

February 16, 2025

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

+Eucharistic Celebrations+

Saturday, February 15, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Tom Buerster & Eric Dietrich"

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, February 16, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For FFA Members & All Farmers"

8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Monday, February 17, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Tuesday, February 18, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

Wednesday, February 19, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney

Thursday, February 20, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "For the Parish"

Friday, February 21, NO MASS

Saturday, February 22, 4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Family of Lawrence & Georgia Klingler, Kenny Klingler+, & Carl Klingler"

5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney

Sunday, February 23, 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin "Betty Smithenry+"

8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown; 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney; 10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

SUNDAY COLLECTION – Sun. February 9, 2025

(36) Envelope Collection: \$1,225.00

Loose: \$113.00 **Total: \$1,133.00**

(5) Building Fund: \$710.00

(?) Easter Flowers: \$195.00

(1) Rebuild: \$100.00

HOLY CROSS REBUILD & IMPROVEMENT

FUNDRAISING UPDATE: As of Wednesday, February 12th - **\$259,416.90** has been received from 352 donations – thank you!

FEBRUARY LITURGICAL MINISTERS

<u>SATURDAY</u>	<u>SUNDAY</u>
<u>Open/Lock/Greet:</u>	<u>Open/Lock/Greet:</u>
Dave & Tammy	Dusty & Kim
Rudolphi	Smithenry
<u>EMHC:</u>	<u>EMHC:</u>
Tammy Rudolphi	Kim Smithenry
Kristi Weidner	Diane Schackmann
Kathy Kuenstler	Jason Warfel
Emma Rudolphi	Kristi Sandschafer
<u>Lectors:</u>	<u>Lectors:</u>
Victoria Rudolphi	Marge Kessler
<u>Money Counters:</u>	
Gerald & Diane Schackmann	
<u>Ushers:</u>	<u>Ushers:</u>
Dave Rudolphi	Dusty Smithenry
Hank Weidner	Michael Kistner
Carl Weidner	Eric Sandschafer
Daniel Baker	Victor Sandschafer

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *OUR SICK

Carl Klingler, Mary Ann Bierman (Sister of Ruth Rauch), Mary Beth Scherer, Don & Norie Staley, Judy Brown, Gerry Carter, Franklin Geier, Terry Tolliver, Jane Kocher (Sister of Fred Kuhl and Rose Stark), Tim Lidy

CRMH COMMUNION:

February 16 – Maria Rudolphi (618) 752-5900

*Next week schedule for March, April, May will be released.

MASS SERVERS:

Sat. February 15 – Mattux Hart, Noah & Levi Rudolphi

Sun. February 16 – Ellee Nettleton, Stella & Cora Warfel

Sat. February 22 – Ian Kessler, Kaleb & Kelby Iffert

Sun. February 23 – Lane Smithenry, Blaine & Brooke Bergbower

PARISH EVENTS:

Sunday, February 16 – CYM Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser at Holy Cross-Wendelin Parish Center

– 10:30am-12:30pm with Basket Raffle

Fundraiser for Mission Trip! – Gluten free noodles available!

Monday, February 17 – Parish Offices Closed in Observance of Presidents' Day!

Young Adults Bible Study at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 7pm.

Tuesday, February 18 – ASAP Prayer Service and Adoration at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 9:30am.

Sisters in Christ at St. Joseph-Stringtown, 10am.

Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Joseph-Olney, 12-3pm. Must be 2 people in the church at all times.

OCIA at St. Joseph-Olney, Room B, 6pm.

Wednesday, February 19 – Deacon Jack Bible Study at St. Joseph-Olney, 9:15am.

Sisters in Christ at Holy Cross Parish Center, 5:30pm.

Thursday, February 20 – Brothers in Christ at Holy Cross Parish House, 7pm.

Sunday, February 23 – High School Youth Group at Holy Cross-Wendelin Youth Space, 5:30pm.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR HOLY BAPTISM:



Congratulations to **Jillian Rose Kennedy**, daughter of Patrick & Kristen Kennedy. Jillian was baptized last Sunday, February 9th. Godparents were Kellen Kocher and Kaitlin Kocher.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER:

Happy Birthday to Carl Kessler! He is turning 85 on March 4th and would love to receive cards to celebrate. Please send cards to Carl at 1211 Shurron Street, Olney, IL 62450.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER:

Happy Birthday wishes to Dorothy (Rudolphi) Uebinger who will be 95 years old on February 17th. Dorothy grew up at Holy Cross and received all sacraments here. Since her marriage 72 years ago, she has been a parishioner at St. Stephen in Flora and is their oldest member. Memories and

cards are welcome and can be sent to Dorothy at 921 N. Locust Street, Flora, IL 62839.

BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE:

Judy Hemrich is turning eighty! An open house in her honor will be held on Sunday, March 9th at Holy Cross Parish Center from 1:30pm-4pm. Everyone is invited! Please no gifts but cards would be appreciated!

TAX CONTRIBUTIONS:

Tax contributions are available in the gathering space. If you don't see yours in the boxes, please contact the Parish Office to get a copy.

CAROLINE TRIMBLE, PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:

Blessed or Woe! Do you live Blessed? Or do you live in Woe?

