

Sunday, July 16, 2023
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

† *Eucharistic Celebrations* †

Mon. July 17 6:30 PM (at Stringtown)
Tue. July 18 5:00 PM (at Lawrenceville)
Wed. July 19 8:00 am Special Intention
Thu. July 20 6:30 PM (at Wendelin)
Fri. July 21 8:00 am For the Parish
Sat. July 22 4:00 PM (at Wendelin)
5:00 PM Linda Gumble
Sun. July 23 8:00 am Delbert Ginder
8:00 am (at Stringtown)
10:00 am (at Wendelin)
10:00 am (at Lawrenceville)

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*** AROUND OUR PARISHES ***

Sunday, July 16

- St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Picnic. All-You-Can-Eat Smorgasbord, 11 AM - 2 PM. Food, fun and games, 11 AM - 6 PM. Entertainment all day. Raffle drawings at 6PM. Everyone is invited.

Wednesday, July 19

- **Rosary, after Mass.**
- **9:15 AM, Adult Formation - 'Why Do Catholics Do That?'** - facilitated by **Deacon Jack.**
- **3 PM, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.**

Thursday, July 27

- **2 PM – 6 PM, Blood Drive in the multi-purpose room. Appointments are needed. Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS. We are looking for volunteers to assist. Please call Stacey Steber (618) 843-6780.**

 **St. Joseph School Notes** 

* Summer Office Hours:
Monday - Thursday 9AM - 3 PM. Please call first.
There will be times we cannot be in the office (carpet cleaning, banking, etc.).

-St. Joseph School News-

Summer final registration dates:

July 17th & 18th 8:30AM – 3:00PM

July 19th 8:30AM - 12:00PM

This is required for all families who are pre-enrolled.

One Friday each month, Joe's pizza delivers lunch for the staff. If you or your business would like to sponsor a staff meal for one month of the 2023-2024 school year, please contact Carol Potter for details.

Thanks to our many school students who continue to serve the church at weekend masses.

We appreciate your commitment to our parishes. Thanks to our high school alumni also continuing ministry - we have high school students serving as lectors, ushers, and song leaders.

Looking ahead...

August 14th - Open House 4:30PM - 6:30PM all are welcome!

August 16th - First Day of School

K-8 & Opening Mass 8:15AM

August 17th & 18th - First Days for Preschoolers

August 19th - Father Jerry 5K - register now to make sure you get this year's t-shirt!

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

July 3: Marlene Steber (#155)

July 4: Brian Shan (#685)

July 5: Kevin & Ronda Lowe (#365)

July 6: Emily Schaub (#396)

July 7: Daniel Deimel (#700)

Let Us Pray For: Willy Deimel, Harold Foerster, Bob Geiger, Angela Geltz, Kenneth Hann, Sarah Kocher, Deloris Nix, Emery and Julie Oesch, Anita Shultz, Eleanor Steber, and Tony Tredway.

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
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

What type of soil represents your life? Is it rich and producing fruit or shallow and dying? You might be thinking, "How do you know if your life is fruitful or dying?" If you look at it through the lens of the world and -compare - speculate – boast - you might be pleased-satisfied- content with the view. The world wants us to feel like we are better than- because of who we think we are and what we do! We juxtapose our lives by where we vacation, our career, house, car, clothes, friends, etc...and respond to others through this lens. The lens that God wants us to see through and most importantly live our life through- is the same one he uses – *the lens of Love!* Do we Love? Really, stop here and think about that, do you Love? Do you Love that person that irritates you? Do you Love that individual that ignores you? Excludes? Gossip? Time is a precious commodity and our allotted time on this earth is not of our choosing. The type of soil we possess merits where we spend Eternity- a reminder, Eternity is Heaven or Hell! I urge you to look at your life – make the changes needed - go to Reconciliation - then begin again! Live a Life of Love - it is really that simple – then the soil of your Soul will be rich and produce fruit! *Keep to the J.O.Y.S.*

2023 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal
The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord - Psalm 15

Did you know your gift to the 2023 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal can be made online? Visit your Belleville Diocese's website at www.diobelle.org and click on "Giving". It's that simple! Every donation – large or small – is needed to continue our diocesan ministry to those in need. We are counting on YOU. Please visit www.diobelle.org today!

Fall Kids Mall of Richland County: The deadline to turn in items is Sunday, July 23. This is a ministry providing new clothing, tennis shoes, socks, underwear, toiletry items and love to the children and youth (ages Pre-K through entering 8th grade) of Richland County. This year's annual shopping days will be August 4/5. Churches are being asked for donations of new socks and underwear. In addition, you can provide financial support to FKM or be a volunteer on Shopping Day. We also ask that you pray for the FKM program to be a success and a blessing to families in our community. For more information, follow the Fall Kids Mall Facebook Page or email fallkidsmall@hotmail.com.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

Thursday, July 20: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM. All Officers and members are encouraged to attend. An Officer photo to be taken for the website.

Sunday, July 30: Member volunteer ministry at the Olney, St. Joseph 8:00AM Mass. K of C led rosary at 7:40AM followed by a fellowship breakfast after Mass at a local restaurant.

Card Shower for Fr. Jim Buerster

He will celebrate his 70th birthday on August 7th. Fr. Jim retired this past week. If you would like to send him a card for his birthday his address is: Fr. Jim Buerster
Hincke Priest Retirement Home
2620 Lebanon Avenue Belleville, IL. 62221

++ PICNIC NEWS ++

St. Joseph Stringtown Parish Picnic THIS WEEKEND-Sunday, July 16

11:00 AM- 6:00PM
All- You- Can- Eat- Smorgasbord, serving from 11:00AM - 2:00PM.
Basket Stand, Bingo Raffles, Kids Games, Inflatable Slide, Obstacle Course, Bounce House, Beer Garden, Ice Cream, Porkburgers, Brats, and Much More!!!
Entertainment All Day with the Raffle drawing being held at 6:00PM.

HOLY CROSS WENDELIN

**Parish Picnic Sunday, August 6
Mass at 10:00 AM**

Chicken Dinner in Church Hall serving begins at 10:45 AM- 4:00 PM.
Fun for the Whole Family!
Beer Tent Opens at 12:00 PM
Kid Games, Food, All Day Music, Raffle and more- lots more! Evening Entertainment by: The ANDY KING BAND at 7:00 PM

**CRS JustFaith Program Announcement:
How do I respond to poverty and injustice?
What tools does my Catholic faith have to offer?**

Faith and Poverty: A Global Response was developed in partnership with Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and explores God’s call to respond to poverty in the global community, equipping participants to act in solidarity with those whose lives are affected by severe poverty

around the world. This program will be held on zoom on Fridays from September 8-November 3 from 10 a.m.-noon CDT. To participate click this link to register. <https://justfaith.org/faith-poverty-a-global-response-st-louis-fall-2023-small-group/>.

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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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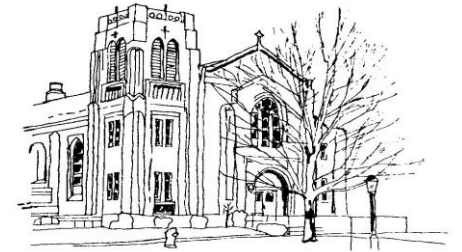
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Elliot Brazil..... Trustee

~ 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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