

Collection Total for February 23, 2020

Envelopes:	\$856.25
Loose:	\$44.00
Total:	\$900.25

Weekly Amount Needed:    \$1,400.00

Building Fund Donations: \$55.00    (2)  
Easter Flower Donations: \$74.00    (8)

**March Bulletins:** Bartley A. Zuber Attorney at Law

**March Missalettes:** Rita Damm

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**\*AROUND OUR PARISHES\***

Sunday, March 1,    8:45am,    PSR    at    St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
9:00am, First Reconciliation at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
Monday, March 2,    7:30am, Breakfast Club at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
Tuesday, March 3,    9:30am,    RCIA    at    St. Joseph-Olney  
7:00pm, Adult Formation (The History and Practices of Lent) at St. Joseph-Olney  
**Wednesday, March 4,** 9:00am, Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph-Olney  
1:00pm, Bible Study at St. Joseph-Olney  
6:30pm, PSR at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
**6:30pm, First Reconciliation at St. Joseph-Stringtown**  
7:00pm, Stations of the Cross at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
**Friday, March 6,** 8:30    am,    Eucharistic Adoration at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
2:00pm, Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation is available) at St. Joseph-Olney  
6:00pm, Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation is available) at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
**6:30pm, Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation is available) at St. Joseph-Stringtown**

6:30pm, Soup Supper Social at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
7:00pm, Euchre Tournament at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
Saturday, March 7, 6:00pm, St. Joseph School Art Auction  
Sunday, March 8, 8:45am    PSR    at    St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
11:30am, Movie ‘The Two Popes’ with discussion following at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
Monday, March 9, 7:30am, Breakfast Club at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
Tuesday, March 10, 9:30am,    RCIA    at    St. Joseph-Olney  
Wednesday, March 11,    1:00pm, Bible Study at St. Joseph-Olney  
6:30pm, PSR at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
6:30pm, Bible Study at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
7:00pm, Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation is available) at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
**Friday, March 13,** 2:00pm, Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation is available) at St. Joseph-Olney  
6:00pm, Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation is available) at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
**6:30pm, Stations of the Cross (Reconciliation is available) at St. Joseph-Stringtown**  
Saturday, March 14, 9:00am,    Men’s    Lenten Retreat at St. Joseph-Olney

**\*Contributions to the Parish**

If you are attending Sunday Mass in any of our 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.

**\*AREA MASS SCHEDULE\***

**Saturday, 4:00pm, St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville**  
**Saturday, 5:00pm, St. Joseph-Olney**  
**Sunday, 7:30am, St. Joseph-Stringtown**  
**Sunday, 8:30am, Holy Cross-Wendelin**

**Sunday, 10:00am, St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville**  
**Sunday, 10:30am, St. Joseph-Olney**

**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.

**PARISH NEWS:**

**Bulletin News:** Deadline Wednesday 3:00PM  
**Parish Office Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

**Mass Intentions and Missalettes are now being scheduled for 2020**

**Due to cold and flu season, distribution of the Blood of Christ will be suspended.**

**Mark your calendars for the St Joseph Mass & Table. March 19, 2020 6:00 PM – St. Joseph Parish Hall in Stringtown**

**COMMUNITY NEWS:**

Monthly **Stringtown Community Club** meeting is this Monday, March 2nd at 7pm at the Stringtown Parish Center. Our featured speaker will be Colby Steber, a junior at Richland County High School, speaking about the metal signs the students make at the high school. Kathleen Zuber and Janice Zuber are in charge of refreshments. Any and all are welcome to attend."

**CYM bake sale** - after all masses March 7-8. All proceeds will go towards the mission trip. Thank you for your continued support!

**Journey Onward Ye Sojourners**  
**+JOYS+**

***Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate***

Not Today Satan! Do you find yourself thinking this or saying it throughout the day? Or wishing you heard it sooner? In this season of penitence, we are called to live a life of fasting – praying –

almsgiving- in a more profound manner. There might even be times

that we find ourselves a bit more vulnerable and it is here where the evil one lies in wait to strike! God is bigger than the strikes and it is up to us, to be of the mindset to live a life saying Not Today Satan – I will not serve you! This Lent serve God in all that you say and do – Live a Life of Love! Not Today Satan - Not me and not my family! Not EVER!

Journey onward ye sojourners!

Keep to the J.O.Y.S.

**Sisters Walking with Purpose**  
**Women’s Catholic Bible Study**

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Would you like to connect with other women in our parish community? Are you searching for something more in your life?  
***We invite you to consider joining***  
**Sisters Walking with Purpose at HOLY CROSS. March 4, Wednesday, at 5:30 pm for a six-week study**  
***Living in the Father’s Love*** is a six-week study of God the Father, reveals how deeply relevant the Gospels are to our relationships, both with God and those we love. For questions or to RSVP, contact Kristi Sandschafer, or Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate. We hope to see you!

**St. Joseph-Olney School:**

St. Joseph School Art Auction - March 7th starting at 6 pm    Olde Tyme Steakhaus  
An evening of food, drinks, and fantastic art to support the children of our school!  
Tickets on sale in the school office.

