

*Sunday, August 29, 2021*  
*22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

✠ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✠

Mon. Aug. 30 No Mass  
Tue. Aug. 31 6:30PM (at Lawrenceville)  
**Wed. Sept. 1 8:05am Special Intention**  
Thu. Sept. 2 6:30PM (at Wendelin)

**Sat. Sept. 4** 4:00PM (at Wendelin)  
**5:00PM For the Parish**

**Sun. Sept. 5 8:00am Dr. Gary Street**  
8:00am (at Stringtown)  
10:00am (at Wendelin)  
10:00am (at Lawrenceville)

**OUR MONTHLY SPONSORS**

Bulletins: Donald Brian family  
Missalettes: Energy Insurance Services

**OUR TITHES FOR AUGUST 22**

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00  
Envelopes: \$5,132 (71) Loose: \$101  
Guatemala: \$20 (2)

**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.

~ *Kudos* ~

- ◆ To Wanda Drewes, who will celebrate her 95th birthday on September 3rd. Happy birthday!
- ◆ To newly married Aaron Bromm and Luke Jablonski.

**\* AROUND OUR PARISH \***

**Wednesday, September 1**

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

**Wednesday, September 8**

- Cemetery Committee meeting, 6:30PM, in the multi-purpose room.

 **St. Joseph School Notes** 

**Wednesday, September 1**

- All School Mass, 8:05 AM, grades 3rd - 8th attend. (7th Grade Mass)

**Friday, September 3**

- Mum orders due! If you want to purchase any of our big, beautiful mums, please see a school student or call the office.

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Thanks to the many families, parishioners, businesses, and friends who supported the Father Jerry 5K!

**CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25**

August 23: Herman Zuber (#541)  
August 24: Anthony Zuber (#824)  
August 25: Lindsay Roth (#369)  
August 26: Joyce Brokhof (#539)  
August 27: Heather Martin (#333)

**Let Us Pray for:** Mike Dowty, Cindy Foerster, Peggy Fye, Loren Ginder, Lucille Ginder, Chris Hartrich, Cathy McDowell, Gerald Ochs, Kay Rowark, 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***

There is not a person on the earth that God does not Love! Let that sink in just a moment- Everyone-is a Beloved Son or Daughter of God.

Our God will always Love us- no doubt- but there are things we do that are not of Love- which is not of God! When we sin, our hearts turn from God- our eyes look downward- our actions are harsh- our life is in peril. The longer we stay in sin- the deeper and deeper we plunge into the darkness. There is a light in that darkness- it is Jesus. He bore it all so that we would have Life Eternal. So, this day, look at your life- *Do you spend time thanking, praising, asking, offering your life to God? Or do you invest more time into the sinfulness that separates and kills your soul?* Journey onward to the kingdom where milk and honey flow and the Peace and Love of God abounds. Let Love be the response that comes out of your mouth-Live a Life of Love-a Beloved Life! God Be Praised Now and Forever! St. Joseph, pray for us! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us! Keep to the J.O.Y.S

**Our Annual Smorgasbord** will be held on Sunday, October 17, 2021. Smorgasbord worker sign-up sheet and information to follow! If you have any questions, please contact Samantha Brazil (618-816-2544).

**Noodle day** will be held on Saturday, September 18 starting at 7 AM in the cafeteria. Volunteers are needed - please contact Julie Herring at (618) 562-9655 with any questions.

**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** will be handed out after both Masses on the weekend of September 4th/5th. The items will be on display that weekend also.

**We still need your help!** Please prayerfully consider assisting at Mass in the various ministries. Please contact the Parish Office (392-8181) or send an email ([stjosephchurcholney@yahoo.com](mailto:stjosephchurcholney@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.

**We are now accepting mass intentions through December 31, 2021.** With the mass schedule spread across the four parishes of our partnership, it is important that we follow Canon Law and Diocesan Policy concerning mass intentions: Only one intention (person) per Mass is allowed. However, for pastoral concerns to better accommodate the needs of the parishioners, we will adhere to the following: 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.

**The 2021-2022 PSR Registration** is open on the parish website. Our Opening PSR Mass will be on Wednesday, September 29 at 6:30PM at Holy Cross-Wendelin. More information to come through Flocknote.

**The 184th Annual St. Mary's in Ste. Marie Pre-Labor Day Picnic** will be held on Saturday, September 4. Food and games from 3 PM to 7 PM, raffle drawings at 7 PM, Beer Garden open until 9 PM. Ste. Marie style chicken, potato salad, baked beans and water: \$10 (3 PM until sold out). Eat outside on a picnic table, inside the parish center or take home. Dairy Dee ice cream, pork burgers, chips, and pop. Big Ticket Raffle, hand-made quilt raffle, basket raffle, bingo, DJ, beer garden, and games. Everyone is welcome!

**NFP DAY:** Please join Bishop McGovern, Father Nick Fleming and medical professionals on Sunday, September 12 at St. Clare Church in O'Fallon to discover the beauty of Natural Family Planning. NFP Day is a day to celebrate with food, fellowship and fun! The day begins following the 10:30 AM Mass and concludes at 4 PM. Lunch is provided and families are welcome! Childcare will be provided. Please RSVP with number attending and ages of children to [emily.joost@gmail.com](mailto:emily.joost@gmail.com).

*Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8. Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5. James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27. Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23.*

**Call to Holiness.** Sometimes law and custom can be so onerous, so heavy that we can lose focus on right behavior. That is part of the conversation today as we return to the Gospel of Mark. Observing traditions is good and right. But avoiding oppressing thoughts, words, and deeds is better. In the Second Reading, Saint James says: "Be doers of the word and not hearers only." In short, be holy.

- \* What unholy words and deeds can I avoid?
- \* What holy words and deeds shall I do this week?

\* Whom can I invite to holy behavior with me?

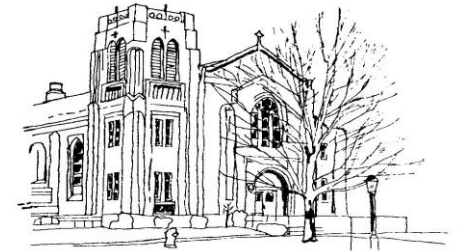
~ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS** ~  
**Tuesday, Sept. 7 & Thursday, Sept. 9:** St. Joe Students K of C Soccer Shoot-Out during PE Classes.  
**Thursday, September 9:** 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.  
**Friday, Sept. 10 & Saturday, Sept. 11:** Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Days at Olney IGA.  
**Thursday, September 16:** 4th Degree meeting, 7:30 PM.  
**Knight of the Month:** Brad Doll- Membership Family Cook-Out Chef!

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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** ~  
 Carol Potter ..... Principal  
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 School Board: Lora Kocher (*Chairperson - Stringtown Representative*) Christy Blank, Kathy Davis, Shanna Ginder, Andrea Kuenstler, Lauren McClain, Angel Padilla, Sara Peavler, Tammy Rudolphi (*Holy Cross-Wendelin Representative*)