

# **ST. JOSEPH - OLNEY**

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# DONUTS & COFFEE

Sunday  
September 14<sup>th</sup>  
after 8:00 am  
mass

Enjoy donuts and coffee on  
Sunday morning with your  
families and fellow parishioners

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St. Joseph, Olney  
Multipurpose Room



# **St. Joseph Church, Olney**

## **Smorgasbord and Bazaar**

### **Sunday, October 19, 2025**

### **11:00 AM - 1:30 PM**

**Adults: \$12**  
**Children (ages 5-10): \$8**  
**Children (4 & under): Free**  
**Take out Meals: \$12**

**Meal includes: pork loin, noodles, baked beans, corn, mashed potatoes, rolls, salads and desserts.**

**Drive-Thru/Pick-Up Meals will be available on Elliott Street by Parish Office.**

**Bazaar includes: Chance Stand, Country Store, Cake Stand**

**Games: Plinko, Bag Toss, Sucker Draw & more.**



**Raffle drawings at 2:00 PM**



2025 ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH  
ANNUAL SMORGASBORD AND BAZAAR

DATE: Sunday October 19, 2025

Adults: \$12.00      Take out: \$12.00  
Children (ages 5-10): \$8.00  
Children under 4: FREE

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

We are requesting that each family donate at least two items for the smorgasbord and two or more items for the Bazaar. Listed below are the items needed for the Smorgasbord. Please indicate the number of items you will bring in the space provided and circle each kind then put this filled out sheet into the regular offering at any Mass by **October 12th**.

| <u>Number</u>   | <u>Type of Dish: (please circle)</u>                                                                                                                                         |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| _____ SALAD BAR | <b>Pasta Salad (preferred)</b> , Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Fruit Salad, Commercially Canned Peaches or Pears                                                                  |
| _____ DESSERTS  | Pecan, Cherry, Apple, Blackberry, Pumpkin, Raisin, Peach, Raspberry, Blueberry, Lemon, Any Cream Pies.<br>OR Cherry Delight, Cheese Cake                                     |
| _____ CAKES     | ON DISPOSABLE PLATES OR IN BOXES<br>Cakes for Smorg _____ OR Cakes for Cake Stand _____                                                                                      |
| _____ MONEY     | Cash donations are also appreciated. Please put these in a plain envelope with your name and mark the envelope "Smorgasbord" and drop into the regular offering at any Mass. |

**DROP OFF Times for Smorg items:**

Friday 10/17/25 4:00PM -7:00PM · Saturday 10/18/25 4:30PM - 6:30PM · Sunday 10/19/25 7:00AM - 8:00AM

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON ALL DISHES AND PICK THEM UP AFTER THE SMORGASBORD ON THE TABLE NEAR THE RESTROOMS.

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**WORKERS**

WE NEED YOUR HELP THE DAY OF THE SMORGASBORD/BAZAAR!

**THE WORK LIST WILL BE IN THE BULLETIN NEXT WEEK!**

**PLEASE CHECK THE LIST FOR YOUR ASSIGNED DUTIES OR JOBS IN NEED OF MORE HELP!**

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**FOR THE BAZAAR**

**PLEASE drop off items for BAZAAR by Saturday evening Oct. 18, 2025**

Please bring two or more items for one or more booths.

COUNTRY STORE: Baked goods, cookies, breads, noodles, produce, sweet rolls, jellies, candies, etc.  
All canned items need to have a 2 piece lid seal. (No paraffin etc.)

CAKE STAND: Need a variety of cakes (Bundt, cupcakes, or decorated, all flavors, all kinds welcome)! This stand will allow people to purchase a chance to win. **PLEASE PUT CAKES ON DISPOSABLE PLATES OR IN CAKE BOXES.**

CHANCE STAND: We need a variety of items for this stand; value of item should be \$35+

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**DETACH AND TAKE HOME AS A REMINDER**

I promise to bring the following items to the smorgasbord:

Salads: \_\_\_\_\_ Pies/Cakes: \_\_\_\_\_

Money: \_\_\_\_\_ Food Staples: \_\_\_\_\_

Cake stand: \_\_\_\_\_

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Any questions, please contact: Rebecca Cummins (618-839-4997) or [smorg@stjoeolney.com](mailto:smorg@stjoeolney.com)  
Questions for Country Store: Mischelle Doll (618-843-4925), and for Chance Stand: Brianne Kuenstler (618-699-9610).

