

Collection Total for December 2, 2017

Envelopes: \$2138.00  
Loose: \$11.00  
Total: \$2149.00

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Religious Education: \$240.00 (10)  
Human Development: \$40.00 (3)  
Building Fund Donations: \$120.00 (2)  
Flower Fund Donation: \$210.00 (12)

Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal (CSMA)  
Donated: \$3,084.00  
Goal: \$3,900.00  
Amount needed: \$816.00

December Bulletins: Bartley C. Zuber, Attorney at law  
December Missalettes: Marvin Ginder, In Memory of Thea Ginder

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FR. MARK’S SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 10, 3:00 PM,  
Reconciliation at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
4:00 PM, Advent Evensong at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
Monday, December 11, 9:30 AM,  
Reconciliation with 7<sup>th</sup> grade at St. Joseph-Olney  
11:10 AM Reconciliation with 8<sup>th</sup> grade at St. Joseph-Olney  
Tuesday, December 12, 6:00 PM,  
Reconciliation at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
Wednesday, December 13, 6:30 PM, PSR  
Christmas Program at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Thursday, December 14, 8:45 AM,  
Reconciliation with 7<sup>th</sup> grade at St. Joseph-Olney  
10:20 AM, Reconciliation with 6<sup>th</sup> grade at St. Joseph-Olney  
Tuesday, December 19, 6:00 PM,  
Reconciliation at St. Sebastian-St. Sebastian  
7:00 PM, Reconciliation at St. Mary-Mt. Carmel  
Wednesday, December 20, 5:00 PM,  
Advent Study at St. Joseph-Olney

Saturday, December 23, FOURTH  
SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
4:30 PM, Mass at St. Joseph-Olney  
6:30 PM, Mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Sunday, December 24, FOURTH  
SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
10:00 AM, Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin

CHRISTMAS EVE  
4:00 PM, Mass with 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade choir at St. Joseph-Olney  
9:30 PM, Mass (Choir begins at 8:30 PM) at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
11:30 PM, Mass (Choir begins at 10:30 PM) at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Monday, December 25, CHRISTMAS  
DAY  
8:30 AM, Mass at St. Joseph-Olney  
10:30 AM, Mass (Choir begins at 9:30 AM) at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Tuesday, December 26, OFFICE  
CLOSED

Contributions to the Parish

If you are attending Sunday Mass in any of our three partnership churches: St. Joseph-Olney, St. Joseph-Stringtown, Holy Cross-Wendelin, please use your contribution envelope. Your contribution will be deposited and your contribution will be credited to the parish stated on the envelope.

\*Tri-Parish Mass Schedule\*

Saturday, 4:30pm, St. Joseph Olney  
Saturday, 6:30pm, St. Joseph Stringtown  
Sunday, 8:00am, St. Joseph Olney  
Sunday, 10:00am, Holy Cross Wendelin

PARISH NEWS

Missalettes and Bulletins – Can be sponsored anytime for the 2018 calendar year. We have several months available.  
Mass Intentions – Are now being scheduled until June 1<sup>st</sup> 2018.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners - J.O.Y.S.-  
With Love from Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

A Joyous Advent to you and to all those you love! The days become even more filled this time of year, which lends to the necessity of keeping to the Journey of Prayer. The J.O.Y.S. Faith Formation Group using the Advent Anima study from Formed.org continues Wednesday’s at 5:00 p.m., in the Multi-purpose room. My weekly J.O.Y.S. column is on the Tri-Parish Partnership Facebook page.  
"Prayer is powerful beyond limits when we turn to the Immaculata who is queen even of God's heart."  
-Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Keep to the J.O.Y.S.



PSR: Donna Zwilling

Wednesday, December 13th at 6:15pm will be our Advent Family Night. There will be Advent related activities for the whole family. All are welcome to join us. We ask that each family bring a snack to share

Choir Practice - Fri, Dec 8 after Mass, Sun, Dec 10; Mon, Dec 18; Wed, Dec 20 All practices at 6:30pm except Dec 8.

Chow Down – December 13<sup>th</sup> at the Stringtown Parish Hall

St. Joseph-Olney School:

Saturday, December 9th - Cookies with Santa for birth - second graders 10 a.m. - Noon in the MPR  
  
Wednesday, December 13th - Join us after the all-school mass for coffee and doughnuts to celebrate Rita Kocher's commitment to the church and school.

Thursday, December 14th - 8th Grade Girls' Night at our home basketball game  
Free admission for St. Joseph School students and high school alumni

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Holy Cross Wendelin:  
Advent Evensong - on Sunday, December 10, 2017 at 4:00PM. A candlelight service with Scripture, Organ, English Carols, & Austrian Christmas music – sung in German, by the Wendelin Kloeppen Singers. All are welcome. Refreshments afterwards in the Parish Center. Dedicated to the memory of Fr. David Braun

The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal... join us as Partners in Hope  
The true joy of Christmas is in the everlasting love of Christ. May you find His peace, love and joy now and in the coming New Year. With deepest gratitude for your prayers and generosity,  
-Ministries and Programs Funded by  
The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

**Knights of Columbus:**

Wednesday, December 13: Christ in Christmas  
Posters due to St. Joe Office or respective PSR  
teachers.

Thursday December, 14: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.

Thursday, December 21: 4th Degree meeting,  
7:30PM.

Kudos to Dan & Steve Kuenstler Families for  
organizing the Christmas Dinner with 85 in  
attendance, 18 sitting with Santa.

Thanks to all three parishes and CYM volunteers  
for the Olney Council meeting the Tootsie Roll  
Charity goal this year. This helps Richland County  
Special Olympics groups, Special Needs Classes,  
and the ARC Summer Program.



**SATURDAY DECEMBER 9, 2017  
SECOND SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT**

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR  
WEEK OF December 10**

Monday 12/11 8:00 AM at St. Joseph-  
Olney

**Tuesday 12/12 8:00 AM at St. Joseph-  
Stringtown For Alberta & Raymond  
Zuber**

Wednesday 12/13 8:05 AM at St. Joseph-  
Olney

Thursday 12/14 NO MASS

Friday 12/15 10:00 AM at Carle/RMH  
Long Term Care

**Saturday 12/16 6:30 PM at St. Joseph  
Stringtown For Merl & Opal Schafer**

**Parish Ministries**

<b><u>This Sat. (Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>)</u></b>	<b><u>Next Sat. (Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>)</u></b>
<b><u>Servers:</u></b> Colby Steber	Luke Seiler
Eli Sager	Joselyn Kocher
Sean Joyce	Kara Sager
<b><u>Lector:</u></b>	
Rita Damm	Kathy Kocher
<b><u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u></b>	
Brittany Ochs	Elmer Ochs
Cheryl Zuber	Mary Ochs
Jenny Hancock	Janette Kocher
<b><u>Offertory:</u></b>	
Jean Kocher	Judy & Mary
<b><u>Ushers:</u></b>	
Elmer Ochs	Lester Zuber
Jim Schneider	Pauline Volk
<b><u>Greeters:</u></b>	
Tim & Anne Crites	Jean Kocher & Gary

**Remember in our prayers . . .**

Mary Beth Sifferlen, Kim Dallmier, Janice D.  
Zuber, Marcia(Hahn)Zanellato , Harold Zuber, Bob  
Dallmier, Emma Kocher, Mary Ann Kocher, Brenda  
Kocher

**Bulletin News:** Deadline Wednesday 3:00 PM

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**Parish Office Hours:**  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday  
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM