

Collection Total for February 3, 2018

Envelopes:	\$1393.00
Loose:	\$50.00
Total:	\$1443.00

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Religious Education:	\$118.00	(6)
First Offering:	\$3.00	(1)

Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal (CSMA)

Donated:	\$3,084.00
Goal:	\$3,900.00
Amount needed:	\$816.00

February Bulletins: Rick Ginder Family
February Missalettes: In Memory of Bill Zwilling
(By Catherine Zwilling)

FR. MARK’S SCHEDULE

Sunday, February 11, 11:00am, CYM
Spaghetti Dinner at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Tuesday, February 13, 3:00pm, Science
Fair Judging at St. Joseph-Olney

ASH WEDNESDAY: FEBRUARY 14, 2018
8:00 AM Mass and Distribution of Ashes at St. Joseph-Olney
5:30 PM Mass and Distribution of Ashes at St. Joseph-Stringtown’
6:30 PM Prayer and Distribution of Ashes at St. Joseph-Olney
(Lead by Caroline Trimble)
7:00 PM Mass and Distribution of Ashes at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Friday, February 16, 11:00am Salad Bar Luncheon at St. Joseph-Olney

6:30pm, STATIONS OF THE CROSS & RECONCILIATION at St. Joseph-Stringtown
Sunday, February 18, 2:00pm, Rite of Election at St. Peter Cathedral-Belleville
Monday, February 19, PRESIDENT’S DAY-OFFICE CLOSED
9:00am Confirmation Retreat at St. Joseph Stringtown
7:00pm School Board at St. Joseph-Olney
Tuesday, February 20, 5:30pm, Lenten Series-Hope from the Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wednesday, February 21, 6:30pm, First/PSR Student Reconciliation at St. Joseph-Stringtown
7:00pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Thursday, February 22, 6:30pm, RCIA at St. Joseph-Olney
Friday, February 23, 2:00pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS & RECONCILIATION at St. Joseph-Olney
6:30pm, STATIONS OF THE CROSS at St. Joseph-Stringtown
Saturday, September 24, 2:00pm, Wedding at Holy Cross-Wendelin

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

THE WEEKDAY MASS will be cancelled on those days that the Richland County Schools are closed due to snow and/or ice. The mass intention will be transferred to the next available day.

PARISH NEWS

PALMS: IF you would like your old palms to be disposed of, please bring them to the church next weekend. They will be burned and the ashes will be used at the Ash Wednesday Liturgies.

Missalettes and Bulletins – May be sponsored anytime for the 2018 calendar year. We have several months available.

Mass Intentions - Are now being scheduled until June 1st 2018.

HOSPITAL VISITS, please contact the Parish Office when a family member is admitted to Carle/RMH Hospital. The hospital does not have a list available with the daily census of patients, Even if you check Catholic on your admission form. Once admitted, you can always have the floor nurse call requesting a visit.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners - J.O.Y.S. – With Love from Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate
The J.O.Y.S. are here.... Pick up your Lenten J.O.Y.S. booklet - J2K- Journey 2 the Kingdom. These 40 days of Lent offer a time that is set apart to draw us closer to the heart of the Father. The journey of Lent is what you make it-so make the journey one that **increases** God and *decreases* YOU! Mark your calendar for the Lenten series on Tuesday evenings, beginning February 20th at 5:30 p.m. here at St. Joseph Olney. The focus will be on -Hope – the hope found in Confession-Prayer-Fasting-Almsgiving-and the Great Triduum. When we journey together we find not only hope but Joy----- Keep to the J.O.Y.S.

Guatemala— June 15-20. Trip includes 3 days in a Guatemalan sister parish, a visit to CRS Migrant Shelter for those being returned from the U.S. and a

visit to Lake Atilan. People who do not have a Guatemalan sister parish are also invited. Estimated cost is \$1000. **Deadline for reservations is March 4. I will be making this journey, Please call me if you are interested-Fr. Mark**

Picnic Committee:

We are excited to welcome Kenzie Zwilling and Austin Zwilling as new Picnic Committee members! They will join Jennifer Cummins-Zuber, Bartley Zuber, Kristie Cooley, Shelly Seaman, and Doug Seaman as the 2018 Picnic Committee. Work on this year’s Picnic has begun, and information about Noodle Day will be available in March. If you see Kenzie or Austin, please thank them for dedicating themselves to our Picnic for the next three years!

St. Joseph-Olney School:

Following Ash Wednesday Mass, 8th grade students will host a science fair open house in the MPR to showcase their science fair projects. The public is invited to see the hard work students have put into their projects over the past two months. The open house will last for about 1 hour.

Saturday, February 10th - St. Joseph School Art Auction - join us!

