Collection Total for March 28, 2021

Envelopes: $940.00
Loose: $
Total: $940.00

Weekly Amount Needed: $1,400.00

Building Fund Donation: $35.00 (3)
Easter Offering: $100.00 (1)
C.S.M.A: $5.00 (1)

April Bulletins: In Memory of Bill Zwilling – Catherine Zwilling
April Missalettes: In Memory of Norman Kocher – Jean Kocher

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AROUND OUR PARISHES

Bulletins and Missalettes are now open to be sponsored for the year of 2021

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.
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: Hours for public are limited to necessity only. Please call first.

On each of the individual parish websites, there is a link to sign up for Mass. At the top of the website, click on: Mass Sign-Up You Must Register to Attend. This will take you to 'SignUp Genius'. Then scroll down to choose the Mass you wish to attend. Click on a box to "Sign Up" and then scroll all the way down to the bottom of the screen and click on "Submit and Sign Up". This will take you to another screen where you can enter your name and the number of people coming. Then click on "Sign Up Now".

Mass will be celebrated at:

4:00pm Saturdays at Holy Cross Wendelin
5:00pm Saturdays at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am Sundays at St. Joseph-Olney
8:00am Sundays at St. Joseph-Stringtown
10:00am Sundays at Holy Cross-Wendelin
10:00am Sundays at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Also:

Monday at 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown
Tuesday at 6:30pm at St. Lawrence Lawrenceville
Wednesday at 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney
Thursday at 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Communion will be distributed outside at 8:30 am at St. Joseph Stringtown. Drive to the parish parking lot following it's scheduled mass and someone will assist you.
The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment or at 6:00pm Monday through Thursday at the individual parish that has the scheduled weekday mass at 6:30pm.
Mass will continue to be Live Stream at St. Joseph-Olney at 5:00pm on Saturday, 8:00am on Sunday and at 8:00am and 6:30pm on Wednesday. Mitigation limits on gatherings (10 family members) and are not advised at this time. This same guidance applies to weddings.

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FROM FR. MARK:

"On entering the tomb they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were utterly amazed. He said to them, "Do not be amazed!
You seek Jesus of Nazareth, the crucified. He has been raised; he is not here." (Mark 16: 5-7). That is the statement the (angel) asks the women at the tomb on Easter morning in the account of the Resurrection from St. Mark that we heard this year at the Easter Vigil. St. Bernard of Clairvaux, the great, 12th-century Cistercian saint and doctor of the Church, paraphrased it this way: "Why do you seek the living WORD among dead words . . . ?"

The Living One or the dead? The Living WORD or dead words, dead images, dead thoughts and feelings? That is the dramatic convergence of opposing forces that hits us like a tidal wave during these three fateful days from Good Friday to Easter Sunday. Only a Christian really "gets" it. They were unable to grasp the awful drama and unspeakable love of the Son of God emptying himself for us and taking on all the weight of human sin and death so as to destroy it.

It has been two years since we have been able to celebrate Easter morning Masses recalling all the appealing sensations of Catholicism that we miss: the Easter hymns and bells, the fragrant lilies and brilliant stained-glass windows, the coldness of the holy water and the warmth of the Easter candles. As much of all this is, don't miss the radical, renewing power of the Easter proclamation itself: "Christus resurrexit! Christus vincit! Christ has risen! Christ has conquered!" Where the first Adam brought us only ruin and corruption, the new Adam, Jesus Christ, has restored us to life! All is new!

Brothers and sisters, Easter Sunday gives us a real Choice, a new Hope, the WORD of God risen in the Flesh and offering us true and lasting Life. Aren't we ready to quit all the old, dying words, the dying places and deeds in our lives? "He is not here but, he has been raised. . . . He is going before you to Galilee." **Let us now walk in the light of Christ! Alleluia! May you have a Blessed Easter!**

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
+JOYS+
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Alleluia! *Our God has Risen from the dead!* Alleluia!

A Joyous Easter be yours and may it be filled with gratitude, wonder and awe, and love! Journey onward living a life of being thankful, kind, forgiving-*be Christ-like*- in all that you do. Let the joy of the resurrection flood your soul!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

St. Joseph pray for us! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us! J.O.Y.S

Stringtown Picnic Committee: The picnic committee is looking for another couple to join our group this year. Contact Emma Boehl (618) 843-8764, Anthony Sager (618) 838-3450, or Rachel and Nick Forester (618) 843-8619

St. Joseph School Olney:

St. Joseph School will interview for a full-time teaching position for the 2021-22 school year. To apply, send a cover letter and resume to Carol Potter.

K of C News:

Wednesday, April 14: Deadline for Senior $250 Knights of Columbus Scholarship applications to be mailed to K of C, P.O. Box 172, Olney. IL Four scholarships will be awarded. Applications are at the entrances of each parish church. Scholarships are awarded to students of a member of the Olney, Wendelin, Stringtown Council 1352.

If you are a Practical Catholic male age 18+, you can join the Knights of Columbus for the 2021 year dues free! For more information see the informational pamphlets at the entrances of each church or call Hank Ginder at 618-843-3016 or email; hnginder76@hotmail.com.

Spring Farm Blessing

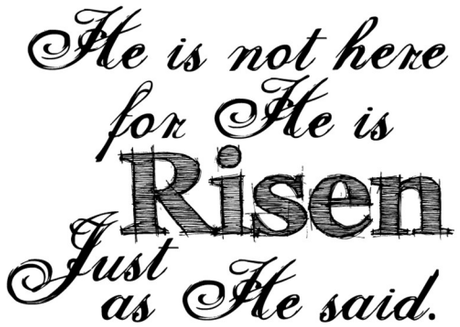
All are invited to the Annual Diocesan Spring Blessing of the Farm, which will be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, at 2:00 P.M. at the Farm of Dale and Kay Haudrich.

Dale and Kay Haudrich Farm is located at 7903 State Route 156; Waterloo, Illinois 62298. You can arrive at their farm by taking IL-Hwy 159 to Hecker, IL. Then travel west onto IL-Hwy 156 out of Hecker ¾ of a mile. It is the first house on your right. "Farm Blessing" signs will also lead you to the farm. Those attending are invited to bring seed and soil in marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. Food will also be collected for the needy of the area. Pandemic health and safety protocols will be place. We look forward to having you join us!

Remember in our prayers . . .

Kim Dallmier, Marcia (Hahn) Zanellato, Bob Dallmier, Harold Zuber, Lori Wehrheim Davidson, Donna Zwilling, Healthcare Workers,

WE OFFER OUR CONDOLENCES to the Catherine Zwilling Family who died on Tuesday, March 30. Visitation will be 10:00am to 11:00am followed with a funeral mass at St. Joseph-Stringtown.



Matthew 28:6

SUNDAY APRIL 4
EASTER SUNDAY, OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF April 5

Mon. April 5, 11:00am Funeral Mass for Catherine Zwilling (at Stringtown)
Tue. April 6, 6:30pm (at Lawrenceville)
Wed. April 7, 8:00am (at Olney)
Thu. Apr. 8, 6:30pm 7:00PM (at Wendelin)
Fri. April 9, NO MASS
Sat. April 10 4:00pm (at Wendelin)
5:00pm (at Olney)
Sun. April 4 8:00am (at Olney)
8:00am (at Stringtown) "Living & Deceased of Dan & Helen Steber Family"
10:00am (at Wendelin)
10:00am (at Lawrenceville)
1:00pm (at Stringtown) First Communion Barbara Ochs

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