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Sunday, November 23, 2025
Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

✝ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✝

Mon. Nov. 24	6:30 PM	at Stringtown
Tue. Nov. 25	**8:05 am**	***For the Parish***
	5:00 PM	at Lawrenceville
Wed. Nov. 26	6:30 PM	at Stringtown
	6:30 PM	at Wendelin
Thu. Nov. 27	**8:00 am**	***Thanksgiving***
	8:00 am	at Lawrenceville
	8:00 am	at Wendelin
Fri. Nov. 28	8:00 am	at Wendelin

Sat. Nov. 29
4:00 PM at Wendelin
5:00 PM ***Joe O'Fallon***
Mike, Martha, & Elizabeth Peavler
Roy & Viola Fehrenbacher

Sun. Nov. 30
8:00 am ***Dudley Chamberlin***
Mary Ann Kuenstler
Lawrence & Dorothy Fehrenbacher
8:00 am at Stringtown
10:00 am at Wendelin
10:00 am at Lawrenceville

OUR NOVEMBER SPONSORS
Bulletins: In Memory of Don Fehrenbacher
Missalettes: Blank's Insurance

OUR TITHES FOR NOVEMBER 16th
Parish Operating Expense per Week = $9,847.00
Envelopes: $8,251 (105) Loose: $265
Guatemala: $74 (3) C.C.H.D.: $455 (12)

Let Us Pray For: Marilyn McCormick, Elizabeth Ginder, Jim Gassmann, Dolores Hemrich, Clara Rose Wilson, Kenneth Ochs, Valerie Weidner, Julie Oesch, Margaret Burgener, Fr. Joe Erbacher, Jeff Beard, Judy Spitz, Jerry L. Harper, Emery Oesch, Gene Bergbower, Luke G. Kocher, Marlene Harris, Bessie Rossiano, Mary Rowark, Tony Tredway, Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, and Ruth Zwilling.

Deepest Sympathy for the families of ***Margaret Roth King*** and ***Deacon Jack Shuster***. May they rest in the peace of God's love.

~ *AROUND OUR PARISHES* ~

Saturday, November 22nd
- Mass for ***Lawrence, Magdalene, & Greg Zwilling, Living and Deceased Hermina & Frances Zuber Family,*** and ***Harold L. Foerster.***
- 5 PM, Middle School Youth Group at Holy Cross.

Sunday, November 23rd
- Mass for ***Albert, Clara, & Rose Ellen Hahn,*** and ***Living and Deceased Ed & Catherine Pingsterhaus.***
- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass. All students in grades K-3 are welcome to attend.
- 5:30 PM, High School Youth Group at Holy Cross.

Tuesday, November 25th
- School mass at 8:05 am.
- No rosary after mass due to funeral.
- 12:00-3:00 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Olney. There must always be 2 people in the church.
- 6:30 PM, meeting for OCIA members in the conference room at St. Joseph, Olney. Topic: What is Faith?

Wednesday, November 26th
- No school and no morning mass.
- 12 noon, Bulletin deadline.
- 6:30 PM, Thanksgiving mass at Stringtown.
- 6:30 PM, Thanksgiving mass at Wendelin.

Thursday, November 27th - Thanksgiving
- May your Thanksgiving be full of love and blessings. Happy Thanksgiving to all!
- 8:00 am, masses at Olney and Stringtown.
- 8:00 am, mass at Wendelin with Fr. Anthony Co.

Friday, November 28th
- 8:00 am, mass at Wendelin with Fr. Anothony Co.

Tuesday, December 9th
- 1-6 PM, Blood Drive in Cafeteria.

St. Joseph School News

- **2026 Benefit Calendars are here!** The price is $25. The total payout is $8,450. Calendars are for sale at the school office, the parish office, or by calling Jeffrey Rosenburg at 618-302-0391.
- **Cookies with Santa**, sponsored by the St. Joseph School enrollment committee, will be held in conjunction with the Cookie Walk this year on Sunday, December 14 from 9:00-10:30 am. Children from birth to kindergarten are invited to have a cookie, make a Christmas craft, and get their picture taken with Santa!
- We are currently accepting **gently used gift bags** for students to use during our Secret Santa shopping event. Your donations are greatly appreciated!
- School Mass will be held on Tuesday, November 25 instead of Wednesday, November 26, as there is no school on Wednesday.
- St. Joseph School will be closed from Wednesday, November 26 through Friday, November 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday.
- **Wishing you a joyful Thanksgiving!** St. Joseph School is thankful for the support of our collective parish communities.

