

*Sunday, May 19, 2024*  
*Pentecost Sunday*

✠ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✠

Mon. May 20 6:30 PM (at Stringtown)  
Tue. May 21 5:00 PM (at Lawrenceville)  
**Wed. May 22 8:00 am For the Parish**  
Thu. May 23 6:30 PM (at Wendelin)  
**Fri. May 24 No Mass**  
**Sat. May 25 11:00 am Rachel Mosby & Ryan Bilyew Wedding**  
4:00 PM (at Wendelin)  
**5:00 PM For the Parish**  
**Sun. May 26 8:00 am Dudley Chamberlin; Lawrence & Dorothy Fehrenbacher**  
8:00 am (at Stringtown)  
10:00 am (at Wendelin)  
10:00 am (at Lawrenceville)

**OUR MONTHLY SPONSORS**

Bulletins: Dan Kuenstler family  
Missalettes: Edward Jones – Leon Stallard

**OUR TITHES FOR MAY 12**

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00  
Envelopes: \$11,199.25 (107) Loose: \$203  
Guatemala: \$230 (9)  
Communications: \$132.50 (8)  
Seminar Education: \$80 (3)

~ **Kudos** ~

- ◆ To newly baptized *Ivy Marie Fitch*, child of Tyler and Nicole (Kocher) Fitch.

**\* AROUND OUR PARISHES \***

**Saturday, May 18 / Sunday, May 19**

- In honor of our Blessed Mother, we will be praying the Rosary before all of the weekend Masses during the month of May. We will begin 30 minutes before each Mass.

**Sunday, May 19**

- 8 AM, Children's Liturgy.

**Tuesday, May 21**

- 12 PM - 3 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There must always be 2 people in the church.

**Wednesday, May 22**

- Rosary, after Mass.
- 9:15 AM, Bible Study, Room B. Deacon Jack will take you through the Bible readings for the Most Holy Trinity. The Trinity is a mystery that we can never fully grasp. But the reality of the Trinity reveals to us that God is a community of love. The Holy Spirit unites us with Jesus and we are immersed into his loving union with the Father.
- 3 PM, Bulletin deadline. Write, type or email all announcements.
- 7 PM, Cemetery Committee meeting.

**Thursday, May 23**

- 2 PM – 6 PM, Blood Drive in the multi-purpose room. Appointments are available. Schedule online or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Walk-ins are welcome.

**Monday, May 27**

- 6:30 PM, Memorial Day Service at the St. Joseph-Stringtown Cemetery. Bring a lawn chair. It will be held inside if it rains.

 **St. Joseph School Notes** 

**Monday, May 20**

- 11 AM, Preschool Promotion Ceremony in the church.
- 3 PM, Beginning Band Meeting in the gymnasium.

**Tuesday, May 21**

- Last Day of School.
- 8 AM - 10:30 AM, Field Day Activities.
- 10:30 AM, Prayer service in the church.
- 11 AM, Early Dismissal.

**Wednesday, May 22**

- Teacher In-service.

**Thursday, May 23**

- Summer Break begins.

**Saturday, May 25 and Sunday, May 26**

- Elections for Board of Education members will be after mass. We will elect one member and choose another member for appointment to fill a vacated seat. Candidates are: Samantha Foust, Christopher Ochs and Marissa Graves.

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\* **Congratulations** to our graduates - the class of 2024! Thank you to their families for choosing a full-time Catholic education to lay the foundation for a faith-filled life.

\* **Our Raise Right Program** continues over the summer months. Please continue to order your shopping and gift cards through this excellent program. Place orders by 9 AM Mondays and pick up Thursdays between 1 PM and 3 PM. Call the office if you need to make other arrangements for pick-up. We are happy to help!

\* **Summer Office Hours:** Mondays and Thursdays from 8 AM - 3 PM. \*If you have the MPR reserved over the summer, please pick up your key on Thursday.

**CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25**

May 6: Katie Rosenberg (#198)  
May 7: Steve & Donna Kuenstler (#122)  
May 8: Becky Weis (#098)  
May 9: Kyle Shipman (#673)  
May 10: Kelley Frohning (#232)

**Let Us Pray For:** Bob Geiger, Kenneth Hann, Marlene Harris, Don Kocher, Rose Kocher, Sarah Kocher, Ruth Matheny, Deloris Nix, Emery and Julie Oesch, Mary Rowark, Mary Beth Scherer, Anita Shultz, Judy Spitz, Eleanor Steber, Fr. Mark Stec and Tony Tredway.

*Please call or email the Parish Office to add your name to the Prayer List. Unless notified to extend, the listing in the bulletin will be for four weeks.*

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

**Come Holy Spirit!**

Come Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of the faithful! Come and shower the gifts of *piety, knowledge, fortitude, wisdom, fear of the Lord, counsel, and understanding*. Make haste and pray.... #Holy Spirit Work! Truly, ask for a showering of gifts from the Holy Spirit over your life! Come Holy Spirit -then go and journey onward building the kingdom of God- Journey blazing a trail with the gifts of the Holy Spirit illuminating the way. St. Faustina, *pray for us!* Our Lady of Perpetual Help, *pray for us!* Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for us!*

**Family Catechesis Registration is Open~** This is for all ages: birth, pre-school, grade school, high school kids...even for you adults! This is for the whole family that wants to be involved, participate, and kept aware of all things family catechesis. A lot of Catholic learning, fun, gatherings, activities, events, speakers and so much more on the horizon. This will surely be the best one yet- so do not delay registering! Register on the parish website or FLOCKNOTE message. **\*\* Registrations are due by May 28!**

\***Family Catechesis** [October-May-monthly/bi-monthly faith, fun, gatherings]

\***VBS – SCUBA:** Diving into friendship with God, June 23-25, 6 PM – 8 PM at St. Joseph-Stringtown. Ages: Preschool to 5th grade. Volunteers are needed and appreciated.

