

Collection Total for June 11, 2023

Envelopes: \$1245.00
Loose: \$34.25
Total: \$1279.25

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Building Fund: \$20.00 (1)
Religious Edu: \$15.00 (2)

June Bulletins: Bartley C. Zuber, Attorney at Law

June Missalettes: For the Parish

-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

INVITATION FROM ST. LAWRENCE, LAWRENCEVILLE

On Sunday June 25th at 11:30am, we will be hosting a carry-in lunch (drinks will be provided) for Fr. Mark Stec. All are invited and welcome to attend!!

Congratulations to Ethan Steber and Delaney Shryock who received the Sacrament of Matrimony at St. Joseph-Stringtown this past weekend.

Thank you for all the calls, visits, food, and prayers extended to our family during the loss of our husband and dad. Thanks to Fr. George and Fr. Bill

for the comforting service. Thanks also to all who prepared and served the wonderful meal afterwards to our family. Your kindness is greatly appreciated. **The Joseph Schneider family**

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, June 18, FATHER’S DAY

Monday, June 19, Juneteenth—Offices Closed

Tuesday, June 20, 9:30am, A.S.A.P. Prayer group at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Thursday, June 22, Finance Meeting at Trust Bank

Sunday, June 25, 11:00am, Open House of remodeled rectory and Blessing of Religious Cross at Holy Cross-Wendelin.

Monday, June 26, 7:00pm, Finance Council at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, June 27, 6:00pm, Smorgasbord Meeting at St. Joseph-Olney

Mark the Calendar - MEN- and join the newly formed MEN'S GROUP

By joining together in brotherhood, men receive the support they need to grow in virtue and to take action to serve Christ and others.

This is an invitation to join this battle, to step into the breach and to join the evangelical offensive. It challenges men to seek greatness, to be heroically virtuous and to develop a character marked by goodness and truth, strength and courage. It helps prepare men to be capable of standing in the breach and fighting for Christ.

When: Thursday, July 6

Time: Mass at 6:30 pm, then group afterwards

Where: Holy Cross (parish house)

Men of the parishes come together as Brothers in Christ and stand INTO THE BREACH!

Contact Henry Kessler or Dan Quinn if interested or have questions.

FAMILY LIFE COMMITTEE:

Please mark your calendars for the following events:

Ice cream social on July 23rd:

ice-cream social @ 2 pm-???. Ice-cream, cookies/brownies, and topping will be provided. Please bring your own drinks if you want something other than water. There is plenty of space to get some games started, so feel free to bring outdoor games and lawn-chairs.

Donut Sundays: June 18th, July 23, August 27th

Mary Zwilling will be putting together a list for watering flowers. Please watch Facebook for more information on this. If you are not on Facebook, let Mary know if you are interested in helping. It would be very helpful if those who water flowers also check the weeds. Thank you to Carol Hahn for working on cleaning out the weeds

PICNIC NEWS:

Envelopes are in the back of church containing this year’s raffle list and raffle tickets. The envelopes are all unmarked this year, but all have the same contents. The picnic workers’ list is also being worked on. The list will be out on the last Sunday in May. If you are unable to work this year’s picnic (July 16th) please let us know now so that we can adjust the workers list accordingly

PICNIC BASKET STAND COMMITTEE: needs your help! We are asking each parish family to donate one basket OR a donation of \$15- \$20 so we can put a basket together for you. If you choose to donate a filled basket, there is an idea list in the back of church. Donations may also be given to any committee member listed at the end of this announcement. If you or several families would like to go together and make a larger basket for the individual basket raffle, contact Mona. Questions? Contact Mona Kocher @ 618-843-6662 or 618-869-2498, Janette Kocher @618-843-1650, Mary Zwilling @ 618-562-8433, or Kathy Zuber (Justin) @ 618-869-2306.

THE WINE PULL STAND is seeking donations of unopened bottles of wine to make this year’s Wine

Pull a successful stand. If you are interested in donating to this stand, you may put your unopened bottles of wine in the special box in the back of church or contact Janice Zwilling (618-562-1990) to make arrangements for drop off. Please have all donations dropped off or contact Janice by Monday, July 10th.

CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

Our God sends us out two by two - *to harvest – to labor – to take nothing with us – to be peaceful – and to proclaim the Kingdom of God.* Simple enough, right? We all are aware that there is going to be moments that cross our path that seek to – confuse – hinder – distract – attempt to destroy the Kingdom of God. Amidst it all, the focus must always be of God - towards God - and for God. The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few.... *Are you harvesting- laboring- for God? Or for self?* Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give! Journey onward towards the Kingdom of God with every step and *harvest – labor – take nothing – be peaceful – and proclaim the Kingdom of God!* Live a Life of Love! Keep to the J.O.Y.S

FROM FR. MARK:

Happy Father’s Day

A quote from Pope Francis:

“Nothing could better express the pride and emotion a Father feels when he understands that he has handed down to his Child what really matters in Life, that is a Wise Heart.”

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Bonus Bucks/Raise Right: Last order for the 2023 school year is Monday, June 19th. It is never too late to start earning tuition money for your students (grandkids) for the following school year. Orders for the 2024-25 school year begin June 26th. Thanks to everyone who is participating! The school earned \$15,000 this year with our program.

If you want more information about participating, contact the school office.

The annual giving printer proof letter was mailed this past week - donations received before May 5/10 will be recognized in this letter. All donations received after May 10th will be recognized in our final list this fall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Sunday June 25: K of C led Rosary, 7:40AM, before the Olney St. Joseph Mass.



Remember in our prayers...

Rick Rennier, Carolyn Elie, Louise Weber

Sunday June 18, 2023
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Saturday, June 17, 4:00pm, at Holy Cross Wendelin

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, June 18, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “Kathy Zuber+ and Raymond Zuber+”

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Monday, June 19, No Mass

Tuesday, June 20, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, June 21, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, June 22, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, June 23, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Saturday, June 24, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, June 25, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “Sr. Antoinette Volk, PHJC+ & Sr. Loretta Volk, PHJC+”

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

MINISTERS LIST

06/18/2023

Servers:

Carter Seaman

Julian Seaman

Lector:

Hank Ginder

Eucharist Minister:

Beth Kocher

Gifts:

Shelly Seaman

Ushers:

Gary Kocher

Owen Kocher

Greeters:

Doug & Lora Koch

06/25/2023

Servers:

Sadie Seiler

Annabelle Seiler

Lector:

Anita Seiler

Eucharist Minister:

Scott Seiler

Gifts:

Rick & Robbie Ginder

Ushers:

Luke Siler

Natalie Zwilling

Greeters:

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