

Collection Total for August 20, 2023

Envelopes: \$1,025.00
Loose: \$156.00
Total: \$1,181.00

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Building Fund: \$295.00 (5)
Assumption of Mary: \$173.00 (14)
Religious Education: \$20.00 (1)

August Bulletins: Bartley C. Zuber, Attorney at Law
August Missalettes: For the Parish

-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 stjoeholycross to 84576 to get connected!

PARISH NEWS:

The next donut Sunday will be Sunday, August 27 after 8:00 Mass. See you there!

The first meeting of the Community Club will be on Tuesday, Sept 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the Parish Center. We will have the installation of officers, plan the year and sign up for committees. There will be no speaker this month. The officers will provide refreshments. New members are welcome to attend.

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, August 27 – Donuts Following Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, August 29 – Rosary and A.S.A.P Prayer Group at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am

Wednesday, August 30 – Sister’s in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm

Thursday, August 31 – Brother’s in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 7pm

Tuesday, September 5 – Community Club Meeting at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 7pm

Future First Saturday Mass will be at Holy Cross-Wendelin at 9 AM on September 2, October 7, November 4, and December 2

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. MARK! Fr. Mark will celebrate his birthday on Saturday, August 26th. Birthday cards can be mailed to Holy Childhood of Jesus Church, 104 N. Independence St., PO Box 160 62258.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION:

September 2nd at Holy Cross 9:00 am with Confession at 8:15am.

Our Lady is always guiding us to new depths in our spiritual life. The First Saturday devotion does this over the course of five months so that we, through Mary’s intercession, may grow in virtue more quickly—and more perfectly reflect Our Lord Jesus Christ.

STRINGTOWN STUDY:

A New Book begins on Sept 5th at 10:00 am - after the 9:30am Rosary.

The book will be "The Four Teresas by Gina Lohr." An out-of-the-box look at four of the greatest women of the Church, and what their example can mean for you. Thérèse of Lisieux, Teresa of Avila, Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, and Mother Teresa—who wouldn’t want these women as friends and guide? Contact Janette Kocher if you are interested in joining the study.

SISTERS IN CHRIST:

Wed. August 30, 5:30pm, at Holy Cross-Wendelin.

-New Study- The Devil in the Castle.

Chapter 3 and answer discussion questions.

BROTHERS IN CHRIST:

Thurs. August 31, 7pm, at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Topic will be on Sacramental Life.

MARIAN MOMENT:

"Love our Lady. And she will obtain abundant grace to help you conquer in your daily struggle."

-St. Josemaria Escriva

CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

Who do people say that the Son of Man is? What might your response be to this question? Possibly, you would reply the second person of the Divine Trinity, Lord, Savior, Friend, and prayerfully so. What would be your response if Jesus asked you the question, “*Who do you say I am?*” Does your life dictate the Who you say? Does your life reflect a relationship with the I Am? Do you know Who He is? Are you a child of the Kingdom of God, or a child of the world? St. Therese of Lisieux, tells us “*The world is thy ship and not thy home!*” Begin anew this day living a life that radiates the response of “*Yes, I know who you are- You are My God! My Everything! I am Yours! You are Mine!*” Do not get swayed by the events of our days- keep your focus upon the I Am! Journey onward to the Kingdom! *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 times.** 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.

ALZHEIMER’S QUILT RAFFLE:

Do you know someone who has Dementia or Alzheimer’s? This terrible disease has touched a lot of families and friends. You feel helpless as you watch your loved one slowly change, as their memory becomes worse.

This year, I have made a purple queen size quilt to raise money for research to find a cure for this sad disease. It will be \$1.00 per ticket. The color purple means you have lost someone to Alzheimer’s. The color orange, you support the cause of Alzheimer’s. The color blue, you are living with Alzheimer’s. The color yellow, you are caring for someone with Alzheimer’s. The color white means you represent a future without Alzheimer’s.

The drawing will be September 1st before the Charleston/Mattoon walk on September 16th. **If you would like to walk or give a donation, I will be in front of the church after mass on August 27th. For information, call Kathleen Zuber at 618-869-2306.**

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Our mum sales began this weekend! Join us in this tremendous fundraising effort - buy and gift big, beautiful mums! You can contact any St. Joseph School student to order. Orders and payment are due Friday, September 8th. Pick up is Friday, September 18th.

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 will begin on Wednesday, September 6, both after the Wednesday morning Rosary at 9:15AM or in the evening at 7PM. 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.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Kudos to the Doll Families for the Family Appreciation Picnic at Doll’s Cabin! Special thanks to Brad Doll for preparing the pork burgers and the Steve Kuenstler family for the food preparation and to the 41 in attendance. Winners of the partner games received \$2 bills and second place was a Susan B. Anthony dollar. Winners - Corn Hole – 4 teams - Winners - Carter Seaman & Hank Ginder: 2nd- Dan & Preston Kuenstler: Horseshoe – 4 teams – Winners - Carter Seaman & Hank Ginder: 2nd – Steve & Preston Kuenstler; Egg Toss - 5 teams – Winners - Carter & Julian Seaman: 2nd – Nina & Hank Ginder; Water balloon Toss- 5 teams – Winners - Julian & Carter Seaman: 2nd – Shelly & Doug Seaman.

Sunday, August 27: K of C led Rosary at 7:40AM, before Olney St. Joe 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) 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.

ST. MARY’S SAINTE MARIE PICNIC

The 186th Annual Pre-Labor Day Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 3, 2023. They will serve Sainte Marie Style Chicken 3PM until 7PM or until sold out. Served with potato salad, baked beans, and water. Food and games from 3-7pm. They will have pork burgers, chips, pop, Dairy Dee ice cream, big ticket raffle, hand-made quilt raffle, bingo, kid’s games, basket raffle, and (beer garden from 3-9pm).



Remember in our prayers...

Rick Rennier, Carolyn Elie, Louise Weber

**Sunday, August 27, 2023
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
+Eucharistic Celebrations+**

Monday August 28, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown “For the Parish”

Tuesday August 29, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday August 30, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday August 31, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday Sept. 1, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Saturday Sept. 2, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday Sept. 3, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “Carolyn Zuber+”

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

MINISTERS LIST

08/27/2023

Servers:

Mitchell Ochs
Brady Ochs

Lector:

Wayne Kocher

Eucharist Minister:

Bill Zuber

Gifts:

David Muhs Family

Ushers:

Evelyn Volk
Caden Kocher

Greeters:

Werner & Janette
Kocher

09/03/2023

Servers:

Kylie Kocher
Mallory Kocher

Lector:

Jocelyn Kocher

Eucharist Minister:

Elmer Ochs

Gifts:

John Ochs Family

Ushers:

Lester Zuber
Luke Seiler

Greeters:

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