**St. Joseph Church Smorgasbord & Bazaar - Sunday October 19, 2025 - Worker Schedule**

Please join us for our annual Smorgasbord event! HELP NEEDED!

**Lunch served 11:00am - 1:30pm | Chance, Quilt, and Cash Raffle Announced at 2:00pm****Menu: Pork Loin, Noodles, Baked Beans, Corn, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Salad Bar & Desserts****Price: \$12/Adult, \$8/Kids age 5-10, Ages 4 and under Free, Takeout Meals \$12****Serving line & seating in Cafeteria | Drive-thru/Pickup on Elliott Street by the Church Office | Elevator available at Circle Drive Entrance  
Bazaar & Games in Gymnasium****Smorg Committee: Lauren Tibbs @ 618-367-6268 or Lauren.tibbs3@gmail.com****Raffle Ticket Sales: Jeffrey Rosenberg (618) 302-0391****PLEASE CHECK FOR YOUR NAME ON THE LIST! Contact Lauren if you need to change your listed position or would like to volunteer**

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**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND AND YOUR NAME IS ON THE LIST, ALL VOLUNTEERS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING A REPLACEMENT****Print Date: 9-10-25****FRIDAY: OCTOBER 17, 2025****Wash Buckets, Pans, Dishes & Silverware**

|         |                 |                   |
|---------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 4:30 PM | Deb Kuenstler   | Elizabeth Amerman |
| 5:30 PM | Michelle Deimel | Danny Deimel      |

**Set Up Tables & Chairs in Gym**

|         |                        |
|---------|------------------------|
| 4:30 PM | Steve Kuenstler Family |
|---------|------------------------|

**Set Up Serving Line Tables, Dining Tables & Chairs, Salad Bar**

|         |              |                |
|---------|--------------|----------------|
| 4:30 PM | Lindsey Ochs | Kurt Ginder    |
|         | Tyler Ochs   | Samantha Foust |

**Wipe down high chairs & Place in Cafeteria**

|                |              |              |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Friday 2:00 PM | SJS Students | SJS Students |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|

**Decorate Tables, Tablecloths and Place Salt & Pepper**

|         |             |
|---------|-------------|
| 5:30 PM | Kim Harrell |
|---------|-------------|

**SUNDAY: OCTOBER 19, 2025 | Note: All workers please show up to post 5 minutes prior to listed time.****Set up Grill (Outside) - Cook Pork Loin & Beans on Grill, Run Food to Serving Line. Managers: Brandon Michels & Logan Urfer**

|                     |          |                |                   |
|---------------------|----------|----------------|-------------------|
| 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM  | Ken Hake | Kevin Bookhout |                   |
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Ken Hake | Sam Beyers     | Gene Fehrenbacher |
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Ken Hake | Jim Volk       | Gene Fehrenbacher |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Ken Hake | Mike Potter    | Galen Slover      |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    | Ken Hake |                |                   |

**Set up Outdoor Signs (Drive Thru, Parking, Street Signs, Etc.). Manager: Corey Steber**

|         |          |
|---------|----------|
| 7:30 AM | Dan Hahn |
|---------|----------|

**Cook Noodles (Cafeteria). Managers: Marissa Graves & Emily Steber**

|                     |               |                 |
|---------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM  | Elliot Brazil | Samantha Brazil |
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Elliot Brazil | Samantha Brazil |
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Matt Tompson  | Megan Grove     |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Christy Blank | Carter Blank    |

**Cook & Mash Potatoes (Cafeteria). Managers: Marissa Graves & Emily Steber**

|                     |              |            |
|---------------------|--------------|------------|
| 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM  | Paula Kocher | Tim Kocher |
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Nick         | Kocher     |
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Paula Kocher | Tim Kocher |

**Cook Gravy (Cafeteria). Managers: Marissa Graves & Emily Steber**

|                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------|
| 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Cindy Peters |
| 11:00 AM - Finish  | Cindy Peters |

**Cook Corn (Cafeteria). Managers: Marissa Graves & Emily Steber**

|                     |                           |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM  | Pam Runyon & Lisa Cummins |
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Janie Tompson             |

**Bake Rolls (Cafeteria). Managers: Marissa Graves & Emily Steber**

|                     |               |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Lauren Womack |
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Lauren Womack |

**Serving Line (Cafeteria) Managers: Marissa Graves & Emily Steber**

|                     |                |                 |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM | Lisa Deimel    | Jennifer Deimel |
| 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM  | Karen Williams | Chelsey Oilar   |