\***Saints in Training.** Every Sunday in July. Pick up your packet at Mass. For all ages.

**St. Joseph Church-Olney** is accepting applications for the Administrative Assistant position in our Parish Office. Interested applicants

can send a cover letter and résumé to the Parish Office or School Office.

**Annual Baby Bottle Project:** Your change can change a life. We encourage everyone to continue to fill the baby bottles with your extra change and bills. This is a fundraising effort the entire family can enjoy together!

**Meals for Moms** would like to welcome Kate Marie Wollin, the daughter of Josh and Leah (Shan) Wollin, born on April 24, 2024.

**Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal:** Thank you to the 45 households that have already pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial support. So far \$11,902.85 has been pledged by our parish, which is 56% of our goal of \$21,096.

**May is the month** for our annual St. Joseph Cemetery Fund collection. Please consider giving to help with mowing expenses and general maintenance. You can give in the envelope provided with the May packet or put your contribution in an envelope marked "Cemetery Fund". **Please write out your check to "St. Joseph Cemetery Fund"**. We appreciate your help in making sure our cemetery remains one of the best kept in the area.

**May 21: Join Catholic Relief Services on Call Congress Day.** Federal programs that fund CRS to teach global farmers skills to adapt to drought and other weather challenges are at risk of being eliminated from the upcoming Farm Bill if provisions of a bill called The American Farmers Feed the World Act are included. While claiming to allow more commodities to be purchased from U.S. farmers, the high shipping costs in the bill would actually reduce the amount of U.S. farm commodities that could be purchased. Worse yet, millions of people will not be able to provide for themselves and face hunger. **Text Call Congress to 677-68 to**

**receive a script and to be automatically connected or call 833-844-6258 with this message:** This is     (Name)     from     (where you live)    . I am a constituent and a Catholic who cares about hungry children and families around the world. Please protect international food assistance programs in the upcoming Farm Bill, especially the non-emergency development programming in the Food for Peace Title II program, including opposing the inclusion of the American Farmers Feed the World Act.

**Pilgrimage to Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul.** December 1-11, 2024. Retreat Leaders: Fr. Jim Buerster, Deacon John Gomez, and Cheryl Sommer. Hosted by Catholic Relief Services in the Diocese of Belleville. Cost: \$3,999. Registration Deadline: June 1, 2024. By traveling in the footsteps of St. Paul as he organized churches throughout new territory, pilgrims will be invited to reflect on what their own knowledge of Christ is calling them to do and what it means to be part of the Church today. To receive more information and a registration brochure, contact CRS Diocesan Animator, Cheryl Sommer at: [crsdiobelle@gmail.com](mailto:crsdiobelle@gmail.com).

**~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~**  
**Sunday, May 26:** Knight led Rosary, 7:40 AM before St. Joseph-Olney Mass.

**Kudos** to Knights handing out carnations on Mother's Day: Steve Kuentler Dan Kuentler, Preston Kuentler, Ryan Blank, Gerald Ochs, Gene Fehrenbacher, Dan Zwilling, Carl Sager and Deacon Jack.

**Thanks** to all donations from the Tootsie Roll Drive for the Intellectually Disabled; \$3,462.26. Receiving \$600 checks were: Southeastern Special Education Classes, Richland County Special Education Classes, Olney Rebel Special Olympics, and the Community Support Systems Olney Summer Camp! Thanks Scott Seiler-Chairman!

**Knight of the Month:** Angel Padilla- Scholarship Chairman.

St. Joseph Church  
208 South Elliott St.  
Olney, Illinois 62450  
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'Renewing the Vision'  
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**~ Mission Statement ~**  
St. Joseph Parish family is a community of believers rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ. Using the individual gifts we have been given by God, we minister to ourselves and others through prayer, support, and service. We nurture our inherited faith life and through the power of the Spirit pass it to future generations.

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- Jeffrey Rosenberg ..... Trustee
- Elliot Brazil..... Trustee

**~ Sacraments ~**  
Baptism: Infant or adult, please contact the Parish Office.  
Reconciliation: Saturdays from 4:30 PM – 4:45 PM or contact the Parish Office.  
Marriage: Call no later than 6 months in advance.  
Anointing of the Sick: Any time of need.



**~ Welcome, New Parishioners ~**  
Please register as soon as you move into our parish. Call the Parish Office (392-8181) to receive a new member packet. (If you are not receiving church offering envelopes, you are not properly registered.)

**~ St. Joseph School ~**  
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Catherine Fritschle ..... Office Manager  
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