ST. JOSEPH - OLNEY

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Sunday, October 26th, 2025
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

✝ Eucharistic Celebrations ✝

Mon. Oct. 27	6:30 PM	at Stringtown
Tue. Oct. 28	5:00 PM	at Lawrenceville
Wed. Oct. 29	**8:05 am**	***Nina Wargel***
Thu. Oct. 30	6:30 PM	at Wendelin
Fri. Oct. 31	**8:00 am**	***For the Parish***
Sat. Nov. 1	**First Saturday/All Saints Day**	
9:00 am	at Wendelin (All Saints Mass)	
4:00 PM	at Wendelin (All Souls' Mass)	
5:00 PM	***For All Deceased (All Souls')***	
Sun. Nov. 2	**All Souls' Day**	
8:00 am	***For All Deceased***	
8:00 am	at Stringtown	
10:00 am	at Wendelin	
10:00 am	at Lawrenceville	

OUR OCTOBER SPONSORS

Bulletins: Scherer's Repair– Jim & Karen Scherer
Missalettes: Dehlinger Farms

OUR TITHES FOR OCTOBER 19th

Parish Operating Expense per Week = $9,847.00
Envelopes: $6,213 (91) Loose: $212
Guatemala: $30 (2) World Missions: $265 (11)

Let Us Pray For: Dolores Hemrich, Clara Rose Wilson, Kenneth Ochs, Valerie Weidner, Julie Oesch, Deacon Jack, Margaret Burgener, Fr. Joe Erbacher, Jeff Beard, Judy Spitz, John Bower, Jerry L. Harper, Emery Oesch, Gene Bergbower, Luke G. Kocher, Marlene Harris, Bessie Rossiano, Mary Rowark, Tony Tredway, Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, and Ruth Zwilling.

Thank you to Mark & Debbie Kuenstler for the beautiful pumpkins that decorate our sanctuary.

A huge **THANK YOU** to all the volunteers that dedicated their time last Sunday and to everyone that donated food/money to make the Smorgasbord an amazing event. We truly appreciate all the help. -Smorgasbord Committee

~ *AROUND OUR PARISHES* ~

Saturday, October 25th

- Mass for ***Joseph, Jean, & Gerald Zwilling, Linda Gumble,*** and ***Living & Deceased Hermina & Frances Zuber Family.***

Sunday, October 26th

- Rosary before mass led by the K of C.
- Mass for ***Carl Kocher, Una Kocher,*** and ***Henry Weiler.***
- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass. All students in grades K-3 are welcome to attend.
- **Tri-Parish CYM** will be holding its annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, October 26th, serving from 8:00-10:30 at the Stringtown Parish Center. Free will donation. Menu includes: pancakes, sausages, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, fruit salad, sweets, and drinks. There will also be a basket raffle to support those attending the 2026 CHWC Mission Trip. Please join us!
- 5:30 PM, High School youth group meets at Holy Cross.

Tuesday, October 28th

- 12 PM - 3 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Olney. There must always be 2 people in the church.
- **Bibles and Brews** at HV's. Social starts at 6:30 pm, and speaker begins at 7:00 pm. Topic is Social Justice and Catholic Relief Services presented by Carol Potter.

Wednesday, October 29th

- Mass for ***Nina Wargel.***
- Praying the rosary after mass, Olney.
- 12 noon, Bulletin deadline.
- **6:30 PM, CYM Youth Halloween Pickleball Tournament** at The Drey (Musgrove Park). Contact Tyler Timm to register.

Thursday, October 30th

- Parish office open.
- Rosary at the cemetery at 12:50 PM.
- **Family Catechesis** All Saints Family Rosary and Mass at Holy Cross. Come dressed as your favorite Saint! Rosary 6:00 PM and Mass 6:30 PM. Trunk or Treat afterwards!

Friday, October 31st

- Parish office closed.
- Happy Halloween!

Saturday, Nov. 1st-First Saturday/All Saints

- 9:00 am, mass at Wendelin for All Saints Day.

A special remembrance on All Souls' Day for the parishioners we have lost this year:

Deborah Rauch, Deloris Nix, Maren Zuber, Phyllis Bolander, John Hawkins, John McDowell, Kathleen Vaughn, Richard Miller, Jane Marie Kocher, Estella Zuber, Michael A. Peavler, Carl Kocher, Margaret Fehrenbacher, Donald Kocher, Richard Griesemer, John Bowlby, Douglas Runyon, Eleanor Steber, Betty Jean Lacey, and Douglas Hosselton.