The difference is the one who is Blessed seeks God, the one who is in Woe, seeks self. These extraordinary days of ordinary time offer us this important opportunity to examine "to whom we belong". Do we belong to God and trust HIM alone, or do we belong to the world and seek all its empty promises?

The one who is Blessed knows and *lives Faith, Hope and Love*. The one who lives in Woe, knows, and lives with evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, and folly.

Our God is calling us for More- the more that is Blessed-Trusting- Hopeful- Loving - Faithful. Let us journey onward to rejoice and leap for joy for the Kingdom of God will be ours. Live a Jubilee year as a "Pilgrim of Hope." Our Lady of Fatima, *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.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Children's Liturgy of the Word is coming back! We're excited to bring this ministry back to Holy Cross. If you are interested in volunteering to help with this ministry or signing up your child(ren) ages 3 to 6, please contact Caroline Trimble, Ashley Hinterscher, or Anna Land (618)-508-2011.

BAPTISM:

The Sacrament of Baptism represents the first step in a lifelong journey of discipleship. To inquire about a Baptism and/or to schedule a date, contact Caroline Trimble, Pastoral Associate by emailing ctrimblepa@gmail.com or calling 618-263-7106.

SISTERS IN CHRIST:

Join us for the study on: **Tuesday mornings, 10am** at St. Joseph-Stringtown Parish Center. Contact Janette Kocher or Caroline Trimble, if interested. **Wednesday evenings, 5:30pm** at Holy Cross Parish Center. Contact Kristi Sandschafer or Caroline Trimble, if interested. (On Wednesday evenings there is childcare available).

ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:

Monday, February 17 - No School, Presidents' Day **Thank you** to everyone who supported our Boosters and PTO fundraiser last weekend!

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR WINE PULL:

The St. Joseph School Bingo Bash is quickly approaching! It is not too late to donate unopened bottles of wine for this year's Wine Pull. So far, our donations are a little lower than in past years. With your help, we can make this another successful event! If you have a bottle or two to donate, please drop off in one of the church boxes by March 2nd. You can drop off at the school office up until Friday, March 7th. Thank you!

ST. JOSEPH-OLNEY BIBLE STUDY:

Wednesdays at 9:15am, Room B. Deacon Jack will take you through the readings for the Seventh

Sunday of Ordinary Time. With God all things are possible. His love and grace has power to heal and to save from destruction. Do you know the power of God's love, mercy, and righteousness for overcoming evil with good? Don't miss Bible Study!

OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Thursday, February 20 – 4th Degree Meeting at 7pm. **Sunday, February 23** – Knight Led Rosary at 7:40am.

RESPECT LIFE CORNER:

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility" respectlife.org/navigating-infertility

VOCATION CORNER:

"I was born in El Salvador and came to the United States when I was 12. My family faced many challenges: civil war, immigration, a new language, and culture. Our faith held us together and provided solace during the hard times. After I was confirmed in 2011, I felt a deeper call to be active in the Church, and I began to teach catechism at my parish. One evening, I went out to measure a building for my job with an insurance company...and I got lost. Turning into another building, I went inside, where a receptionist welcomed me to Holy Trinity Seminary. I knew I couldn't keep running from my desire to give more. I... entered seminary that summer. Being embraced by divine providence in my call to priesthood and through all the challenges of my life allows me to cry out with confidence: Viva

Cristo Rey! Fr. Elmer Herrerea-Guzman, Diocese of Dallas; *Columbia Magazine, March 2023*

RETREAT OPPORTUNITY:

Family Lenten Retreat at St. Isidore Parish on Sat, March 8 beginning with Mass at 10am at St. Aloysius Church. You may sign up by emailing office@stisidore.dio.org. Please call Karla Slifer 217-690-5282 or Stephanie Niemerg 217-821-5970 if you have questions.

CAKE/CRAFT DRAWING:

Ladies Altar Sodality is looking for sponsors from the drawings each month. If you are interested in donating an item(s) for the cake/craft drawing, please sign up in church or contact the Parish Office. The next drawing will be held March 1st and 2nd and sponsors are still needed.

SURROUNDING PARISH EVENTS:

St. Mary's Brunch will be held on Sunday, March 2nd 8am-12 noon at St. Mary's Parish Center in Ste. Marie! Menu will include sausage links & ham, scrambled eggs, biscuits & sausage gravy, breads & fruit, and juice, milk, & coffee. Adults are \$10, Children (4-10) are \$5, and children 3 and under are free! Bake sale will also be sponsored by the youth group.

WELCOME FFA MEMBERS!



In honor of FFA week, we have Clay City FFA joining us Sunday, February 16th for Mass. Please give them a warm welcome to Holy Cross! Prayers for all FFA members to have a wonderful National FFA Week!

LIVE STREAM OF MASSES:

Live streaming of the 8am masses on Sunday and Wednesday are now available! To watch live, go to stjosephchurcholney.com, click on the red YouTube image in the top right corner of the screen. Please share with those who may not be able to attend in person.

Sunday, February 16, 2025 **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.



Holy Cross Church-Wendelin
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Mass Schedule: Thurs., 6:30pm
Saturday 4:00pm, Sunday 10:00am
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