A special remembrance for the parishioners we have lost this year:

Deborah Rauch, Deloris Nix, Maren Zuber, Phyllis Bolander, John Hawkins, John McDowell, Kathleen Vaughn, Richard Miller, Jane Marie Kocher, Estella Zuber, Michael A. Peavler, Carl Kocher, Margaret Fehrenbacher, Donald Kocher, Richard Griesemer, John Bowlby, Douglas Runyon, Eleanor Steber, Betty Jean Lacey, and Douglas Hosselton.

Book of Remembrance: During the month of November, we especially remember and pray for those who have passed away. You are welcome to write the names of your deceased loved ones in the Book of Remembrance, which is located in the front of church by the baptismal font.

November 30th, Gifts of Love at 8:00 am mass for all the families of the deceased in the past year.

~ *PARISH NEWS* ~

- **Evensong**- Holy Cross Sunday, December 7 at 4:00 pm. Join us for a candlelight service of scripture with elegant organ music of English and Austrian Music sung in German by the Wendelin Kloepfen Singers. This is a tradition of Holy Cross started by the late Fr. Braun. There will be an Austrian/Bavarian Dessert celebration afterwards. Make this a must for your Advent Season.
- **The annual Cookie Walk** will be held on December 13 and 14 after each Mass in the multi-purpose room. You can either pick your own homemade cookies for $15 or purchase a tray pre-packaged with homemade cookies for $25. We will be requesting cookie donations, and the cookies can be dropped off on December 12 in the multi-purpose room during school hours and on December 13 between 8 AM and 10 AM. If you have any questions, please contact Sara Peavler (618-599-5963).
- **December 3rd at 6:30 PM**, Family Catechesis "Following in the Footsteps of the Saints" Adult Advent presentation and Youth CYM Advent activity at Holy Cross.
- We are now accepting **mass intentions** through March 30, 2026. Up to three first names with the same last name (i.e., John, Paul and Mary Smith) or two last names only (i.e., Scott and Smith Families) will be allowed per intention. We can accept up to three Mass offerings per mass. Call or stop by the parish office to select the dates you need.

2 opportunities for gift giving this Christmas

- **Adopt-a-Family:** This year St. Joseph Church will adopt 2 local families. The gift labels reflect the requests from the families.
To participate: 1. Select an ornament from one of the baskets by the doors of the church. 2. Purchase and wrap the gift - put the label on the wrapped package. 3. Place your gift under the tree and the ornament on the tree in the church foyer. Household cleaning supplies, toiletries and grooming products, as well as food(staples and Christmas dinner items) are always appreciated.

The gifts will be delivered to Trinity Lutheran Church on **Friday, December 19**, by a volunteer from Adopt - a Family to deliver to the families. ***Thank you for your kindness and generosity in sharing the spirit of Christmas this season with others in Richland County.***

- **Catholic Relief Services:** One way to support our brothers and sisters around the world is to participate in the CRS gift tag program - providing resources to help those in need build a better life. You can choose an ornament that reflects the resource you want to provide (farm animals, back to school kit, fertilizer, etc.), write out your check to Catholic Relief Services, and place it in the collection at the next mass you attend. Directions are also on the ornaments.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised $455.00 to support those on the margins who live in poverty in the United States. One example is WePower, a Metro-East organization that brings together local residents to create better structures for supporting families with young children. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! You may use the CCHD envelope in your envelope packet or donate online.

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

- **Tuesday, Nov. 25**: Keep Christ in Christmas Posters are due in the St. Joseph School Office at noon. There are cash prizes in five age groups.
- **Sunday, Nov. 30**: Knight led Rosary before the Olney 8AM Mass. Knight volunteer ministry also at this Mass with members and their family at a fellowship breakfast following the Mass at an Olney restaurant.
- **Sunday, Dec. 7th at 5:00 pm,** Member Family Christmas Dinner. Santa has scheduled a visit following the meal.
- **Kudos** to Sadie Seiler 1st place State Soccer Kick Winner in Bloomington! Beau Stevens and Brooklyn VanBlaircum were 2nd place winners!
- **Thanks** to the approximate 40 participants at the Mass for Deceased Members!
- **Knight of the Month** - Fr. Levi - Awesome Homily at the Mass for Deceased members!

