline Trimble ..... Pastoral Associate

Caroline’s Cell ..... 618-263-7106

E-mail ..... [CtrimblePA@gmail.com](mailto:CtrimblePA@gmail.com)

Tyler Timm ..... Youth Minister

Tyler’s Cell ..... 507-530-2911

E-mail ..... [timm@stjoeolney.com](mailto:timm@stjoeolney.com)

Casey Hemrich ..... Administrative Assistant

Parish Office ..... 618-392-8181

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Jeffrey Rosenberg ..... Trustee

Elliot Brazil ..... Trustee

~ Welcome ~

The St. Joseph Parish family is a community of believers rooted in the teachings of Jesus.

**Join us for mass:**

Wednesday 8:00 am

Friday 8:00 am

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am

Live streaming of the 8 am mass on Sunday is now available! To watch it live, go to [stjosephchurcholney.com](http://stjosephchurcholney.com) or replay anytime.

New parishioners, please register as soon as you move into our parish. Call the Parish Office (618-392-8181) to receive a new member packet

**Office hours: Mon. Wed. Fri. 7:30-3:00 pm**

~ Sacraments ~

**Baptism:** Contact the Parish Office.

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 4:30 PM – 4:45 PM or contact the Parish Office.

**Marriage:** Call 6 months in advance.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Any time of need.

~ St. Joseph School ~

Josy Hart ..... Principal

Carol Potter ..... Assistant Principal

Catherine Fritschle ..... Office Manager

School Office ..... 618-395-3081

E-mail ..... [office@stjoeolney.com](mailto:office@stjoeolney.com)

Website ..... [www.stjoeolney.com](http://www.stjoeolney.com)

FAX ..... 618-395-8500

Kristen Eagleson ..... Financial Manager

School Board: Angel Padilla (*Chairperson*), Heather Colwell, Samantha Foust, Marissa Graves, Andrea Kuentler, Lauren McClain, Sara Peavler, Doug Kocher (*St. Joseph-Stringtown Representative*), Holly Nettleton (*Holy Cross-Wendelin Representative*)



**Collection Total for June 15, 2025**

Envelopes: \$10,089.00      (35)  
Loose:      \$39.00  
**Total:      \$10,128.00**

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

**Cemetery Fund: \$25.00 (1)**

**Building Fund: \$905.00 (7)**

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**June Bulletins: In Memory of Bill & Catherine  
Zwilling and Families**

**June Missalettes: In Memory of Raymond Zuber**

**\*Available for 2025. Contact Ashley to schedule.**

**Missalette sponsors are still needed. Bulletins are  
full for 2025. Price is \$100 to sponsor  
missalettes.\***

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**PARISH EVENTS:**

**Sunday, June 22 – Senior Citizen Breakfast at St.  
Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, Following Mass.**

**Monday, June 23 – Young Adults Bible Study at  
Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish House, 7pm.**

**Tuesday, June 24– ASAP Prayer Service and  
Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.  
Sisters in Christ, 10:00am in St. Joseph-Stringtown  
Parish Center.**

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at  
St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm. Must be 2 people in the  
church at all times.

Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Olney Conference  
Room B, 5pm.

**Wednesday, June 25–** Deacon Jack Bible Study at  
St. Joseph-Olney, 9:15am.

Sister’s in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish  
Center, 5:30pm.

**Thursday, June 26 –** Eucharistic Adoration of the  
Blessed Sacrament at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
Followed by Weekday Mass, 5:30pm.  
Brothers in Christ at Holy Cross Parish House, 7pm.  
Todd Herendeen Concert at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
Parish Center, 7pm.

**Sunday, June 29 –** Farewell Dinner for Fr. Felix at  
St Lawrence-Lawrenceville, Following 10am Mass.

**Monday, June 30 – Friday, July 4 – No Weekday  
Masses at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, St. Joseph-  
Olney, St. Joseph-Stringtown, or Holy Cross-  
Wendelin.**

**CAROLINE TRIMBLE - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

Our Good Father always provides, always supplies,  
and is always there. So often we journey through  
life failing to remember the goodness of God. We  
forget in the moments that there is only One- who  
offers true comfort, peace, and restoration- the  
Most Holy Eucharist. It is here where the mystery  
of True Love is unveiled, and we enter the  
Heavenly Banquet. Saint Maximilian Kolbe tells us,  
*“If angels could be jealous of men, they would be  
so for one reason: Holy Eucharist.”* So, when you  
find yourself despairing, or unsure of what the  
future holds - remember that the God who created  
the universe- also created you. You are loved and  
precious in His sight and he will never - ever - leave  
you! Then in haste, come to the Heavenly Banquet  
and receive the Most Holy Body, Blood, Soul and  
Divinity of the One Who created you in His own  
image. This is our Spiritual Food for the journey-  
*receive it as often as possible!* May this Holy  
Sacrament be honored and adored throughout the  
whole world and in our own lives. Our Lady of  
Fatima, *pray for us!*

