

Sunday, September 26, 2021
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

✠ Eucharistic Celebrations ✠

Mon. Sept. 27 6:30PM (at Stringtown)
Tue. Sept. 28 6:30PM (at Lawrenceville)
Wed. Sept. 29 8:05am Fr. Jerry Wirth
6:30PM (at Wendelin)
Thu. Sept. 30 6:30PM (at Wendelin)
Sat. Oct. 2 4:00PM (at Wendelin)
5:00PM Edmund, Anna & Linda Volk; Kuentler & Rohr families
Sun. Oct. 3 8:00am Rita Damm
8:00am (at Stringtown)
10:00am (at Wendelin)
10:00am (at Lawrenceville)

OUR MONTHLY SPONSORS

Bulletins: Carolyn Hartrich
Missalettes: A Parishioner

OUR TITHES FOR SEPTEMBER 19

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$8,639 (81) Loose: \$198
Guatemala: \$20 (1) Retired Priests: \$150 (2)

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*** AROUND OUR PARISH ***

Wednesday, September 29

- Rosary, after Mass. Please join us!
- Bulletin deadline, 3 PM. Write, type or email all announcements.

🔔 St. Joseph School Notes 🔔

September 27 - October 1

- Iowa Testing Week
- Wednesday, September 29**
- All School Mass, 8:05 AM, grades 3rd - 8th attend. (3rd Grade Mass)

Thanks to Mrs. Rodriguez and all of the volunteers who made our book fair a tremendous success!

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

September 20: Barbara Ping (#274)
September 21: DeAnn Dorn (#398)
September 22: Nina Ginder (#392)
September 23: Kevin Zuber (#267)
September 24: Stan & Marjorie Pool (#584)

Let Us Pray for: Mike Dowty, Cindy Foerster, Peggy Fye, Sondra Geiger, Loren Ginder, Lucille Ginder, Chris Hartrich, Cathy McDowell, Gerald Ochs, Kay Rowark, Deana Schafer and Kurt Wengert.

Please call or email the Parish Office to add your name to the Prayer List. Unless notified to extend, the listing in the bulletin will be for four weeks.

**Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
+ J.O.Y.S.+**

Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Joy! My friends, there is always a Joy in the journey. The journey will not always be smooth- filled with giggles- or serenely peaceful- and can at times be heart-breaking-confusing- even unfathomably difficult. But no matter what the moments of life bring - there is a Joy in the journey because God is with You. One of the best passages of scripture speaking about joy comes from the book of James: Count it all Joy, My Brethren! This doesn't mean you are flamboyant exteriorly 24/7- but you are

interiorly joy-filled because you know to Whom you belong! You are a Son or Daughter of God and Our Blessed Mother. So, begin this day with Joy! Live your Life of Love filled with Joy! Live knowing that the Joy of the Lord is my Strength! There is a Joy in the Journey! St. Joseph, pray for us! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us! Keep to the J.O.Y.S

St. Joseph Church in Olney would like to invite everyone to the 2021 St. Joseph Smorgasbord and Bazaar OUTDOOR event on Sunday, October 17. Lunch will be served from 11 AM to 2:30 PM. Adults: \$10, Children (8 and under): \$5. Lunch includes pork burgers, brats, hot dogs, chicken and noodles, baked beans, coleslaw, cakes, pies and more! Outdoor seating, live music, and games. Drive-Thru/Pickup meals available on the west side of the MPR. Bazaar includes Bingo, Chance Stand, Cake Stand, and Country Store. Raffles drawn at 1:30 PM. All are welcome for food, fun, and friendship! Help is needed to make this year another success. Please contact Samantha Brazil to volunteer: (618) 816-2544 or sam.k.brazil@gmail.com

Chance Stand: A variety of items are needed. Consider combining efforts with a friend or family member! Value of item(s) should be \$35+. Any new item with this value can be placed in this stand. Items do not have to be in a basket, but they must be secure as our stand will be outside this year. Please contact Lisa Anderson (618-838-2423) or Brianne Kuentler (618-699-9610) with any questions or to drop off items for the stand.

Cash Raffle Tickets Available: The tickets are \$20 each. The prizes are: 1st Prize- \$5,000, 2nd prize- \$1,000, (2) 3rd prizes- \$500, (4) 4th prizes- \$250, (10) 5th prizes; \$100, (20) 6th Prizes- \$50. If you are willing to sell or buy tickets, please either call, text or email Jeffrey

Rosenberg (618-302-0391 or jar325@yahoo.com). Tickets are also available in the Parish Office. Hopefully we will be able to sell all 1,300 tickets as this is what funds necessary repairs and upkeep of our parish. Please help us by selling and buying tickets. The drawing will be Sunday, October 17.

Quilt Raffle Tickets: You may put sold raffle tickets in an envelope marked 'Quilt Raffle' and place them in the collection.

