

Collection Total for September 18, 2022

Envelopes: \$1370.00
Loose: \$300.00
Total: \$1670.00
Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Retired Diocesan Priest Collection: \$55.00 (2)
Building Fund Donations: \$140.00 (5)

September Bulletins: Bartley C. Zuber, Attorney at Law

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:
Saturday, September 24, 2:00 pm, Woods/Zuber Wedding at St. Joseph-Stringtown
Monday, September 26, 1:00pm. Blood Drive at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Wednesday, September 28, 6:30pm, Opening Mass for Family Catechesis Program at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Sunday, October 2, 8:00am, Confirmation Commitment Weekend at St. Joseph Olney & Stringtown
10:00am, Confirmation Commitment Weekend at Holy Cross-Wendelin & St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville
Monday, October 3, 1:00pm, Priest Convocation until Thursday, October 6

Thursday, October 6, Fr. Felix’s Birthday

Sign up for CHWC mission trip is October 1st. The dates for CHWC mission trip 2023 will be June 18th-June 24th. Accepting sign-ups for current 8th graders, high school students, and college students through age 20. Anyone interested in going ages 21 and older can attend as a chaperone. Will need 100 dollar payment for registration. Please contact Marcia Street for questions or if interested in signing up at 618-783-9310.

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on Oct. 7th. St. Joseph Stringtown parish will be praying the rosary every Sunday in Oct. before Mass. If anyone or family would like to lead the rosary, please contact Janette Kocher at 843-1650

ASAP (Always Say A Prayer) Prayer Group
The Rosary is a powerful prayer. Our Holy Mother Mary has appeared various times to encourage people to pray for peace in the world and many other intentions. So let us come together now in community to pray for God's grace and help. Everyone is invited to participate every Tuesday morning during the month of October at St. Joseph Stringtown Church at 9:30am. We will pray the rosary followed by fellowship. Questions call Janette Kocher 843-1650

JOURNEY ONWARD YE SOJOURNERS
CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE
Amen, Amen, I say to you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.” John 1:51
Yes, angels are real. And they are mighty glorious, beautiful, and magnificent in every way. We honor the three Archangels - St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael - September 29th. These ‘holy angels’ are found throughout the Old and New Testament helping, healing, warning, and guarding. They continue today to offer the same touch of God to our lives too. How does one seek their assistance you might ask?

The St. Michael prayer is one avenue to enlist the mighty angelic warrior for his assistance in our lives from the snares and temptations of Satan. We can ask St. Gabriel to proclaim the wonders of God in us. St. Raphael is God’s remedy- he brings healing to the afflicted, and he can help bring healing in our lives, too.
October 2nd is the feast day of the Guardian Angels. God has given each of us a guardian angel by our side to aid us and give comfort. This is a Powerhouse of Holy Assistance – one just needs to ask for their assistance:
O’ Holy Archangels, Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, O’ My Dear Guardian Angel, come into my life, fight, and protect me from all evil, open my eyes, ears, and heart to the words of Life of God, and heal all the areas on my being that is not of God. St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael, help me. My Dear Guardian Angel, I love you and thank you for your protection over me! Amen!
A Life of Love awaits – a life where the angels trod and peace on earth reigns to all those of good will! Keep to the J.O.Y.S.

FROM FR. MARK
This week (September 29) we recall the names and the work of the Archangels of Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. Then on October 2 (because it falls on Sunday, we do not commemorate the guardian angels this year) we recall our own Guardian Angels. Angels are mysterious beings. Our culture has a lot of misconceptions about angels--what they are, who they are, and what they do. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), an angel is a being of pure spirit; that is “what” they are. St. Augustine tells us that the word “angel” is actually what they do: they are messengers and servants of the Most-High God.

There are three archangels named in the Bible: Michael, Raphael, and Gabriel. These messengers served God’s people at different times and had different purposes. They had vastly diverse missions, each corresponding to their very identity and being. Let’s take a look at them now.
St. Michael is known as the Prince of the Heavenly Hosts and the defender of God’s people.

According to the Catholic Bible Dictionary, Michael means “Who is like God?”. In the Book of Revelation, “Michael and his angels” battle the dragon, an ancient symbol of the devil, and throw him and his followers out of heaven. Christianity honors him as a patron of the nation of Israel, God’s chosen people of the Old Testament. Today, Michael is still thought of as a guardian of the Church, God’s people of the New Testament.
St. Raphael is mentioned in one book of the Bible—the Book of Tobit. His name can be translated as “God will Heal.” In the Book of Tobit, God sends Raphael to answer the prayers of two people: Tobit, who was blinded by bird droppings, and Sarah, who was harassed by a demon who killed any man she married. These two, on the same day, prayed to God for death. God answered their prayers by sending Raphael, who brought together Tobias, Tobit’s son, and Sarah. He also banished the demon that stalked Sarah and healed Tobit’s blindness in the same journey.
St. Gabriel appears once in the Old Testament and twice in the New Testament. His name means “God is my warrior” or “God is strong.” First, he is sent to the prophet Daniel in the time of the great exile to interpret visions concerning the coming of the Messiah. Second, he appears to Zechariah to foretell the birth of John the Baptist. St. Gabriel is best known, however, for appearing to Mary and announcing the birth of the Messiah, Jesus.
The names of these angels tell us their missions. Michael (Who is like God) reminds us that there is no one like our God who deserves and desires our love. Raphael (God Heals) reminds us that it is only through the power of the Divine Physician that our wounds can be healed. Gabriel (God is Strong) reminds us that it is in God and the proclamation of his Word that we find our true strength.
As members of the Church, we are conscious of the angels in our liturgical practices. At Mass, in the Preface before the Eucharistic Prayer' we join with all the angels and saints to sing the hymn of praise, "Holy, holy, holy." In Eucharistic Prayer I, the priest prays, "Almighty God, we pray that your angel may take this

