

Sunday, October 23, 2022
30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

† *Eucharistic Celebrations* †

Mon. Oct. 24	6:30 PM	(at Stringtown)
Tue. Oct. 25	5:00 PM	(at Lawrenceville)
Wed. Oct. 26	8:05 am	Patricia Gassmann
Thu. Oct. 27	6:30 PM	(at Wendelin)
Fri. Oct. 28	No Mass	
Sat. Oct. 29	4:00 PM	(at Wendelin)
	5:00 PM	James Mark Weiler; Florence & Doug Michels
Sun. Oct. 30	8:00 am	Raymond, Marsclene & Cody Nix
	8:00 am	(at Stringtown)
	10:00 am	(at Wendelin)
	10:00 am	(at Lawrenceville)

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OUR TITHES FOR OCTOBER 16

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$9,401 (92) Loose: \$161
Guatemala: \$295 (6) Retired Priests: \$20 (1)

~ **Kudos** ~

◆ To newly baptized *Diezel Mack Steele*, child of Hassan and Jenna (Kramer) Steele.

*** AROUND OUR PARISHES ***

Sunday, October 23

- **8 AM, Children's Liturgy.**
- 8 AM – 10 AM, CYM Breakfast at the St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center.

Monday, October 24

- 7 PM, Finance Council at St. Joseph-Stringtown.

Wednesday, October 26

- **Rosary, after Mass.**

- **3 PM, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.**

Saturday, October 29

- **Trunk or Treat in the circle drive, 6 PM-8PM.**

Sunday, October 30

- Trunk or Treat at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Monday, October 31

- 6:30 PM, All Saints Vigil Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown
- 6:30 PM All Saints Vigil Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Tuesday, November 1

- **8 AM, All Saints Day School Mass at St. Joseph-Olney**
- 5 PM, All Saints Day Mass at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, November 2

- **8 AM, All Souls Day Mass at St. Joseph-Olney**
- 8 AM, All Souls Day Mass at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Thursday, November 3

- 7:15 PM, Finance Council Meeting at Holy Cross-Wendelin

 **St. Joseph School Notes** 

Wednesday, October 26

- School Mass, 8:05 AM (1st- Cowman).

Friday, October 28

- Courtyard band concert, 2:30 PM. Join us!

Tuesday, November 1

- School Mass, 8:05 AM, All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation.

Sunday, November 6

- We will recognize all fall student athletes (any school - any grade) followed by a Boosters breakfast in the cafeteria.

Congratulations to our cross-country teams! Our boys' team placed 2nd in State and our girls' team placed 4th! Thanks to our coaches, Kate Patterson and Michael McKinney.

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

October 10: Janice Pampe (#117)
October 11: Joan Dunn (#286)
October 12: Stephanie Geiger (#460)
October 13: Garai Doll (#158)
October 14: Jared Cummins (#795)

Let Us Pray For: Janet David, Elizabeth and Frank Ginder; Loren Ginder; Justin, Ember, Olivia Faith and Sophia Hope Kabbes; Darrell Kuhl, Garry Maris, Cathy McDowell, Emery and Julie Oesch, Debbie Rauch, Kay Rowark, Lynden Spieth, Eleanor Steber, Brenda Summers, Jim Wattles, Camden Weston, Clara Wilson, Ed and Mary Jo Zuber, and Jim Zwilling.

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.

FROM FR. MARK:

This week the church celebrates the Feast of St. Simon and Jude. We know so much about Matthew, Mark, Luke and John even more the son of thunder. But St. Jude and St. Simon?

St. Jude Thaddeus and St. Simon, two of the least known Apostles, are paradoxically among the closest to their Master, two of his cousins. At least, the tradition is quite certain of it as regards Jude Thaddeus, since it is clear from the Scriptures that his father, Alpheus, was the brother of St. Joseph, while his mother, Mary Cleophas, was a cousin of the Virgin. As for Simon, things are shrouded in fog.

The Gospel names St. Simon as the tenth apostle, just before Jude Thaddeus. Many identify in Simon the homonymous cousin of Christ, brother of James the Younger. The Byzantines identify in him Nathanael of Cana and the canteen director at the wedding of Cana, while St. Fortunatus of Poitiers states that Simon and Jude Thaddeus were buried in Suanir, a city in Persia, where they suffered martyrdom. According to tradition, it is almost certainly in this part of the world that Simon, known as the Zealot or the Canaanite, as the evangelists Matthew and Mark call him, crossed paths with Jude Thaddeus, who would be his companion in mission until the end.

When the Eleven dispersed from Jerusalem to proclaim the Kingdom of God in other lands, Jude Thaddeus departed from Galilee and Samaria to go into Syria, Armenia and ancient Persia. In this area, authoritative sources claim, he met Simon, and their missionary partnership won tens of thousands of Babylonians and people from other cities for Christ. As always, the Gospel earned for itself both followers and enemies: for the two Apostles, the hour of supreme witness eventually arrived.