Book of Remembrance: During the month of November, we especially remember and pray for those who have passed away. You are welcome to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the Book of Remembrance, which will be located in the front of church beginning November 1st.

CALENDAR WINNERS - $25

Oct. 20: Jeff Steber (#238)
Oct. 21: Taylor Zwilling (#129)
Oct. 22: Rick Bussard (#825)
Oct. 23: Oscar Kuenstler (#209)
Oct. 24: Gary Dowty (#179)

St. Joseph School News

- **Wednesday, October 29** - Early Dismissal, 1:50.
- **Thursday, October 30** - Join our 5th-8th grade classes to pray the Rosary in the cemetery in honor of All Saints Day at 12:50 pm.
- **Friday, October 31 -** Diocesan Teacher Convention in Breese, E-Learning Day for students.

Parish Parent Survey - **Please fill out** all sections that would benefit the children in your family. The Google Form survey can be found by scanning the QR code. Thank you!

~ *PARISH NEWS* ~

- **Sisters in Christ:** Our new book will be the spiritual classic, The Reed of God, the cost is $15.00. This is an excellent Advent read for those seeking a profound reflection on Mary and how to be open to God's will. We will resume on **Tuesday Nov. 4th** 10:00 am St. Joseph Stringtown, and 5:00 pm St. Joseph Olney, and Wednesday, November 5th 5:30 p.m. Holy Cross. Kindly respond to the Flocknote and/or text Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate to confirm a book.
  "We shall learn what sort of purpose God has for us. In what way are we to fulfill the work of giving Christ life in us?"
- **The Stringtown Community Club** soup supper will be held on **Sunday, Nov 2** from 4:00-6:00 at the St Joseph Stringtown Parish Center. Meal is $10, which includes soup, sandwich, drink and dessert. We will also have a cake walk, basket raffle and a 50/50 drawing. Hope to see you there!
- **The Parish and Family Life committee** will be sponsoring a community outreach project for November, **serving meals** to our community's First Responders. Our goal is to provide meals to as many departments of the community as we have donations for including; Richland County Sheriff's department, Olney City Police, Carle Ambulance service, as well as our area fire departments. We will be delivering platters of ham and cheese, along with bread, chips, cookies, and drinks. If anyone from our Parish would like to make a monetary donation to help cover expenses or to provide a food item (little bags of chips, cookies, bread, or individual drinks) for this service project, please bring items to the St. Joseph parish office or one of our committee members. Please have donations brought in by **Sunday, November 2nd**. Thank you.
- The Parish will be collecting gift packed shoeboxes for **Operation Christmas Child** this year. Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international relief organization. Their mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoeboxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school

supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. These boxes will bring joy to many children during the Christmas season. We will be collecting shoeboxes now, until **November 17th**. Shoeboxes will be available after masses this weekend (or any shoebox will do). Please drop off packed shoeboxes to the parish office or leave in the tub in the back of the church. There is also a shipping fee that is needed to ship each box. Please include $10 in an envelope, along with a label (which can be found on the back table of church) for shipping, or purchase your own shipping label online →

Please join us as we pray, pack, and ship these gifts in the spirit of Christmas!

- The annual **October Count** of mass attendance and Holy Communion reception will be done at all weekend masses during the month of October.
- We are working on a **Tri-Parish directory.** Photo days start October 27th. Please check the time slot you signed up for. There are more dates still available. Please find the sign-up sheet in the back of church at weekend masses if you still need a photo date, or call the parish office.
- **All Saints Maze November 5 at 6:30 pm Holy Cross Parish Center**. An 'All Saints Maze' offered by our CYM and a bonfire with s'mores. There will be an Adult gathering immediately following for all who want to stay and share some fellowship and saint stories!

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~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

- **Saturday, Oct. 25**: Good Luck at the Charleston Regional Knights of Columbus Soccer Kick Challenge; Brooklyn and Carlie VanBlaricum, Gavin Ochs, Haven Hensley, Riley Meadows, Cruz Padilla, Dane Ginder, Kolysn Erwin, Beau Stevens, Sadie Seiler.
- **Wednesday, November 12**: Memorial Mass for Olney Knight of Columbus Deceased Members, in Olney, 7PM. This year we are honoring the memory of Orlando Neal Adams, Carl Joseph Kessler, Carl Anthony Kocher, and Henry (Hank) Weiler.
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- **Thursday, Nov. 20**: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.
- **Tuesday, November 25**: Keep Christ in Christmas Posters are due in the St. Joseph School Office at noon. Each St. Joseph School teacher has the Poster Contest Rules and Regulations. At the back of each Church there is a folder with the information.
- **Sunday November 30**: Knight led Rosary before the Olney 8AM Mass. Knight volunteer ministry also at this Mass with members and their family at a fellowship breakfast following the Mass at an Olney restaurant.
- Mark your calendar for the free Member and family Christmas Dinner, **Sunday, December 7th.** Santa has scheduled a visit following the meal.

