Collection Total for August 28, 2022

Envelopes: \$1030.00 Loose: \$56.00 **Total:** \$1086.00

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Building Fund Donations: \$20.00 (1) Assumption of Mary: \$10.00 (1)

September Missalettes: For all Grandparents

-CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH-

If you are attending Sunday Mass in any of Four Partnership Churches: St. Joseph-Olney, St. Joseph-Stringtown, Holy Cross-Wendelin, or St. Lawrence, please use your contribution envelopes. Your contribution will be credited to the parish stated on the envelope.

PARISH NEWS:

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

BULLETIN NEWS: Deadline Wednesday 2:00PM

PARISH EVENTS:

Monday, September 5, LABOR DAY—OFFICES CLOSED

Wednesday, September 7, 7:00pm, High School Religion at Holy Cross-Wendelin: "The Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Adults are welcome to attend as well.

Friday, September 9, 6:00pm, Married Catholic For Christ

Tuesday, September 13,6:00pm, Finance Council at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, September 14,12:00pm (Noon), East Vicariate Meeting

7:00pm, High School Religion at Holy Cross-Wendelin

CYM meeting Sept 14th at Holy Cross Parish center directly after high school religion.

PLEASE WELCOME FR. ELVIS MWAMBA, O.M.I., a Missionary Oblate Priest from Our Lady of the Snows Shrine. He will be presiding at the masses while I am away this weekend.

JOURNEY ONWARD YE SOJOUNERS CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

One cannot journey this life in any way -physically emotionally - mentally - spiritually - without carrying something. During our day we are typically asked to help someone carry something – groceries - boxes - babies - etc.... Sometimes, the items are heavier and more challenging to maneuver like a piano, or a sofa. No matter the size or task, we accept to help and lighten the load for the other! Did you realize that there is something each one of us carries everyday - knowingly or unknowingly - a cross. The cross that we carry bears our own sins, sufferings, sacrifices, trials, and when we unite our little cross with the cross that Jesus bore, we become transformed. We are transformed by Love - in Love - and for Love - because the cross is the symbol of Love. The very Love that the Son of God took upon himself in order to redeem humankind. The cross is the pathway to a Life of Love - a life that leads to the Father. Pick up your cross, help others carry theirs and journey onward to the Kingdom. Keep to the J.O.Y.S.

FROM FR. MARK

A Labor Day Reflection Christ Himself took up the tools of a carpenter, working with human hands for most of His life on earth. Work is, in the words of John Paul II, "a fundamental dimension of Man's existence on earth" ("Laborem Exercens," No. 4). The Church, in reflecting on the dignity and purpose of human work, offers the faithful a rich vein of social teaching. Among the teachings the Church commends for reflection, criteria for judgment and action, I would offer the following taken from our bishops' conference statement "A Catholic Framework for Economic Life:"

- The economy exists for the person, not the person for the economy.
- A fundamental moral measure of any economy is how the poor and vulnerable are faring.
- All people have a right to life and to secure the basic necessities of life (e.g. food, clothing, shelter, education, health care, safe environment, economic security).
- All people have the right to economic initiative, to productive work, to just wages and benefit, to decent working conditions, as well as to organize and join unions or other associations.

These seem especially appropriate for our reflection on Labor Day. Therefore, Church teachings rightly remind us of the value of work: among other things, work enhances our human dignity, it is needed in order to form and maintain a family, and it contributes to the common good of our local, national and global communities. Workers today, like my parents in their time, know the value of what they do in order to provide for themselves and their families and to contribute to the development of society. Yet they also know the difficulties and challenges their work can bring, especially the need to balance time spent at work with time spent at home with their families.

These challenges are similar to those my own parents faced. Yet amidst all of the difficulties, my parents lived with hope. They were not alone. The Lord was with them. They drew near to the Lord every Sunday in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

This Labor Day, let us reflect on the value of work and on how we recognize and respect the dignity of all workers, including those who have immigrated to our country. Undoubtedly, we can do more. I pray that we are first and foremost a people of charity. "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Mk 12:31).

<u>Stringtown</u> <u>Community</u> <u>Meeting</u> Tuesday, September 6th at 7:00 pm at the Stringtown Parish Center.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Monday, September 5th - No School - Labor Day

Wednesday, September 7th - First Stewardship of Treasure Collection for Catholic Relief Services We welcome Deacon John from CRS!

K of C Soccer Shoot-Out - thank you to Hank Ginder! Buster the Bus visits Preschool and Kindergarten classes

Mark your calendars: First Grade Red Plate presentation for all parish first graders the weekend of September 17th and 18th

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Thursday, September 8th

Thursday, September 8: 3rd Degree meeting. 7PM.

Thursday, September 8: K of C Soccer Kick, Olney St. Joe PE classes, 3rd through 8th grades. Wear old tennis shoes and preferably not trendy shoes.

Friday and Saturday, September 9th and 10: Tootsie Roll Days at IGA.

Thursday, September 15: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM.

Do you know someone who has dementia or Alzheimer's? This terrible disease has touched a lot of families and friends. You feel helpless as you watch your loved one slowly change, as their memory becomes worse.

In honor of my dad, Justin and I will participate in the Mattoon/Charleston Walk to End Alzheimer's on September 17th. If you would like to walk or give a donation, please contact Kathleen Zuber at (618)-869-2306.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER

The Church has consistently taught that every human life is precious and worthy of protection."

- -USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
- "Another Look at Abortion"

Remember in our prayers...

Carolyn Zuber, Ed Ginder, Kathy Zuber (Bill)



Sunday September 4, 2022

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time +Eucharistic Celebrations+

Monday, September 5, NO MASS

Tuesday, September 6, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-

Lawrenceville

Wednesday, September 7, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, September 8, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-

Wendelin

Friday, September 9, NO MASS

 $\textbf{Saturday, September 10}, \ \ 4{:}00 pm \ at \ Holy \ Cross-$

Wendelin

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, September 11,

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown Sr. Antoinette Volk, PHJC+

10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

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Kathy Kocher	Joselyn Kocher	
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Elmer Ochs	Mary Ochs	
<u>Gifts:</u>	Gifts:	
Natalie Zwilling	Harold & Lisa Boehl	
<u>Ushers:</u>	<u>Ushers:</u>	
Harold Boehl	Luke Seiler	
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