Tuesday, March 3rd – Pre-k doughnuts 7:20 - 7:50 a.m. in the cafeteria

**Holy Cross Wendelin:**

Holy Cross Family Life Euchre Tournament  
Schedule for 2020:  
Friday, March 6 –            7:00pm  
Sunday, March 15 –        6:00pm

“Public Invited!” Holy Cross Parish Center – Wendelin. Popcorn, Soda and water available. Come socialize and play cards. Admission \$3.00 per play, Cash Prizes

**From Fr. Mark**

This week marked the beginning of the six-week period known as “Lent,” a time when people from many denominations of Christianity observe rituals and traditions focused on penitence, reflection, and prayer. We went out on Wednesday with ash on our foreheads and many of us talked about “giving up for Lent” this year. You may be wondering, “Why do people give things up for Lent? Lent involves three pillars, or three legs on a stool. All are necessary for to be able to sit on it without tipping over. Good practices during Lent is to do something extra in prayer, something involving fasting (whether limiting our intake of food or giving up something non food-related), and something involving almsgiving (giving money or goods to the needy or doing extra acts of charity). People usually give up an indulgence that they enjoy during the season of Lent. Some individuals decide to give up the use of social media, playing video games, or watching less television. The most common sacrifice that is recognized is a person’s favorite food to eat. This is an important aspect of Lent because through the deprivation of something that provides us with pleasure we are displaying an ultimate sacrifice to God. Lent is a time for Christians to live out a sacrifice in commemoration of the horrible physical and emotional pain Jesus Christ endured. Sacrificing during the Lenten season allows individuals to demonstrate a sense of selflessness. This is an important characteristic to embody because Christ was the epitome of selflessness, He died for our sins. Sacrificing allows us to display selflessness because we are doing it for Christ, our goal is to show him the love and respect that he has showered us with over time. Being a selfless individual is acting as Christ would. We are putting ourselves in His shoes by depriving ourselves of an indulgence. Of course, our sacrifice is not as extreme as Christ’s, but it helps us realize how he felt, only on a more simplistic level.

If you are planning of “giving something up during Lent” but have not yet decided what that will be, use the following questions to help you. What is the one thing preventing you from having a better relationship with God? What is something that is taking WAY to much of your time? What is one thing that would be really difficult to go without (but your could if your really had to)? What is one spiritual discipline that you were better at? One thing that I will give up for Lent this year.

**Knights of Columbus:**

Friday, March 6: Fish Fry Night, Olney City Park Community Building, 5PM to 7PM. All are welcome. Carry-outs are available. This week our charitable donation is for the Richland County Hope Organization.  
Saturday March 7: Regional Free Throw Competition, at Mater Dei High School in Breese, Competition at 10AM.

Thursday, March 12: 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree meeting, 7PM.  
Thursday, March 19: 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting: 7:30PM.



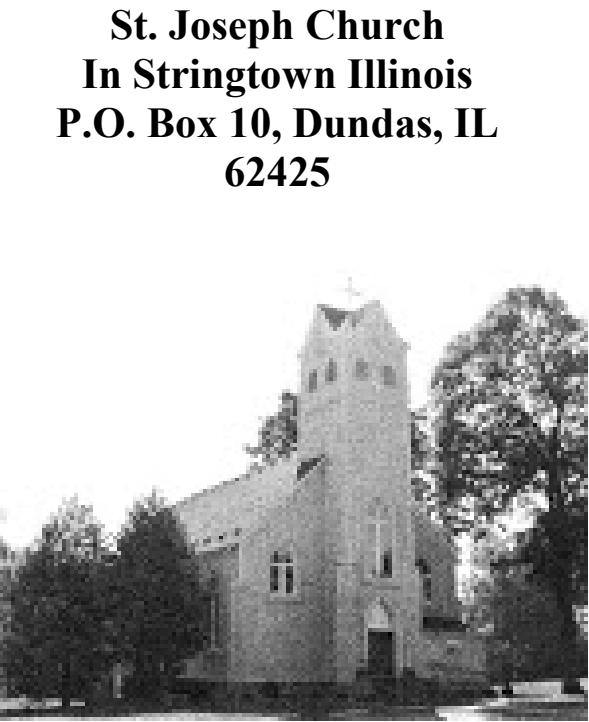
**Remember in our prayers . . .**  
Kim Dallmier, Marcia (Hahn) Zanellato, Bob Dallmier, Rita Damm, Harold Zuber, Lori Wehrheim Davidson

**SUNDAY MARCH 1  
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF MARCH 2**

Saturday, 02/29 4:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney  
**Sunday, 03/01 7:30am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “For the Parish”**  
8:30am at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
10:30am at St. Joseph-Olney  
Monday, 03/02 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney  
**Tuesday 03/03 NO MASS**  
Wednesday 03/04 8:00am St. Joseph- Olney  
8:00am St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
Thursday, 03/04 8:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
Friday, 03/05 8:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney  
Saturday, 03/06 4:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney  
**Sunday, 03/08 7:30am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “For Nadine Zwilling”**  
8:30am at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville  
10:30am at St. Joseph-Olney

<b><u>Parish Ministries</u></b>	
<b><u>This Sun. (March 1<sup>st</sup>)</u></b>	<b><u>Next Sun. (March 8<sup>th</sup>)</u></b>
<b><u>Servers:</u></b>	
Victoria Zwilling	Brett Kocher
Colleen Steber	Casey Schneider
Kaitlin Kocher	Alex Schneider
<b><u>Lector:</u></b>	
Gary Zwilling	Wayne Kocher
<b><u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u></b>	
Mary Zuber	Rita Damm
Rick Ginder	Beth Kocher
Scott Seiler	Bill Zuber
<b><u>Offertory:</u></b>	
Werner Kocher	Doug Kocher
<b><u>Ushers:</u></b>	
Elmer Ochs	Justin Sager
Jim Schneider	Lester Zuber
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