Arrested and taken to the Temple of the Sun, the sentence imposed on both was to worship the goddess Diana, and so to deny Christ. In refusing, it is said that Jude Thaddeus declared pagan idols false, and that at the same time two horrible demons came out of the temple, destroying him. Frightened, the people watching the scene are said to have pounced ferociously on the two Apostles, who are brutally killed. Their relics are kept in the Basilica of Saint Peter.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners

+ **J.O.Y.S.**+

Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'

We have a powerful and mighty God who always provides and offers us a way back to Him. The Sacraments provide the first path to restoration to his loving and merciful heart. Jesus appeared to St. Faustina and revealed his Divine Mercy. This mercy is being extended to every one of us. Do you ask for God's mercy? Do you offer mercy to others? These words are taken from The Diary of St. Faustina Divine Mercy in My Soul, *Let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy. It is a sign for the end times; after it will come the day of justice. Diary #848* Let us seek God's mercy – a mercy that is overflowing- an ocean of mercy! Let the waves of mercy replenish and awaken your soul. *He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice...* Diary #1146 Let the song of your heart and soul be, "O God, be merciful to me a sinner." Live a Life of Love seeking God's Mercy! Keep to the J.O.Y.S.

Thank you to everyone for helping make the 2022 Smorgasbord a smashing success! We couldn't have done it without all of the extra hands, donated items, and smiling faces both on Sunday and in the weeks leading up to the event. The Parish is looking for volunteers to take over the Smorgasbord next year. If you are interested in sitting on the Smorgasbord committee, please contact the Parish Office. We need volunteers for next year to make the Smorgasbord a successful continued tradition!

- Elliot & Samantha Brazil

Congratulations to the Raffle Winners:

- \$5,000-** Katelyn Bookhout
- \$1,000-** Jim Blumthal
- \$500-** Brad Doll, Hillary Schweis
- \$250-** Sarah Frye, Mike Seiler, Deb Garrett, Theresa Laley
- \$100-** Ed Beyers, Ruth Coleman, Karen Scherer & Sandy Kocher, Chuck Brewer, Brian Hinterscher, Ed Beyers, Taylor Boswell, Ed Beyers, Jim Blumthal, Heather Colwell
- \$50-** Olney Rural King, Janice Zwilling, Alan Zuber, Cheryl Dill, Matt Tompson, Janet Jones, Ron & Eleanor Steber, Renee Middleton, Chance Bonner, Ed Beyers, Chester & Kim Kocher, LeAnn Zollars, Adam Weidner, Steve Mann, Ted Eagleson Jr., Tom Herring, Lindsey Schmucker, Galen & Betty Slover, Gretchen Schmoker, Giuseppe Trupiano
- Quilt Raffle Winners:** Quilt- Daniel & Karen Kocher, Painting- Lisa (Ben) Weiler, Casserole Carrier- Roger Waters, Wall Hanging- Trish Bookhout; Pillow Cases- Carol Kistler, Crocheted Throw- Sydni Sorenson
- 2022 Chance Stand winners:** Jean Steber, Teresa Hinterscher (2), Elizabeth Amerman, Suzanne M. Zuber, Linda Kocher, Morgan Fehrenbacher, Evie Potter, Pam Woodrow, Carrie Hallam, Tristyn DeMaire, Jeremiah Fleming, Melissa Beal, Kristen Kesler, Julia Ping, Jill Eagleson, Sara Woodrow, Mike Doll, Allyson Padilla, Hannah Woodcock, Katelyn Bookhout, Kenna Steber, Dylan Woodrow, Marie Beal, Jackie Reppert, Jack Lee

Thank you to those who donated items and purchased tickets for the Chance Stand this year. Your support was appreciated!

- Lisa Anderson

Meals for Moms would like to welcome Vivian Mae Kuenstler, daughter of Jonathan and Brianne (Anderson) Kuenstler, born on October 11, 2022.

The Stringtown Community Club will host a Soup Supper on Sunday, November 6 at the St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, serving from 4PM to 6PM. There is a full meal deal for \$8, which consists of soup, sandwich, dessert and drink. Items can also be purchased separately. Menu consists of: Chili & vegetable beef soup with free refills, hot dog or grilled cheese, pie, tea and coffee. We will also have a cake walk and 50/50 drawing.

Young Adult Catholics Gathering: Bishop Michael McGovern invites Young Adult Catholics (ages 18-35) to join him for an afternoon of prayer at the Poor Clare Monastery in Belleville on Sunday, October 30. We will meet at 3 PM for Adoration, the Rosary, and Benediction, with fellowship to follow. Please RSVP by October 26 to Judy Hoffmann at: jhoffmann@diobelle.org or call (618) 722-5003. The Poor Clare Monastery Chapel is located at 300 N. 60th Street, Belleville, IL.

~ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS** ~

Sunday, October 30: K of C Volunteer Mass Ministry, St. Joseph-Olney 8 AM Mass. There is a Fellowship breakfast to follow at HV's. Join the K of C led Rosary at 7:40 AM.

Wednesday, November 9: Mass for Deceased Members, 7 PM at St. Joseph-Olney. Refreshments after the Mass in the multi-purpose room. In Memory of 4th Degree member Mark Weiler and 3rd Degree members Gerald Blank and George Ochs.

Kudos to Soccer Kick qualifier winners to the Regional at Sister City Park in Charleston on Saturday, October 29, 1PM: Belle Graves, Will Volk, Judah Dicks, Lauren French, Luke Slagley, Nora McClain, Addison McLaughlin, Ian Kocher, and Emma Hefferman.

Knight of the Month: Tony Kuenstler- First time Tootsie Roll Volunteer.

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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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