**Extra Kitchen Help (Cafeteria). Managers: Marissa Graves & Emily Steber**

|                     |             |
|---------------------|-------------|
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Brent Bower |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  |             |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    |             |

**Salad Bar (Cafeteria). Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

|                     |                |              |
|---------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Pam Runyon     | Lisa Cummins |
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Betty Slover   |              |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Lindsey Kapper |              |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    | Ladi Phillips  |              |

**Make Coffee. Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

|                     |               |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Fr. Bill Rowe |
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Janet Jones   |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Carla Gardner |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    |               |

**Pour Coffee/Tea & Put Ice in Glasses. Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

|                     |             |                    |
|---------------------|-------------|--------------------|
| 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM | Susan Zuber | Sarah Fehrenbacher |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Mike Kapper |                    |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    | Mike Kapper | Felicia Bishop     |

**Refill Drinks. Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

\*\*7th and 8th grader volunteers

|                     |  |  |
|---------------------|--|--|
| 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM |  |  |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  |  |  |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    |  |  |

**Carry Food from Kitchen to Serving Lines. Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

|                     |             |            |
|---------------------|-------------|------------|
| 10:45 AM - 12:00 AM | Lori Uhl    | Claire Uhl |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Ashley Kuhn | Adam Kuhn  |

**Serving Line - Utensils, Plates, Napkins, Etc. Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

|                     |                   |          |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------|
| 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM | Hannah Jensen     | Pam Hahn |
| 12:00 PM - Finish   | Connor Richardson |          |

**Door Holders/Greeters. Manager: Corey Steber**

|                     |                  |                |
|---------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Keith Kocher     | Linda Kocher   |
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Mark Kuenstler   |                |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Cale Seals       |                |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    | Mary Jo McKinney | Avery McKinney |

**Cut Pies & Cakes. Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

|                     |                |                  |
|---------------------|----------------|------------------|
| 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM | Luke Kocher    | Ezha Biyok       |
| 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Trish Bookhout | Katelyn Bookhout |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Lauren Womack  | Judy Zehner      |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    | Tyler Hemrich  | Casey Hemrich    |

**Pickup Trays & Clear Tables. Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

\*\*7th and 8th graders

|                     |                 |                 |            |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|
| 10:45 AM - 12:00 AM | Ken Blank       | Joan Blank      | Haven Doll |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Allyson Padilla | Bennett Padilla |            |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    | Sharon Behnke   |                 |            |

**Plate Scrapers. Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

\*\*7th and 8th graders

|                     |                |              |
|---------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 10:45 AM - 12:00 pm | Sarah Stevens  | Lily Stevens |
| 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM  | Angel Padilla  | AJ Padilla   |
| 1:00 PM - Finish    | Hayven Hensley |              |

**Dishwashers & Wash Cookware. Managers: Marissa Graves & Emily Steber**

\*\*7th and 8th graders

|                     |                  |               |                |
|---------------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|
| 10:30 AM - 11:30 am | Janet Chamberlin | Xavier Zuber  | Luke Seiler    |
| 11:30am - 12:30pm   | Ellee Bare       | Claire Steber | Emma Hefferman |
| 12:30 PM - Finish   | Sarah Kocher     | Riley Kraus   |                |

**Bankers**

|                   |                 |              |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 10:00am - 12:30pm | Bruce Peters    | Herman Zuber |
| 12:30 - Finish    | Jacquelyn Seals | Herman Zuber |

**Sell Raffle Tickets**

|                  |                   |              |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 10:00am - Finish | Jeffrey Rosenberg | Carol Potter |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------|

**Sell Lunch Tickets (Gymnasium) Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

|                   |           |            |
|-------------------|-----------|------------|
| 10:00am - 12:15pm | Mike Doll | Larry Volk |
| 12:15pm - 1:30pm  | Mike Uhl  | Lori Uhl   |

**Take/Sell Lunch Tickets (Cafeteria) Managers: Kelly Richardson & Lauren Tibbs**

|                   |                |                     |
|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| 10:00am - 12:00pm | Elaine Grimes  | Samantha Foust      |
| 12:00pm - 1:30pm  | Regina Shuster | Deacon Jack Shuster |

|                                                                                                                                         |                           |                     |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| <b>Sell 50/50 Tickets</b>                                                                                                               |                           |                     |              |
| 10:00am - 12:00pm                                                                                                                       | Ashley Williams           | Amy Padgett         |              |
| 12:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                        |                           |                     |              |
| <b>Package Meals for Homebound &amp; To-Go Orders for Drive-Thru/Pickup *report to MPR. Managers: Brandon Michels &amp; Logan Urfer</b> |                           |                     |              |
| 10:30am - 12:00pm                                                                                                                       | Kim Weber                 | Susan Michels       |              |
| 12:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                        | Kim Weber                 | Susan Michels       |              |
| <b>Deliver Food to the Homebound *report to MPR. Managers: Brandon Michels &amp; Logan Urfer</b>                                        |                           |                     |              |
| 10:45am -Finish                                                                                                                         | Carl & Donna Roark        |                     |              |
| <b>Sell Lunch Tickets: Drive-Thru/Pickup Line *report to MPR. Managers: Brandon Michels &amp; Logan Urfer</b>                           |                           |                     |              |
| 10:30am - 12:15pm                                                                                                                       | Tom & Julie Hearring      |                     |              |
| 12:15pm - 1:30pm                                                                                                                        | Claire & Bailey Graves    |                     |              |
| <b>Ticket Runner: Take Orders at Drive-Thru/Pickup to Cars *report to MPR. Managers: Brandon Michels &amp; Logan Urfer</b>              |                           |                     |              |
| 10:30am - 12:00pm                                                                                                                       | Madelyn Jones             | Hillary Steber      |              |
| 12:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                        | Ann Harper                | Andrea Kuenstler    |              |
| <b>Food Runners: Take Meals to cars in Drive-Thru *report to MPR Managers: Brandon Michels &amp; Logan Urfer</b>                        |                           |                     |              |
| 10:30am - 12:00pm                                                                                                                       | Alvin Kocher              | Austin Kocher       |              |
| 12:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                        | Karen Scherer             | Annette Mosby       |              |
| <b>Drive-Thru Extra Help: *report to MPR Managers: Brandon Michels &amp; Logan Urfer</b>                                                |                           |                     |              |
| 10:30am - 12:00pm                                                                                                                       | Megan Brinkley            |                     |              |
| 12:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                        | Angi Tomlin               |                     |              |
| <b>Take out Trash. Managers: Corey Steber</b>                                                                                           |                           |                     |              |
| 10:45am - 12:30pm                                                                                                                       | Brad Doll                 | Reid Doll           |              |
| 12:30pm - Finish                                                                                                                        | Levi Hefferman            |                     |              |
| <b>Kitchen Cleanup (Counters, Walls, Mop Floors, Trash, Etc.). Managers: Marissa Graves &amp; Emily Steber</b>                          |                           |                     |              |
| 2:00pm- Finish                                                                                                                          | Sara Peavler              | Brian Peavler       |              |
|                                                                                                                                         | Lauren McClain            | Rob McClain         |              |
|                                                                                                                                         |                           |                     |              |
| <b>Dining Room Cleanup (Counters, Walls, Mop Floors, Trash, Etc.). Managers: Kelly Richardson &amp; Lauren Tibbs</b>                    |                           |                     |              |
| 2:30pm - Finish                                                                                                                         | Bridgett Jensen           | John McKinney       |              |
|                                                                                                                                         | Leon Stallard             | Kye Stallard        | Melissa Beal |
| <b>Tear Down Signs &amp; Put Trash Cans Away. Managers: Corey Steber</b>                                                                |                           |                     |              |
| 2:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                         |                           |                     |              |
| <b>Tear Down Tables &amp; Chairs in Gym. Managers: Corey Steber</b>                                                                     |                           |                     |              |
| 2:30pm - Finish                                                                                                                         | Larry & DeAnn Dorn Family |                     |              |
|                                                                                                                                         | Steve Kuenstler Family    |                     |              |
| <b>BAZAAR &amp; GAME WORKERS: IN GYMNASIUM</b>                                                                                          |                           |                     |              |
| <b>Chance Stand: Managers: Lisa Anderson / Brianne Kuenstler</b>                                                                        |                           |                     |              |
| 9am Setup                                                                                                                               | Lisa Anderson             | Brianne Kuenstler   |              |
| 11:00am - 12:15pm                                                                                                                       | Deb Kuenstler             |                     |              |
| 12:15pm - 1:30pm                                                                                                                        | Becky Steber              | Kenna Steber        |              |
| <b>Cake Stand: Manager Stacey Steber</b>                                                                                                |                           |                     |              |
| 11:00am - 12:00pm                                                                                                                       | Stacey Steber             | Valerie Rodriguez   |              |
| 12:00pm - 1:00pm                                                                                                                        | Betty Chamberlin          | Mary Morris         |              |
| 1:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                         | Vicki Stuckey             | Rita Adams          |              |
| <b>Quilt Raffle</b>                                                                                                                     |                           |                     |              |
| 11:00am - 12:00pm                                                                                                                       | Ron Steber                | Courtney Smithhenry |              |
| 12:00pm - 1:00pm                                                                                                                        | Sandy Fehrenbacher        | Maggie Elliott      |              |
| 1:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                         | Norma Dirks               | Chelsea Rude        |              |
| <b>Country Kitchen: Manager Mischelle Doll</b>                                                                                          |                           |                     |              |
| 11:00am - 12:00pm                                                                                                                       | Mischelle Doll            | Karen Dehlinger     |              |
| 12:00pm - 1:00pm                                                                                                                        | Jane Kocher               | Dawn Kocher         |              |
| 1:00pm - Finish                                                                                                                         | Bethany Davis             |                     |              |
| <b>Announce Cash Raffle/ Chance Stand/ Quilt Raffle</b>                                                                                 |                           |                     |              |
| 2:00 PM                                                                                                                                 | Jeffrey Rosenberg         | Mike Uhl            |              |
| <b>Smorg Games</b>                                                                                                                      |                           |                     |              |
| 2nd & 3rd Grade Families please sign up via Sign-Up Genius.                                                                             |                           |                     |              |

