

Sunday, August 25, 2019
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

✠ Eucharistic Celebrations ✠

Mon. Aug. 26	8:00am	Rev. Albert Kreher
<i>Tue. Aug. 27</i>	<i>8:00am</i>	<i>(at Stringtown)</i>
Wed. Aug. 28	8:05am	Sue Vail
	<i>8:00am</i>	<i>(at Lawrenceville)</i>
<i>Thu. Aug. 29</i>	<i>8:00am</i>	<i>(at Wendelin)</i>
<i>Fri. Aug. 30</i>	<i>8:00am</i>	<i>(at Lawrenceville)</i>
Sat. Aug. 31	4:30PM	Deceased of Wm. Hudson family, Dewey Wheat
	<i>6:30PM</i>	<i>(at Stringtown)</i>
Sun. Sept. 1	8:00am	James & Janette Blevins, Cleone & Delbert Gumble
	<i>10:00am</i>	<i>(at Wendelin)</i>

OUR MONTHLY SPONSORS

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OUR TITHES FOR AUGUST 11

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$6,266.40 (117) Loose: \$284
Guatemala: \$280 (11)

OUR TITHES FOR AUGUST 18

Envelopes: \$9,169.50 (117) Loose: \$266
Guatemala: \$30 (2)

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* AROUND OUR PARISHES *

Sunday, August 25

* 1:00 PM, MJM7 Concert at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Monday, August 26

* 7:00 PM, Pastoral Council- St. Joseph-Olney-Fr. M

Wednesday, August 28

* 7:00 PM, High School Religion at Holy Cross-Wendelin- Fr. M

Friday, August 30

* 10:00 AM, Catholic School Meeting at Belleville- Fr. M

Monday, September 2

* LABOR DAY- OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, September 3

* 7:00 PM, Pastoral Council- Holy Cross-Wendelin- Fr. M

Wednesday, September 4

* 7:00 PM, High School Religion at Holy Cross-Wendelin- Fr. M

Friday, September 6

* 6:00 PM, Wedding Rehearsal at St. Joseph-Olney- Fr. M

Saturday, September 7

* 2:00 PM, Wedding at St. Joseph-Olney- Fr. M

Monday, Sept. 9 – Thursday, Sept. 12

* Priest Convocation at St. Louis- Fr. M & Fr. B

Friday, September 13

* 12:00 PM (Noon), Finance Council meeting at St. Joseph-Olney- Fr. M

~ Calendar of Events ~

Sunday, August 25

• MJM7 Concert, 1:00 PM, at St. Joseph-Stringtown.

Monday, August 26

• Pastoral Council, 7:00 PM.

Wednesday, August 28

• Eucharistic Adoration/Rosary will continue after the School Mass until 9:30 AM. Come for mass and then spend some time before the Body of Christ.

• Bulletin deadline, 3:00 PM. Write, type or email all announcements.



St. Joseph School Notes



Wednesday, August 28

• School Mass, 8:05 AM (6th grade).

- Initial Child Protection Class, 6:30 PM, in the MPR - mandatory for all new school volunteers. Call the school office (395-3081) or email Carol Potter (principal@stjoeolney.com) to register.

Friday, August 30

- Pork Loin Sales Begin - Please support the Boosters - ask any school child (4th - 8th grade) to order.

Monday, September 2

- No School - Labor Day.

CALENDAR WINNERS - \$25

Aug. 19: Sarah Kocher (#760)
Aug. 20: Josh Grove (#414)
Aug. 21: Lisa D. Rauch (#234)
Aug. 22: Justin Stevens (#467)
Aug. 23: Rich Maleri (#265)

Let Us Pray For: Kathy Caraway, Rose Ellen Hahn, Don Kapper, Bernadette Kocher, Heather McKinney, Deloris Nix, Emery Oesch, Bessie Rossiano, Anita D. Scott-Hataway, Landon Voyles and Derek Weidner. *(Please call or email the Parish Office to add your name to the Sick List. Unless notified to extend, the listing in the bulletin will be for four weeks.)*

FROM FR. MARK: Both life and the Church are filled with change. The wonderful thing about the Church is that it is ever-changing and ever new, if we might paraphrase St. Augustine. There is no denying, that children bring change into his hers parent’s life. Similarly, the introduction of a new pastor can bring major change and adjustment to your spiritual lives as well. Inevitably, I will hear from friends and acquaintances about new pastors, and very often it is with the grumble that Father Newpriest doesn’t do things the way that

Father Oldhat did them. So, here I am, along with Fr. Brett Judkins.

