Sunday February 26, 2023 1st Sunday of Lent +Eucharistic Celebrations+

Monday, February 27, 6:30pm, at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, February 28, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, March 1, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney Thursday, March 2, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Clifford Rauch+"

Friday, March 3, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney Saturday, March 4, 4:00pm, at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Patricia Volk+, Kenneth & Pauline Kistner+"

5:00pm, at St. Joseph-Olney **Sunday, March 5,** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Linda Blank+,
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SUNDAY COLLECTION - Sun. Feb 19, 2023

(52) Envelopes \$2021.00 Loose \$276.00 (6) Building \$165.00 (4) Messenger \$120.00 (1) Black & Indian Mission \$20.00 (8) Easter Flowers \$280.00 (1) Cemetery Fund \$100.00 (6) CSMA \$742.47

TOTAL: \$3724.47

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *OUR SICK

Devin Deisher, Shirley Atwood, Wyatt Hayes (Grandson of Herb & Martha Deimel), Tim Schnautz, Norma Weidner, Doug Frichtl, Sam & Hermena Medernach

OUR SYMPATHY:

We offer our condolences to the family and friends of Linda Rudolphi who had died this past week. May she rest in the peace and love of our Lord.

March Liturgical Ministers	
Saturday	Sunday
Open/Lock/Greet:	Open/Lock/Greet:
Sheryl Klingler	Chris & Melanie Waller
Eucharistic Ministers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
Breanne Buerster	Patrick Slover
Lectors:	Lectors:
James Kistner	Kylie Rauch
Money Counters:	
Herb & Martha Deimel	
Ushers:	Ushers:
Greg Sandschafer	Danny Quinn
Daniel Baker	Aaron Eggers

MASS SERVERS:

Sat. Feb. 25 Ben & Nora Street
Sun. Feb. 26 Noah & Victoria Rudolphi
Sat. March 4 Hank & Clara Weidner
Sun March 5 Brayden & Brooke Bergbower

CRMH COMMUNION:

Maria Rudolphi (618) 752-5900 March 12th Martha Deimel (618) 663-8275 March 19th Ellen Weber (618) 752-5225 April 9th Lynn Weidner (618) 723-2426 April 16th Diane Schackmann (217) 343-8799 April 30th

The CYM youth and leaders would like to thank everyone that helped support the Spaghetti Lunch last Sunday at Holy Cross. The meal was a success and we had a great turnout!

PARISH EVENTS:

Saturday, February 25, 4:30pm, Pasta Dinner/Carnival at St. Joseph-Olney Sunday, February 26, 11:00am Confirmation Retreat at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Monday, February 27, 7:00pm, Finance Council at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, February 28, 1:30pm, Personnel Board Meeting in Belleville

Wednesday, March 1, 9:00am, Confirmation Retreat at St. Joseph-Olney

6:30pm, Family Catechesis/Reconciliation at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Thursday, March 2, 7:00pm, Finance Council at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, March 3, 9:00am, First Friday Communion 6:30pm, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Sunday, March 5, 8:00am, CYM assisting at Mass at St. Joseph-Olney

9:00am, CYM Meeting at St. Joseph-Olney

6:30pm, Parish Mission at Holy Cross-Wendelin Monday, March 6, 6:30pm, Parish Mission at St.
Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, March 7, 6:30pm, Parish Mission at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, March 8, 12:00pm (Noon), East Vicariate Clergy Meeting at Holy Cross-Wendelin 6:30pm, Parish Mission at St. Joseph-Olney Friday, March 10, 6:30pm, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at St. Joseph-Stringtown 6:30pm, Stations of the Cross/Reconciliation at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

7:00pm, Euchre Tournament at Holy Cross-Wendelin

EUCHRE TOURNAMENTS HOLY CROSS PARISH

CENTER, Sponsored by Family Life of Holy Cross. \$3.00 per player admission. Cash prizes awarded 1st, 2nd, 3rd place. Free popcorn. Soda/water available for purchase. Public Welcome to Attend!

March 10th 7pm, and March 19th, 6pm. (you may bring your favorite adult beverage.