Congratulations to the Raffle Winners:

$5,000- Linda Dickerson
$1,000- Nathaniel Eagleson
$500- Deanna Mitchell and Mike & Margaret Hahn
$250- Nancy Frye, Dr. Alex Waldher, Jonas Trimble, and Janet Jones.
$100- Doug Westall, Jim Blumthal, Ed Kocher, Dan & Karen Kocher, Greg Coan, Marian Eagleson, Angel Padilla, Kristi Kessler, Donna Kuenstler, Tom & Susan Murray.
$50- Jim Blumthal, Mona Kocher, Corey Steber, Dan Kuenstler, George Snider, Carrie Hallam, Fr. Robert Zwilling, Nancy Ochs & Vikki, Ken Blank, Jim Blumthal, Tatum David, Ella Eimer, Megan Brinkley, Haven Doll, Jim Zwilling, Elyse Waldher, Ted Eagleson Jr., Vic Colwell, Deb Zuber, and Marina Sample.
Quilt Raffle Winners: Linda Kocher, Erik Jensen, Carolyn Blank, Ann Harper, Phyllis Schuetz, and Carolyn Blank.
50/50 Winner: Opel Fehrenbacher

St. Joseph Church

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Olney, Illinois 62450

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~ St. Joseph Church ~

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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 8:05 am
Friday 8:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am

Live streaming of the 8 am masses on Sunday and Wednesday are now available! To watch it live, go to 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. 8:00-3:00 pm

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 ~

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School Advisory Council: Angel Padilla *(Chairperson),* Heather Colwell, Samantha Foust, Marissa Graves, Andrea Kuenstler, Lauren McClain, Tyler Ochs, Doug Kocher *(St. Joseph-Stringtown Representative),* Holly Nettleton *(Holy Cross-Wendelin Representative).*

Collection Total for October 19, 2025

Envelopes: $835.00 (29)
Loose: $64.00
Total: $899.00

Weekly Amount Needed: $1,400.00
Building Fund: $420.00 (7)
Missionaries of Hope: $260.00
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October Bulletins: In Memory of Norman Kocher
October Missalettes: In Memory of Alberta Zuber
**Contact Ashley to schedule for 2026!
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PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, October 26 – Tri-Parish CYM Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 8-10:30am.
High School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.
Monday, October 27 – Young Adults Bible Study at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish House, 7pm.
Tuesday, October 28 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.
Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm.
Young Adults Bible & Brews at HVs. Social 6:30pm, 7pm Talk - Social Justice & Catholic Relief Services by Carol Potter.
St. Joseph-Stringtown Directory Photos at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 2pm-8:30pm.
Wednesday, October 29 – CYM Halloween Pickleball Tourney at the Drey, 6;30pm. Contact Tyler to register.
St. Joseph-Stringtown Directory Photos at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 2pm-8:30pm.
Thursday, October 30 – Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm until 6:30pm Mass.
All Saints Rosary 6pm, Mass 6:30pm, Trunk or Treat to Follow at Holy Cross-Wendelin.
Brothers in Christ at Holy Cross Parish House, 7pm.
Friday, October 31 – Parish Offices Closed! Happy Halloween!
Saturday, November 1 – All Saints Day!
First Saturday Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning at 8:15am.
Sunday, November 2 – All Souls Day!
American Red Cross Blood Drive Sponsored by Stringtown Community Club, 7-11:30am.
Stringtown Community Club Soup Supper at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 4-6pm.
Wednesday, November 5 – Family Catechesis All Saints Maze at Holy Cross Parish Center, 6:30pm with Adult Gathering Following.
Sunday, November 9 – Donut Sunday to Honor Veterans Following 8am Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center.

