

ST. JOSEPH - OLNEY

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

April 13, 2025

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**Ash Wednesday, March 5
to Holy Thursday, April 17 with
the Mass of the Lord's Supper**

LENT

Fasting & Abstinence

1. *Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent.*
2. *Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is also bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.*
3. *On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. The other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but altogether they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed.*
4. *When health or ability to work is seriously affected, the obligation of the law is modified. Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. Because Lent is a special season for all Christians, we should not lightly excuse ourselves from these penitential practices.*

Ash Wednesday (March 5) Mass and Distribution of Ashes

8:00 am at St. Joseph-Olney & St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

6:30 pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin & St. Joseph-Stringtown

Stations of the Cross- Friday evening 6:30pm

March

7, 14, 21, 28: St. Joseph-Stringtown, St. Joseph-Olney & St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

7, 21, 28: Holy Cross-Wendelin

April

4 & 11: St. Joseph-Stringtown, Holy Cross-Wendelin & St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Living Stations led by 8th graders-2:30 pm

April- Friday afternoon

4 & 11: St. Joseph-Olney

Penance Service

Sunday, March 23 2:00 pm St. Joseph-Olney

Friday Night Fish Fry's

Olney City Park Community Building 5:00 pm-7:00 pm

March 7, 14, 21, 28 April 4, 11 [proceeds benefit various organizations weekly]

Newton Knights of Columbus- Newton KC Hall 4:30 pm-7:00 pm

March 14 [proceeds benefit Holy Cross Parish & Rebuild Project]

Holy Week is the most significant week in Catholicism. Spanning from Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday, it marks the final stretch before Easter Sunday, the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection. During this sacred week Catholics pray and reflect on the profound journey of Jesus' suffering, sacrifice, and victory over death.



Palm Sunday

Saturday

4:00 pm Holy Cross-Wendelin

5:00 pm St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday

8:00 am St. Joseph-Olney

8:00 am St. Joseph-Stringtown

10:00 am Holy Cross-Wendelin

10:00 am St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Holy Thursday-*Mass of the Lord's Supper*

7:00 pm Thursday, April 17 St. Joseph-Stringtown & St. Joseph-Olney

Good Friday-*Good Friday of the Lord's Passion*

3:00 pm Stations of the Cross led by CYM, Friday, April 18 Holy Cross-Wendelin

7:00 pm Friday, April 18 St. Joseph-Stringtown & St. Joseph-Olney

Holy Saturday- *Easter Vigil Mass*

8:00 pm Saturday, April 19 St. Joseph-Stringtown & St. Joseph-Olney

Easter Sunday

8:00 am St. Joseph-Olney

8:00 am St. Joseph-Stringtown

10:00 am Holy Cross-Wendelin

10:00 am St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Blessings in a Bag List

Lip Balm

Lotion (travel size only)

Hand Wipes (travel size only)

Regular tooth brush, toothpaste

Band aids

Apple sauce (snack size)

Pudding cups

Trail mix/snack crackers/tuna& crackers/ peanut butter & cracker packs

Fruit snacks or dried fruit

Sugar free gum or mints

Gift cards (local fast food \$5 - \$10)

Socks (men, women or children's)

Nail file boards

Deodorant

Comb or brush

Kleenexes (pocket size)

