

Collection Total for November 22, 2020

Envelopes: \$3260.89
Loose: \$
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Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Christmas Flower Offering \$50.00 (1)
Building Fund Donations: \$360.00 (5)
Collection for the Needy: \$50.00 (1)
Human Development: \$137.00 (5)
Retirement for Religious: \$50.00 (1)

November Bulletins: Bartley C. Zuber Attorney at Law
November Missalettes: In Memory of Ray & Irene Kocher

AROUND OUR PARISHES

Weekday Masses the week of November 22 will be celebrated for Thanksgiving:
At St. Joseph-Olney, Wednesday, November 25 at 8:00am (with the school children).
At Holy Cross-Wendelin, Wednesday, November 26 at 6:30pm.
At St. Joseph-Stringtown, Thursday, November 27 at 8:00am
At St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville, Thursday, November 27 at 10:00am

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of good health and peace that we have enjoyed for so many years. As we find ourselves in this time of crisis today, we ask for your divine intervention and mercy to be upon each of us.

Come and guide the minds of those working to discover a treatment to the COVID-19 virus. Grant them wisdom, knowledge, and clarity of mind, so that all peoples will be free from the threat of this ailment.

We also pray for the healthcare workers that are standing in the front line of this battle. Father, we thank you for their hearts of service, putting the needs of society before their own, generously responding to the cry of Your people. We ask that You will grant them strength and protection. As they give of themselves in selfless service, may You fill them with your Holy Spirit as they work to be Your healing hands and feet! Father, we also surrender to You all those who have been afflicted with the virus. Grant them Your healing grace, merciful Father, so that they may recover swiftly and continue to be witnesses of Your love in their lives. Mother Mary, we ask for your intercession in this great time of need. Cover each of us with your blue mantle of protection, so that we may be preserved in good health to continue to glorify your son, Jesus Christ. We make this prayer through Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.

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.

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.

WHAT DOES TIER 3 MITIGATION MEAN FOR OUR PARISHES AND SCHOOLS?
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As of now, the Catholic Conference of Illinois advises that parishes and Catholic schools are permitted to continue in-person worship and learning, even under the Tier 3 requirements that go into effect on Friday, November 20, 2020. This presumes that our parishes are diligently complying with current protocols and schools are operating under approved COVID-19 prevention plans. Reopening protocols are available at www.diobelle.org. Key components of these protocols that must be followed include:
-- Limit attendance to 20% of church capacity or 100 worshippers, whichever is smaller
-- Register worshippers and maintain attendance records to assist in contact tracing
-- Ask screening questions before admittance
-- Wear well-fitted face masks that always cover the mouth and nose
-- Sanitize hands when entering the building and before receiving Holy Communion
-- Always maintain social distancing of at least six feet
-- Sanitize pews and commonly touched surfaces between Masses/services
We encourage everyone to dedicate themselves to these precautions as a work of charity and mercy that we do for love of our neighbors. Those who have elevated health risks should consider staying home and participating online or by watching Mass on television. If you have any symptoms or have been exposed to someone who likely has COVID-19, please worship from home and be especially cautious. Remember, during this pandemic, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is dispensed. It is not a sin to miss Mass if we do so because of a concern about contracting or spreading coronavirus. Please pray daily and diligently for an end to this pandemic. A special word about weddings and funerals. Although funerals are specifically mentioned in the Tier 3 mitigation guidelines, funeral Masses and funeral liturgies in church buildings can operate under our protocols for Mass. The 20 percent occupancy rule (maximum of 100 people) applies

to any act of public worship. Please follow all the other protocols, including the presence of sufficient staff or volunteers to screen and usher the worshippers, sanitize commonly touched surfaces, etc. Special care should be taken to maintain social distancing before and after the funeral liturgy, as people enter and leave the church building. Gatherings such as wakes are subject to Tier 3 mitigation limits on gatherings (10 family members) and are not advised at this time. This same guidance applies to weddings.

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.

**Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
+JOYS+**

Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

Be Watchful! Be Alert! This is the first Sunday of Advent and we must be watchful and alert to the signal graces of *Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace*. The season of Advent can offer the opportunity to spiritually renew and enjoy the simple things-especially this year. Let this season of Advent bring forth a renewal of *Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace* that is only found in Jesus. Begin and end your day in prayer, pick up an Advent devotional, sit in silence, smile, extend kindness to those that you ignore or cast judgment upon...Change your habits to a habit of Love! *Be Watchful! Be Alert!* Live a Life of Love and light one purple candle on your Advent wreath for **Hope!** Keep to the J.O.Y.S

CYM News:

We are planning our CHWC Mission Trip for July 11-16 to Kansas City, KS or Stuebenville, OH. Please sign up by December 2nd to reserve your spot. No money is due at this time. Call or text Kristi Sandschafer at 217-994-2754 to reserve a spot.

Also, we are having a RADA fundraiser for the mission trip. Orders are due by December 2nd. Orders will be delivered before Christmas. Contact Kristi Sandschafer if you need a catalog.

St. Joseph School Olney:

Saturday, December 5th - 8th Grade Ethical Trade Sale following 5 pm mass

Sunday, December 6th

- 8th Grade Ethical Trade Sale following 8 am mass
- First Reconciliation for Second Grade students 1 pm in the church

Holy Cross Wendelin:

Blood Drive at Holy Cross Parish Center Sunday
November 29th from 7:00am to 11:00am

Knight of Columbus:

Wednesday, November 25: Deadline for Christ in Christmas Posters! Four divisions of cash prizes of \$15, \$10, & \$5; for grades K & 1st, 2nd & 3rd, 4th & 5th, and 6 thru 8th.



Remember in our prayers . . .

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

**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 29
FIRST SUNDAY OF
ADVENT**

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK
OF December 1**

**THE AVAILABILITY OF MASSES TO
THE PUBLIC IS CONSTANTLY
CHANGING. WE WILL DO OUR BEST
TO GET THE WORD OUT**

Sun. Nov 29 8:00am (at Stringtown)

Charles & Helen Zuber

Mon. Nov 30 6:30PM (at Stringtown)

For the Parish

Tue. Dec. 1 6:30PM (at Lawrenceville)

Wed. Dec. 2 8:00am (at Olney)

Thu. Dec. 3 6:30PM (at Wendelin)

Sat. Dec. 5 4:00PM (at Wendelin)

5:00PM (at Olney)

Sun. Dec. 6 8:00am (at Olney)

**8:00am (at Stringtown) Elfrieda
Zwilling**

10:00am (at Wendelin)

10:00am (at Lawrenceville)

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