CAROLINE TRIMBLE - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

We have a powerful and mighty God who always provides and offers us a way back to Him. The Sacraments provide the first path to restoration to his loving and merciful heart. Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and revealed his Divine Mercy. This mercy is being extended to every one of us. Do you ask for God's mercy? Do you offer mercy to others? These words are taken from The Diary of St. Faustina Divine Mercy in My Soul, *Let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy. It is a sign for the end times; after it will come the day of justice*. Diary #848 Let us seek God's mercy – a mercy that is overflowing- an ocean of mercy! Let the waves of mercy replenish and awaken your soul. *He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice…* Diary #1146 Let the song of your heart and soul be, *"O God, be merciful to me a sinner."* Live a Life of Love seeking God's Mercy! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

BAPTISM:

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

PHOTO DIRECTORY SIGNUPS:

If you are interested in making an appointment, please contact Ashley or sign up at Mass. Thank you for your patience as we get everyone scheduled – we've had an incredible response to all dates! There are still times available on December 8th!

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Kathleen Fehrenbacher, daughter of Lorne & Mary (Klingler) Fehrenbacher. Kathleen died on October 18, 2025. Burial was held at Holy Cross Cemetery on Friday, October 24th. ***"Eternal rest unto Kathleen, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace."***

FAMILY CATECHESIS:

Thursday, October 30 - All Saints Family Rosary, Mass and, Trunk or Treat at Holy Cross 6:00pm. Come dressed as your favorite Saint!
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SCC HALLOWEEN PARTY & TRUNK OR TREAT:

The Stringtown Community Club will be hosting a Halloween Party and Trunk or Treat on Friday, October 24th. If you are interested in having a trunk for the Trunk or Treat, please be there by 5:15pm. The trunk or treat will be from 5:30-6pm, followed by the Halloween Party in the Parish Center from 6pm-7pm. Kids of all ages are welcome. We will have snacks, games, and prizes! See you there!

STRINGTOWN COMMUNITY CLUB SOUP SUPPER:

The Stringtown Community Club Soup Supper will be held on Sunday, November 2nd from 4:00-6:00pm at the St. Joseph Stringtown Parish Center. Meal is $10, which includes soup, sandwich, drink and dessert. We will also have a cake walk, basket raffle and a 50/50 drawing. Hope to see you there!

PICTURES OF VETERANS AND DONUT SUNDAY:

If you are a veteran that hasn't submitted a photo in the past, are a new veteran, or have a new veteran in your family within the last 10 years, please submit a photo and brief writeup to Janette Kocher at poorfarm73@gmail.com or bring to church to give to her. Veterans will be honored at Donut Sunday on November 9 following Mass. Please join us to honor those within our parish!

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SIGN UP FOR FORMED.ORG SUBSCRIPTION:
Download the app or go to www.formed.org and enter 62448. **The Week of October 26th Recommendations: Practicing Catholic Podcast, All Saints Day, Who is St. Jude?**

AMEN APP:
A FREE Catholic Prayer, Meditation, and Scripture App. Scan QR code with your phone camera. Download and app and enjoy the content you want. Visit amenapp.org for more information.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:
"The witness of our Blessed Mother [in the Gospel account of her visit to her pregnant cousin, Elizabeth,] invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. Mary's witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to make haste to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: Called to Serve Moms in Need respectlife.org/called-to-serve-reflection

VOCATION CORNER:
Sun., Nov. 2nd, starts National Vocation Awareness Week-an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these vocations. Suggest to our youth to consider a call from the Lord to serve the Church and pray every day this week for an increase in vocations.

2025 CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL:
With confidence in the Lord, today we are asking for your support of this year's Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. Your generous response will help our diocesan ministries grow and the compassion of Jesus will be experienced more profoundly in our communities by those who are in need. Please consider making your gift today!

Prayer Requests

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Rick Rennier, Teresa Zehner, Judy Brown, Brenda Zuber, Valerie Weidner, Steve Zuber, Carolyn Elie, Linda McWhirter, Deacon Jack Shuster, Brad Robards

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Monday, October 27, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Joseph & Zola Klingler†"
Tuesday, October 28, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
Wednesday, October 29, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Thursday, October 30, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Friday, October 31, 8:00am at Saint Joseph-Olney
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Sunday, November 2, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "For All Our Faithful Departed†"
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

10/26/2025
Servers:
Delana Sterchi
Sadie Seiler
Don Seiler
Lector:
Anita Seiler
EMHC:
Elmer Ochs
Mary Ochs
John Ochs
Gifts:
Gary & Dorothy Zwilling
Ushers:
Evelyn Volk
Doug Kocher
Greeters:
Elmer & Mary Ochs
Children's Liturgy:
Laura, Dorothy, & Delana

