

Sunday, April 3, 2022
5th Sunday of Lent

✠ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✠

Mon. April 4 6:30 PM (at Stringtown)
Tue. April 5 5:00 PM (at Lawrenceville)
**Wed. April 6 8:05 am Lesko Family;
Brenda Kocher**
Thu. April 7 6:30 PM (at Wendelin)
Sat. April 9 4:00 PM (at Wendelin)
**5:00 PM Living & Deceased
Dan & Helen Steber
family;
Linda Gumble;
Catherine L.
Zwilling**
**Sun. April 10 8:00 am James & Janette
Blevins;
Patricia Gassmann**
8:00 am (at Stringtown)
10:00 am (at Wendelin)
10:00 am (at Lawrenceville)

OUR MONTHLY SPONSORS

Bulletins: Garai Doll
Missalettes: A Parishioner

OUR TITHES FOR MARCH 27

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$7,002 (91) Loose: \$158
Guatemala: \$95 (3)
Catholic Relief Services: \$470 (15)

~ **Kudos** ~

* To newly married Jillian Schnepfer and
Blake Peavler.

*** AROUND OUR PARISHES ***

Sunday, April 3

- 11 AM, Synod Discussion at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Monday, April 4

- 6:30 PM, Mass and Lenten Book Discussion (Chapter 5) at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, April 5

- 5 PM, Mass and Lenten Book Discussion (Chapter 5) at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, April 6

- **Rosary, after Mass**
- **9 AM, Lenten Book Discussion (Chapter 5)**
- **3 PM, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.**
- 6:30 PM, In-Person PSR Class at Holy Cross-Wendelin
- **7 PM, Cemetery Committee meeting**

Thursday, April 7

- 6:30 PM, Mass and Lenten Book Discussion (Conclusion) at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, April 8

- **12 PM (Noon), Finance Council**
- **2 PM, Living Stations of the Cross**
- 6:30 PM, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Monday, April 11

- 6:30 PM, Mass and Lenten Book Discussion (Chapter 6/Conclusion) at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, April 12

- 11:30 AM Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter-Belleville
- Lenten Book Discussion (Conclusion) at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, April 13

- **Rosary, after Mass**
- **9 AM, Lenten Book Discussion (Chapter 6/Conclusion) at St. Joseph-Olney**
- **3 PM, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.**

Thursday, April 14 - HOLY THURSDAY

- 7 PM, Mass of the Lord's Supper, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (until 10 PM) at St. Joseph-Olney and St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville.

Friday, April 15 - GOOD FRIDAY

- 3 PM, Living Stations of the Cross at Holy Cross-Wendelin

- 7 PM, Reading of the Passion, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville and St. Joseph-Olney

Saturday, April 16 - HOLY SATURDAY

- 7:30 PM, Easter Vigil Mass at St. Joseph-Olney and St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Sunday, April 17 - EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

- 8 AM Easter Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown and St. Joseph-Olney
- 10 AM, Easter Mass at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville and Holy Cross-Wendelin

 **St. Joseph School Notes** 

Wednesday, April 6

- School Mass, 8:05 AM (8th).

Friday, April 8

- Living Stations of the Cross, 2 PM, in the church - presented by 8th graders. Attending: grades 1, 3, 5, and 7.
- Join the school staff at the Knight of Columbus Fish Fry at the community building!

Saturday, April 9

- Enrollment Egg Hunt for birth - kindergarten students. 9:30 AM- 10 AM, cookies and pictures with the Easter Bunny in the cafeteria; 10 AM, egg hunt in the grassy lot across from the gymnasium.

Thursday, April 14

- K-4 Spring Program, 1 PM, in the gymnasium.
- Early Dismissal, 1:50 PM.

Friday, April 15 - Monday, April 18

- No School - Easter Break

The school currently has 18 students approved for Empower IL scholarships. A donation to empower provides the donor with a 75% tax credit on IL income taxes. We need \$5,000 more to cover all of our approved children. So far, we've raised \$35,000. For more information, go to <https://empowerillinois.org/donate/>

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

March 21: Marie Beal (#393)
March 22: Anne Crites (#415)
March 23: Brett Judkins (#370)
March 24: Karen Hahn (#165)
March 25: Kerry Mart (#053)

Let Us Pray For: Willy Deimel, Mike Dowty, Elizabeth and Frank Ginder, Ember and Justin Kabbes and baby girls, Ron Kilpatrick, Darrell Kuhl, Garry Maris, Cathy McDowell, Kay Rowark, Brenda Summers, Rose (Blank) Wilkinson, Clara Wilson, Emma Riggs Winslow and Ed Zuber.