**SISTERS IN CHRIST:**

*“Loving Like a Saint.”* **Tuesday** - 10:00am at St.  
Joseph- Stringtown, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney  
**Wednesday** - 5:30pm Holy Cross Wendelin

**BAPTISM:**

The Sacrament of Baptism represents the first step  
in a lifelong journey of discipleship. To inquire  
about a Baptism and/or to schedule a date,  
contact Caroline Trimble.

**2025 STRINGTOWN PICNIC COMMITTEE NEWS:**

The 2025 Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Donations** - Cash donations for the purchase of  
beef, ham, porkburgers, expense for the

entertainment, and prizes are welcomed and can  
be given to any Picnic Chair. **Dinner Tickets** –  
Dinner tickets will be available for early sales after  
Mass on July 6<sup>th</sup> and July 13<sup>th</sup>. Cost for the meal  
will be \$13 for adults and \$5 for kids (5-10). The  
smorgasbord includes beef, ham, homemade  
noodles, and much more (carryout available) and  
will be serving from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. **Raffles** –  
Envelopes with raffle tickets and list for  
parishioners, along with extra raffle tickets and list  
are available in the back of church. Please take the  
time to pick up your envelope.

Please put raffle tickets (with money) in an  
envelope marked picnic raffle on front when  
turning them in either to the Parish Office or  
dropped into the collection basket. Thank you!

**Wine Pull** – The Wine Pull Stand is seeking  
donations of unopened bottles of wine to make  
this year’s Wine Pull a successful stand. If you are  
interested in donating to this stand, you may put  
your unopened bottles of wine in the special box  
in the back of church, or contact Janice Zwilling  
(618-562-1990) to make arrangements for drop  
off. Please have all donations dropped off or  
contact Janice by **Monday, July 14<sup>th</sup>**. **Workers List**  
– **Workers List is available in the back of church. If  
your name does not appear on this list and you are  
willing to help, please contact one of the  
Committee members.** **Picnic Chairs** - Lisa Boehl  
(Financial & Kitchen), Janice Zwilling (Beer Garden,  
Entertainment, 50/50, Bingo), Francis Ochs (Food  
Stand), Mona Kocher (Basket Stand), Chad & Jenny  
Hancock (Raffle Stand); Ethan Steber & Delaney  
Steber (Cake Stand, Country Store, & Games),  
Shelly Seaman (Kids Games), and Scott Seiler  
(Grounds & Maintenance).

**PICNIC BASKET STAND:**

If you have not turned in your basket yet, you may  
do so during the following dates and times:

- When Ashley is working on Tuesdays  
9am-2pm or Thursdays 9am-1pm at the  
Parish Center, or
- At church on any Sunday, or

- When the Basket Committee meets on  
Monday, July 14 @ 1 pm or Tuesday, July  
15 after 6:00 pm at the Parish Center

We appreciate everyone’s time and effort in  
helping the basket stand to be a success. Also, you  
may still put money donations in the Donation  
Bucket in the vestibule. Questions??? Contact  
Mona Kocher @ 618-843-6662 or 618-869-2498,  
Janette Kocher @ 618-843-1650, Mary Zwilling @  
618-562-8433, or Kathy Zuber (Justin) @ 618-869-  
2306.

**VBS THANK YOU:**

**Thank you** to the children, families, crew, and  
everyone that helped with making VBS a  
tremendous success. We had 63 kids present and  
42 crew members. We spent four nights learning  
about Jesus being our **True North** and why we  
should always ***Trust Him in this Wild World***.

**THANK YOU:**

Thank you to Prairie Farms for making a generous  
donation of milk and juice for our VBS week! Their  
continued support of our parishes is greatly  
appreciated. Thank you, Prairie Farms!

**STRINGTOWN COMMUNITY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP:**

Any parishioner that graduated from high school in  
2025 and is attending college or an institution of  
higher, 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 August 1st. Please return  
the forms to Janice Zuber. You can email them to  
janice.zuber@yahoo.com or hand them in.

**ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

The school playground will undergo tree work and  
updates throughout June and July. This may also  
impact the office parking lot on select days.  
School office hours for the summer are Mondays  
and Thursdays from 8am-3pm. **Staff Appreciation  
Sponsorship** - We are often asked throughout the

year how families and community members can show their appreciation for the incredible work our teachers and staff do every day. With your support, we've been able to provide **staff gatherings** and a **staff lunch** from Joe's Pizza once per month. To make this possible, we're again inviting monthly sponsorship donations. A donation of \$100 provides refreshments for gatherings and for \$300 you can sponsor a meal for the entire staff! Please contact [jhart@stjoeolney.com](mailto:jhart@stjoeolney.com) if you would be interested in sponsoring one or more of these events!

**OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**Sunday, June 29:** Knights of Columbus led Rosary before the 8AM Mass. Knights also have volunteer Ministry at this mass followed with a fellowship breakfast at a local restaurant. **\$75.00 attendance drawing winner is Rodney Ochs.** Attendance at one meeting gives you a chance at \$100. next year! **Knight of the Month** - Rodney Ochs - Mother's Day - carnation/donut volunteer on both weekend Masses! **Congratulations to the 2025-2026 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Officers:** Grand Knight: Carl Sager, Deputy Grand Knight: Rodney Ochs, Financial Secretary: Mike Ginder, Chancellor: Dan Kuenstler, Advocate: Elmer Weiler, Treasurer: Steve Kuenstler, Recorder: Scott Seiler, Warden: Dan Zwilling, Guards: Preston and Kyle Kuenstler, Lecturer: Deacon Jack Shuster, Chaplain: Father Steven, Trustees: Ben Weiler, Hank Ginder and Matt Zuber.

**TODD HERENDEEN CONCERT:**

Tribute to Legends of Rock and County. Doors open at 5pm, show at 7pm on June 26<sup>th</sup> at Holy Cross Parish Center. Tickets are \$15 at the door. Light refreshments will be served with soda and water available to purchase. You can also bring your own drinks. Contact Cindy Blank at 618-843-8018 for more information.

**FAMILY LIFE CENTER BABY BOTTLE PROJECT:**

Please remember to return all filled and unfilled baby bottles.

**CARD SHOWER AND FAREWELL FOR FR. FELIX:**

There will be baskets in the vestibule of the parish for you to offer a card of "Thank and Prayers" for Fr. Felix, who is leaving us at the end of the month. Please join in on the celebration with a Farewell Dinner at St. Lawrence Catholic Church Sunday, June 29 after the 10:00am Mass. The meat, table service, and drinks will be provided. Bring your favorite covered dish to share.

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER:**

"Christ's blood reveals to man that his greatness, and therefore his vocation, consists in the sincere gift of self. ...It is from the blood of Christ that all draw the strength to commit themselves to promoting life. It is precisely this blood that is the most powerful source of hope, indeed it is the foundation of the absolute certitude that in God's plan life will be victorious." Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana.

**NOTE FROM THE MESSENGER:**

In recent weeks, subscribers to The Messenger have made us aware of a delivery problem that is resulting in papers arriving late to their mailboxes. We apologize for the service issue and are investigating the cause of it with post offices throughout the Diocese of Belleville. Please be patient during this time as we search for a solution. Thank you!



**REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:** Rick Rennier, Teresa Zehner, Judy Brown, Brenda Zuber, Ralph McIntire

**Sunday, June 22, 2025**

**The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**

**Sunday, June 22, 8:00am** at St. Joseph-Stringtown  
**"Bill & Catherine Zwilling & Family"** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
**Monday, June 23, 6:30pm** at St. Joseph-Stringtown **"For The Parish"**  
**Tuesday, June 24, 5:00pm** at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
**Wednesday, June 25, 8:05am** at St. Joseph-Olney  
**Thursday, June 26, 6:30pm** at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
**Friday, June 27, 8:00am** at St. Joseph-Olney  
**Saturday, June 28, 4:00pm** at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney  
**Sunday, June 29, 8:00am** at St. Joseph-Stringtown **"Herman, Ethel, & Kathleen Zwilling+", "Deceased Members of the Ochs Family"** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
**06/22/2025**  
**Servers:**  
Emmitt Kocher  
Don Seiler  
Levi Weidner  
**Lector:**  
Beth Kocher  
**EMHC:**  
Elmer Ochs  
Mary Ochs  
John Ochs  
**Gifts:**  
Jean Kocher Family  
**Ushers:**  
Gary Kocher  
Ian Kocher  
**Greeters:**  
Doug & Lora Kocher Family  
**Children's Liturgy:**  
Madison & Natalie

**06/22/2025**

**Servers:**  
Roland Sager  
Silas Sager  
Julian Seaman  
**Lector:**  
Shelly Seaman  
**EMHC:**  
Scott Seiler  
Owen Kocher  
Janette Kocher  
**Gifts:**  
Harold & Lisa Boehl  
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Tom Kocher  
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