11/02/2025
Servers:
Roland Sager
Silas Sager
Julian Seaman
Lector:
Shelly Seaman
EMHC:
Jenny Hancock
Janette Kocher
Owen Kocher
Gifts:
David Muhs Family
Ushers:
Austin Kuenstler
Grayson Sterchi
Greeters:
Mallory Kocher
Children's Liturgy:
Anita & Anna

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October 26, 2025

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✝Eucharistic Celebrations✝

Saturday, October 25, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Donald & Betty Ochs✝, Jerome & Anita Ochs✝", 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney**,** 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, October 26, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Herman & Joan Rudolphi✝" 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**,** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Monday, October 27, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, October 28, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, October 29, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, October 30, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For the Parish"

Friday, October 31, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Saturday, November 1, 9:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For the Parish", 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Floyd Carter✝" 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney**,** 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, November 2, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For All Our Faithful Departed✝", 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**;** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

October Bulletins:
In Memory of the Deceased Members of the Carl & Judy Kessler Family
October Missalettes:
For the Parish

BULLETIN & MISSALETTE SPONSORS:

To schedule, contact Ashley**. Price to sponsor for a month is $100 for bulletins and $100 for missalettes.**

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sunday, October 19, 2025

(72) Envelope Collection: $2,718.00

Loose: $198.00 – **Total: $2,916.00** (7) Building: $465.00, (16) World Mission: $425.00, (1) Retired Priests $10.00, (1) Religious Education: $10.00

NOVEMBER LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Open/Lock/Greet:	**Open/Lock/Greet:**
Brent & Sharon Edwards	Kevin & Heather Blank
EMHC:	**EMHC:**
Tammy Rudolphi	Martha Deimel
Josy Hart	Missy Buerster
Lynn Weidner	Marcia Street
Dave Rauch	Ellen Weber
Lectors:	**Lectors:**
Victoria Rudolphi	Travis Weber

Money Counters:
Kevin & Heather Blank

Ushers:	Ushers:
Tim Weidner	Ben Street
Carl Weidner	Herb Deimel
Dave Rauch	Tyler Buerster
Brent Edwards	Garrett Buerster

Mass Servers:

Sat. October 25 – Levi & Noah Rudolphi, Mattux Hart

Sun. October 26 – Ethan & Chloe Deckard, Alex Street

Sat. November 1 – Hank, Clara, & Boyd Weidner

Sun. November 2 – Brooke & Blaine Bergbower, Stella Warfel

CRMH Communion:

November 9 – Maria Rudolphi
November 16 – Marge Kessler
November 30 – Diane Herdes

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

October 26 – Gracey Himelick & Nicole Kuhl
November 2 – Kaila & Bailey Kistner
November 9 – Holly Nettleton and Ellee Bare
November 16 – Anna Land & Audrey Smith
November 23 – Robin & Carly Deckard
November 30 – Stephanie Geier & Clara Weidner

HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:

As of Wednesday, October 22nd – **$282,798.57** has been received from 402 donations – thank you!

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Mary Beth Scherer, Gerry Carter, Terry Tolliver, Wesley Frohning, Wilmajean Geier, Cindy Henson (Daughter of Dean Klingler), Lee Patridge, Valerie Weidner, Tonya Hall, Deacon Jack Shuster, Virginia Blank, Chase Zumbahlen, Dana Kuhl-Bell, Stacy Kessler

PARISH EVENTS:

Saturday, October 25 – Middle School Youth Group at St. Joseph-Olney, Following 5pm Mass.

Sunday, October 26 – Tri-Parish CYM Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 8-10:30am.

High School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.

Monday, October 27 – Young Adults Bible Study at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish House, 7pm.

Tuesday, October 28 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm.

Young Adults Bible & Brews at HVs. Social 6:30pm, 7pm Talk - Social Justice & Catholic Relief Services by Carol Potter.

Wednesday, October 29th – CYM Halloween Pickleball Tourney at the Drey, 6:30pm. Contact Tyler to register.

Thursday, October 30 – Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm until 6:30pm Mass.

Family Catechesis All Saints Family Rosary 6pm, Mass 6:30pm, Trunk or Treat to Follow at Holy Cross-Wendelin.

Brothers in Christ at Holy Cross Parish House, 7pm.

Friday, October 31 – Parish Office Closed! Happy Halloween!

Saturday, November 1 – All Saints Day! First Saturday Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning at 8:15am.

Sunday, November 2 – All Souls Day!

Wednesday, November 5 – Family Catechesis All Saints Maze at 6:30pm at Holy Cross Parish Center, 6:30pm with Adult Gathering Following.

FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SAINTS:

Thursday, October 30 – All Saints Family Rosary, Mass and, Trunk or Treat at Holy Cross 6:00pm. Come dressed as your favorite Saint!

Wednesday, November 5 – All Saints Maze offered by CYM and a bonfire with s'mores. There will be an Adult gathering immediately following for all who want to stay and share some fellowship and saint stories! 6:30pm at Holy Cross Parish Center. **"I have nothing left, but I still have my heart, and with that I can always love." Bl Chiara Badano**

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Kathleen Fehrenbacher, daughter of Lorne & Mary (Klingler) Fehrenbacher. Kathleen died on October 18, 2025. Burial was held at Holy Cross Cemetery on Friday, October 24th. ***"Eternal rest unto Kathleen, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace."***

THANK YOU*:*

A special thank you to Chris Warfel, Ben Street, Brad Kessler, Travis Weber, and Tyler Buerster for helping with the landscaping on the west side of the church. Be sure to stop and thank them for volunteering their time to keep our church beautiful!

CAROLINE TRIMBLE, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

We have a powerful and mighty God who always provides and offers us a way back to Him. The

Sacraments provide the first path to restoration to his loving and merciful heart. Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and revealed his Divine Mercy. This mercy is being extended to every one of us. Do you ask for God's mercy? Do you offer mercy to others? These words are taken from The Diary of St. Faustina Divine Mercy in My Soul, *Let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy. It is a sign for the end times; after it will come the day of justice*. Diary #848 Let us seek God's mercy – a mercy that is overflowing- an ocean of mercy! Let the waves of mercy replenish and awaken your soul. *He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice…* Diary #1146 Let the song of your heart and soul be, *"O God, be merciful to me a sinner."* Live a Life of Love seeking God's Mercy! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

SISTERS IN CHRIST:
Our new book will be the spiritual classic, The Reed of God, the cost is $15.00. This is an excellent Advent read for those seeking a profound reflection on Mary and how to be open to God's will. We will resume on Tues., Nov 4 10:00am St. Joseph-Stringtown, 5:00pm St. Joseph-Olney, and Wednesday, November 5 5:30 pm Holy Cross. Kindly respond to the Flocknote and/or text Caroline Trimble to confirm a book. *"We shall learn what sort of purpose God has for us. In what way are we to fulfill the work of giving Christ life in us?"*

TRI-PARISH CYM PANCAKE BREAKFAST:
Tri-Parish CYM will be holding its annual pancake breakfast this Sunday, October 26th, serving from 8:00-10:30am at the Stringtown Parish Center. Free will donation. Menu includes: pancakes, sausages, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, fruit salad, sweets, and drinks. There will also be a basket raffle to support those attending the 2026 CHWC Mission Trip. Please join us!

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:
There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in vestibule if you are interested in donating a cake/craft item. You can also contact a Ladies Altar Sodality Member or the Parish Office to sign up.

SIGN UP FOR FORMED.ORG SUBSCRIPTION:
Download the app or go to www.formed.org and enter 62448. **The Week of October 26th Recommendations: Practicing Catholic Podcast, All Saints Day, Who is St. Jude?**

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:
Wednesday, October 29- Early Dismissal, 1:50pm. **Thursday, October 30**- Join our 5th-8th grade classes to pray the Rosary in the cemetery in honor of All Saints Day. **Friday, October 31**- Diocesan Teacher Convention in Breese, E-Learning Day for students. **Unfortunately, St. Joseph School will no longer recycle printer cartridges/toners.** The cost is now more than the profit. Thank you for your support!

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
Saturday, October 25: Good Luck at the Charleston Regional Knights of Columbus Soccer Kick Challenge; Brooklyn and Carlie VanBlaricum, Gavin Ochs, Haven Hensley, Riley Meadows, Cruz Padilla, Dane Ginder, Kolysn Erwin, Beau Stevens, and Sadie Seiler. **Sunday, October 26:** Knight Led Rosary before Olney 8am Mass. **Wednesday, November 12:** Memorial Mass for Olney K of C Deceased Members, in Olney, 7PM. This year we are honoring the memory of Orlando Neal Adams, Carl Joseph Kessler, Carl Anthony Kocher, and Henry (Hank) Weiler. **Thursday, November 13:** 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM. **Thursday, November 20:** 4th Degree meeting, 7PM. **Tuesday, November 25:** Keep Christ in Christmas Posters are due in the St. Joseph School Office at noon. Each teacher has the Poster Contest Rules and Regulations. At the back of each Church there is a folder with information. **Sunday, November 30:** Knight led Rosary before the Olney 8AM Mass. Knight volunteer ministry also at this Mass with members and their family at a fellowship breakfast following Mass at an Olney restaurant. **Mark your calendar** for the free Member and family Christmas Dinner, Sunday, December 7th with Santa visit!

