

Collection Total for October 30, 2022

Envelopes: \$1306.00
Loose: \$203.00
Total: \$1509.00

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

All Saints \$40.00 (4)
Building Fund Donations: \$20.00 (1)
World Mission Sunday: \$15.00 (2)

November Bulletins: Bartley C. Zuber Attorney at Law

November Missalettes: In Memory of Thea Ginder by Marvin Ginder

-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.

PARISH NEWS:

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

BULLETIN NEWS: Deadline Wednesday 2:00PM

ASAP Prayer Group will continue meeting every Tuesday at 9:30am to say the rosary and have fellowship. Everyone is invited to participate. Questions call Janette Kocher 843-1650

PARISH EVENTS:

Saturday, November 5 & Sunday, November 6, Candles and prayer with 3rd grade, at All Parishes at All Masses

Sunday, November 6, 7am to 10:00am Blood Drive at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Sunday, November 6, Soup Supper 4:00-6:00pm at Stringtown Parish Center

Monday, November 7, 10:00am, Presbyterial Council Meeting at Chancery Office-Belleville 3:00pm, Project Night at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Tuesday, November 8, Election Day

Wednesday, November 9, 7:00pm Knights of Columbus Deceased Member Mass at St. Joseph-Olney

Friday, November 11, VETERAN’S DAY-PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Sunday, November 13, 11:00am, Veteran’s Memorial Dedication, Parish Social at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Monday, November 14, 6:30pm, Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, November 15, 6:00pm, Finance Council at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

CYM is collecting "Food for the Hungry" for the weekend of November 12th and 13th. Please bring your donated canned food items to mass to place in a box in the back of church. Cym will plan to donate to Good Samaritan in Olney.

Journey ADVENT with your Sisters in Christ, come and experience the faith sharing, friendship, and love of sisterhood. Our journey will be a 6 week study Gazing upon Jesus through the eyes of Mary, and other gospel women. It begins on Wednesday Nov 9 at 5:30 p.m. Holy Cross. We will use the book Gaze Upon Jesus Experiencing Christ’s Childhood through the Eyes of Women, by Kelly Wahlquist. The book cost \$14.00. Contact Kristi Sandschafer or Caroline Trimble if you would like to join.

M.C.4.C. MARRIED CATHOLICS 4 LIFE

30 Day THANKFULNESS Challenge

It is important to understand that Thankfulness in marriage is a lot like a muscle: *you need to exercise it.* You need to strengthen and flex your Thankfulness to enjoy the full benefit. It is easy to get busy, stay focused on the day to day and overlook-take for granted- each other. There is no such thing as a perfect marriage-marriage takes work! There is always more that

can be done, said, shared, appreciated, experienced, and noticed. The next 30 days you will honor, respond, acknowledge, share, laugh, pray, and love more thankfully. Check FLOCKNOTE for more information. Are you prepared to accept them.M.C.4. C. Thankfulness challenge?

JOURNEY ONWARD YE SOJOURNERS
CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

We “*Fall Back*” this weekend, what will you do with this hour? Will you sleep longer, complain, eat more, or work longer? Why not take that hour which is given and share it with God! During this month of Holy Souls, why not add the following prayer of **St. Gertrude the Great.** She was told by Our Lord, that each time she piously recited the following prayer, it would release 1,000 souls from their suffering in purgatory:

“Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.”

There are numerous saints who ask us to remember the Holy Souls in our prayers- Catherine of Genoa, Teresa of Avila, John Chrysostom, Bernard of Clairvaux, Nicholas of Tolentino, Pio of Pietrelcina and many others. Let us follow their Sainly example and pray for one another lest we “*Fall Back*” into sinfulness. All ye Holy Men and Women pray for us! Journey onward ye sojourner living a life of Love – it is the life of a Saint! #BeASaint! Keep to the J.O.Y.S.

