

*Sunday, July 25, 2021*  
*17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

✠ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✠

Mon. July 26	6:30PM (at Stringtown)
Tue. July 27	6:30PM (at Lawrenceville)
<b>Wed. July 28</b>	<b>8:00am Special Intention</b>
Thu. July 29	6:30PM (at Wendelin)
<b>Sat. July 31</b>	4:00PM (at Wendelin) <b>5:00PM Living &amp; Deceased of Joe &amp; Rose Steber &amp; Debolt families</b>
<b>Sun. Aug. 1</b>	<b>8:00am Patricia Gassmann</b> <i>Note time change below:</i> 8:00am (at Wendelin) 10:00am (at Stringtown) 10:00am (at Lawrenceville)

**OUR MONTHLY SPONSORS**

Bulletins: Edward Jones- Rob David  
Missalettes: Ochs Plumbing and Heating

**OUR TITHES FOR JULY 18**

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00  
Envelopes: \$11,752 (92) Loose: \$55  
Guatemala: \$107 (7)

**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.

**\* AROUND OUR PARISH \***

**Wednesday, July 28**

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

**Thursday, July 29**

- Blood Drive, 2 PM – 6 PM, in the multi-purpose room. Appointments are needed. Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS. A little bit of time could mean a lifetime to somebody else. Donate today!

🔔 **St. Joseph School Notes** 🔔

**Saturday, August 21**

- Father Jerry 5K, 8 AM at Musgrove Park in Olney. Register by August 1st to get your t-shirt on the day of the event. The first 125 Richland County youth registrants are free. To register, go to our Annual Father Jerry 5K & Fun Run Facebook page.

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\* Thanks to the families who will join us for the 2021-22 school year!

\* Office Hours Week of July 26:  
Tuesday – Thursday, 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

**CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25**

July 19: Dorothy Zwilling (#545)  
July 20: Ashley Williams (#442)  
July 21: Kamdyn Kilpatrick (#131)  
July 22: Wayne Kocher (#827)  
July 23: Lynn Wagner (#069)

**Let Us Pray for:** Clarence Bridgeman, Cindy Foerster, Loren Ginder, Chris Hartrich, Joe Hunt, Cathy McDowell, Gerald Ochs, Deana Schafer, Tony Tredway 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**

In the midst of what we view as so little- *Our God multiplies*, in the times of great uncertainties- *Our God sustains*, and in the midst of every daily encounter-*Our God is there*. So often, we get caught up in all the- *to-dos and the not done-* and fret-rage-complain... We are so quick to abandon the only one {Our Lord} who can truly multiply-sustain-provide. Do you ever find yourself reacting this way? If so - Seek to respond- *Jesus, I Trust in*

*you-* and Begin Again! Strive to Live a Life of Love and this will be a journey that carries you onward to the kingdom. The more you turn to Him -the more you will become like Him! *St. Joseph, pray for us! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!* Keep to the J.O.Y.S

**Celebration of the Liturgy:** We need your help! We are compiling a new list of Liturgical Ministers as we resume full participation in Mass. Please prayerfully consider assisting at Mass in the various ministries. Please contact the parish office (392-8181) or send an email ([stjosephchurch\\_olney@yahoo.com](mailto:stjosephchurch_olney@yahoo.com)) if you are interested in serving our church family as a Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Altar Server, Usher, Greeter or Gift Bearer. We will offer training.

\* There is a minister sign-up sheet for the July and August Masses in the church foyer. Please volunteer!

**The church is purchasing** a new clavivova/piano! Delivery will be after August 1st. So, the old piano needs to go! If interested in the piano for a donation and removal, please call the church office (392-8181). If no one is interested, the piano will be removed by the company that is delivering the new one.

**Deepest sympathy** to the family of Pamela R. (Aldridge) Steber. May she rest in the peace of God's love.

**Deepest sympathy** to the family of Dr. Gary R. Street. May he rest in the peace of God's love.

**Thank You Note:** The family of Edna Brian would like to offer their sincere gratitude to everyone who helped with the funeral and the funeral dinner for Edna.

**There are many phishing and scams** that attempt to separate us from our money. Fr. Felix Chukwuma or myself WILL NEVER ask for money or gift cards for ourselves or others. These

scams sound legitimate, using our names, but we will never solicit you.

**All singers welcome** – join us at the front, left side of church to support the pianist and cantor at the 8AM Mass on Sunday each week. Let's raise our joyful voices together!

