

Collection Total for March 7, 2021

Envelopes:	\$1941.50
Loose:	\$
Total:	\$1941.50

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

Building Fund Donation:	\$215.00	(2)
Religious Education:	\$5.00	(1)
Easter Flower Donations:	\$75.00	(5)
Catholic Relief:	\$20.00	(1)
Holy Land:	\$20.00	(1)
Easter Offering:	\$1000.00	(1)

March Bulletins:

March Missalettes:

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\*AROUND OUR PARISHES\*

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

**CHRISM MASS:** will be celebrated by Bishop Michael McGovern along with the Priests and members of the Christian Faithful gathered together On Tuesday of Holy Week, March 30, 2021, at 2:00 PM in the Cathedral of Saint Peter. During this Mass, , Bishop McGovern will consecrate the Sacred Chrism and bless the Oil of the Catechumens and the Oil of the Sick that will be used throughout the Diocese in the coming year. Because of COVID restrictions, not everyone who normally attended this Mass in person can join us this year. However, the Mass will be live-streamed and recorded to allow parishioners the opportunity to view the Mass. One representative from each parish (or partnership) may attend to receive the sacred oils. Safety protocols will be in place when arriving at the Cathedral; and masks must be worn at all times. The name of the representative must be submitted before hand, so contact me if you are interested in attending.

\*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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**THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH:** While Fridays in Lent normally are a day of abstinence from meat for Catholics, canon law provides an exception for solemnities that fall on a Friday. The Solemnity of St. Joseph (March 19) will be on a Friday this year; therefore, Catholics are not obligated to maintain the usual Lenten abstinence on Friday, March 19, 2021.

Canon 1251 notes, “Abstinence from meat, or from some other food as determined by the Episcopal Conference, is to be observed on all Fridays, unless a solemnity should fall on a Friday. Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.”

**DUE TO COVID 19** we are not able to have our St. Joseph Table. Pray as a family the following table blessing on the Solemnity of St. Joseph

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R/. Who made heaven and earth

One of those present or the leader reads a text of sacred Scripture:

Listen to the words of the holy Gospel according to Matthew: 1:18-23

Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: “Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,” which means “God is with us.”

The leader says the prayer of blessing with hands joined:

All provident God, the good things that grace this table remind us of your many good gifts. Bless this food, and may the prayers of St. Joseph, who provided bread for your Son and food for the poor, sustain us and all our brothers and sisters on our journey toward your heavenly Kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen.

**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

**Journey Onward Ye Sojourners**  
**+JOYS+**  
*Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate*

*If YOU do not die with Christ, you will not RISE with HIM!*

Our third week of Lent might find you still trying to get into the groove. The distractions of life with issues, agendas, regrets, and warmer temperatures could have you overwhelmed, exhausted, and numb. Do not fear, or be worried, this is the Lenten journey... Yes, we are called to Pray (be it simple, on your knees, or behind the wheel of your car Fasting (less sugary items, less social media, tv.... Gossip ....) Almsgiving (not as many online purchases as usual, giving some energy on tasks, leaving a larger tip). All of this and more, is YOU becoming less and giving GOD room to move in. Take the step forward to push a little more towards Praying- [pick up those beads, open the Bible, set an alarm to pray for 10 seconds every hour....] Fasting- [ say No to sugary treats, turn off the notifications- do not open the app {*your world will not fall apart if you do not stay current with social media*}, if you cannot say anything nice---SHHH!] -Almsgiving- [no purchases for a week, clean your closets {less is more}, surprise someone with a gift card]. If YOU do not die with Christ- you will not RISE with HIM! We have 3 weeks to go- Pray-Fast-Give Alms- out of thanksgiving and gratitude for sufferings of Jesus... that he would do just for YOU alone! Journey onward and carry your cross with Love! St. Joseph pray for us! Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us! J.O.Y.S

### **St. Joseph School Olney:**

St. Joseph School has the opportunity to provide \$30,000 in tuition assistance to our children through the Empower IL tax credit scholarship program. We have a matching donor for the first \$15,000 donated before March 31st. This donation provides a 75% tax credit in the state of IL. For more information: <https://empowerillinois.org/donate/make-my-tax-credit-scholarship-donation/>

Feast of St. Joseph Mass - Friday, March 19th (instead of our regular Wednesday) mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph, our patron saint.

Friday, March 19th - Down Syndrome Awareness Day

Good luck to Quinn Patterson, Brielle Seiler, and Kylie Kocher - all three qualified for the Knights of Columbus State Spelling Bee and will participate Saturday, March 20th.

### **K of C News:**

Thursday, March 18: 4th Degree meeting, 7:30 PM.

Friday, March 19; Fish Fry Night, 5 PM to 7 PM at the Olney City Park Community Building. Seating is limited to 50. Carry-outs are preferred. Everyone is welcome. Fish Fry Knights of the week: Ron Steber, Ron Steber Jr., Mark Steber, Jason Steber, Dan Zwilling, & Tyler Hemrich, serving 215.

Saturday, March 20: State Spelling Bee at Petersburg, New Salem Roots Convention Center. Good luck Quinn Patterson, Brielle Seiler, & Kylie Kocher.

Kudos to all the community support for the Tootsie Roll Charity Drive with \$2, 436.41 for distribution to Special Needs Programs in Richland County.

The Baby Crib Charity Drive to support new mothers WIC program will conclude during Holy Week. Critical items needed are newborn diapers, baby wipes, thermometers and A & D ointment. All donations will be accepted for children ages 0 to 5.

Congratulations to a new K of C member, Mark Richardson, and Doug Seamen, completing his 2nd & 3rd Degrees. If you are a practical Catholic 18+ and considering Knights of Columbus membership, stop by the St. Joe Olney church entrance for informational pamphlets and a photo album. Pamphlets will also be available at Stringtown and Wendelin.

Seniors pick up a K of C \$250 Scholarship Application at the High School or at the church entrances. April 14th is the deadline.

### **Remember in our prayers . . .**

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



## **SUNDAY MARCH 14 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

### **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR WEEK OF March 15**

**Mon. Mar. 15 6:30PM (at Stringtown)  
“For Janice Zuber, Albert & Geneva Zuber”**

Tue. Mar. 16 6:30PM (at Lawrenceville)

Wed. Mar. 17 No Mass

Thu. Mar. 18 6:30PM (at Wendelin)

Fri. Mar. 19 ~ Feast of St. Joseph ~  
8:00am (at Olney)

Sat. Mar. 20 4:00PM (at Wendelin)  
5:00PM (at Olney)

Sun. Mar. 21 8:00am (at Olney)

**8:00am (at Stringtown) “For Rozella Richey”**

10:00am (at Wendelin)

10:00am (at Lawrenceville)

**Mon. Mar. 22 6:30pm (at Stringtown)  
“For Elmer & Elfrieda Zwilling”**

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