

Collection Total for April 7, 2024

Envelopes: \$973.00 (31)
Loose: \$51.00
Total: \$1,364.00

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Religious Education: \$75.00

Building Fund: \$40.00

April Bulletins: For the Parish

April Missalettes: In Memory of Norman Kocher

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, April 14 – CYM Pancake & Sausage

Breakfast at St. Joseph-Olney

Stringtown Community Club Senior Citizens

Breakfast, Following 8am Mass

Monday, April 15 – Stringtown Picnic Committee

Chair Meeting at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish

Center, 7pm

Tuesday, April 16 – ASAP Prayer Service and

Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am

Stringtown Study, 10am

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at

St. Joseph-Olney 12pm-3pm

Sunday, April 21 – Donut Sunday at St. Joseph-

Stringtown Following 8am Mass

Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28 – First

Eucharist Weekend at All Parishes

STRINGTOWN STUDY:

The New book is "Diary of St. Faustina Kowalska" the Saint of Divine Mercy. Come join us at 10:00am and share in the joy.

BROTHERS IN CHRIST:

Thursdays at 7:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

Breathe it all in.... Breathe in the Peace that surpasses all understanding! Breathe in the Peace that is God alone...Breathe it all in! When we

Breathe in Peace- *we exhale- kindness- generosity-goodness- joy!* When we breathe in the world- *we exhale- division-unforgiveness- rudeness-unkindness!* Which air do you want to inhale? God or the world? When Peace lives within our heart and soul- we truly become God-like... child-like! Journey onward to the kingdom and Breathe it All in and LOVE it all out! *Peace Be with You!* St. Faustina, pray for us! Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us!

FAMILY CATECHESIS:

April - Divine Mercy

Live Your Catholic Faith – Share a token of your love and appreciation with your parishioners at your parish.

Send a “Thank You”- “Praying for You”- “You are Special”- “Get Well” card.

Pray a Rosary for them and support their works.

Participate in: Sisters in Christ, Brothers in Christ,

Family Catechesis, Stringtown Study, CYM

Schedule an appointment for Spiritual Direction.

Live the Easter Joy! **Our Family Prayer** - Eternal

Father, I offer you the Body and Blood,

Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son,

Our Lord, Jesus Christ,

in atonement for our sins and those of the whole

world. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have

mercy on us and on the whole world. (10x)

PARISH OFFICE UPDATE:

The Parish Office is in the process of updating records and parishioner information. If you are not receiving contribution envelopes from St. Joseph-Stringtown and would like be, please contact Ashley. Thank you!

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Congratulations to our newly confirmed students and their families!

Important Dates:

First Communion Weekend: April 27th and 28th

Friday, May 3rd - Early Dismissal 10:50am

Friday, May 10th - Final Band Concert 3pm in the Gymnasium

Wednesday, May 15th - Graduation Mass 8:15am and Graduation Ceremony 7pm in the courtyard (weather permitting)

Monday, May 20th - Preschool Promotion 11am in the church

Tuesday, May 21st - Last Day for K-7 students 11am Dismissal and Field Day

The school office welcomes Catherine (Kocher) Fritschle, class of 2006, as our office manager. We are grateful to Kristen Eagleson for her many years of service to the school.

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Sunday, April 14: State Finals of the Free Throw Competition at St. Anthony High School in Effingham. Good luck Kolsyn Erwin!

Thursday, April 18: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.

Friday, April 19: Deadline for the Olney Knights of Columbus Scholarship Applications for High School Seniors.

Sunday, April 28: Knight led Rosary at 7:40AM.

BIBLE STUDY:

Bible study at St. Joseph-Olney every Wednesday at 9:15am in Room B. Deacon Jack will take you through the readings for the coming weekend and we'll discuss if the reading is a prayer, a prophesy, a parable or a story and how it fits into the liturgical season. We'll also use our imaginations to enter the scene, create the characters, and be there in the world of the reading.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET:

The Stringtown Community Club will have their annual Mother/Daughter Banquet on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 6:00pm in the parish center. The meal will include pulled pork and a potato bar catered by Barney Ochs. Members with last name starting with A-M are asked to bring a salad and those with names starting with N-Z are asked to bring a dessert. To RSVP, call or text the committee by April 28: Mona Kocher 618-843-

6662, Delaney Steber 618-843-9121, or Mary Zwilling 618-562-8433.

CYM BREAKFAST:

CYM will hold a pancake breakfast this Sunday, April 14th, at St Joseph Olney cafeteria, serving from 8:00-10:30am. Menu includes: pancakes, sausages, biscuits, gravy, scrambled eggs, fruit, pastries, and drinks. There will also be a basket raffle to support the youth attending mission trip this summer. Cost is \$10 for adults, \$7 for kids ages 5-10, and free for those under age 5. The youth appreciates your support!