# TRI PARISH NEWS

## ST. JOSEPH, OLNEY

### Mass times

Wed. & Fri 8:00 am  
Sat. 5:00 pm  
Sun. 8:00 am

## HOLY CROSS, WENDELIN

### Mass times

Thurs. 6:30 pm  
Sat. 4:00 pm  
Sun. 10:00 am

## ST. JOSEPH, STRINGTOWN

### Mass times

Mon. 6:30 pm  
Sun. 8:00 am



✚  
**ST. JOSEPH  
OLNEY**



✚  
**HOLY CROSS  
WENDELIN**



✚  
**ST. JOSEPH  
STRINGTOWN**

## AROUND OUR PARISHES

### Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>

Labor day, parish offices closed

### Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup>

First Friday mass 8 am, Olney.

### Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>

- First Saturday mass 9 am, Holy Cross.
- Carlo Acutis Canonization Lock-in for High Schoolers at Holy Cross. Starts with 4 pm mass, ends Sunday morning.

### Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>

American Red Cross Blood Drive at Holy Cross- Wendelin Parish Center. 1:30-5:30 pm.

### Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>

Red plates will be given out at all masses for all first graders as part of the kitchen table catechesis.

### Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>

Middle school youth group following the 4 pm mass at Holy Cross.

### Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

- High school youth group at 5:30 pm at St. Joseph Stringtown.
- Holy Cross Feast Day/Dedication Ceremony, 10 am Mass followed by meal at 11 am (Please RSVP). Dedication at 1 pm.

### Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>

First Parish Council meeting for Olney at 7 pm in conference room.

### September 20<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>

Catechesis mass at all parishes. Children present in weekend mass will come forward to give a special blessing to catechists.

### Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

- CYM mass, 8 am at St. Joseph Stringtown.
- Anniversary Brunch following the 8 am mass at St. Joseph, Olney.
- Young Adults Gathering TBD

### Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

Middle school youth group following the 5 pm mass at Olney.

### Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>

High school youth group at 5:30 at Holy Cross (Praise and worship after)

## AROUND OUR PARISHES

**Big and Beautiful Mums**

**\$17 EACH OR \$32 FOR TWO**

AVAILABLE IN: YELLOW BURGUNDY ORANGE  
NEW THIS YEAR! TRI-COLOR (\$20)

**ORDERS DUE BY: FRIDAY, SEPT. 5TH**  
**PICKUP IS: FRIDAY, SEPT. 12TH**

CHECKS PAYABLE TO SJS.  
ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

**MUM FUNDRAISER**

Help support St. Joseph School by purchasing some big and beautiful mums for fall!! Contact any student or the school office to order.



### Following in the Footsteps of the Saints Library

The weather is cooler, and there is nothing like a great book and a warm drink! Be sure to check out the library and take home a book to read! The libraries are located in the vestibules of the tri-parishes.

Book Suggestions: For Kids: Teresa of Avila Interior Castle (even shaped like a castle) and the When we go to Mass (even shaped like a church). For Adults: My Sisters the Saints or This Present Paradise.



### Sisters in Christ

Our New Book is, "The Story of the Soul" the life of St. Thérèse of Lisieux.

St. Therese said, "Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love."

If you are interested in joining, contact Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate at [ctrimblepa@gmail.com](mailto:ctrimblepa@gmail.com).

Olney: Tuesdays at 5:00 pm  
Wendelin: Wednesdays at 5:30 pm  
Stringtown: Tuesdays at 10:00 am

\*Olney group will not meet on Tuesday, September 9th.

## ADORATION

There must always be at least 2 people in the church

St. Joseph, Stringtown  
Prayer service & adoration every  
Tuesday at 9:30 am.

Holy Cross, Wendelin  
Thursdays at 5:30 pm until mass  
time at 6:30 pm.

St. Joseph, Olney  
Every Tuesday from 12-3 pm

### Contact Us

#### Parish Offices

St. Joseph, Olney  
618-392-8181

Holy Cross, Wendelin  
618-752-5671

St. Joseph, Stringtown  
618-754-3676

School office: 618-395-3081



#### Young Adults Bible Study

Meets every Monday at 7:00 pm at  
Holy Cross in Wendelin.

#### Brothers in Christ

Meets every Thursday after mass at  
Holy Cross in Wendelin around  
7pm.



#### St. Joseph School News

Sep. 1: No School, Labor Day  
Sep. 5: Mum orders due  
Sep. 12: Mum pickup at the City Park  
Sep. 17: 11:50 dismissal  
Sep. 22-26: Iowa testing week  
Sep. 25-26: Book Fair  
Sep. 25: 1:50 dismissal  
Sep. 26: Courtyard band concert

"The LORD is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts, and I am helped;  
my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him." -Psalm 28:7 ESV

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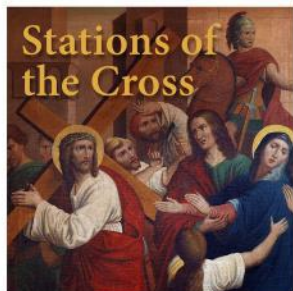
# This Week on Formed

Week of September 14, 2025



## **The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

The Seven Sorrows of Mary is a traditional Catholic devotion featuring meditations on sorrowful episodes in the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Join us in prayer as we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.



## **Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori**

The Augustine Institute presents a beautiful meditation on the Stations of the Cross by Saint Alphonsus Liguori, narrated by Dr. Christopher Blum. This prayerful reflection is accompanied by the Schola Cantorum, chanting the traditional Catholic hymn Stabat Mater to aid your prayer.



## **The Seven Sorrows of Mary | Brother Francis**

Join Brother Francis as he prays and explores the Seven Sorrows of Mary Devotion!

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# Family Catechesis Schedule of Events

## "Following in the Footsteps of Saints"

### 2025 August

**27 Wed. Opening Mass**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m.



**Families:** You will receive the Family Tote with Family Catechesis Saint Binder, and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items, and Special Blessing for the year.

### September

**3 Wed. Family Gathering**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m. Parish Center



**Families:** Parent meeting, youth activity, Saint presentation and Birthday party for Mary with The Word of Life Workbook, and other "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

**Sacrament Meeting for:**  
Reconciliation/Confirmation

**13-14- Red Plate Blessing for 1<sup>st</sup> graders**

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder for updates.

### October

**1 Wed. Family Gathering**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m. Parish Center



**Adults:** Presentation

**Youth:** Activity  
Saint presentations and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

**4-5 Confirmation Commitment Weekend**

**11-12 Cup Blessing for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders**

**30-All Saint-Family Rosary-Trunk n'Treat after Mass**

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder and Sacrament book for check-in.

### November

**5 Wed. Family Gathering**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m. Parish Center



**Families:** All Saint Maze and special Saint presentations, with bonfire and s/mores. Gift of Love information and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

**8-9 Candle Blessing for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders**  
**29-30 -Gift of Love Mass Weekend**

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder and Sacrament book for check-in.

### December

**3 Wed. Family Gathering**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m. Parish Center



**Adults:** Presentation

**Youth:** Activity  
Saint presentations, Advent party, and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

**7 -Advent tradition of "Evensong" at Holy Cross**  
**8 & 11- First Reconciliation**

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder and Sacrament book for check-in.

### Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year



### 2026 January

**7 Wed. Family Gathering**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m. Parish Center



**Families:** Saint presentations, Three Kings and 12<sup>th</sup> Night Dinner Party and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder and Sacrament book for check-in.

### February

**4 Wed. Family Gathering**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m. Parish Center



**Adults:** Presentation

**Youth:** Activity  
Saint presentations and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

**7-M.C.4.C. Valentine Dinner/Dance at Holy Cross**

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder and Sacrament book for check-in.

