

Collection Total for April 28, 2024

Envelopes: \$1,888.25 (45)

Loose: \$144.00

Total: \$2,032.25

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Building Fund: \$120.00 (5)

Holy Land Good Friday: \$50.00 (1)

Religious Education: \$150.00 (2)

May Bulletins: In Memory of Kathy Zuber

May Missalettes: For the Parish

PARISH EVENTS:

Saturday, May 4 – First Saturday Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning at 8:15am

Sunday, May 5 – Closing Family Catechesis Mass, CYM Mass, and May Crowning at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 8am with Reception including Sacrament Recognition Following in Parish Center. All parishioners are invited to attend after Mass!

Monday, May 6 – Youth Adult Bible Study, Holy Cross, 7pm
Picnic Chair Meeting, St. Joseph-Stringtown, 7pm

Tuesday, May 7 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am and Stringtown Study, 10am
Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament of St. Joseph-Olney, 12pm-3pm
Stringtown Community Club Mother/Daughter Banquet at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 6pm

STRINGTOWN STUDY:

"Diary of St. Faustina Kowalska" the Saint of Divine Mercy. Come join us at 10:00am and share in the joy.

BROTHERS IN CHRIST:

Thursdays at 7:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

Love One Another- we hear the words-and we see the words - but do we live the words? Is Love our first response to a situation- circumstance- person- or people? Why not? Love must always be the response-Always! Where there is an absence of Love – there is an absence of God! It might sound harsh- but God does not dwell where Love is not! Whatever the issue- pray - O’ God come to my assistance and make my heart like unto thine - let HIS perfect and beautiful Love- *heal- consume*- all the areas of your heart. Love is always the answer- Always! Journey onward and *Love One Another!* St. Faustina, *pray for us!* Our Lady of Perpetual Help, *pray for us!* Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us!*

FAMILY CATECHESIS:

May- May Crowning

We will have Family Catechesis Mass with May Crowning, May 5 at 8:00 am at St. Joseph Stringtown. Join us for the Family Catechesis Mass, Family recognition, Sacrament party, and a few surprises. A reception will follow afterwards in the parish hall, with Daylight donuts, fruit, juice and coffee.

Live Your Catholic Faith

Ways We Can Honor Mary:

1. Pray the Rosary.
2. Say the Hail Mary Prayer throughout the day.
3. Create a Prayer Corner, placing some representation of our Blessed Mother whether that be a photo, small statue, or Rosary beads.
4. Create an outdoor space, flowers in honor of Mary.

Our Family Prayer

A Prayer of Reparation

Taught by the Angel during the third apparition
Most Holy Trinity—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—I adore Thee profoundly.
I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifferences whereby He is offended.

And through the infinite merits of His Most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners. Amen.
Pray three times in a row.

PARISH OFFICE UPDATE:

Phones –

Please continue to use my cell phone to reach me! I hope it to have issue corrected next week! (618) 843-1892

Messengers –

If you received a notice from the Messenger, please ignore this. This has been handled already and all is well. Thank you!

THANK YOU:

Thank you to everyone who wished us well and sent us cards for our 50th Anniversary. We are so thankful to be a part of these parishes. You are a blessing to us every day. Deacon Jack and Regina Shuster

SAVE THE DATE:

Vacation Bible School at St. Joseph-Stringtown for all parishes! June 23-25th from 6-8pm for Pre-K through 5th grade! Please make plans to join us or volunteer to help.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY:

Meeting at the Holy Cross rectory on Monday’s at 7pm, starting this Monday, April 29th! Anyone ages 18-30 are welcome to join! (No longer in high school to those around the age of 30!) This first study is on the Gospel of Mark! If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Tyler Timm: ttimm@stjoeolney.com or 507-530-2911.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Saturday, May 4 – Diocesan Track Meet
8th grade Science Fair project viewing after both Masses in the MPR.

Wednesday, May 8 – Honors Mass

Congratulations Mrs. Cowman, Mrs. Dorn, Mrs. Matthews and the first grade class! They were recently awarded the Sister Leona Luechtefeld for their work to provide outreach to our parishioners over 75.

Important Dates:

Friday, May 10th - Final Band Concert 3pm in the Gymnasium
Wednesday, May 15th - Graduation Mass 8:15am and Graduation Ceremony 7pm in the courtyard (weather permitting)
Monday, May 20th - Preschool Promotion 11am in the church
Tuesday, May 21st - Last Day for K-7 students 11am Dismissal and Field Day

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Thursday, May 9: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.
Thursday, May 16: 4th Degree meeting, 7PM.
Sunday, May 26: Knight led Rosary, 7:40AM before Olney-St. Joseph Mass.
Congratulations to the Knights of Columbus \$250 Scholarship winners: Joselyn Kocher, Evie Potter, Kacy Sager, and Isaac Zwilling.