CALENDAR WINNERS - $25

Nov. 17: Jim & Diane Volk (#094)
Nov. 18: Carol Potter (#601)
Nov. 19: Tom Saxe (#159)
Nov. 20: Ann Muston (#113)
Nov. 21: Marvin Ginder (#439)

2025 Thanksgiving Outreach Mission Meals

We are in need of donated pumpkin pies!
If you could help, please sign up on the sheet on the back table of church by the main entrance. Pies can be dropped off on Wednesday, November 26th from 8am-6pm at the Olney Immanuel Church.

There are also several volunteering opportunities including meal deliveries. Please see information on the back table of the church if interested.

If you know of someone that is needing to order a meal, contact Olney Immanuel Church at 618-395-8618, Monday through Thursday between 8am-noon.

Respect Life Corner: November 23rd

In November, we join Pope Leo XIV in praying for his monthly intention for the prevention of suicide. Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life. Please also continue to pray for the defeat of SB 1950, which would legalize assisted suicide in the state of Illinois, and consider contacting Governor Pritzker's office at 312-814-2121, asking him to veto the bill.

Vocations Corner: November 23rd

This coming week we celebrate a National Day of Thanksgiving. We, Catholics, give even greater thanks for all the gifts that God has bestowed on us and for us to share. Each one of us has been given a unique calling to Holiness. Each one is to serve the Lord in her/his own "called" way. A vocational calling is asking us to surrender our talents to God so that they may be sanctified and produce fruit for the Kingdom.

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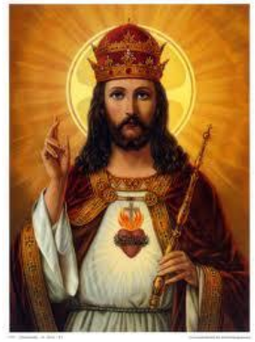

~ St. Joseph Church ~

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Jeffrey Rosenberg ..... Trustee
Elliot Brazil..... Trustee

~ Welcome ~

The St. Joseph Parish family is a community of believers rooted in the teachings of Jesus.

Join us for mass:
Tuesday 8:05 am
Thursday 8:00 am
Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am

Live streaming of the 8 am masses on Sunday and Wednesday are now available! To watch it live, go to stjosephchurcholney.com or replay anytime.

New parishioners, please register as soon as you move into our parish. Call the Parish Office (618-392-8181) to receive a new member packet

Office hours: Mon. Wed. Fri. 8:00-3:00 pm

Baptism: Contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:30 PM – 4:45 PM or contact the Parish Office.

Marriage: Call 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Any time of need.

~ St. Joseph School ~

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Collection Total for November 16, 2025

Envelopes: $990.00 (26)
Loose: $62.00
Total: $1,052.00

Weekly Amount Needed: $1,400.00
Building Fund: $395.00 (4)
Catholic Camp. for Human Develop.: $110.00 (3)
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November Bulletins: In Memory of Lorraine & Lucille Dallmier and Cletus & Marie Zwilling by Raymond & Theresa Zwilling
November Missalettes: In Memory of Joseph Schneider
**Contact Ashley to schedule for 2026!
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PARISH EVENTS:

Saturday, November 22 – Middle School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5pm.
Sunday, November 23 – High School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.
Monday, November 24 – Young Adults Bible Study at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish House, 7pm.
Tuesday, November 25 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am. There will not be Sister's in Christ this week at St. Joseph-Stringtown.
Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm.
No Sister's in Christ at St. Joseph-Olney.
OCIA at St. Joseph-Olney Conference Room, 6:30pm.
Wednesday, November 26 – No Sister's in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin.
Thursday, November 27 – Happy Thanksgiving! Parish Offices Closed!
Sunday, November 30 – Gift of Love Masses at All Parishes!

CAROLINE TRIMBLE - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." The criminal who hung on a cross recognized that this was no mere man- but God incarnate! Do we recognize the King of Kings? Do we live a life that cries out Jesus? The response from our Lord offered in his own anguish and agony is unfathomable-*it is Mercy!* That same mercy that every one of us need – on a daily basis! Take these final few days before Advent - go to Reconciliation and may these words be upon your lips- *"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."* Live a life of -Faith – Hope – Love- meriting the response given to the criminal and the response we all long to receive – *"Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." Adoramus te, Christe* - we Adore you, O' Christ! Journey onward ye sojourners to the Kingdom. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

BAPTISM:

The Sacrament of Baptism represents the first step in a lifelong journey of discipleship. To inquire about a Baptism and to schedule a date, contact Caroline Trimble.