### March

**4 Wed. Ash Wednesday**  
**15- Divine Mercy Book begins**



**19 -Families:** St. Joseph Table tradition with Mass and Dinner at St. Joseph Stringtown  
Saint presentations and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder and Sacrament book for check-in.

### April

**1 Wed. Family Gathering**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m. Parish Center



**Adults:** Presentation

**Youth:** Activity

Saint presentations and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

**5 -Easter**

**12 -Divine Mercy Sunday**

**(17,18,19)Confirmation at St. Joseph Olney**

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder and Sacrament book for check-in.

### May

**3 Sun. Holy Cross May Crowning**  
**2-3 First Communion**  
**6 Wed. Closing Family Gathering**  
Holy Cross 6:30 p.m. Parish Center



**Families:** Final Saint presentations, catered meal, and year end video presentation, and "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" items.

\*Reminder to bring Family Tote with Saint Binder

**"Let us become saints so that  
after having been together on  
earth, we may be together in  
Heaven."**

**St. Pio Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)**

# FOLLOWING IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE SAINTS

September 2025



# Our September Saints



## "Man of the Beatitudes"

He developed a deep spiritual life which he never hesitated to share with his friends. The Holy Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin were the two poles of his world of prayer. At the age of 17, he joined the St. Vincent de Paul Society and dedicated much of his spare time to serving the sick and the needy,

He is the patron saint of youth, young adults, and World Youth Day, and is also a model for mountaineers and sportsmen and women. His exemplary life of faith and joy, lived with a motto of "Verso L'Alto" (To the Heights), inspires many people, especially young Catholics, to live their faith in ordinary life and to strive for spiritual heights. He will be canonized September 7.

Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati

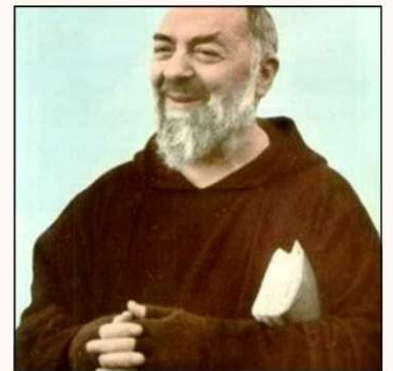
### “Known for the Stigma & Mystical Experiences”

He joined the Capuchin Friars at the age of 15 and was ordained a priest. On September 20, 1918 the five wounds of our Lord's passion appeared on his body, making him the first stigmatized priest in the history of the Catholic Church. Countless persons were attracted to his confessional and many more received his saintly counsel and spiritual guidance through correspondence.

His whole life was marked by long hours of prayer and continual austerity. His letters to his spiritual directors reveal the ineffable suffering, physical and spiritual, which accompanied him all through his life. They also reveal his deep union with God, his burning love for the Blessed Eucharist and Our Blessed Lady.

He is the patron saint of adolescents, civil defense volunteers, and stress relief.

Feast Day September 23



## St. Padre Pio



Fr. Levi James was our Saint presenter as St. Padre Pio and Jason Warfel was our Saint presenter as Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati. Pictures can be found on Facebook and Family Catechesis group.

# Following in the Footsteps of the Saints

The **Catholic Extension Grant** contributed:

"Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" Mass Bags for littles Family Prayer Stand, Saint cards, and Guardian Angel Nightlight.

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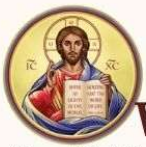
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A selection of ideas for the month will be shared.

## For September



## Word of Life Workbook

The NEW K-8 religion workbook.

Word of Life catechizes both the head and the heart. When you teach the faith as information, students forget it. When you teach the faith as the answer to their deepest longings, students treasure it.

### An Augustinian Model Centered in Scripture

Word of Life forms students in a Catholic worldview. They read Scripture and they learn from beautiful, intellectually rigorous workbooks.

### What Students Learn (and Remember)

**Salvation history.** They know their place in God's divine plan.

**Christian anthropology.** They find their true identity in Christ.

**Heroic virtue.** They build good habits with the help of God's grace.

**Discipleship.** They understand why being Catholic really matters

**Digital Test** that your child takes at your families schedule in the student/parent portal. There are many helpful tools to utilize and experience.