BIBLE STUDY:

Bible Study at St. Joseph, Olney is this Wednesday and every Wednesday at 9:15am in Room B. This Wednesday, Deacon Jack will take you through the readings for the Sixth Sunday in Easter and we'll discuss how essential God's love is and we'll join Peter in the house of Cornelius. We'll also use our imaginations to enter into the scene, visit with the characters and become part of the world of the readings.

MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET:

The Stringtown Community Club will have their annual Mother/Daughter Banquet on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 6:00pm in the parish center. The meal will include pulled pork and a potato bar catered by Barney Ochs. Members with last name starting with A-M are asked to bring a salad and those with names starting with N-Z are asked to bring a dessert.

2024 STRINGTOWN PICNIC COMMITTEE NEWS:

The 2024 Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, July 21st. Cash donations for the picnic expenses are welcomed and can be given to any of the chairs. **The Picnic Committee Chair’s next meeting** will be Monday, May 6th, at 7:00 p.m. (after Mass) at the Stringtown Parish Center.

The Committee Chairs are: Financial & Kitchen (Dinner) – Lisa Boehl, Raffle – Hank & Nina Ginder, Food Stand – Francis Ochs Beer Garden, Bingo, Live Entertainment, & 50/50 – Janice Zwilling, Basket Stand – Mona Kocher Outside Games & Stands (Cake Stand, Country Store, & games) – Ethan & Delaney Steber, Kids Games – Doug & Shelly Seaman, Grounds & Maintenance – Scott Seiler

If you would like to help with the planning for any of these areas, please contact the respective chairperson.

Raffle lists and tickets are in parishioner envelopes at the back of church. Please pick them up! Tickets can be returned to the Parish Office or dropped into the collection basket.

EMMAUS DAYS:

Bishop Michael McGovern and the Diocese of Belleville invite you to Emmaus Days. Come encounter Jesus, the Bread of Life, as the Diocese of Belleville celebrates the Eucharistic Revival. **Sunday, July 7** – National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows **Monday, July 8** – Cathedral of St. Peter

EMMAUS DAYS TILES:

All children of the Diocese are invited to participate in the festivities of Emmaus Days by decorating a wood tile to be displayed. Please return these tiles by May 15th with finished artwork and place in the basket located in the back of church. The tiles will be sent to Belleville for dramatic display at the Millennium Spire at the top of the Amphitheater all day. These tiles will be returned for display during the remainder of The Eucharistic Revival which ends on the Feast of

Corpus Christi 2025. Please participate to make this a success!

2024 CATHOLIC SERVICE AND MINISTRY APPEAL:

Serve the Lord with gladness – Psalm 100

A special thanks to everyone who has so generously supported The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal – we are most grateful. If you haven’t had an opportunity to make a gift as yet, we hope you will prayerfully consider doing so now. Gifts can be made through your parish or by visiting www.diobelle.org and clicking on “Giving”. Seventeen (17) ministries and programs and all those they so faithfully serve are counting on YOU. Please make your contribution today!

2024 GRADUATES:

Please submit names of all graduates including name of the school to the Parish Office. You **must** notify the office to be included on the list. Names will not be published without contacting the office.

ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE PROJECT:

Please take home a baby bottle to fill with extra change from Mother’s Day to Father’s Day. The proceeds will be donated to the Family Life Center for the continuation of its prolife ministry. This fundraiser provides an excellent opportunity for people of all ages to be involved in supporting pro-life efforts. Thank you for your help with his campaign!

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN:

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects Catholics with Christ in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Your support helps spread the gospel message! Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc.

Remember In Our Prayers

Rick Rennier, Carolyn Elie, Fr. Mark Stec

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter

+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Sunday, May 5, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown
“Bill & Kathy Zuber Family”

Monday, May 6, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown
“Herman Zwilling+”

Tuesday, May 7, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, May 8, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, May 9, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, May 10, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Saturday, May 11, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin
5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, May 12, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown
“For All Mothers”

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

MINISTERS LIST

05/05/2024

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ALL

MINISTRIES

05/12/2024

Servers:

Amity Zuber*

Ian Kocher

Gus Kocher

Lector:

Beth Kocher

EMHC:

Gary Zwilling

Jenny Hancock

Jamie Kocher

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