

**Collection Total for June 30, 2024**

Envelopes: \$1,585.00 (33)  
Loose: \$71.00  
**Total: \$1,656.00**

Weekly Amount Needed: \$1,400.00

**Building Fund: \$120.00 (2)**

**Religious Education: \$200.00 (1)**

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**July Bulletins: For The Parish**

**July Missalettes: For the Parish**

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**PARISH EVENTS:**

**Saturday, July 6** – First Saturday Mass at Holy Cross-Wendelin, 9am with Confession beginning at 8:15am.

**Sunday, July 7-13** – CYM Mission Trip

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

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

**Sunday, July 21** – Stringtown Picnic

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY:**

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Ethel Zwilling. *May Ethel rest in God's love!*

**STRINGTOWN STUDY:**

Come join us at 10:00am and share in the joy.

**BROTHERS IN CHRIST:**

Thursdays at 7:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin

**CAROLINE TRIMBLE PASTORAL ASSOCIATE:**

We celebrated Independence and Freedom this week and possibly even into the weekend. Do we remember why we celebrate? We celebrate and remember that long ago our nation was founded upon Godly principles- all people are created equal, and the belief of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness is for all. This is good, that we should live with Thankfulness- Gratitude- Respect- Integrity- Honor... Freedom is a privilege!

However, there is no True Freedom without God! There is a constant and invading threat to freedom- our personal freedom- and that is Sin. It is easy to see when the line to get Ice cream takes forty-five minutes and we wait... *but to spend time in prayer or waiting in line for confession or to eagerly desiring the Most Sacred Body and Blood... is forgotten.* We have forgotten the Creator- the one who is the Giver of True Freedom-Life Eternal! This month of July- enjoy the food, fun, family and fireworks- but make certain that GOD is first in your Thanks- and Offerings of Gratitude for the Freedom to love, serve, and know Him! Live a Life of True Freedom found only with God- and only here will true liberty and happiness will be found. Lady of Perpetual Help, *pray for us!*

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY:**

**Young Adults Bible Study will not meet this coming Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> because of Mission Trip!** Meeting at the Holy Cross rectory on Monday's at 7pm. Anyone ages 18-30 are welcome to join! (No longer in high school to those around the age of 30!) If you are interested or have questions, please contact Tyler Timm at [ttimm@stjoeolney.com](mailto:ttimm@stjoeolney.com) or 507-530-2911.

**FAMILY CATECHESIS:**

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! Family Catechesis is held October-May, monthly or bimonthly!

**Please remember to register!** 😊

**SAINTS IN TRAINING:**

Begins this Sunday – don't forget to pick up your packet at Mass!

**ST. JOSEPH OLNEY SCHOOL NEWS:**

**Summer Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays 8am-3pm** Registration dates: July 15<sup>th</sup> - July 17<sup>th</sup> - **Down** Payments Due

**The school has a large number of metal folding chairs available for sale.** Please call the school office (395-3081) for details/to purchase.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: THANKS GOD!**

Thank you to all the families that attended VBS and made it such a success! We had the best time diving into a deeper friendship with God! Thank you to Caroline Trimble and Ashley Hinterscher, Fr. Steven, Rhonda Kuenstler and Nora Street, Alli Kirts, Jacelyn Street, and Marcia Street and Tyler Timm and CYM plus the countless other Scuba Crew volunteers for making sure VBS was fun and memorable for our kids! Also thank you to St. Joseph-Stringtown for hosting, as well as Prairie Farms for donating our drinks! We can't wait to see everyone at True North VBS during Summer 2025! Also, please look out in future bulletins for future dates for Family Catechesis when we will "dive" into our remaining VBS days!

**OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

**Thursday, July 11:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree meeting, 7PM. Please attend and meet the 2024-2025 Officers! Pizza also! During each meeting, members drop their name in for an annual attendance incentive drawing - Congratulations Steve Kuenstler!  
**Thursday, July 18:** 4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting, 7PM. 2024-2025 Officers begin their new year!

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

**9:15 AM Bible Study, Room B.** In next Wednesday morning's Bible Study, Deacon Jack will send everyone out on a mission to proclaim the Good News. It won't be that frightening. We'll discover that in next weekend's Gospel, Jesus sends the Twelve out with no food, no luggage and no wallets. They preached repentance, drive out demons and cure the sick.

**2024 STRINGTOWN PICNIC COMMITTEE NEWS:**

**The 2024 Picnic is scheduled for Sunday, July 21st.** **Donations** – Cash donations for the picnic expenses (including meat for meals, meal related items, entertainment, etc.) are welcomed and can be given to any of the chairs or dropped into the collection basket with a notation on envelope stating for Picnic Expenses. So far, our donations for expenses are lower than in years past, but with your help we can make sure our expenses are covered.

**Flyers** -Extra picnic flyers are available. Please contact Janice Zwilling (618-562-1990) to make arrangements to receive them.

**Workers List** - The Picnic Workers List is now available at the back of church.

**Wine Pull** - The Wine Pull Stand is seeking donations of unopened bottles of wine. Donations are a little low this year, but with your help we can make this a successful stand. If you are interested in donating to this stand, you may put your unopened bottles of wine in the special box in the back of church, or contact Janice Zwilling (618-562-1990) to make arrangements for drop off. Please have all donations dropped off or contact Janice by Monday, July 15th.

