

Sunday, May 15, 2022
5th Sunday of Easter

✠ Eucharistic Celebrations ✠

Mon. May 16 6:30 PM (at Stringtown)
Tue. May 17 No Mass
Wed. May 18 8:15 am For the Graduates
Thu. May 19 6:30 PM (at Wendelin)
Sat. May 21 4:00 PM (at Wendelin)
5:00 PM Mary Sheridan;
Msgr. Vincent
Haselhorst
Sun. May 22 8:00 am Dr. Gary Street;
Rita Hann
8:00 am (at Stringtown)
10:00 am (at Wendelin)
10:00 am (at Lawrenceville)

OUR MONTHLY SPONSORS

Bulletins: Dan Kuenstler family
Missalettes: Edward Jones – Leon Stallard

OUR TITHES FOR MAY 8

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$5,207.50 (73) Loose: \$311
Guatemala: \$161 (8)

~ Kudos ~

◆ To newly baptized *Lyla Jean Jensen*, child of Erik and Hannah (Harrison) Jensen.

* AROUND OUR PARISHES *

Monday, May 16

- 7 PM, School Board Meeting

Tuesday, May 17

- 9 AM, Clergy Day in Mt. Vernon, Illinois
- 12 PM (Noon) Personnel Board Meeting in Mt. Vernon, Illinois

Wednesday, May 18

- 8:15 AM, Graduation Mass
- Rosary, after Mass
- 3 PM, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.

- 6:30 PM, Graduation Ceremony

Sunday, May 22

- 11 AM, Baptism at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Wednesday, May 25

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

Thursday, May 26

- 2 PM–6 PM, Blood Drive in the multi-purpose room. Appointments are needed. Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS. The American Red Cross is testing all donations for COVID-19 antibodies for a limited time. Free gift when you give blood: Get an awesome 20 oz. Red Cross aluminum water bottle you can customize with a limited-edition sticker set, while supplies last.
- 7:15 PM, Finance/Management meeting at Holy Cross-Wendelin

🔔 St. Joseph School Notes 🔔

Saturday, May 14/ Sunday, May 15

- 8th graders will have science fair boards set up for public viewing in the MPR. Several students will be present after the 5 PM mass to talk to parishioners about their projects. Boards will still be there after Sunday's mass, but students will not be present.

Monday, May 16

- Fundraising meeting, 6 PM, in the MPR.

Wednesday, May 18

- Graduation Mass, 8:15 AM.
- Graduation ceremony, 7 PM, in the courtyard

Friday, May 20

- Preschool promotion ceremony, 11 AM, in the church.

Monday, May 23

- Last day of attendance for K-7 students - Field Day activities - Dismissal 11 AM - no lunch or 11 AM bus service.

* Summer School Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays 8:30 AM - 3 PM unless otherwise posted. * Please call ahead.

* We will continue our Scrip Program through the summer. Orders due Monday by 9 AM and pick up on Thursdays Noon - 3 PM.

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

May 2: Amy Eubank (#597)
May 3: Carrie Hallam (#102)
May 4: Garrett Lathrop (#291)
May 5: Julia Lawrence (#440)
May 6: Lori Uhl (#129)

Let Us Pray For: Willy Deimel, Mike Dowty, Elizabeth and Frank Ginder, Ember and Justin Kabbes and baby girls, Darrell Kuhl, Garry Maris, Cathy McDowell, Emery and Julie Oesch, 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.

FROM FR. MARK: Our area schools and St. Joseph Catholic School-Olney have been gathering to celebrate the many blessings and the wonderful achievements of our students. **CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL.** With no slight to our public schools, I want to turn my attention to St. Joseph Catholic School. Our School remains committed to the challenge of educating young people to be fearless leaders of change, developing excellence, confidence, and connection to their individual purpose. To inspire hearts minds and spirits.

