

Sunday, October 3, 2021
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

✠ Eucharistic Celebrations ✠

Mon. Oct. 4 No Mass
Tue. Oct. 5 No Mass
Wed. Oct. 6 8:05am Prayer Service
Thu. Oct. 7 No Mass
Sat. Oct. 9 4:00PM (at Wendelin)
5:00PM Magdalene & Greg
Zwilling
Sun. Oct. 10 8:00am Ralph Zwilling
8:00am (at Stringtown)
10:00am (at Wendelin)
10:00am (at Lawrenceville)

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OUR TITHES FOR SEPTEMBER 26

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$7,442 (79) Loose: \$130
Guatemala: \$135 (7) Retired Priests: \$20 (1)

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* AROUND OUR PARISH *

Wednesday, October 6

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

Friday, October 8

- Finance Council, 12 PM (Noon).

Sunday, October 17

- Outdoor Smorgasbord and Bazaar. Lunch will be served from 11 AM to 2:30 PM. Adults: \$10, Children (8 and under): \$5.

🔔 St. Joseph School Notes 🔔

Tuesday, October 5

- School Picture Day

Wednesday, October 6

- All School Prayer Service, 8:05 AM (2A)

Friday, October 8

- No School - Diocesan Convention

Monday, October 11

- No School - Fall Holiday

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

September 27: Dana Bell (#281)
September 28: Jeremy & Laura Volk (#501)
September 29: Katie Potter (#791)
September 30: Will Bookhout (#035)
October 1: Janet Will (#017)

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

LOVE is the question and LOVE is the answer. The greatest commandment is found in the book of Matthew (Mt 22:38) and tells us that we are to "Love the Lord our God with all our whole heart...soul...mind... and our neighbor as ourselves." These words from the first letter from John also give us an opportunity to reflect upon how we Love: "If we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us." Love and God are synonymous, so if we live a life that is not of Love - we live a life that is void of God. Take a

moment and look at the areas of your life that are conflicted-challenging-even sinful. Are you holding onto harsh words- judgments- selfish behaviors- hurt feelings- division- etc....? If you ask God to come into that circumstance, then Love will take root- and God will remain in you. Love is always the answer and therefore must always be our response if we are truly to be a child of God! Journey onward living a Life of Love- a Life with God- in God- and for God! St. Joseph, pray for us! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us! Keep to the J.O.Y.S

St. Joseph Church in Olney would like to invite everyone to the 2021 St. Joseph Smorgasbord and Bazaar OUTDOOR event on Sunday, October 17. Lunch will be served from 11 AM to 2:30 PM. Adults: \$10, Children (8 and under): \$5. Lunch includes pork burgers, brats, hot dogs, chicken and noodles, baked beans, coleslaw, cakes, pies and more! Outdoor seating, live music, and games. Drive-Thru/Pickup meals available on the west side of the MPR. Bazaar includes Bingo, Chance Stand, Cake Stand, and Country Store. Raffles drawn at 1:30 PM. All are welcome for food, fun, and friendship! Help is needed to make this year another success. Please contact Samantha Brazil to volunteer: (618) 816-2544 or sam.k.brazil@gmail.com

Please review the workers list posted at the church doors. If your name is not listed or if you would like to fill an empty spot, call Samantha.

Please complete the donation form for pies and cakes, etc. included in this week's bulletin. Mark what you would like to bring and return by Sunday, October 10. Monetary donations are always appreciated.

Country Store: Many items are needed for the Country Store. These include canned produce, baked goods, cookies, bread, sweet rolls, etc. Call Mischelle Doll (395-6263) with any questions.

Cake Stand: We will need many varieties of cakes! Example: Bundt cakes, cupcakes, decorated fun cakes and more. Please put these cakes on/in disposable containers.