2024 STRINGTOWN PICNIC COMMITTEE NEWS:

The 2024 Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, July 21st. Cash donations for the expenses and raffles are welcomed. **Noodle Day** is scheduled for April 27th at the Stringtown Parish Center. Donation Sheet for flour and eggs, along with volunteer signup sheet for this date will be available in the back of church. **The Picnic Committee Chair's next meeting** will be Monday, April 15th, at 7:00 p.m. (after Mass) at the Stringtown Parish Center. **The Committee Chairs are: Financial** – Lisa Boehl, **Raffle** – Hank & Nina Ginder **Food Stand** – Francis Ochs, **Beer Garden, Bingo, Live Entertainment, & 50/50** – Janice Zwilling, **Kitchen (Dinner)** – Lisa Boehl, **Basket Stand** – Mona Kocher, **Outside Games & Stands (Cake Stand, Country Store, & Games)** – Ethan & Delaney Steber, **Kids Games** – Doug & Shelly Seaman, **Grounds & Maintenance** – Scott Seiler

If you would like to help with the planning for any of these areas, please contact the respective chairperson.

DONUTS AND QUILTS:

This disease is very devastating when it affects a family member or someone you know. This is no cure as of now, but with continued research we hope to someday carry the **white flower**, which represents a cure.

This year, my project to raise money for research will be a variety of baby quilts, lap quilts, and throws. They will be on display during Donut Sunday, April 21st, in the Parish Center. Reasonable prices. If you have any questions, please call Kathy Zuber at 618-869-2306.

2024 CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL:

Serve the Lord with gladness -Psalm 100

Thank you to the 20 households that have pledged \$3,127.40 so far!

EMMAUS DAYS:

Bishop Michael McGovern and the Diocese of Belleville invite you to Emmaus Days. Come encounter Jesus, the Bread of Life, as the Diocese of Belleville celebrates the Eucharistic Revival. **Sunday, July 7** – National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows **Monday, July 8** – Cathedral of St. Peter

DIOCESAN SPRING FARM BLESSING:

All are invited to join Bishop McGovern for the **Spring Farm Blessing**, which will be held on Friday, April 26, 2024, at 1:00 P.M. at Braeutigam Orchards located at 2795 Turkey Hill Lane, Belleville, IL. "Farm Blessing" signs will guide you or directions are available on the flier in the church. Those attending are invited to bring harvested grain, fruit, vegetables and garden produce in sealed, marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. *You are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food pantry. We look forward to having you join us!*

Remember In Our Prayers

Rick Rennie, Carolyn Elie, Eugene Zuber, Fr. Mark Stec

Congratulations to the following that received the Holy Spirit at Confirmation on April 12, 2024. We are so proud of all of our youth!

St. Joseph-Olney

Katelyn Bookhout--St. Rose of Viterbo
Cadin Dill--St. Sebastian
Oliver Fehrenbacher--St. Stephen
Emmaleigh Ginder--St. Eligius
Bailey Graves--St. Bernadette Soubirous
Levi Hefferman--St. Sebastian
Gentry Hough--St. John Bosco
Austin Kuenstler--St. Hubert
Addison McLaughlin--St. Maria Goretti
Abbiegail Ochs--St. Anne
Teegan Ochs--St. Veronica

Brody Peavler--St. Michael the Archangel
Connor Richardson--St. Philip Neri
Korynn Snider--St. Elizabeth of Hungary
Grace Wood--St. Catherine of Bologna
Ethel Zuber--St. Rose of Lima

Holy Cross-Wendelin

Ethan Deckard--St. Thomas the Apostle
Lacie Hinterscher--St. Sebastian
Ian Kessler-- St. George
Nora Kistner--St. Anne

Isabella Stevens--St. Elizabeth of Hungary
Brooke Weidner--St. Michael the Archangel

St. Joseph-Stringtown

Mallory Kocher--St. Gemma Galgani
Mitchell Ochs--St. Anthony of Padua
Natalie Ochs--St. Teresa of Calcutta
Annabelle Seiler--St. Thérèse of Lisieux
Jared Weidner--St. Isidore of Seville

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter
+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Sunday, April 14, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Bill, Catherine, & Nadine Zwilling+" "Herman & Joann Rudolphi+"

Monday, April 15, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown "George Ochs+"

Tuesday, April 16, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, April 17, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, April 18, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, April 19, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Saturday, April 20, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, April 21, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Norman Kocher+" "Augustine, Lorena, & George Ochs+"

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

MINISTERS LIST

04/14/2024

Servers:

Kaitlyn Ginder*
Haley Ginder
Nathaniel Zwilling

Lector:

Natalie Zwilling

EMHC:

Janette Kocher
Josie Kocher
Scott Seiler

Gifts:

Elmer & Mary Ochs

Ushers:

Doug Kocher
Harold Boehl

Greeters:

Jean Kocher
Family

04/21/2024

Servers:

Silas Sager*
Julian Seaman
Sadie Seiler

Lector:

Hank Ginder

EMHC:

John Ochs
Elmer Ochs
Mary Ochs

Gifts:

Werner & Janette Kocher

Ushers:

Carter Seaman
James Schneider

Greeters:

Caden Kocher

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