We your new priests desire your prayers and support. God has put Fr. Brett and me in your parishes and your paths. This doesn’t mean following along like a robot or agreeing with absolutely everything we do, but it does mean accepting changes that may occur. Fr. Brett and I will never make any changes without a good reason.

It is also important to remember that we priests are not perfect people, we do make mistakes and we are sinners. I promise you that there is no magic pill that I or any other priest takes in order to keep from making mistakes, acting too hastily, acting with selfishness, or without thinking of how something may be perceived. We are all guilty of these things in our own lives. We priests are not any different than you are in that respect. Sometimes I get the impression that some folks mistakenly believe that I am somehow holier than they are. I can assure you that this isn’t the case. It is true that people who are ordained, as well as those who are preparing for ordination, are often held to a higher standard not only by others, but also by the Church. That is as it should be, because the person who is going to spend their life in service to the Church is literally someone who is sacrificing the things of this world in many ways for the sake of the Kingdom of God. Even Saint Paul makes it clear that deacons, priests, and bishops are not simply held to the same standards as “everybody else.” (cf. 1 Tim. 3:1-13)

It is precisely for this reason that Fr. Brett and I are needing your prayers and your help during this time of transition as we minister to the needs of St. Lawrence, St. Joseph-Olney, St. Joseph-Stringtown and Holy Cross-Wendelin.

Journey Onward Ye Sojourners

+ J.O.Y.S. +

Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

*People will come from the east and the west
and from the north and the south and will
recline at table in the kingdom of God!*

Thy Kingdom come... we pray this all the time; do you realize what it really means? When we pray, “*thy Kingdom come*,” we are saying Yes, to Christ Jesus, King of Glory, and promising our allegiance to Him. When we live our life in accordance to the King, only then do we truly Love and build up the Kingdom of God. Are you loyal to the King of Kings, or do you make yourself king and queen of your own little kingdoms? Let us live and pray, “*Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven*”- Journey onward to the King- to a Life of Love! Adoramus te, Christe!
Keep to the J. O. Y. S.

Liturgy of the Word is held during the 8:00AM Mass and is for children ages 3 - KN. We are looking for a new coordinator this year. If you would be willing to volunteer, please contact Sandra Hough (843-0872).

Deepest sympathy to the family of Mary Runyon. May she rest in the peace of God's love.

Home Marian Shrine for Vocations: Thank you for all who made a commitment to spend a week to pray for vocations. The sign-up sheet is available in the vestibule of the church.

Join us Sunday, August 25, at 1:00 PM at St. Joseph-Stringtown for a concert featuring MJM7. MJM7 is a Catholic family band comprised of Michael James Mette and 4 of his daughters: Gabriella (15), Trinity (14), Charity (12), and Cecilia (10) who join him on stage. The Mette's gifts of music, joy, & family life offer the boldness and innocence of youth with

the wisdom and depth of lived experiences. The music is uplifting without being preachy, creating an environment that is engaging without being confrontational. The concert empowers all ages to pray more fully and worship more freely. Bring a friend! You won't want to miss this this unique event. The concert is free, donations are accepted.

Update—Ark Encounter Trip: As of 8/19 the bus is FULL. If you would like to be put on a waiting list call or text Cheryl Colwell at 618-843-9335. *Second half of payments are due September 1. Make checks payable to Holy Cross Ladies Sodality. Mail to Cheryl Colwell 3503 N. Wakefield Rd. Noble, IL 62868

St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Sainte Marie is celebrating their annual Pre-Labor Picnic on Sunday, September 1. Deep-fried chicken and pork loin dinners will be served from 11:00 AM-5:00 PM. Everyone is welcome!

Being saved. Here is the truth: many, and not just a few, will be saved. We believe it even though we do not always behave like we do believe! Jesus says today that the threshold to heaven is a narrow gate. Jesus says this passing through it is constant striving. Jesus says many will come from all directions and places to enter and dine at heaven's table.

* How will I work hard to be human and Christian? * How will I rely on God's power and strength to enter the Kingdom of Heaven? * How can I be like God and embrace everyone from everywhere?

~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

* Contact Hank for volunteer hours for Tootsie Roll Days at IGA or select hours at Wal-Mart on September 13 and 14.

* Kudos to all who attended the member and family free appreciation meal at Doll's Cabin last Sunday!

St. Joseph Church
208 South Elliott St.
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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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Wayne Kocher, Cathy McDowell, Vicki Stuckey, Matthew Zuber

~ Sacraments ~

Baptism: Infant or adult, please contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 3:30 PM-4:00 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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