Sunday, February 11th - Winter Band/Chorus Concert 2 p.m. in the gymnasium

Tuesday, February 13th - Science Fair Boosters 6:30 p.m., PTO - 7 p.m. in the cafeteria

Wednesday, February 14th - Science Fair Viewing after all-school mass (9 a.m.) in the MPR

Friday, February 16th - No School, Parent-Teacher Conferences

Monday, February 19th - No School, Presidents' Day

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Holy Cross Parish Wendelin: Euchre Tournaments have been set

Location: Holy Cross Parish Center, Wendelin
\$3.00 per person entry fee
Free popcorn. Water & Soda available to purchase
Games will begin promptly on time
Fridays Dates:
March 2nd - games begin 7pm
Sunday Dates:
March 18th - games begin @6:30 pm
Public welcome to attend.
Sponsored by: Family Life of Holy Cross

Wendelin Wine Tasting: March 3rd 2018 6:00 - 10:30 pm Wineries serving until 9:00PM at the Holy Cross Parish Center in Wendelin ---\$10 Admission Includes glass/tastings/appetizers. Domestic beer will be available for purchase.
Irene's Vineyard, Kite Hill Vineyards, Vahling Vineyards, Foxcreek Vineyards, and Lasata Wines
No admittance to anyone under 21 years of age
Live music provided by: Wes Hagen & Megan Brant
Childcare available by CYM in rectory basement for donation

Holy Cross CYM:
Mardi Gras Spaghetti Luncheon Sunday February 11th 2018. Meal includes Spaghetti, Salad, Breadsticks, and King Cake by donations only.
Contact Kristi Sandschafer @ 217 -994-2754 with questions. Includes a Basket & Dessert Raffle and a Cash Raffle. (proceeds from the Raffles go to the 2018 Mission Trip) This event is sponsored by the CYM and Family Life Committee. Special presentation by Caroline Trimble

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish
Annual Brunch on Sunday, March 4th, serving from 8am to Noon, in the parish center. Menu to include: Sausage links, ham, scrambled eggs, biscuits & sausage gravy, assorted breakfast breads, muffins & rolls. Fruit, juice, milk & coffee. There will also be a bake sale sponsored by our Youth Group. Please come and join us – Thank you, Brunch Committee

Knights of Columbus:
Sunday, Today, after the 8AM Olney Mass, K of C sponsored donuts and coffee in the multi-purpose room. All are welcome.

*Thursday, February 15: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30PM.
*Friday, February 16: Fish Fry to benefit the Richland County Senior Citizens Center
*Friday, February 16: Olney K of C Fish Fry night, Olney City Park, 5-7PM. All are welcome to attend. Carry-outs are available.
*St. Joe students practice free throws for the February Free Throw competition later this month. Thanks to all PSR classes for having completed the Free Throw Competition. Also on available PSR nights in February there will be a Spelling Bee for 4th & 5th grades, and another for 6th, 7th, & 8th.

A note from Bishop Braxton:
Dear People of God,

ICHTHUS is the Greek word for “fish.” Jesus tells us to, “Come follow me. And I will make you fishers of men!”
We often see a fish in Christian art. During Lent many parishes enjoy a “fish fry.” In the early Church, this word was used as a “symbol,” an acronym, a word formed from the first letter of several words.
I C H T H U S stands for “Jesus Christ, God’s Son, Savior.” This has often been expressed as, “Jesus Christ is the Son of God our Savior.”
Thus, with this simple image, or drawing Christians could profess their faith in times of persecution.

I = Iesous = Jesus
Ch = Khristos = Christ
Th = Theou = God’s
U = Huios = Son
S= Soter = Savior

The sign of the fish in early times was used by Christians as a secret symbol that all who believed that Jesus was the Christ would recognize, whether scratched on walls, rocks, or sand.
So, as a Catholic, you can express the heart of our faith throughout your day by simply praying with one word, ICHTHUS, or even FISH.
May each of you and your families have a grace-filled Lent to prepare you for the celebration of the mystery of the Resurrection.

The Most Reverend Edward K. Braxton, Ph.D., S.T.D. Bishop of Belleville

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2018 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF February 11

Monday 2/12 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Tuesday 2/13 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown “For Edward & Emma Zuber”
Wednesday 2/14 8:05 AM Mass and Distribution of Ashes at St. Joseph-Olney
5:30 PM Mass and Distribution of Ashes at St. Joseph-Stringtown
6:30 PM Prayer and Distribution of Ashes at St. Joseph-Olney (Lead by Caroline Trimble)
7:00 PM Mass and Distribution of Ashes at Holy Cross-Wendelin
Thursday 2/15 NO MASS
Friday 2/16 10:00am at Carle/RMH Long Term
Saturday 2/17 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown “For Norman Kocher & Neil & Dorothy Kocher”

Parish Ministries

<u>This Sat. (Feb. 10th)</u>	<u>Next Sat. (Feb 17th)</u>
<u>Servers:</u> Eli Sager	Joselyn Kocher
Sean Joyce	Kara Sager
Luke Seiler	Kacy Sager
<u>Lector:</u>	
Loretta Steber	Anita Seiler
<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u>	
John Ochs	Jenny Hancock

<u>Offertory:</u>	
Werner Kocher	Doug Kocher
<u>Ushers:</u>	
Justin Sager	Pauline Volk
Lester Volk	Scott Seiler
<u>Greeters:</u>	
Elmer & Mary Ochs	Merl & Cheryl Zuber

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