

Sunday, January 26, 2025
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

✠ *Eucharistic Celebrations* ✠

Mon. Jan. 27 6:30 PM at Stringtown
Tue. Jan. 28 5:00 PM at Lawrenceville
Wed. Jan. 29 8:05 am *For the Parish*
Thu. Jan. 30 No mass

Sat. Feb. 1
4:00 PM at Wendelin
5:00 PM *Albert, Clara, & Rose Ellen Hahn*
Gerald-Frank & Frances Kuenstler
Paul-Josephine & Richard Rohr

Sun. Feb. 2
8:00 am *John & Dorothy Bodenburg*
Christina Ginder
Deborah Rauch
8:00 am at Stringtown
10:00 am at Wendelin
10:00 am at Lawrenceville

OUR JANUARY SPONSORS

Bulletins: Dale & Mary Jane Tibbs
Missalettes: Mike & Lori Uhl

OUR TITHES FOR Jan. 19th

Parish Operating Expense per Week = \$9,847.00
Envelopes: \$14,789 (78) Loose: \$211
Guatemala: \$125 (5) First Offering: \$75 (14)
Christmas: \$30 (1) Solemnity of Mary \$45 (2)

Let Us Pray For: John Bower, Jane Kocher, Kevin Bookhout, Ashley Hinterscher, Jerry L. Harper, Margaret Fehrenbacher, Emery Oesch, Gene Bergbower, Luke G. Kocher, David Fehrenbacher, Marlene Harris, Don Kocher, Bessie Rossiano, Mary Rowark, Eleanor Steber, Tony Tredway, Anita Shultz, Kenneth Hann, and Ruth Zwilling.

~ THANK YOU ~

To the members of St. Joseph parish, Thank you so much for your generous donations to the Giving Tree. The families are very appreciative. You made such a difference in their lives. Please find thank you letters from the families on the bulletin board in the back of church. Thank You!

~ AROUND OUR PARISHES ~

Sunday, January 26th

- The Knights lead the rosary at 7:40 am.
- Children's liturgy at 8 am mass. We are extending our age group to K-3 students. Children's liturgy gives children a simplified and modified explanation of the weekly readings and gospels. It's a great way for younger minds to understand the word of the Lord. If you have a child that would like to attend, we would love to see them at 8 am mass on Sundays.
- Today is the start of Catholic Schools Week for St. Joseph School. Please keep all Catholic schools in your prayers this week.

Tuesday, January 28th

- 12 PM - 3 PM, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. There must always be 2 people in the church.
- OCIA will meet every Tuesday evening in conference room B at 6:00 PM.

Wednesday, January 29th

- 9:15 am, Bible Study, St. Joseph Olney, Room B. Deacon Jack will take you through the Gospel for The Presentation of the Lord. We'll spend time in the Temple at Jerusalem and we'll see the parents of Jesus, devout Jews, present Jesus to be consecrated to the Lord as a first-born son, as the law of Moses required. Mary has to be cleansed, too. This will be quite a Bible Study!

Thursday, January 30th

- There will be no evening mass at Wendelin.
- Wednesday, February 5th**
- 6:30 PM, Family Catechesis at Holy Cross. Family Topic: Family Dinner n' Movie.
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~ THANK YOU ~

Fr. Daniel Jurek wants to express his sincere thanks for all of the prayers and well wishes for him during his surgery. All went well & he is looking forward to his return.

Fr. Daniel Jurek
Hincke-Sense Home for Retired Priests
2620 Lebanon Ave.
Belleville, IL 62221

🔔 **St. Joseph School News** 🔔

- **Join us in celebrating Catholic Schools Week!** Alumni Mass on Wednesday at 8:00, 5th grade saints wax museum Thursday from 11-noon in the gym, Living Rosary Friday at 8:15 in the Church presented by our 1st and 2nd Grade classes!
 - **Thank you** to students for providing ministries for our Catholic Schools Week kickoff Mass celebrations!
 - **2025 Benefit Calendars are here!** St. Joseph School Benefit Calendars are available in the school office! Calendars are \$25 each and provide 257 daily chances to win \$25 & 4 opportunities to win \$500! Get yours today! We will start drawings this week.
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~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **The St. Joseph School Bingo Bash** Fundraiser will be March 8th at the Stringtown Parish Center. Donations are being accepted including unopened bottles of wine for our wine pull. If you can donate a bottle or two, please place them in the special box in the back of each church. Please have any wine donations dropped off by Sunday, March 2nd.
 - **Thank you** to Kistler-Patterson Funeral Homes for providing our 2025 calendars. There are still several calendars available at the doors.
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~ CYM NEWS ~