PHOTO DIRECTORY SIGNUPS:

If you are interested in making an appointment for December 8th, please use this link https://form.jotform.com/252643561943158, contact Ashley, or sign up at Mass. Also, if you haven't found a date that works to schedule photos, you can drop a photo by the parish office or send to our parish email stjoestringtown@hotmail.com.

BLOOD DRIVE:

The next Stringtown Community Blood Drive is scheduled for Sunday, January 4, 2026, from 6:30-12 noon. Mark your calendar and go ahead and pre-scheduled your January 4th appointment by clicking below.
https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?order=DATE&range=10&zipSponsor=StringtownCC

GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATIONS:

We will be collecting non-perishable food donations for The Good Samaritan at our Thanksgiving Mass. Donations can be placed in the designated containers at the back of the church and will be brought forward to the altar during the offertory by any children wishing to help.

THANKSGIVING BLESSING TABLE:

Please bring item/items that you plan to serve for your Thanksgiving meals to be placed on a table by the altar to be blessed during Saint Joseph-Stringtown Thanksgiving Mass on Wednesday, November 26th at 6:30pm.

THANKSGIVING MASS MINISTRIES:

There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for ministries for St. Joseph-Sringtown Mass on Wednesday, November 26th at 6:30pm.

JIM & THELMA 60th ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE:

Join us for an open house in celebration of Jim and Thelma Muhs as they celebrate their 60th anniversary on Saturday, November 29th from 2-4pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center! *"Lord Almighty, we come to you to thank you for giving us the gift of this beautiful couple and blessing their marriage. We thank you for the joyous times they have shared and the strength you gave during the difficult moments. We ask you to continue to grant them good health and happiness in their marriage. We pray that you give them faith and patience they need to continue to serve you in love. Help them always be confident in your plans for them. We pray they will always turn to You in prayer for their every need and worry. We also ask that you continue to bless their family and all the lives they touch with the example of their love and faithfulness to you. Amen."* **Happy 60th Anniversary, Jim and Thelma on behalf of your parish family!**

CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE:

Christmas Choir practice will be held on Friday, December 5; Monday, December 8 after Mass; Friday, December 12; Tuesday, December 16; Friday, December 19, and Tuesday, December 23. All practices start at 6:30pm unless otherwise noted.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:

To Regina Shuster and all family and friends of Deacon John "Jack" K. Shuster III. Deacon Jack was the Deacon at St. Joseph-Olney. He died on Monday, November 17, 2025. Visitation will be held on Monday, November 24th at the Meyer Funeral Home from 5-7pm and on Tuesday from 9-10am. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church-Olney at 10:30am on Tuesday, November 25th. ***"Eternal rest unto Deacon Jack, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace."***

ADVENT IN WENDELIN – EVENSONG:

December 7, 2025 – at 4pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin. Come and share the candlelight service with all the traditions remembered and some new memories to cherish. It will be a memorable evening with delicious German and Austrian desserts and Glüwein, so much more! Prepare to be filled with joyful music and mystery!

THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, November 26 – St. Joseph-Stringtown and Holy Cross-Wendelin, **6:30pm**.
Thursday, November 27 – St. Joseph-Olney and St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, 8:00am. ****8:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin (Offered by Fr. Anthony Co)**

Friday, November 28 – Holy Cross-Wendelin, 8:00am Offered by Fr. Anthony Co)

SISTERS IN CHRIST:
The Reed of God - Tuesday, 10am at St. Joseph Stringtown, 5:00pm at Saint Joseph Olney, Wednesday at 5:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin. ****Please note there will not be Sister's in Christ this week due to Thanksgiving!****

ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:
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OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
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Knight of the Month - Fr. Levi - Awesome Homily at the Mass for Deceased members!

FORMED.ORG SUBSCRIPTION:
The Week of November 23rd Recommendations: Sacred Heart: Christ the King, Who is Jesus Christ? w/Sr. Bethany Madonna, Who is Jesus? The Search: Episode 5.

CSMA 2025 – HOPE IN THE LORD:
On behalf of the ministries and programs funded by the CSMA and those they serve, we thank you for your prayers and continued generosity to the 2025 campaign. May you and your families feel the warmth of God's love and the comfort of His peace at Thanksgiving and always.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:
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Prayer Requests

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: Rick Rennier, Teresa Zehner, Judy Brown, Brenda Zuber, Valerie Weidner, Steve Zuber, Carolyn Elie, Linda McWhirter

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Sunday, November 23, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown, "Louis & Lelia Volk†" "Jean, Norman, & Joseph Zwilling†" "Judy Zuber & Raymond Zuber†"
Monday, November 24, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Francis, Maude, & Judy Wagner†"
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Wednesday, November 26, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown "For The Parish", 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin.
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Saturday, November 29, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
Sunday, November 30, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Vincent, Lorna Mae, & Michael Boehl†" "Joseph Schneider & Ambrose & Regina Schneider†", 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney**,** 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

11/23/2025	**11/30/2025**
Servers:	**Servers:**
Amity Zuber	Delana & Grayson Sterchi
Sadie & Don Seiler	Hallie Ochs
Lector:	**Lector:**
Gary Zwilling	Laura Sterchi
EMHC:	**EMHC:**
Harold Boehl	Gary Zwilling
Lisa Boehl	Jenny Hancock
Scott Seiler	Jamie Kocher
Gifts:	**Gifts:**
Werner & Janette Kocher	Elmer & Mary Ochs
Ushers:	**Ushers:**
Bryon & Isaac Zwilling	Harold Boehl, Owen Kocher
Greeters:	**Greeters:**
Jean Kocher Family	Doug & Lora Kocher Family
Children's Liturgy:	**Children's Liturgy**:
Madison & Natalie	Donna & Natalie

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✝Eucharistic Celebrations✝

Saturday, November 22, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Herman & Joan Rudolphi✝" "Robert N. & Bernadette Kocher✝", 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney**,** 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, November 23, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Frank & Mary Kern✝" "Charles, Evelyn, & Patty McCreery✝" "Fred Uebinger✝", 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**,** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

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Saturday, November 29, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Tom Buerster" 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney**,** 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, November 30, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Jim Kistner✝", "Leonard Kessler Family & Bahl Family✝", 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**;** 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

November Bulletins and Missalettes:
***In Memory of Marjorie Weidner* by the Harold & Bev Weidner Family**

BULLETIN & MISSALETTE SPONSORS:
To schedule, contact Ashley**. Price to sponsor for a month is $100 for bulletins and $100 for missalettes.**

NOVEMBER LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
Open/Lock/Greet:	**Open/Lock/Greet:**
Brent & Sharon Edwards	Kevin & Heather Blank
EMHC:	**EMHC:**
Tammy Rudolphi	Martha Deimel
Josy Hart	Missy Buerster
Lynn Weidner	Marcia Street
Dave Rauch	Ellen Weber
Lectors:	**Lectors:**
Victoria Rudolphi	Travis Weber

Money Counters:
Kevin & Heather Blank

Ushers:	Ushers:
Tim Weidner	Ben Street
Carl Weidner	Herb Deimel
Dave Rauch	Tyler Buerster
Brent Edwards	Garrett Buerster

Mass Servers:
Sat. November 22 – Hank, Clara, & Boyd Weidner
Sun. November 23 – Ellee Bare, Brooke & Blaine Bergbower
Sat. November 29 – Levi & Noah Rudolphi, Ian Kessler
Sun. November 30 – Ethan & Chloe Deckard, Alex Street

CRMH Communion:
November 30 – Diane Herdes
Children's Liturgy of the Word:
November 23 – Robin & Carly Deckard
November 30 – Stephanie Geier & Clara Weidner

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sunday, November 16, 2025 (61) Envelope Collection: $1,807.00 Loose: $199.00 – **Total: $2,056.00,** (7) Building: $645.00, (2) Campaign for Human Development: $35.00, (3) Christmas Flowers: $80.00, (1) Rebuild: $100.00

HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT UPDATE:
As of Wednesday, November 19th – **$282,898.57** has been received from 403 donations – thank you!

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:
Mary Beth Scherer, Gerry Carter, Terry Tolliver, Wesley Frohning, Wilmajean Geier, Cindy Henson (Daughter of Dean Klingler), Lee Patridge, Valerie Weidner, Tonya Hall, Virginia Blank, Chase Zumbahlen, Dana Kuhl-Bell, Stacy Kessler, Eleanor Buerster

PARISH EVENTS:
Saturday, November 22 – Middle School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5pm.
Sunday, November 23 – High School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm.
Monday, November 24 – Holy Cross Parish Office Open 9-12pm.
Directory Photos at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish Center, 2-8:36pm.
Young Adults Bible Study at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish House, 7pm.
Tuesday, November 25 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.
No Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Stringtown this week!
Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm.
There will not be Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Olney this week!
OCIA at St. Joseph-Olney Conference Room, 6:30pm.
Wednesday, November 26 – Holy Cross Parish Office will be closed!
No Sister's in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin this week!
Thanksgiving Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 6:30pm.
Thursday, November 27 – Happy Thanksgiving! Parish Offices Closed!
Thanksgiving Mass Offered by Father Anthony Co, 8am at Holy Cross-Wendelin.
There will not be Adoration or 6:30pm Mass this week! Also, Brother's in Christ will not meet.
Friday, November 28 – Holy Cross Parish Office will be closed.
Mass Offered by Fr. Anthony Co at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 8:00am.
Sunday, November 30 – Gift of Love Masses at All Parishes!
Wednesday, December 3 – Sister's in Christ at Holy Cross, 5:30pm.
Family Catechesis at Holy Cross Parish Center, 6:30pm.
Sunday, December 7 – Advent in Wendelin-Evensong, Holy Cross-Wendelin, 4pm with Refreshments Following in Parish Center.

CONGRATULATIONS JACOB & MACIE:

On behalf of your parish family, we extend congratulations to Jacob Wheat & Macie Weidner as they were united in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, November 15, 2025 at Holy Cross-Wendelin. ***Your wedding will be remembered as the beginning of many joyous moments in your life together, the moment two people's lives become one; where love between a man and a woman is joined, by the Holy Church, in Sacrament. Almighty Father, we ask you to bless Jacob & Macie with love, happiness and guidance during their married life. Amen!***

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:

To Regina Shuster and all family and friends of Deacon John "Jack" K. Shuster III. Deacon Jack was the Deacon at St. Joseph-Olney. He died on Monday, November 17, 2025. Visitation will be held on Monday, November 24th at the Meyer Funeral Home from 5-7pm and from on Tuesday from 9-10am. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St.

Joseph Catholic Church-Olney at 10:30am on Tuesday, November 25th. ***"Eternal rest unto Deacon Jack, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace."***

ADVENT IN WENDELIN – EVENSONG:
December 7, 2025 – at 4pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin. Come and share the candlelight service with all the traditions remembered and some new memories to cherish. It will be a memorable evening with delicious German and Austrian desserts and Glüwein, so much more! Prepare to be filled with joyful music and mystery!

THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, November 26 – St. Joseph-Stringtown and **Holy Cross-Wendelin, 6:30pm**.
Thursday, November 27 – St. Joseph-Olney and St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, 8:00am. ****8:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin (Offered by Fr. Anthony Co)**
Friday, November 28 – 8:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin (Offered by Fr. Anthony Co)

CAROLINE TRIMBLE, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:
"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." The criminal who hung on a cross recognized that this was no mere man- but God incarnate! Do we recognize the King of Kings? Do we live a life that cries out Jesus? The response from our Lord offered in his own anguish and agony is unfathomable-*it is Mercy!* That same mercy that every one of us need – on a daily basis! Take these final few days before Advent - go to Reconciliation and may these words be upon your lips- "*Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."* Live a life of -Faith – Hope – Love- meriting the response given to the criminal and the response we all long to receive – *"Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."*
Adoramus te, Christe - we Adore you, O' Christ! Journey onward ye sojourners to the Kingdom. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

SISTERS IN CHRIST:
The Reed of God - ****Please note there will not be Sister's in Christ this week due to Thanksgiving!****

LADIES ALTAR SODALITY CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:
There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in vestibule if you are interested in donating a cake/craft item. You can also contact a Ladies Altar Sodality Member or the Parish Office to sign up.
FORMED.ORG SUBSCRIPTION:
Download the app or go to www.formed.org and enter 62448. **The Week of November 23rd Recommendations:** Sacred Heart: Christ the King, Who is Jesus Christ? w/Sr. Bethany Madonna, Who is Jesus? The Search: Episode 5.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:
Cookies with Santa, sponsored by the St. Joe School enrollment committee, will be held in conjunction with the Cookie Walk this year on Sun., Dec. 14 from 9:00-10:30 am. Children from birth to K are invited to have a cookie, make a Christmas craft, and get their picture taken with Santa! **We are currently accepting gently used gift bags for students** to use during our Secret Santa shopping event. Your donations are greatly appreciated! **School Mass** will be held on Tues., Nov. 25 instead of Wed., Nov. 26, as there is no school on Wednesday. **St. Joseph School** will be closed from Wed., Nov. 26 through Fri., Nov. 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday. **Wishing you a joyful Thanksgiving!** St. Joseph School is thankful for the support of our collective parish communities.