sacrifice to your altar in heaven." In the Final Commendation of the Funeral Liturgy, the priest prays, "May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you and take you to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem." Moreover, we celebrate in our liturgical calendar the Feasts of the Archangels (Sept. 29) and Guardian Angels (Oct. 2).

In our daily prayers and activities, we should be mindful of these servants of God who by His love keep our lives safe from harm and guide us on the path of salvation.

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

September 26th - September 29th - Iowa testing week

Wednesday, September 28th - Cross Country, Baseball and Softball Pictures 5 pm

Friday, September 30th - Preschool field trip to Dorney's Pumpkin Patch

Weekend of October 1st and 2nd

-Commitment for 8th grade students preparing for Confirmation

-CYM Mass

First weekend for children’s liturgy: preschool - 1st grade at 8 am mass - St. Joseph, Olney
Coffee/doughnuts following mass

"St. Joseph Smorgasbord and Bazaar event on Sunday, October 16 in the Cafeteria/Gymnasium. Lunch will be served from 11 AM to 1:30 PM. Adults: \$10, Children (8 and under): \$5 and will include pork loin, chicken & noodles, baked beans, corn, mashed"

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Sunday, September 25: K of C led Rosary, 7:40AM, Olney, St. Joe, before Mass.

Thursday, October 13: 3rd Degree meeting, 7PM.

Thursday, October 20: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM.

Sunday, October 30: K of C Volunteer Mass Ministry, St. Joe Olney 8AM Mass. Fellowship breakfast to follow at HV’s. K of C led Rosary at 7:40AM.

Wednesday, November 9: Mark your calendar! Mass for Deceased Members, 7PM at St. Joe Olney,

In Memory of George Ochs, Gerald Blank and Mark Weiler.

Knight of the Month - Brad Doll – Annual Family Picnic Chef

STRINGTOWN COMMUNITY CLUB

will hold their October meeting on Tuesday, October 4th at 7pm at the Stringtown Parish Center. The guest speaker will be Deb Lynch from Richland County HOPE, Inc. All are welcome."

YOUNG ADULT MASS:

Bishop Michael McGovern will celebrate Mass at the Cathedral of St. Peter on Sunday, October 9, at 5:00 PM. Although it is a regularly scheduled Cathedral Mass, the Bishop encourages the Diocese’s Young Adults to attend. Following this Mass, Young Adults (ages 18-29) are invited to the Undercroft for a social with the opportunity to engage in conversation with the Bishop.

The 2022 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

Go and do likewise... - Luke 10:37

YOU have the opportunity to support the six men who have answered "YES" to God's call to serve in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ in our Belleville Diocese. The annual cost for each of our seminarians is approximately \$48,000. Funding from The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps support the expenses of our seminarians and Vocation Office; your pledge or one-time gift is truly an investment in our faith and the life of the Church here in southern Illinois. Please continue to pray for vocations and consider making your gift today!

Remember in our prayers...

Carolyn Zuber, Ed Ginder, Rick Rennier

Sunday September 25, 2022

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Monday, September 26,
6:30PM at St. Joseph-Stringtown “For the Parish”

Tuesday, September 27,
5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, September 28,
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

6:30pm, Opening Mass for Family Catechesis Program at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Thursday, September 29,
6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Friday, September 30, NO MASS

Saturday, October 1,
4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, October 2,
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney

8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “Magdalene & Lawrence Zwilling+”

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

MINISTERS LIST

09/25/2022

Servers:

Natalie Zwilling
Nathaniel Zwilling

Lector:

Gary Zwilling

Eucharist Minister:

Harold Boehl

Gifts:

Rick & Bobbie Ginder

Ushers:

Lester Zuber
Isaac Zwilling

Greeters:

Doug & Lora Kocher

10/02/2022

Servers:

Jared Zwilling
Ian Kocher

Lector:

Owen Kocher

Eucharist Minister:

Jenny Hancock

Gifts:

Jim & Thelma Muhs

Ushers:

Natalie Zwilling
Scott Seiler

Greeters:

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