- **CYM Spaghetti Lunch Fundraiser** - February 16th at Holy Cross - Serving from 10:30am to 12:30pm - Basket Raffle Fundraiser for Mission Trip too!
- **High School Youth Group:** January 26th at Holy Cross at 5:30pm
February 9th at St. Joseph Stringtown at 5:30pm
February 23rd at Holy Cross at 5:30pm
- **Middle School Youth Group:** January 25th at St. Joseph Olney at 6pm
February 15th at St. Joseph Olney at 6pm

~ YOUNG ADULT NEWS ~

- **Young Adults Gathering** - February 2nd at Holy Cross Parish Hall - Dinner at 6pm. Speaker/Topic TBD, for ages 18-35, 21+ welcome to bring adult beverages responsibly.
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~ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS ~

- February 13th: 3rd degree meeting at 7 PM.
 - February 20th: 4th degree meeting at 7 PM.
 - February 23rd: The Knights lead the rosary at 7:40 am.
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Journey Onward Ye Sojourners
Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate

"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

This is a Jubilee year, "a holy year," represented by God's grace, redemption, and deliverance. A time, "to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord." This is a time to forgive, seek reconciliation, and offer kindness. A time of grace to re-establish a deeper and more personal relationship with God, and one another. The call to live as a Pilgrim of Hope is the theme and the challenge for us all. Pope Francis wrote, "In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring... God's word helps us find reasons for that hope." The Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing said Jesus. Will this scripture be lived, heard, and fulfilled in your Jubilee year? Hope does not disappoint. Live being free from oppression and seek favor. Live this Jubilee year -intently- as a Pilgrim of Hope. Our Lady of Fatima, pray for us!

♥ **Join us for a married and engaged couples Valentine's Day Party** ♥

*February 14th at 6 PM, Holy Cross Parish Center
 *Catered Meal by Barney Ochs
 *Music by Midnight House
 *Cost: \$40 per couple

RSVP to Sandi Kessler 618-676-5080 by Feb. 9th

♥ **Valentine's Breakfast** ♥
Sunday, February 9, 2025
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 St. Valentine Hall in the Bend
 4841 N. 2125th St. – Oblong
 Adults - \$10
 3-10 yrs old - \$5
 Adult meal refill - \$5
Carryouts available

~ **DIOCESE OF BELLEVILLE NEWS** ~

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11 Day Majestic Germany Pilgrimage!

April 21-May 1, 2025
 Hosted by Fr. R Dean Probst
 For more information, please contact Fr. R Dean Probst at (217) 494-6326 or by email at rdprobst@gmail.com

De Colores Spring Weekends

Say yes to a 3-day beautiful experience at camp Walter Scott.
 The men's weekend, March 7-10, Leader Brian Henning. Call or text 217-821-3338.
 The women's weekend, March 14-17, Leader Mandy Henning. Call or text 217-821-0799

Respect Life Corner: Sunday, January 26th

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing?
 Learn how at <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/how-talk-friend-whos-had-abortion>
 USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Vocation Corner: Sunday, January 26th

My parents gave me and my siblings a joyful and loving childhood where the beauty of the Catholic faith shone brightly. They sent us to a school in Madrid operated by the sisters of the Company of the Savior, whose charism is to cooperate with parents by providing a strong education in a faithful catholic environment. The joy, devotion and dedication of the sisters immediately attracted me. During my last years of high school and my first year of college, I was tempted by new experiences and friendships based on different ideals than those of my youth. It was Mary who opened my eyes to see deeper. She brought me back to the heart of Jesus. Eventually, I embraced His loving call to be only his and joined the Sisters of the Company of the Savior.
Sr. Maria Alguacil; Sisters of the Company of the Savior; Columbia, Sept. 2021

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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~ **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.)
 Office hours: Mon. Wed. Fri. 7:30-3:00 pm

~ **St. Joseph School** ~

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