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
Tuesday, November 25: Deadline for the Keeping Christ in Christmas Poster Contest at noon, in the St. Joseph School Office. Cash prizes of $12, $8, $5, and a $2 bill. **Sunday, November 30:** Knight led Rosary before the Olney 8AM Mass. Also Knight volunteer ministry at this Mass with a fellowship breakfast with family at a local restaurant. **Sunday, December 7:** Free Olney Council member Family Christmas Dinner, 5PM in the multipurpose Room, with a Santa visit! **Kudos** to Sadie Seiler 1st place State Soccer Kick Winner in Bloomington! Beau Stevens and Brooklyn VanBlaricum were 2nd place winners! **Thanks** to the approximate 40 participants at the Mass for Deceased Members! **Knight of the Month - Fr. Levi** - Awesome Homily at the Mass for Deceased members!

VOCATION CORNER:
This coming week we celebrate a National Day of Thanksgiving. We, Catholics, give even greater thanks for all the gifts that God has bestowed on us and for us to share. Each one of us has been given a unique calling to Holiness. Each one is to serve the Lord in her/his own "called" way. A vocational calling is asking us to surrender our talents to God so that they may be sanctified and produce fruit for the Kingdom.

PHOTO DIRECTORY SIGNUPS:
The next photo date is this Mon., Nov. 24th. All times are full for this date. If you need to verify a previously scheduled time or reschedule your appointment, please contact Ashley. There are times available on Tuesday, December 16th. Photos will be from 2pm-8:36pm. Call/text Ashley to sign up!

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:
In Nov., we join Pope Leo XIV in praying for his monthly intention for the prevention of suicide. Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life. Please also continue to pray for the defeat of SB 1950, which would legalize assisted suicide in the state of IL, and consider contacting Governor Pritzker's office at 312-814-2121, asking him to veto the bill.

Sunday, November 23, 2025
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honor. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

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Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday 10am-3pm, and Friday 10am-1pm.
Mass Schedule: Thursdays 6:30pm with Adoration at 5:30pm, Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am
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Christ is the King!

Today is the feast of Christ the King. When Jesus was on earth, many of His followers thought that He was going to be a normal sort of king, with a kingdom and soldiers and everything. Is that what Jesus did?

Before He died, Jesus said that His kingdom was not in this world. Do you know where Jesus' kingdom is?

Did you know that the Kingdom of Heaven is not just in Heaven? It's in the soul of every person who follows Jesus. Do you try to be like Jesus? Is He your king?

Here is a little prayer you can say to Jesus any time you think of Him, maybe every time you see a picture of Him:

Jesus, you are my King and my God and I love you.
Help me to be your good servant!

Make sure you do something special today to celebrate the feast of Christ the King!

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Answer to Word-find puzzle: Jesus, you are my king!