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:
"The witness of our Blessed Mother [in the Gospel account of her visit to her pregnant cousin, Elizabeth,] invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. Mary's witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to make haste to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: Called to Serve Moms in Need respectlife.org/called-to-serve-reflection

VOCATION CORNER:
Sun., Nov. 2nd, starts National Vocation Awareness Week-an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these vocations. Suggest to our youth to consider a call from the Lord to serve the Church and pray every day this week for an increase in vocations.

STRINGTOWN COMMUNITY CLUB SOUP SUPPER:
The Stringtown Community Club Soup Supper will be held on Sunday, November 2nd from 4:00-6:00pm at the St. Joseph Stringtown Parish Center. Meal is $10, which includes soup, sandwich, drink and dessert. We will also have a cake walk, basket raffle and 50/50 drawing. Hope to see you there!

PHOTO DIRECTORY SIGNUPS:
If you are interested in making an appointment, please contact Ashley. Thank you for your patience as we get everyone scheduled – we've had an incredible response to all dates. We will continue to add dates, as needed.

Sunday, October 26, 2025
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

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Be humble.

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the story about two men praying in the temple. One of them, a Pharisee, always looked like he loved God, but on the inside he really only loved himself. The other man was a tax collector. The people in those days hated tax collectors because they took too much money and worked for their enemies.

When the Pharisee was praying he was really just telling God how much better he was than other people. Do you think that God was pleased with his prayer?

The tax collector, on the other hand, was standing far off and prayed to God with his head bowed down, asking God to have mercy on him. He knew that he was a sinner and that he needed God's help. Do you think that God was pleased with the tax collector's prayer?

Being humble isn't a sad or bad thing. It means knowing that all the good things we have and do come from God. Being humble also lets us be sorry for the selfish things we have done, because it lets us admit that it was our own fault and God can help us overcome our selfishness.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,
have mercy on me a sinner!

Answers to Match-up: 1.the good fight 2.the race 3.the faith
4.strength 5.the message 6.glory for ever and ever.

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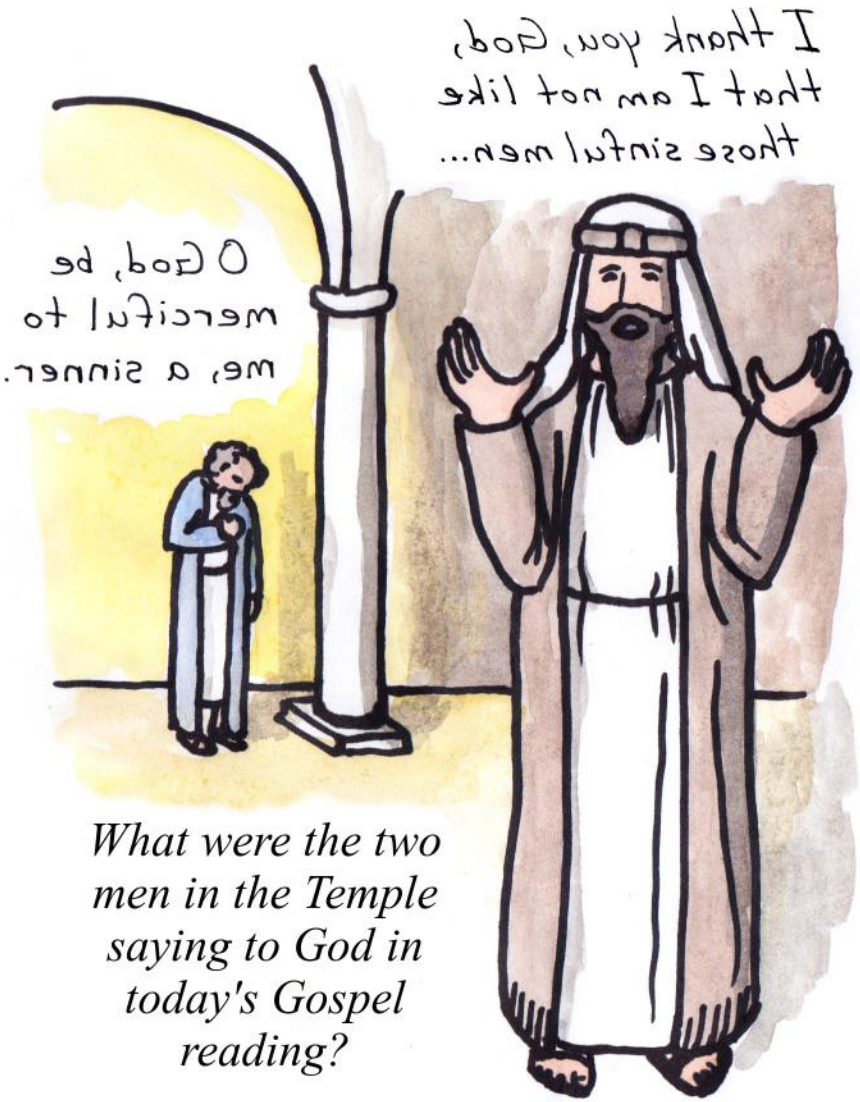
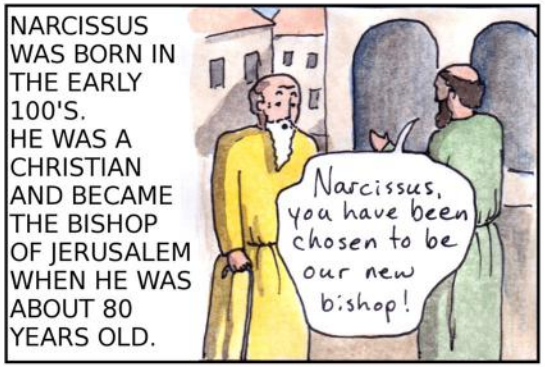