**We are now accepting mass intentions through August 29, 2021.** Up to three first names with the same last name (i.e., John, Paul, and Mary Smith) or two last names only (i.e., Scott and Smith Families) will be allowed per intention. We can accept up to three Mass offerings per mass.

**2021 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**  
Thank you to the 60 households that have already pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial support. So far \$10,099.25 has been pledged by our parish, which is 51% of our goal of \$19,730.

**2021 marks the 150th Anniversary of the founding of Holy Cross Parish (1871).** Events on Picnic Weekend include:

- \* Friday, July 30- Wine Event with Food Trucks, 6 PM to 10 PM
- \* Saturday, July 31- Parade at 1 PM
- \* Sunday, August 1- Parish Picnic. Chicken dinner with two full serving lines from 11 AM – 5 PM; lunch stand with porkburgers, brats, ice cream, soft drinks and more; live bands; big raffle (with over 130 prizes); and many other stands. Everyone is invited!

**Holy Cross-Wendelin Picnic Mass:** For the weekend of Saturday, July 31 and Sunday, August 1, there will be an adjustment to the mass schedule at Holy Cross-Wendelin and St. Joseph-Stringtown. On Saturday, July 31, mass will be celebrated at Holy Cross-Wendelin at the usual time of 4 PM, however, on Sunday, August 1, mass will be celebrated at Holy Cross-Wendelin at 8AM and at St. Joseph-Stringtown at 10 AM. The mass

schedule at St. Joseph-Olney and St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville will not be affected.

**Don't miss Bishop McGovern's** inspiring column in every issue! Subscribe to The Messenger at 618-233-8670. To subscribe online go to [www.bellevillemessenger.org](http://www.bellevillemessenger.org)

**2021 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal**

*Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do... -John 14:12*

The homebound, sick and seniors living in eight counties in the southernmost part of the state are assured they will have food to eat thanks to Daystar Community Program's mobile food pantry, which delivers groceries on a regular basis to those not able to visit Daystar's on-site food pantry. Your gift to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal makes Daystar's truly life-saving ministry possible. If you haven't already done so, please donate today and help Daystar to serve truly the poorest of the poor; they are counting on **YOU!**

*2 Kings 4:42-44. Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18. Ephesians 4:1-6. John 6:1-15.*

**Enough to Share.** So much in the gospel today. Large crowd following Jesus. Nearness of Passover, the remembering of rescue from slavery. The need to eat, thus, the need to provide a meal. A giving of bread and fish by a little boy. Bounty. Sharing. Wasting nothing. Right here in the heart of summer, it is time to read the letter of Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, on fraternity and social friendship. Download a free study guide from the USCCB: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/fratelli-tutti-study-guide>.

- \* Even if it seems I may not have enough, what food can I share?
- \* Even if it seems I may not have enough, what comfort can I provide for someone?
- \* Even if it seems I may not have enough, what do I have that I will not waste, that I will gather up, save, and recycle?

**Respect Life Corner- "One body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism,"** in the Second Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians, 4:1-6, St. Paul calls us to live in unity with the body of Christ; moral lives as one body in Christ. He lists the virtues to extoll in carrying out our mission to make Christian Catholic living a reality: humility, gentleness, patience and forbearance (moderation.) The letter also reminds us of the union we share in our Catholic faith: one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one Baptism, one God who is over all, through all and in all.

**Learn, Act, Connect and Pray-** This kind of community defines who we are as children of God. By living in Christ's peace, we are better able to demonstrate what it means to be a person for others. By lifting up our lives to Christ in humility, we are better able to discern how to help those in our midst. As Bishop-elect Iffert wrote to the faithful of southern Illinois, "I am inspired by Pope Francis' vision of a Church so deeply rooted in a relationship with Christ that we accompany the outcast, tend the wounded, mourn with the brokenhearted and rejoice and give thanks in every circumstance, and so carry out Jesus' mission of evangelization." In so doing, we promote a respect and love for the dignity of each person we encounter.

**~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~**

**Thursday, August 12:** 3rd Degree meeting, 7 PM.

**Sunday, August 15:** Members and Family Free Meal Cook-out and horseshoe and corn hole game night at Doll's Cabin, 5 PM.

**Thursday, August 19:** 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM.

**Sunday, August 29:** K of C led Rosary, 7:40AM. 4th Degree Volunteer Ministry at 8 AM St. Joseph-Olney Mass.

**Last month special recognition** Knight was Harold Nix – Attendance award winner and bringing pizza and soda.

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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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