Pens & notepads



Pray for those Preparing for Sacraments

| O.C.I.A. | Confirmation | First Eucharist |
|---|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| David Abell | Andrew Lambird Bennett Padilla | Adalyn Fitch Aliza Sterchi |
| Jennifer Deimel | Bryer Holtschlag Carly Kessler | Amyah Amerman Emmalee Amerman |
| Lauren Tibbs | Clara Weidner | Arthur Huddlestun Luke Huddlestun |
| Lindsey Kapper | Easton Ochs | Matthew Huddlestun Nora Levitt |
| Alysa Botkin | Elle Bare Gabriel Volk | Carly Nettleton Liam Kennedy |
| Jordan Jones | Grayson Sterchi Hope Zuber | Gracie Lynn Elliott Dobbs |
| Emily Kessler | Ian Kocher Kinely Workman | Haven Hemrich Ethan Kocher |
| Everett Bissy Pamela Mix-Bissy | Knox Dorn Kooper Kuhn | Evan Jennings Bentley Knickey |
| Trevor Stevens Tracy Stevens | Levi Rudolphi Mattux Hart | Karter Fuson Neil Morris |
| Ryan Lewis Ashley Lewis | Nathaniel Zwilling Nora McClain | Hunter Hall Nora Volk |
|  | Pipe Mann Nora Street | Pierce White Quinn Sager |
| | Opal Ridgely Maddie Abell | Raylon Cowman Rose Beyers |
| | Allyson Helregel Boston Lewis | Rudy Fehrenbacher Paislee Steber |
| | | Tate Smithenry Jack Baker |
| | | Todd Seiler Vance Miller |

Tri-Parish Survey Results

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Holy Cross – 56 surveys collected

Interest was indicated in the following areas:

Pastoral Council 13 people
Finance Council 8 people
Choir Members 18 people
Home Bound Ministry 5 people
Faith Formation Group 26 people
Funeral Dinners 24 people
OCIA Team Members 4 people
Adoration 26 people
CYM Team Members 8 people
Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry 2 people

St. Joseph Olney – 60 surveys collected

Interest was indicated in the following areas:

Pastoral Council 12 people
Finance Council 7 people
Choir Members 20 people
Home Bound Ministry 6 people
Faith Formation Group 24 people
Funeral Dinners 33 people
OCIA Team Members 7 people
Adoration 12 people
CYM Team Members 5 people
Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry 4 people

St. Joseph Stringtown – 39 surveys collected

Interest was indicated in the following areas:

Pastoral Council 12 people
Finance Council 8 people
Choir Members 18 people
Home Bound Ministry 7 people
Faith Formation Group 9 people
Funeral Dinners 17 people
OCIA Team Members 2 people
Adoration 9 people
CYM Team Members 6 people
Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry 8 people

*In the Easter season NEW ministries, worship opportunities
and ways to serve within your parish will be coming.*



PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE

Stringtown Picnic

SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025

11 AM - 6 PM

RAFFLES, BASKET PULL, BINGO, KIDS GAMES, INFLATABLES, BEER GARDEN,
LIVE BANDS, ICE CREAM, PORKBURGERS, BRATS, & MUCH MORE!!!
(RAFFLE DRAWINGS AT 6 PM. FOOD STAND, BEER GARDEN, & ENTERTAINMENT 11-7 PM)

ALL YOU CAN EAT SMORGASBORD

BEEF, HAM, HOMEMADE NOODLES, & MUCH MORE! (CARRYOUT AVAILABLE)

11 AM - 2 PM

ADULTS: \$13 KIDS (5-10): \$5 KIDS (4 & UNDER): FREE

Stringtown Parish Center

6342 N. STRINGTOWN RD., OLNEY, IL 63450

GPS - 6342 COUNTY RD 1700 E



Saints, Eucharist and the Catholic Faith



*Stringtown Study
The Four Terezas*

**TUESDAY
ST. JOSEPH
STRINGTOWN
10:00AM**

*Sisters in Christ
The Devil in the Castle*

**WEDNESDAY
HOLY CROSS
5:30 PM**

OCIA
*Order of Christian
Initiation of Adults*

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE
CATHOLIC CHURCH OR JUST
WANT MORE INFORMATION?

WE ARE ALWAYS EXCITED TO
WELCOME NEW
MEMBERS/FAMILIES.

MEETINGS WILL BE
STARTING SOON.

CONTACT
FR. STEVEN OR CAROLINE
FOR MORE INFORMATION.



*Olney Study
The Eucharist*

**WEDNESDAY
ST. JOSEPH OLNEY
9:15 AM & 7:00 PM**

*Brother's in Christ
Into the Breach*

**THURSDAY
HOLY CROSS
7:00PM**