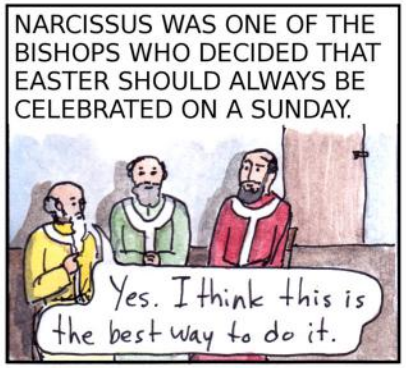
What were the two men in the Temple saying to God in today's Gospel reading?

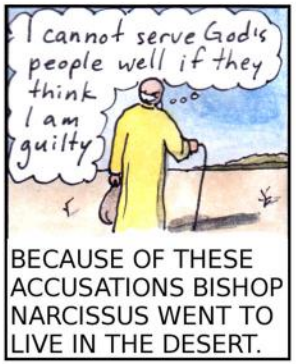
Luke 18:9-14

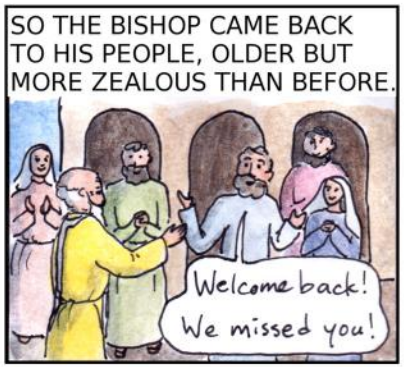
Look in the mirror to find out!

Saint Narcissus
October 29









BECAUSE HE WAS SO OLD HE WANTED SOMEONE ELSE TO HELP HIM. SO THE BISHOP ST. ALEXANDER CAME AND HELPED HIM LOOK AFTER HIS PEOPLE.

ST. NARCISSUS LIVED UNTIL HE WAS MORE THAN A HUNDRED YEARS OLD, SERVING GOD AND HIS PEOPLE WITH GREAT LOVE. YOU CAN SEE FROM HIS STORY THAT EVEN OLD PEOPLE CAN SERVE GOD AND DO GREAT THINGS FOR HIM. DO YOU KNOW ANY OLD PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP YOU TO LOVE GOD MORE?

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Saint Paul Match-Up

What comes next?
Match up the first parts with the next parts from today's second reading.

1. I have fought ▪	▪ strength
2. I have finished ▪	▪ the faith
3. I have kept ▪	▪ the good fight
4. The Lord gave me ▪	▪ the message.
5. so that the Gentiles could hear ▪	▪ glory forever and ever.
6. To Him be ▪	▪ the race

2 Timothy 4:6-18