

## September 1, 2024

### 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### +Eucharistic Celebrations+

**Saturday, August 31, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Jan Kocher+"**

**Sunday, September 1, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Charles, Evelyn, & Patty McCreery+"**

**Monday, September 2, NO MASS**

**Tuesday, September 3, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville**

**Wednesday, September 4, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney**

**Thursday, September 5, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Gerald & Hermena Medernach+"**

**Friday, September 6, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney**

**Saturday, September 7, 9:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For The Parish"**

**4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Sharon Correll+"**

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

**Sunday, September 8, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Adam & Monica Buerster & Deceased Family+"**

8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown; 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

#### SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. August 25, 2024

(79) Envelope Collection: \$2,443.25

Loose: \$189.00 **Total: \$2,682.25**

(6) Building Fund: \$360.00

(2) Religious Education: \$50.00

(6) Rebuild: \$1,040.00

#### HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT

**FUNDRAISING UPDATE:** As of Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> - **\$220,386.90** has been received from 274 donations – thank you!

#### \*SEPTEMBER LITURGICAL MINISTERS\*

<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
<b><u>Open/Lock/Greet:</u></b> Kevin & Heather Blank	<b><u>Open/Lock/Greet:</u></b> Henry & Sandi Kessler
<b><u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u></b> Kristy Weidner Christine Hall David Rauch	<b><u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u></b> Sandi Kessler Diane Schackmann Ginny Zwilling
<b><u>Lectors:</u></b> Victoria Rudolphi	<b><u>Lectors:</u></b> Marcia Street
<b><u>Money Counters:</u></b> *Mark & Jeannie Nix*	
<b><u>Ushers:</u></b> Carl Weidner Dave Rauch Toby Hall Kevin Blank	<b><u>Ushers:</u></b> Jerome Kistner Danny Quinn Henry Kessler Aaron Eggers

#### REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS \*OUR SICK

Devin Deisher, Carl Klingler, MaryAnn Bierman (Sister of Ruth Rauch), Mary Beth Scherer, Don & Norie Staley, Josh Ross (Husband of Michelle (Frohning) Ross)

#### CRMH COMMUNION:

**Sept. 8** – Marge Kessler (618)-843-6841

**Sept. 15** – Diane Schackmann (217)-343-8799

**Sept. 29** – Sheryl Klingler (618)-843-3083

**Oct. 13** – Diane Herdes (618)-723-2506

**Oct. 20** – Ellen Weber (618)-752-5225

#### MASS SERVERS:

**Sat. August 31** – Noah & Levi Rudolphi

**Sun. September 1** – Cora & Stella Warfel

**Sat. September 7** – Mattux Hart, Ian Kessler

**Sun. September 8** – Blaine & Brooke Bergbower

#### PARISH EVENTS:

**Monday, September 2 – Happy Labor Day! Parish Offices will be closed!**

**Tuesday, September 3** – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament of St. Joseph-Olney, 12pm-3pm

**Women's Small Group, Holy Cross Parish House, 6:30pm**

**Wednesday, September 4 – Sisters in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 5:30pm**

**Parish Office Open 9-12pm ONLY**

**Thursday, September 5 – Brothers in Christ at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 7pm or Following Mass**

**Saturday, September 7 – First Saturday Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning at 8:15am.**

#### WOMEN'S SMALL GROUP:

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30pm. We will be reading Light of Assisi: The Story of St. Clare. Young women interested should contact Amy Sandschafer at 217-240-1599. Thank you!

**YOUNG ADULTS: Bible Study** – Meeting at the Holy Cross rectory on Monday's at 7pm. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Tyler Timm. **Gatherings – Sun, September 29<sup>th</sup>:** Young Adults Theology on Tap – More Details Soon!

#### CYM:

**Sun, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>:** High School Youth Group @ Holy Cross - 5:30 pm **Sun, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>:** CYM Mass & Meeting in Olney **Sat, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>:** Middle School Night @ Olney - after 5 pm Mass (~6 pm) **Sun, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>:** High School Youth Group @ Holy Cross - 5:30 pm (Praise and worship music at 7 pm, all are welcome!)

#### ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

**(OCIA):** Are you or anyone you know interested in exploring the Catholic Church as your church home? Have you been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what you must do to become Catholic? Statistics show that most people respond to a personal invitation. This is that personal invitation and a challenge to all of you who might know someone who fits the categories above invite that person. An

informational meeting will be scheduled in October. Contact Caroline Trimble, if interested or have questions.

#### THANK YOU:

We would like to thank Fr. Steven for the prayer service for our family (Sam Medernach) before the wake. In addition, many thanks to Fr. Steven and Fr Dean Probst for celebrating the funeral mass. What a beautiful service. Many thanks to the choir for the beautiful music to uplift our family. Thanks to Alex Street and Clair Schackmann for serving the funeral mass. The Newton Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree for standing guard during the wake. To Jason Meyer and his staff for making sure everything was taken care of. The Newton American Legion Post #20 for the military service they conducted at the funeral. To the Holy Cross Parish Family for coming to the wake and funeral. It was greatly appreciated and showed me just how close knit this parish is. Thank you for the memorials, cards, the flowers, the gifts, the food brought to house, the phone calls, and all the acts of kindness extended to our family during the last 2 years (with mom's illness and death last year), and now dad's passing. Words cannot express our appreciation to everyone who reached out to us during this time of sorrow. Your kindness and support will never be forgotten. God bless all of you. Sincerely, Sam Medernach family and Jeff Medernach family

#### CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

There is not a person on the earth that God does not Love! Let that sink in just a moment- Everyone-*is a Beloved Son or Daughter of God.* Our God will always Love us- No doubt! Yet, there are things we do that are not of Love-*which is not of God!* When we sin, our hearts turn from God-our eyes look downward- our actions are harsh-our life is in peril. The longer we stay in sin- the deeper and deeper we plunge into the darkness. There is a light in that darkness- it is Jesus. He bore it all so that we would have Life Eternal. So, this

day, look at your life- *Do you spend time thanking, praising, asking, offering your life to God? Or do you invest more time into the sinfulness that separates and kills your soul?* Journey onward to the kingdom where milk and honey flow and the Peace and Love of God abounds. Let Love be the response that comes out of your mouth-Live a Life of Love-a Beloved Life! God Be Praised Now and Forever! Lady of Perpetual Help, *pray for us!*

#### **MASS UPDATE: SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER**

First Friday Masses at St. Joseph-Olney, 8:00am. There will **NOT** be any other Friday morning masses during these months.

#### **ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

**Monday, September 2-** No School, Labor Day  
**Friday, September 6-** Mum orders and payment due Please see any St. Joseph School student or call the school office to order big, beautiful mums!  
**Confirmation Check-In slips** will be backpacked home this week. Begin using them this **upcoming weekend** Aug 31/Sept1. Please write your child's name and date on the card, and place it in the offering each weekend at Mass. There will be extras in the vestibule of the church if you forget.

#### **OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**3rd Degree Meeting:** September 12 at 7:00 PM  
**4th Degree Meeting:** September 19 at 7:00 PM  
**Knight of Month** is Steve Kuenstler. **Annual Tootsie Roll Drive** is coming up. Canisters will be in stores in Olney during September and October. Please mark calendars for September 27 and 28! This will be the drive weekend where we will be collecting in front of IGA and Big R (Rural King) in Olney. **A nice evening** was enjoyed by all who attended the summer picnic at Doll's cabin. **Special thanks** to Brad Doll, Steve Kuenstler, and their families for putting it together.

#### **ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY BIBLE STUDY:**

**Wednesdays at 9:15 AM, Room B.** Deacon Jack will take you through the Bible readings for the Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time and we'll hear about Jesus healing a deaf man. We'll also learn how to pronounce Ephephatha and impress everyone at your Euchre club. Be sure not to miss this week's Bible Study!

#### **PRECANA OPPORTUNITY:**

Sept. 14, 2024 at St. Mary Immaculate Catholic Church (Fellowship room). Registration: 9:15-9:45; Start: 9:45 Close with 5:00 Mass. \$75.00 per couple and includes materials, lunch and pizza after 5:00 Mass. Contact Deacon Mark Kabat 618-316-8027 to register.

#### **ST. JOSEPH SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION:**

Let's celebrate! Celebrate good times, come on! 150 years and counting! Everyone is invited to join in the celebration on September 6<sup>th</sup> 6-11pm and September 7<sup>th</sup> from 1-11pm at St. Joseph's Church grounds at Island Grove. Come to enjoy fellowship with food, live music, soft drinks, beer, bounce house all on Friday. Then, add yard games, quilts, church/rectory tours, bingo, antique tractors, cornhole tourney, commode races, beard/dress contest and Spark Show on Saturday! Representative Adam Niemerg will present a Resolution from the State of Illinois at 1pm on Saturday.

#### **ST. MARY'S PICNIC – SAINTE MARIE:**

The 187<sup>th</sup> Annual Pre-Labor Day Church Picnic will be held Sun, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>. The meal will be \$12 from 3-6pm in Parish Center and feature Ste. Marie Style Chicken, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Dessert, and Water. To go available. Food and games from 3-7pm. There will also be big ticket raffle, hand-made quilt raffle, basket raffle, bingo, and kids games. Raffle drawings at 7pm with beer garden running from 3-9pm. SOCO will play from 6-9pm.

#### **PRIEST APPRECIATION:**

Every fall *The Messenger* celebrates Priesthood Sunday and our diocesan priests with a special issue. This year Priesthood Sunday falls on Sept. 12, 2024. To celebrate the ministry of priests in our diocese, *The Messenger* invites parishioners to comment on how priests' pastoral ministries affect their spiritual and personal lives or the parish community. Please send brief comments to: [messenger@diobelle.org](mailto:messenger@diobelle.org) or contact Ashley at the Parish Office. **Due by Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>!**

#### **LIGHTS FOR SALE:**

The old pendant lights from the church are available for Holy Cross parishioners to purchase. If you are interested, please contact Sherry Geier @618-843-5795. Checks should be made to Holy Cross Parish Building Fund. Write "Lights" in memo line. Large lights are 44"t x 14"w-\$350ea Small lights are 15"t x 9"w-\$200ea

#### **INGRAHAM LABOR DAY PICNIC:**

Fish dinners from 11-2pm. Tractor Pulls begin at 1:00pm. Basket raffles, 50/50, and much more! Vegetable soup supper beginning at 4pm. Hope to see you there!

#### **MASS OF REMEMBRANCE:**

The Diocese is sponsoring a Mass of Remembrance for those who have died by suicide, on Sun, Sept. 15, at 2:00pm, at St. Mary Church in Belleville. Bishop McGovern will preside. Family members and friends who grieve the loss of a loved one are encouraged to attend this Mass and bring a photograph of the person you wish to pray for to be placed in the Sanctuary during Mass. The week of September 8-14 is National Suicide Prevention Week. At this time, let us remember those who have died by suicide and recommit ourselves to providing hope and healing for those who mourn their passing. For more information, call Judy Hoffmann at (618) 722-5003.

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Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.



**Holy Cross Church-Wendelin**  
5782 Ingraham Lane, Newton, IL 62448  
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**Mass Schedule:** Thurs., 6:30pm  
Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am  
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