

Sunday, February 13, 2022
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

✠ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✠

Mon. Feb. 14 6:30 PM (at Stringtown)
Tue. Feb. 15 5:00 PM (at Lawrenceville)
Wed. Feb. 16 8:05 am Msgr. James Margason
Thu. Feb. 17 6:30 PM (at Wendelin)
Sat. Feb. 19 4:00 PM (at Wendelin)
5:00 PM Una Kocher; Linda Gumble
Sun. Feb. 20 8:00 am Harry Tucker; Ted Eagleson, Sr.
8:00 am (at Stringtown)
10:00 am (at Wendelin)
10:00 am (at Lawrenceville)

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OUR TITHES FOR FEBRUARY 6

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$5,512.50 (71) Outreach: \$114
Guatemala: \$283 (22) 1st Offering: \$35 (6)

KEEP CONNECTED with the church and receive important messages and updates via text and email. Sign up for Flocknote by texting **stjoeholycross** to **84576** to get connected.

~ *Kudos* ~

- ◆ To *Estella Zuber*, who celebrates her 97th birthday on February 14. Happy birthday!
- ◆ To *Nancy Hahn*, who celebrates her 95th birthday on February 18. Happy birthday!

*** AROUND OUR PARISHES ***

Sunday, February 13

- 11 AM, Confirmation Retreat at St. Lawrence

Tuesday, February 15

- Fr. Felix returns

Wednesday, February 16

- **Rosary, after Mass. Please join us!**
- **3 PM, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.**

Thursday, February 17

- **2 PM–6 PM, Blood Drive in the multi-purpose room. Appointments are needed. Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Blood shortages continue to affect hospitals across the nation. A little bit of time could mean a lifetime to somebody else.**

Sunday, February 20

- **8 AM, FFA present at mass at St. Joseph-Olney**
 - **12 PM (noon), Baptism at St. Joseph-Olney**
- Monday, February 21 - Presidents' Day**
- **The Parish Office is closed.**

Tuesday, February 22

- 5:45 PM, Finance Council at St. Lawrence

Wednesday, February 23

- **9 AM-11 AM, Good Samaritan**
- 12 PM (noon), East Vicariate Meeting
- **6:30 PM, Discussion of worldwide Synod at St. Joseph-Olney**

Thursday, February 24

- 7:15 PM, Finance Council at Holy Cross

Friday, February 25

- **9 AM-11 AM, Good Samaritan**

Saturday, February 26

- 4 PM, Celebration of Marriage at Holy Cross

🔔 **St. Joseph School Notes** 🔔

Wednesday, February 16

- School Mass, 8:05 AM (4th)

Thursday, February 17

- Early release, 12:10 PM

Friday, February 18

- No School (Parent-Teacher Conferences)

Monday, February 21

- No School (Presidents' Day)

Saturday, February 26

- Boosters Pasta Dinner and PTO Carnival

* Thanks to everyone who helped make Catholic Schools Week (parts 1 and 2) a success!

* Empower IL Scholarships provide tuition support for families who choose a full-time Catholic education. The tax benefit for the state of IL is 75%. For more information on how to support our school families, go to empowerillinois.org/donate/ We currently have 15 students approved for tuition assistance.

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

Feb. 1: Jeremy & Laura Volk (#745)
Feb. 2: Louie & Kathy Haenggi (#137)
Feb. 3: Cecil Ochs (#511)
Feb. 4: William Alexander (#804)

Let Us Pray For: Mike Dowty, Ember and Justin Kabbes and baby girls, Darrell Kuhl, Garry Maris, Cathy McDowell, Kay Rowark, Clara Wilson 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

Blessed or Woe! Do you live Blessed? Or do you live in Woe? The difference is the one who is Blessed seeks God, the one who is in Woe, seeks self. These extraordinary days of ordinary time offer us this important opportunity to examine “*to whom we belong*”. Do we belong to God and trust HIM alone, or do we belong to the world and seek all its empty promises?

The one who is Blessed knows and lives *Faith, Hope and Love*. The one who lives in Woe, knows, and lives with evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, and folly. Our God is

calling us for More- the more that is *Blessed- Trusting- Hopeful- Loving - Faithful*. Let us journey onward to rejoice and leap for joy for the Kingdom of God will be ours.

Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us! Keep to the J.O.Y.S and pray for all M.C.4.C. couples!

Attention Liturgical Ministers: The deadline is Monday, February 14 to make any changes for the March and April 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 consider assisting at Mass in the various ministries, such as a Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Altar Server, Usher or Gift Bearer. We will offer training, if needed.

M.C.4.C. LOVE is 21-day journey.... How has your first week gone? Has peace, joy, kindness, purity, humility, and forgiveness found their ways into your heart? Keep to the journey and R.S.V.P. for the Marriage Blessing Mass and Mardi Gras Dinner on February 26th!

PARISH-MISSION

Testimony + Witness +

Story of Transformative Love.

March 13-14 at 7 PM, offered to us by Fr. Joseph Oganda at St. Joseph-Olney.

God invites everyone to a beautiful and transformative encounter with Jesus Christ, His Son. Jesus is the testimony, witness, and story of healing and mercy for all time, including our time. How can we, the imperfect, find the right paths that lead us to an encounter with Jesus Christ, the perfect love? Come to the Mission and be transformed by His Love!

Lenten Book Study - Seriously, God?

– by Ave Maria Press.

The study begins the first week of Lent and will be offered after the evening Masses. St. Joseph-Olney book study will be after the Wednesday morning Mass. The book will be available on the weekend of February 26/27. The schedule for the book: Week 1: March 7-10: Intro & Ch: 1.

Please Note: As our schools move to a mask-optional stance, at least provisionally pending further legal developments, it is worth clarifying that this change applies only to schools. The Diocese of Belleville continues to require masking at Mass (including school Masses). Bishop McGovern asks for this precaution as an act of kindness and care toward our elderly and vulnerable, for the sake of our health care workers and facilities, and so that our clergy may best continue their ministry. We all look forward to the day when these precautions will no longer be deemed necessary.

2021 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Thank you to the 74 households that have pledged. In the final report, \$13,440.18 has been pledged by 74 families, which is 68% of our goal of \$19,730.

“Greetings from the San José Obrero parish, El Rancho of the Diocese of Jalapa. On behalf of our parish, we express our gratitude to our Sister Parish of St. Joseph for their prayers and financial assistance. Thank you very much for everything you do for the pilgrim Church in this diocese of Jalapa.”

(The economic report of the help they received from our parish is posted on the bulletin board.)

It’s not too late! You can still subscribe to *The Messenger* using your subscription envelope; or call 618-233-8670. To subscribe online go to, www.bellevillemessenger.org

Jeremiah 17:5-8. Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6. 1 Corinthians 5:12, 16-20. Luke 6:7, 20-26.

Believing Justice and Mercy. In Luke’s Sermon on the Plain, Jesus speaks to more than just his own people. We hear four blessings and four related woes. He first calls all those in the crowd, and now calls us to rejoice and leap for joy at the blessed activities dealing with justice and mercy. The implication: do the blessings; avoid the woes.

- * How will I be just in dealing with others all week long?
- * How will I be merciful to everyone just as God is merciful?
- * What mercy work will I do? It will be _____ for _____.

~ **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS** ~
Thursday, February 17: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30 PM.

Friday February 18: Fish Fry Night to benefit Senior Scholarships, 5 PM - 7 PM, at the Olney City Park Community Building.

Congratulations to the Olney Council Free Throw Winners: Belle Graves, Landree Nelson, Kolton McLaren, Camden Blank, Lauren French, Nora McClain, Tie with Ian Kocher and Leo Hallam, Carter Seaman, Carly Seiler, Kelysse Weiler, Logan Prosser, Kylie Kocher and Giuseppe Trupiano.

2022 High School Knights of Columbus Senior Scholarship Applications will be available at the High School and at the back of each of the three parish churches. To qualify, the applicant or parent must be a current member of the Olney Knights of Columbus Council 1352, 3rd Degree member.

February and March are new membership drive months. 20 in 2022 is the goal for at least 20 new members. Olney Council 1352 is giving a welcome to anyone 18+ males that are Practical Catholics to join free of dues in 2022. Contact Hank Ginder (618-843-3016) or email at hnginder76@hotmail.com for more information. A new 25-minute video presented by a laptop presents the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Degrees.

St. Joseph Church
208 South Elliott St.
Olney, Illinois 62450
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‘Renewing the Vision’
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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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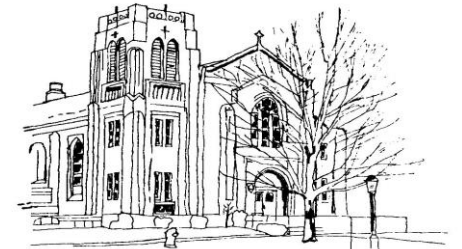
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~ **Sacraments** ~
Baptism: Infant or adult, please contact the Parish Office.
Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:15 PM – 4:30 PM or contact the Parish Office.
Marriage: Call no later than 6 months in advance.
Anointing of the Sick: Any time of need.



~ **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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