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Feast of Christ the King

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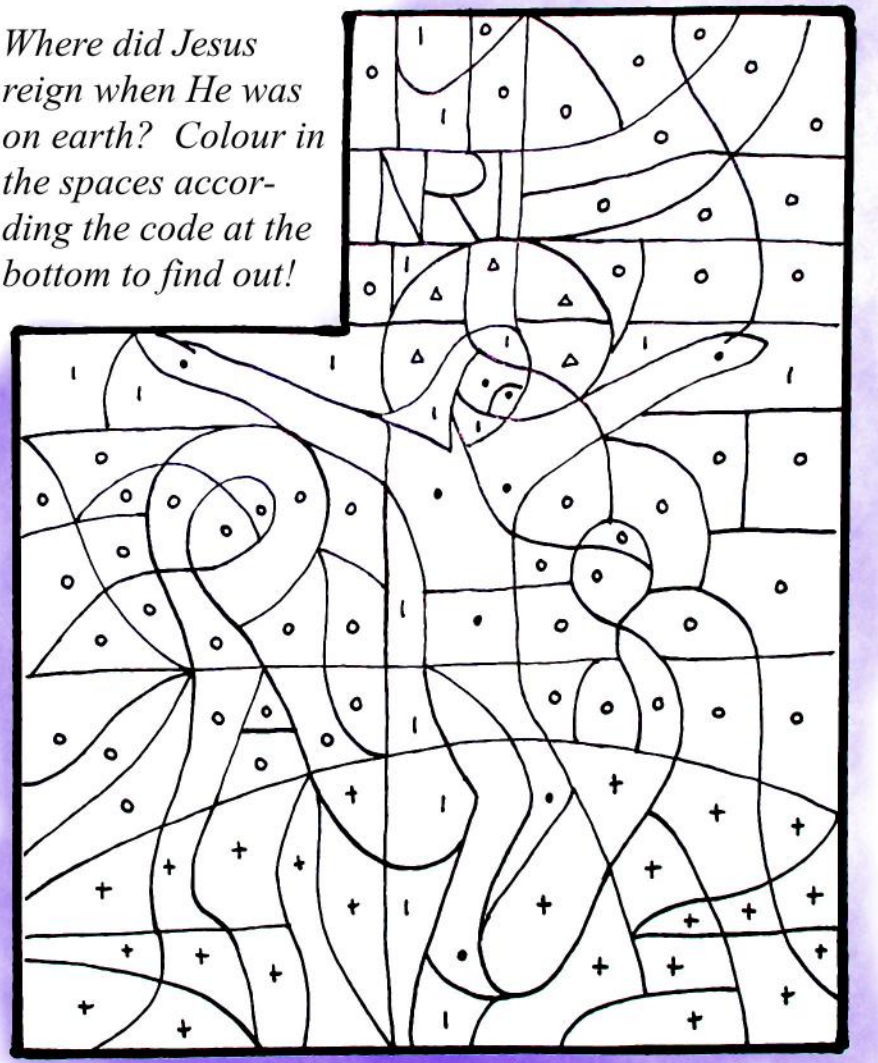

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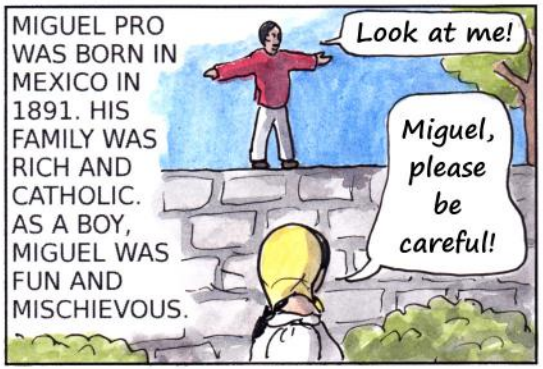

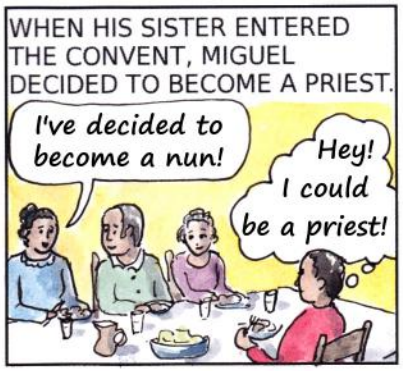

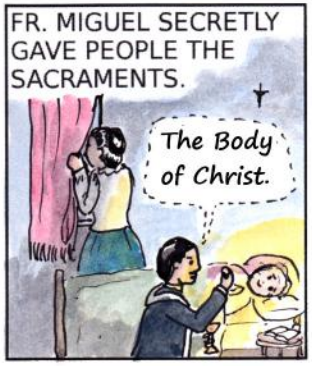

FR. MIGUEL WAS FALSELY ACCUSED BY THE GOVERN-MENT OF TRYING TO BOMB THE PRESIDENT, AND WAS CONDEMNED TO BE SHOT.

BLESSED MIGUEL FORGAVE THE PEOPLE WHO KILLED HIM. WHEN HE WAS ABOUT TO BE SHOT HE SHOUTED, "VIVA CRISTO REY!" WHICH MEANS 'LONG LIVE CHRIST THE KING!' HE GIVES US A GREAT EXAMPLE OF USING OUR TALENTS FOR GOD AND FIGHTING TO THE END, EVEN UNDER PERSECUTION.

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Christ the King Word-Find

J E C H U R C H S P
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W O R L D L O V E A
Y F I J U D G E A C
J E S U S O O U V E
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See if you can find all the words from the list at the bottom. Then put the leftover letters in the spaces to find a little prayer you can say any time.

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DOMINION
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HEAVEN
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