Winners from last week's Euchre Tournament: 1st: \$54.00 Mildred Buerster 2nd: \$32.40 Donna Buerster (\$16.40), Louis Ochs (\$16.40) 3rd: \$21.60 Nick Geier

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Not Today Satan- Do you find yourself thinking this or saying this phrase throughout the day? Possibly you wish you had, or even wished someone would have told you to say it sooner. These days of Lenten penitence one might find themselves a bit more vulnerable-it is here where the evil one lies in wait to strike! Have courage and be assured-God is bigger than the strikes and we are to trust! So this Lent serve God in all that you say and do — Live a Lent of Trust and Love! Keep to the J.O.Y.S.

FROM FR. MARK

St. Matthew's Gospel provides details of the nature of the test that Jesus experienced in the desert: to be a different kind of Messiah, to find a quicker or more spectacular way to win people over, to employ a one-shot way of doing God's Will that would make everybody happy.

In other words, Jesus was tempted to be someone other than who God called him to be. This test in the desert was simply the beginning. The temptation dogged Jesus every day of his ministry. The voices came in all different shapes and sizes - expelled demons, Pharisees, Sadducees, family, friends, even some of his closest disciples. Screaming, whispering or shrieking, the voices of temptation tried to dissuade Jesus from being himself, to lose his focus, to abandon his mission, to turn away from his role in God's plan of salvation. Even as the life drained out of his body on Golgotha, Jesus still heard the voices of temptation

taunting, "You saved others, save yourself. Come down from that cross."

All of us are tempted to be someone other than who God calls us to be. Voices around us, voices within us attempt to convince us that we would be happier, healthier, more successful, powerful and persuasive if we were someone - anyone - other than who we are.

We are most like Jesus when we strive to be faithful to God's plan for us. We are most like Jesus when we are faithful to our unique role in God's plan of salvation for others. We are most like Jesus when we refuse the temptation to settle for less, to sell ourselves short, to look for a short cut. We flirt with the easier, the more convenient, or the more popular way of trying to do what is right, of trying to do what is good, of trying to do what is just.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Thanks to the many family members and parishioners who attended Ash Wednesday mass with us. It made the beginning of Lent that much more special for our children and staff.

Saturday, February 25th - Join us for the Boosters Pasta Dinner - featuring Joe's special sauce! Thanks to Tony and Tiffany and the Trupiano family's ongoing commitment to our school. We will serve 4:30 - 7 pm in the cafeteria. Take out is available. The PTO Carnival is happening in the gymnasium - play some games and have a great time!

Mark your calendars for our March 18th Inaugural Bingo and Auction event starting at 5:30 pm! Enjoy Bingo, games, live and silent auction items! \$25 for single tickets and \$200 to reserve a table of 8. Tickets/tables on sale in the school office. We are also collecting donated wine for our wine pull. You can leave your wine donation in the back of any of our churches.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Friday, March 3: Friday Fish Fry, serving from 5-7PM at the Olney City Park Community Building. This week to benefit the Richland County Hope Program. Open to the Public. Dine in or Carry Out. Adults \$12, Children 12 and under \$6.

Thursday, March 9: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.

Sunday, March 12: Regional Free Throw Competition, 1PM. 12 winners from the 176 participants at St. Joe qualify to participate at Breese Mater Dei, High School.

Thursday March 16: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM. **Saturday, March 25:** State Spelling Bee at Central Catholic High School, Bloomington, IL. 1PM. The qualified winners in order are Miles Tompson, Rebekah Fleming, Carly Seiler, and Katelyn Bookhout.

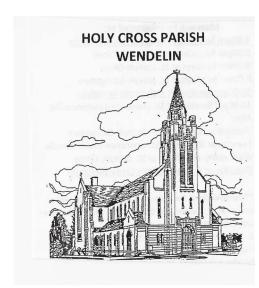
Sunday, March 26: K of C led Rosary at 7:40AM before the Olney St. Joe Mass.

Wednesday, April 20: Deadline for \$250 Olney Council member Senior Scholarships. Four to be awarded. Please submit to K of C, P.O. Box 172, Olney, II. 62450, before the deadline. Applications are at the Olney High School and at the back of the Olney Council sister parishes.

Kudos to new member Dale Weidner and an all day volunteer at the K of C Free throws at St. Joe!

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When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.



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