Chance Stand: A variety of items are needed. Consider combining efforts with a friend or family member! Value of item(s) should be \$35+. Any new item with this value can be placed in this stand. Items do not have to be in a basket, but they must be secure as our stand will be outside this year. Please contact Lisa Anderson (618-838-2423) or Brianne Kuentler (618-699-9610) with any questions or to drop off items for the stand.

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.

Quilt Raffle Tickets: You may put sold raffle tickets in an envelope marked 'Quilt Raffle' and place them in the collection.

The Annual October Count of Mass attendance and Holy Communion reception will be done at all weekend Masses during the month of October.

Deepest sympathy to the family of Fremont "Red" Walker. May he rest in the peace of God's love.

~ Welcome New Members to Our Parish ~

Todd and Anita Bell family
Derek and Gina Lynn family

Join the NEWLY formed Ladies Group at St. Lawrence. A 5-week book study will begin October 14 at 6:30 PM with the book *The Four Teresas - These FOUR Teresas-* and friends of God will help you become, as they were, expert in living out Christ's perfect law of love. The sessions will be held in the Parish Hall and the cost of the book is \$15. Contact the St. Lawrence parish office to register.

The Queen of Heaven Study: Mary's Battle for You will be an 8-week study at St. Lawrence. The session will begin October 12 at 7:00 PM at the Parish Hall and the cost of the workbook is \$25. Contact the St. Lawrence parish office to register. Open to anyone to participate.

Come and Join the Ladies Group- Walking with Purpose Program -Keeping in Balance Bible study. It is a 22-week session, where we'll explore Biblical ideas for managing life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness. The group meets on Wednesday at Holy Cross Parish Hall at 5:30PM and the book cost is \$40. Contact Kristy Sandschafer or Caroline Trimble to join.

St. Andrew Dinner: Bishop McGovern and the Vocations Office staff cordially invite young men of high school or college age to attend the next St. Andrew Dinner on Sunday, October 17, 5 PM at Immaculate Conception parish in Columbia. The evening presents a unique opportunity to pray with the bishop, share a meal, and to ask him questions about priesthood in a relaxed setting. Parents are invited to attend as well. Please contact the Vocation Director, Father Steven Beatty, to learn more and to sign up! He can be reached at frstevenbeatty@gmail.com or 618.697.2632.

Our Diocesan Chapter for Catholic Relief Services invites you to take a few chances on a Handstitched Quilt Raffle for Covid and Hunger

Relief. Covid has led to 130 million new people falling into poverty this year in our world. Through our Catholic Relief Services, the US Catholic Church continues to respond to vulnerable communities in 110 countries. Will you be a sign of hope for those now in desperate situations? Please mail your check made out to "Catholic Relief Services" with your name and phone number to: St. Rose Catholic Church, 18010 St. Rose Road, St. Rose, Il. 62230 by October 25. The beautiful 108 X 108-inch Quilt will be raffled on October 30. (Every \$5 will receive a raffle entry, and every \$20 will receive five entries.) All raffle sales will be donated to CRS.

*Genesis 2:18-24. Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6.
Hebrews 2:9-11. Mark 10:2-16.*

Making, Testing, and Deciding. There are at least three take-aways from the readings today. In the making of man and woman in this second creation story, God builds them up from the same stuff. In the first creation story, read during the Easter Vigil, they are made into God's own image and likeness (Genesis 1:27). Made as equals. In the testing of Jesus, the Pharisees try to trip him up with legal loopholes. Jesus does not play that game. In deciding who belongs to the Kingdom of God, it is Jesus and not his handlers who choose. Children are important. So is everyone else.

- * How will I foster the equality of both women and men?
- * How will I avoid loopholes and, instead, tell the truth?
- * Just like Jesus, how will I treat everyone the same as equal members of God's Kingdom?

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~
Thursday, October 14: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.
Thursday, October 21: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30 PM.
Sunday October 31: K of C led Rosary, 7:40 AM, St. Joseph-Olney. 4th Degree volunteer Mass ministry at 8 AM Mass followed by fellowship breakfast.

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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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