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

Go and from now on do not sin anymore. What fitting words during Lent to read, and to meditate upon. We are not stuck in our sinfulness -*unless we choose* - and we are given the assurance that there is *More-* a *More- than offers peace, love, and joy!* If you avoid certain people- judge- exclude- do petty things like refuse to speak or smile at others -there is still time in this Lenten season to leave these sins of malice - pride - anger - at the foot of the cross! Have you been to confession? Are you living in a state of grace? Make plans to receive this Healing Sacrament in the Lenten season-*and from now on do not sin anymore!* Live a Life that shows the Love of God to everyone- not just those in your circle! May our Lady of Fatima intercede for us all! Keep to the J.O.Y.S

Volunteer Now! Lectors, EMHCs, servers, ushers, greeters and gift bearers are needed for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. Sign-up sheet is in the church vestibule.

Easter Flower Memorials: Please use the envelope labeled 'Easter Flower Offering' included in your envelope packet. You may turn in any amount of money you wish, and then the flowers will be purchased to decorate our church. On the reverse side of the envelope, please print clearly the name of the person the memorial is for. For married couples, please list the names together on the same line (for example: John & Jane Doe). A list of the memorials will be published later.

Attention Liturgical Ministers: The deadline is Sunday, April 10 to make any changes for the May and June schedule. Please call the Parish Office (392-8181) or send an email, to report any dates you do not wish to be scheduled, or to have your name added or removed from the upcoming schedule. We still need your help! Please prayerfully consider assisting at Mass in the various ministries. We will offer training, if needed.

Seminarian Ben Baker: Let's shower our Seminarian Ben Baker from St. Joseph's Olney with Birthday and Easter greetings by sending him a card letting him know he is in our thoughts and prayers. His birthday is Friday, April 15 and Easter is April 17. His address is: Ben Baker, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary, 5200 Glennon Drive, St. Louis, MO 63119.

Thank you to everyone for the donations to St. Joseph Church-Olney in the memory of Mary Ann Kuenstler.

From the Family Life Center in Effingham: Thank you for your support! Your youth group knocked it out of the park Saturday at our fundraiser breakfast! You should be very proud of the strong work ethic of those kids!! We are excited to bring a Family Life Center and Silk Purse to the Newton community!

The Ministry of Presiding at Prayer for Deacons and Lay Leaders is a seminar of two study days on May 13-14 (The location is to be determined) followed by a one-day practicum for competency in presiding at prayer. The seminar includes teaching and demonstration of the skills of effective presiding, deepening the understanding of theological and liturgical issues and exploring the rite, Sunday Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest, at which lay leaders and deacons preside. Contact Fr. Mark for more information and registration package.

*Isaiah 43:16-21. Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6.
Philippians 3:8-14. John 8:1-11.*

Reflecting on Shameful Acts. She is caught in adultery. They drag her before Jesus and the crowd, more to trip him up than mete out the law. What does Jesus do? He asks, who is without sin? A great Lenten question.

- * What stone will I put down and not pound against someone else?
- * What sin will I admit and find a way to resolve it?
- * Because of God's mercy to me, what mercy work will I do for another?

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

Good luck to the State Spelling Bee St. Joseph School participants this weekend: Owen Kocher, Dee McKinney and Josh Ochs!

Friday, April 8: Last Fish Fry Night to benefit St. Joseph School! Serving from 5 PM to 7PM at the Olney City Park Community Building. Thanks for all your support this year!

Tuesday, April 12: Last day for donations in the Baby Crib. Thank you for your support for WIC!

Wednesday, April 13: 3rd Degree meeting (changed due to Holy Thursday) 7 PM.

Wednesday, April 13: Deadline for K of C \$250 Senior Scholarships. 3PM Church Office or mail to K of C, P.O. Box 172 Olney, Il. 62450. Scholarship applications are at the back of church.

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208 South Elliott St.
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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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Stuckey, Matthew Zuber

~ 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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