Thank you to all who helped make noodles on Saturday and assisted in any way with the setup and cleanup. Our Team was terrific and each one made a difference in getting a big job done quickly and efficiently. You did a great job and are very much appreciated by the entire team and the Parish Family! --Vicki and Julie

Deepest sympathy to the family of Donald 'Don' Raymond Kapper. May he rest in the peace of God's love.

Holylands Arts: On behalf of our Christian workshops in the city of Bethlehem and the surrounding areas, please accept our great appreciation for the opportunity you are giving us to market our Olivewood Handcrafted religious items at your church for the weekend of October 2 and 3. The Christians value your support and solidarity with fellow Catholics who are suffering due to lack of Pilgrims visiting the Holy Land.

PSR Opening Mass: Sunday, September 26 at 10AM at St. Lawrence and Wednesday, September 29 at 6:30 PM at Holy Cross.

Join the NEWLY formed Ladies Group at St. Lawrence. A 5-week book study will begin October 14 at 6:30 PM with the book The Four Teresas - These FOUR Teresas- and friends of God will help you become, as they were, expert

in living out Christ's perfect law of love. The sessions will be held in the Parish Hall and the cost of the book is \$15. Contact the St. Lawrence parish office to register.

The Queen of Heaven Study: Mary's Battle for You will be an 8-week study at St. Lawrence. The session will begin October 12 at 7:00 PM at the Parish Hall and the cost of the workbook is \$25. Contact the St. Lawrence parish office to register. Open to anyone to participate.

Come and Join the Ladies Group- Walking with Purpose Program -Keeping in Balance Bible study. It is a 22-week session, where we'll explore Biblical ideas for managing life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. The group meets on Wednesday at Holy Cross Parish Hall at 5:30PM and the book cost is \$40. Contact Kristy Sandschafer or Caroline Trimble to join.

St. Andrew Dinner: Bishop McGovern and the Vocations Office staff cordially invite young men of high school or college age to attend the next St. Andrew Dinner on Sunday, October 17, 5 PM at Immaculate Conception parish in Columbia. The evening presents a unique opportunity to pray with the bishop, share a meal, and to ask him questions about priesthood in a relaxed setting. Parents are invited to attend as well. Please contact the Vocation Director, Father Steven Beatty, to learn more and to sign up! He can be reached at frstevenbeatty@gmail.com or 618.697.2632.

Life Chain 2021 will be held on Sunday, October 3 - Respect Life Sunday - 1:30 PM Prayer Service at the Effingham Event Center, 2PM- 3PM Life Chain. A Christian Witness against the killing of pre-born children. Help line Henrietta Street, Keller Drive and West Fayette Avenue - prayerfully, peacefully and legally-

with crowds of pro-life Christians. Bring your family and friends to help make this a successful pro-life event. Signs will be furnished. Refreshments will NOT be served following the event due to Covid-19. For fu

This weekend, Jonathan Wirth, nephew of Fr. Jerry Wirth, is participating in a ride for cancer research in memory of Fr. Jerry. He asked us to join him in prayer (and, if you are interested, in providing financial support for the American Cancer Society). You can search for him here: https://www.mypedalthecause.org/riders_profile.jsp?MemberID=94907 (simply search for rider Jonathan Wirth). From Jonathan: *I am sharing this with you in advance of my ride with the hopes of bringing you and the St. Joseph's parish with me in spirit while I ride 66 miles. I have my family that misses and remembers Jerry, for sure. But, I often think about his parish family too.* He will reflect during his ride - follow him on FB or on the ACS page.

*Numbers 11:25-29. Psalm 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14.
James 5:1-6. Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48.*

The More the Merrier. Who cares if other Christians are also doing the good things that Catholics do? Or other believers? Or even non-believers? The kingdom of heaven is not an exclusive club. By God's design, everyone belongs. Jesus says: "Whoever is not against us is for us."

* What good can I affirm that someone else is doing this week?

* How can I foster others to do good work?

* How can I help others to care for "little ones"?

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

Thursday, October 14: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.

Thursday, October 21: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30 PM.

Knight of the Month: Jacob Wheat- New Knights of Columbus member from the Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish.

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208 South Elliott St.
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'Renewing the Vision'

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~ Mission Statement ~

St. Joseph Parish family is a community of believers rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ. Using the individual gifts, we have been given by God, we minister to ourselves and others through prayer, support, and service. We nurture our inherited faith life and through the power of the Spirit pass it to future generations.

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~ Sacraments ~

Baptism: Infant or adult, please contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:15 PM - 4:30 PM or contact the Parish Office.

Marriage: Call no later than 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Any time of need.



~ Welcome, New Parishioners ~

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

(If you are not receiving church offering envelopes, you are not properly registered.)

~ St. Joseph School ~

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