

**Collection Total for October 13, 2024**

Envelopes: \$1,350.00 (33)  
Loose: \$11.00  
**Total: \$1,361.00**

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

**Building Fund: \$30.00 (2)**

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**October Bulletins: For The Parish**

**October Missalettes: In Memory of Norman Kocher**

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**PARISH EVENTS:**

**Sunday, October 20 – Donut Sunday at St. Joseph-Stringtown, St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, Following 8am Mass**

St. Joseph-Olney Smorgasbord and Bazaar, St. Joseph-Olney, 11:00-1:30pm

**Stringtown Trunk or Treat, St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 3:30-5pm**

Theology on Tap – More details to follow!

**Tuesday, October 22 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am and Stringtown Study, 10am**

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament of St. Joseph-Olney, 12pm-3pm

**Sunday, October 27 – CYM Fundraiser Breakfast at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 8-10:30am**

**Saturday, November 2 – Catholic Extension Listening Session and Catered Meal, Holy Cross-Wendelin, Following 4pm Mass**

**Sunday, November 3 – 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Blood Drive, St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 7-11:30am**

**Soup Supper, St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center, 4-6pm**

**BROTHERS IN CHRIST:** Thursdays at 7:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

**CAROLINE TRIMBLE - PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

*Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you! Our Lord Jesus is the fount of mercy and is pouring forth rays of mercy upon us. The more we Trust in Jesus- spend time with Him in conversation- in praise- thanksgiving- receive Him in the Sacraments – our relationship with Him and our love for Him deepens. In the Diary of St. Faustina, we are asked to perform mercy daily... “You ought to perform at least one act of mercy a day; at least one, but there can be many more, for such deeds can easily be carried out by anyone, even the very poorest. For there are three ways of performing an act of mercy: the merciful word, by forgiving and by comforting; secondly, if you can offer no word, then pray – that too is mercy; and thirdly, deeds of mercy. And when the Last Day comes, we shall be judged from this, and on this basis, we shall receive the eternal verdict.” (Diary, 1155-1158) If there is someone in your life that needs mercy from you- offer mercy! If there are circumstances that have hurt, you- offer mercy! If you are alienated and ignored by others who ought to know better- offer mercy! If criticism and judgment is all you receive from others- offer mercy! The days of Mercy will end--- and then the days of Justice will reign! Do not let anything or anyone keep you from Eternity with the King and Queen of Mercy! Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us!*

**YOUNG ADULTS: Bible Study** at the Holy Cross Parish House on Monday’s at 7pm. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Tyler Timm.

**STRINGTOWN STUDY:**

**Unleashing the Power of Intercessory Prayer** Study is Tuesday mornings at 10am at the St. Joseph Stringtown Parish Center. Contact Janette Kocher or Caroline Trimble, if interested.

**ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

**Monday, October 21-** 8th Grade ACRE Catholic Religion Assessment

**Wednesday, October 23-** 1:50 Dismissal

**Friday, October 25-** 7th and 8th Grade Fall Dance  
**Boosters Breakfast & Athlete and Musician Blessing**

Student athlete and musician blessing during 8am Mass at Olney on Sunday, November 3. Students are encouraged to wear their favorite St. Joe gear. Everyone is encouraged to attend the free-will donation breakfast following mass in the SJS cafeteria from 9-11am. Proceeds benefit the St. Joseph School sports and music programs.

**CYM FALL FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST:**

CYM Fall Fundraiser breakfast to be held Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center. Serving from 8:00-10:30am. Pancakes, sausage, biscuits and gravy, and more! Breakfast will be a free will donation. Basket raffle to benefit 2025 Mission Trip!

**SOUP SUPPER:**

The Stringtown Community Club will host a **Soup Supper** on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the St. Joseph Stringtown Parish Center in Stringtown, IL. Serving times from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. There is a full deal meal for \$10, which consists of soup, sandwich, dessert, and drink. Items can also be purchased separately. Menu consists of: Chili, Vegetable Beef, and Chicken Noodle Soup with free refills, hot dog or grilled cheese, pie and ice cream, tea, lemonade, and coffee. We will also have a cake walk, basket raffle, and 50/50 drawing. Hope to see you all there!

**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION:**

Are you looking to understand how to develop a deeper prayer life? Do you have some questions about the Catholic faith? Looking for some spiritual answers to help you heal? Take some time for "you and your relationship with Jesus" this fall and schedule an appointment for a Spiritual Check-Up. Contact Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate for scheduling. All appointments are confidential.

**FAMILY CATECHESIS:**

Our next Family Catechesis will be held Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin. Fr. Steven will be presenting an adult topic on **Gender, Identity, & the Creation of the Image of God. All are welcome to attend!** During the adult talk, our CYM will be presenting the material from one of the two VBS days we were not able to cover this summer. **If your child(ren) attended VBS this summer, please be sure to attend – and invite those that would like to finish up the VBS program with us. We would love to see you!**

**OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

Canisters for Tootsie Roll Drive will still be in stores until early November so there is still time to give. **Regionals** for those that qualified from the **Knights of Columbus Soccer Kick Competition** will be held at Linder Sports Complex, adjacent to Sister City Park, in Charleston, on Saturday, October 19, at 1 PM.

**ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY BIBLE STUDY:**

**Wednesdays at 9:15 AM, Room B.** Deacon Jack will take you through the readings for the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. We'll see that the blind and the lame, women and children, lowly and sinners are welcomed by Jesus. You probably fit into one of those descriptions. That's why you're invited to Bible Study. All are welcome. No one is turned away.

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

**(OCIA):** Contact Caroline Trimble, if interested or have questions.

**RSVPS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup>** – Come dressed like a Saint for All Saints Holy Day Trunk or Treat. This will follow 6:30pm Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin. To decorate your trunk or provide candy for others: click the link on the online version of the bulletin or type in this link in your browser.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4EACA628A4F5C16-51672280-saints>

**Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Catholic Extension Listening Session with Catered Meal at Holy Cross-Wendelin Following 4pm Mass. Please make every effort to be present and support this amazing opportunity to receive this Grant for up to \$15,000. This is for the whole family: parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and all our parish councils, families, and friends from St. Joseph-Olney, St. Joseph-Stringtown, and Holy Cross-Wendelin. It is vital that we have support from everyone! Let's "pack the pews" and show Catholic Extension how wonderful our parish families and communities are! If you are interested in any information regarding this session or grant, please contact Caroline Trimble, Pastoral Associate or Ashley Hinterscher. We would be happy to share with you or answer any questions you may have! It is important to RSVP so we have correct counts for food from Ochs St. Smoked Meats. Click this link on the online version of the bulletin or type in this link in your browser.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4EACA628A4F5C16-51674145-rsvp>

#### **BLOOD DRIVE:**

The next Stringtown Community Blood Drive is scheduled for Sun, November 3, 2024, from 7-11:30am., which will be the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of having blood drives at Stringtown. Mark your calendar and pre-schedule your November 3<sup>rd</sup> appointment and using zip code 62450 to schedule your appointment.

#### **MINISTER'S LIST:**

If you are interested in training or volunteering for any ministries, contact Ashley at the Parish Office.

#### **OCTOBER COUNT:**

Just a reminder, the parishes will be doing Mass attendee and communion counts for a Diocesan data collection the month of October!

#### **STRINGTOWN TRUNK OR TREAT:**

Join us on Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at Stringtown Parish Center from 3:30-5pm for fun kid friendly games inside and decorated trunks outside! Snacks and drinks provided with lots of candy! Hope to see you!

#### **ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY SMORGASBORD & BAZAAR:**

St. Joseph Church in Olney would like to invite everyone to the 2024 St. Joseph Smorgasbord and Bazaar on Sun, Oct. 20 in the cafeteria and gymnasium. Lunch will be served from 11am to 1:30pm. Adults: \$12, Children (8&Under): \$8. The meal will include pork loin, chicken and noodles, salad bar, baked beans, corn, mashed potatoes, rolls & desserts! Drive-Thru/Pick-up meals available on Elliott Street by the parish office. Homebound deliveries also available. Bazaar includes chance stand, cake stand, country store and games! Raffle tickets are available for \$20 each in the parish office before October 20<sup>th</sup>, or for purchase in the gymnasium lobby the day of the event. Grand prize is \$5,000! Raffle winners are drawn at 1:30 PM. (Need not be present to win.) All are welcome for food, fun, and friendship!

#### **RESPECT LIFE CORNER:**

"I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. ...But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. ...The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation." Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae, no. 99. © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

*Remember In Our Prayers – Rick Rennie, Teresa Zehner, Luke G. Kocher, and Judy Brown*

#### **Sunday, October 20, 2024 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**+Eucharistic Celebrations+**

**Sunday, October 20, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Alberta Zuber+"**

**Monday, October 21, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Norbert Klingler+"**

**Tuesday, October 22, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville**

**Wednesday, October 23, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney**

**Thursday, October 24, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin**

**Friday, October 25, NO MASS**

**Saturday, October 26, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin; 5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney**

**Sunday, October 27, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown "Norman Kocher+" "Carol Stallard+" "Carolyn Zuber+"**

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

#### **MINISTERS LIST:**

**10/20/2024**

#### **Servers:**

Kerigan Kocher  
Gus Kocher  
Mallory Kocher

#### **Lector:**

Wayne Kocher

#### **EMHC:**

Elmer Ochs  
Mary Ochs  
John Ochs

#### **Gifts:**

David Muhs  
Family

#### **Ushers:**

Jack Weidner  
Jared Weidner

#### **Greeters:**

Mallory Kocher

#### **Children's Liturgy:**

Jenny & Kylie

**10/27/2024**

#### **Servers:**

Delana Sterchi  
Grayson Sterchi  
Don Seiler

#### **Lector:**

Laura Sterchi

#### **EMHC:**

Harold Boehl  
Lisa Boehl  
Scott Seiler

#### **Gifts:**

Ellen Steber  
Family

#### **Ushers:**

James Schneider  
Austin Kuenstler

#### **Greeters:**

Sam & Mary Zwilling

#### **Children's Liturgy:**

Anita & Anna

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