FROM FR. MARK

VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK begins today, November 6. "Studies of those recently ordained and religiously professed consistently show that the encouragement of the whole faith community is key for genuine vocational discernment -- from one's parents and family members, to the Catholic educators, the vital role that youth ministers and fellow parishioners, as well as the encouragement

of the parish priest play as the early encounters for young people to the faith."

National Vocation Awareness Week is an annual celebration of the U.S. Catholic Church dedicated to promoting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and calling the faithful to pray for and support those who are considering such a vocation.

In his message for the 58th annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations April 25, Pope Francis offered St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, as a model for vocational discernment. He urged the church "to look to St. Joseph as an 'outstanding example of acceptance of God's plans.'"

"For St. Joseph, service -- as a concrete expression of the gift of self -- did not remain simply a high ideal, but became a rule for daily life," the pope said in his message. "I like to think, then, of Saint Joseph, the protector of Jesus and of the church, as the protector of vocations. In fact, from his willingness to serve comes his concern to protect."

Pope Francis added: "What a beautiful example of Christian life we give when we refuse to pursue our ambitions or indulge in our illusions, but instead care for what the Lord has entrusted to us through the church! God then pours out his Spirit and creativity upon us; he works wonders in us, as he did in Joseph."

A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Diocese of Belleville, Illinois

Gracious God,

You have called us through Baptism to discipleship, believing in your Son, Jesus Christ, who has sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to the world.

We pray to you, asking that you grant us more priests and religious who will help us build up your Church in the Diocese of Belleville and the world.

Stir up the grace of a religious vocation in the hearts of many of our youth.

Grant to them the willingness and generosity to give of themselves in service to our Lord Jesus and his people.

May a new generation of priests, deacons, sisters and brothers be a sign of your presence among us.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Please join us for a Boosters breakfast - serving 8:30 10:30 am Sunday, November 6th!

Tuesday, November 8th - No School Election Day

Tuesday, November 8th - Thursday, November 10th 8th Graders to Camp Ondessonk

Friday, November 11th - No School Veterans Day

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Wednesday, November 9: Mass for Deceased Members, 7PM, St. Joe, Olney. Coffee and cookies in the Multi-Purpose room following Mass. In memory of Mark Weiler, Gerald Blank and George Ochs.

-Congratulations to all nine St. Joe participant winners in the Soccer Kick at Charleston last weekend. Emma Hefferman, Addison

McLaughlin, Nora McClain, Judah Dicks, Will Volk, Ian Kocher, Lauren French, Belle Graves, and Luke Slagley.

-Thursday, November 10: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.

-Thursday, November 17: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM. ----- Deadline for Vocation Raffle Books. (If you need more books, contact Steve Kuentler or Mike Ginder)

-Tuesday, November 22: Deadline for Christ in Christmas Poster Contest. Cash Prizes for five divisions Pre K & K; 1st & 2nd; 3rd & 4th; 5th & 6th; and 7th & 8th. Three winners ages 5 through 7, 8 through 10, and 10 through 14 are sent to the Belleville contest where winners are then published in the Messenger before Christmas.

-Sunday December 4: Free Olney, Wendelin & Stringtown Council Member and Family Christmas Dinner at Olney, St. Joe Multi Purpose Room, 5PM.

Santa is scheduled to arrive in Olney after the meal.

Kudos to new member Seth Michels!

Remember in our prayers...

Carolyn Zuber, Ed Ginder, Rick Rennier, Carolyn Elie



Sunday November 6, 2022

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Monday, November 7, NO MASS

Tuesday, November 8,
5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, November 9,
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
7:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, November 10,
6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, November 11, NO MASS

Saturday, November 12,
4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, November 13,
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

**8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Rita Damm+,
Bernadine Kocher+"**

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

MINISTERS LIST

11/06/2022

Servers:

Alex Schneider
Grayson Sterchi

Lector:

Beth Kocher

Eucharist Minister:

Lisa Boehl

Gifts:

Doug & Lora Kocher

Ushers:

Brian Ochs
Lester Zuber

Greeters:

Owen Kocher

11/13/2022

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