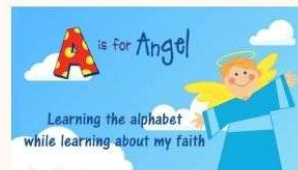
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Padre Pio



Powers and Dominions: Angels, Demons, and Spiritual Warfare



Totally Toddlers



The Adventures of Ocjee Nash

## Upcoming October Events

### Holy Cross Wendelin



**1 Wed. Family Catechesis Gathering 6:30 pm**  
Adult Presentation & Youth Activity Evening

**4-5 Confirmation Commitment Weekend**

**11-12 Cup Blessing for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders**

**30 All Saint's Mass -Family Rosary-Trunk or Treat 6:30 p.m.**  
Come dressed as your favorite Saint  
Pray the Family Saint Rosary 6:00 pm & after Mass the tradition of a Parish Trunk or Treat.



**The Saint Presentation of  
Bl. Carlo Acutis was  
offered by Clinton Rauch.**

I am Carlo Acutis, I was born May 3, 1991, in London, England and soon after my family moved to Milan, Italy. It is hard to explain, but even when I was young, I had a special love for God. I felt drawn to the Mass, and when I was around 7, I was going to daily Mass and Adoration.

What amazing parents when I think about it now, that they let me do this. My parents saw my love for God grow, and they too then started going to daily Mass. We went as a family; I loved going to Mass with my family! I even had other people in our community and parish community that soon started attending daily Mass and receiving Jesus daily. Oh, how I so love Jesus. Do you?

**“To always be close to  
Jesus, that’s my life  
plan.” Bl.Carlo**

# Following in the Footsteps of the Saints

The **Catholic Extension Grant** contributed:

*“Following in the Footsteps of the Saints”* booklets,

Saint cards, Saint Relics, and various other resources.

A **Parish Library** was set up in each of our three parishes to further grow and deepen our own Catholic faith.

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### For August:



## Family Catechesis T-Shirts

A short sleeved light gray t-shirt with our F.C. logo. order by September 3  
The cost is \$15.00 for adults and kids.  
If interested call the Holy Cross office.

## Upcoming September Events

3: Parent Meeting, Youth Activity, Celebrate Mary's Birthday along with Saint presentations, and more.

13-14: Red Plate Blessing for 1<sup>st</sup> graders

14: Holy Cross Parish Feast Day Celebration

August 2025



# Our August Saints



Bl. Carlo Acutis

“The Apostle of the Eucharist”  
He will be canonized September 7,  
during the Papal Mass  
St. Peter’s Square Vatican City, this is  
3:00 am our time, but your can still  
watch the recording on Youtube,  
EWTN and other social media outlets.



## St. Monica

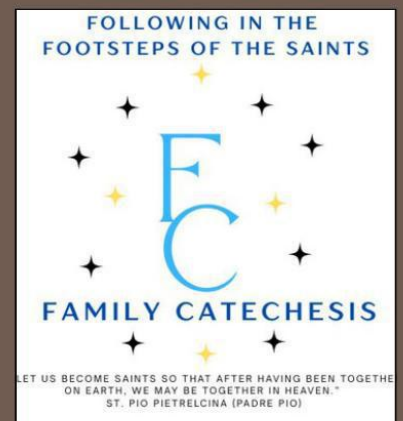
Honored for her unwavering faith and  
perseverance in prayer.  
Patron of Mothers, Marriages, and  
children who have left the faith.  
"There is no place that is far from God."  
Feast Day August 27



## Our Lady of Knock

An apparition in Ireland in 1879,  
where there was total silence. Mary  
appeared with St Joseph, St John  
the Evangelist, a lamb and a cross.  
A testament of deep trust and love.  
Feast Day August 21

# Family Catechesis





Holy Cross Church

# FEAST DAY/DEDICATION CELEBRATION



SEPT 14 2025

MASS : 10:00AM

MEAL: 11:00AM

DEDICATION: 1:00PM

MENU: PORK LOIN  
GARLIC GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST  
HASHBROWN CASSEROLE  
GREEN BEANS  
TEA/LEMONADE  
DESSERT

MEAL CATERED BY OCHS ST SMOKED MEATS  
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# *Saints, Eucharist and the Catholic Faith*



*Stringtown Study  
The Four Terezas*

**TUESDAY  
ST. JOSEPH  
STRINGTOWN  
10:00AM**

*Sisters in Christ  
The Devil in the Castle*

**WEDNESDAY  
HOLY CROSS  
5:30 PM**

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*Olney Study  
The Eucharist*

**WEDNESDAY  
ST. JOSEPH OLNEY  
9:15 AM & 7:00 PM**

*Brother's in Christ  
Into the Breach*

**THURSDAY  
HOLY CROSS  
7:00PM**