The creation of an effective learning environment is not done easily. It is built on the back of many hours of hard work by staff,

parents, and students. I would like to thank all our parents who have been incredibly supportive and who always go that extra mile to support their children. Your positive support is greatly valued and very much appreciated. I also offer appreciation to all other parishioners who volunteered at any one of the events that took place over the last year or offered support in any way they could. Thank you!

Of course, the hard work to achieve results must be done by the students themselves, but I am extremely grateful for the dedication and hard work of the teaching staff. It is a common occurrence to see members of staff engrossed in extra lessons or activities around the school. It would be easy to forget that so much of this time is willingly given above the demands of full teaching timetables. Time that is freely given to enable the student to grasp the concept, or practice another question.

I wish all our Eighth grade graduates every success in the future and sincerely thank them for their contribution to St. Joseph Catholic School. Finally, I wish all our families all the very best for the summer, I look forward to seeing you in church on the weekends until I see you again walking the school hallways relaxed and refreshed for what promises to be an enjoyable and productive year in 2022-23.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
+ J.O.Y.S.+

Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Here is a simple question to ask and ponder: *If you woke up today with the things you were grateful for yesterday, who or what would be there?* This month offers so many extra moments to show our gratitude and love for one another. We honor Mothers, Graduates, Birthdays, Anniversaries, and numerous other moments. These moments are often filled with the people we love and cherish

with sharing of food, bursts of laughter, and love filling the air. *How grateful are you for these moments? People? God?*

We are graced with this moment- *this present moment*- but we are not promised tomorrow. Embrace the moments and live a life of love with *your words, thoughts, actions, and prayers*. A life of love is a life that is of God and with God. *If you woke up today with the things you were grateful for yesterday, who or what would be there?* Be Grateful! Be Blessed! Love one another! Pray for one another! And Keep to the J.O.Y.S

May is the month for our annual St. Joseph Cemetery fund collection. Please consider giving to help with mowing expenses and general maintenance. You can give in the envelope provided with the May packet or put your contribution in an envelope marked "Cemetery Fund". **Please write out your check to "St. Joseph Cemetery Fund"**. We appreciate your help in making sure our cemetery remains one of the best kept in the area.

Graduation List: The list of 2022 graduates will include graduates from St. Joseph Preschool, 8th grade, high school and colleges. We have the names of preschoolers, St. Joseph School 8th graders and high school seniors in our files, so you do not need to notify us of their names. However, graduates from any other schools and all college graduates (including OCC) must notify us in order to be included on this list. Please write down the name of the graduate and the school; and mail, email, or bring to the Parish Office. Please no phone calls. **The deadline to turn in names is Wednesday, May 18.** The insert will

be included in our May 21 and 22 bulletin, and we will recognize our graduates at all the masses on May 21 and 22.

Deepest sympathy to the family of Dorothy R. Kuhl. May she rest in the peace of God's love.

Next weekend our parish will participate in the Seminarian Education Collection. Our diocese is currently blessed with seven (7) seminarians and we are asking for your help in meeting the needs of their formation. The cost for tuition, books, room and board and other expenses is over \$48,000 per year for each seminarian. Please join these young men on their journey to the priesthood. Your contribution to the Seminarian Education Collection is truly an investment in our faith and the life of the Church here in southern Illinois. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

*Acts 14:21-27. Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13.
Revelation 21:1-5a. John 13:31-33a, 34-35.*

Loving One Another. The gospel today is short and sweet. Glorify God – Jesus does it first and implies we should, too. Love one another – a direct comma to each one of us. These are disciple activities. These are essentials for our way of life.

* How will my words and actions glorify God today?

* Whom will I love – even someone who makes it hard for me to do so?

* How will this glorifying God and loving others change me for the better?

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~
Thursday, May 19: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM.
Sunday, May 29: K of C Mass Ministry, 8AM, St. Joseph-Olney. K of C led Rosary before Mass.

St. Joseph Church
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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~ 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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