**Dinner Tickets** – Dinner tickets will be available for early sales after Mass on July 7th and July 14th. Cost for the meal will be \$13 for adults and \$5 for kids (5-10). The smorgasbord includes beef, ham, homemade noodles, and much more (carryout available) and will be serving from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.

**Raffle** – There is an updated main raffle list in the back of church. If you would like more raffle lists, they are located on the top of each tub of extra tickets. Raffle tickets can be returned to the Parish Office or dropped into the collection basket.

**Meeting Date** - The Picnic Committee Chair's next meeting will be held at the Stringtown Parish Center on Wednesday, July 10th, at 6:30 p.m.

**PICNIC BASKET STAND:**

If you have not turned in your basket yet, you may do so during the following dates and times:  
-when Ashley is working on Tuesdays (9-2) and Thursdays (9-1) at the Parish Center, or  
-at church on any Sunday, or -when the basket committee meets on Monday, July 15 @ 1pm or Tuesday, July 16 after 6pm. You may also still put money donations in the bucket in the vestibule. We appreciate everyone’s time and effort in helping the basket stand be a success. Questions? Contact Mona Kocher @618-843-6662 or 618-869-2498, Janette Kocher @618-843-1650, Mary Zwilling @618-562-8433, or Kathy Zuber @618-869-2306.

**CYM UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**July:** July 16, 23, 30 (Pizza party at 6:30pm on the 30th) - Softball at Holy Cross at 7:00pm, July 7-13: Mission Trip **August:** August 4<sup>th</sup>: Lemon Shake-Up stand fundraiser at HC Picnic **Middle School Nights for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Graders:** Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at St. Joseph Olney; Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> following mass at St. Joseph Olney

**2024 CATHOLIC SERVICE & MINISTRY APPEAL:**

*Serve the Lord with gladness -Psalm 100*  
“Psalm 100 reminds us that we are called to serve the Lord and our service is not just done out of obligation but with a spirit of joy and gladness. With confidence in Jesus, I am turning to you asking for your support of this year’s Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. Sharing our resources together we can truly ‘serve the Lord with gladness’ throughout southern Illinois.”  
-Bishop Michael McGovern  
Please consider making your gift today!

**RESPECT LIFE CORNER:**

The Law and New Risks of the Abortion Pill  
Over the years, the FDA has bent the law and shown disregard for women’s health when it comes to chemical abortion. Most recently, the FDA began allowing mifepristone to be prescribed

through virtual doctor’s visits, to be ordered online, and to be available at neighborhood pharmacies. This lack of safety standards puts women and girls at risk. Because they are less likely to go to a doctor’s office and get an ultrasound, they may unknowingly have an ectopic pregnancy or be farther along in their pregnancy than they realize. It is very dangerous to the woman to take abortion pills in either of these circumstances. In addition, allowing access to the pills through virtual appointments and online orders may be exploited by violent partners and human traffickers.

[https://www.usccb.org/sites/default/files/2024-03/abortionpills\\_basics\\_3.2024.pdf](https://www.usccb.org/sites/default/files/2024-03/abortionpills_basics_3.2024.pdf)

***Remember In Our Prayers – Rick Rennie***

**Sunday, July 7, 2024**

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**+Eucharistic Celebrations+**

- Sunday, July 7, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**  
“Living & Deceased of the Neil & Dorothy Kocher Family” “Carolyn Zuber+”
- Monday, July 8, 6:30pm at St. Joseph-Stringtown**  
“For the Parish”
- Tuesday, July 9, 5:00pm at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville**
- Wednesday, July 10, 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney**
- Thursday, July 11, 6:30pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin**
- Friday, July 12, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney**
- Saturday, July 13, 9:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin**  
4:00pm at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
5:00pm at St. Joseph-Olney
- Sunday, July 14, 8:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown**  
“Herman & Ethel Zwilling+”  
8:00am at St. Joseph-Olney  
10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin  
10:00am at St. Lawrence-Lawrenceville

**MINISTERS LIST**

<b><u>07/07/2024</u></b>	<b><u>07/14/2024</u></b>
<b><u>Servers:</u></b> Kaitlyn Ginder* Haley Ginder Sadie Seiler	<b><u>Servers:</u></b> Delana Sterchi* Grayson Sterchi Nathaniel Zwilling
<b><u>Lector:</u></b> Jocelyn Kocher	<b><u>Lector:</u></b> Natalie Zwilling
<b><u>EMHC:</u></b> Jenny Hancock Janette Kocher Gary Zwilling	<b><u>EMHC:</u></b> Elmer Ochs Mary Ochs John Ochs
<b><u>Gifts:</u></b> David Muhs Family	<b><u>Gifts:</u></b> Wayne Kocher Family
<b><u>Ushers:</u></b> Austin Kuenstler Tom Kocher	<b><u>Ushers:</u></b> Ray Schneider Alex Schneider
<b><u>Greeters:</u></b> Jean Kocher Family	<b><u>Greeters:</u></b> Natalie Ochs

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