

January 20, 2019,

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jan. 20, Sun., 10:00am Holy Cross-Wendelin Paul & Mary Kessler and Jim Kistner +

Jan. 21, Mon. 9:00am at St. Joseph-Stringtown

Jan. 22, Tues. No Scheduled Mass

Jan. 23, Wed., 8:05am at St. Joseph-Olney

Jan. 24, Thurs. 8:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

J.V., Florine, William, George & Marj Weidner +

Jan. 25, Fri., 10:00am at Apirian

Jan. 27, Sun., 10:00am at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Henry & Henrietta Deimel and Harold & RoseMarie

Buerster +

SUNDAY COLLECTION Sun., Jan. 13, 2019:

Loose 114.00; (47) Sun. Env. 1,310.00;

(11) Building 301.00; (1) Renovation 20.00;

(1) Christmas Offering 10.00

Total: \$1,755.00

\*\*Holy Cross 2018 Year-End Statements in church, upfront on table. Please pick up!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR SICK

\*Gabe Trimble; \*Msgr. Ken Schafer; \*Ron Woods; \*Nick Compton; \*Georgia Klingler

\*Sister Kate Kuentler (colon cancer)

Sister Kate Kuentler address:

Catherine Cottage, P.O. Box 1, Donaldson, IN 46513

(She would appreciate hearing from Holy Cross parishioners and relatives.) Thanks.

IN YOUR PRAYERS REMEMBER- Lulabelle (King)

Kessler, mother of Mrs. Art (Terri) Uebinger, who passed away last Monday. Our sympathy to Terri, Art & all family and relatives. "May she rest in the peace and love of our Lord."

FR. MARK SCHEDULE:

Mon., Jan. 21, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day – Office Closed

9:00am, Confirmation Retreat at St. Joseph-Stringtown

7:00pm, School Board Meeting at St. Joseph-

Olney

Tues., Jan. 22, 7:00pm, RCIA at St. Joseph-Olney

Wed., Jan. 23, 6:30pm, PSR at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Thurs., Jan. 24, 4:00pm, Diocesan Finance Meeting at St. Joseph-Olney

Sat., Jan. 26, 1:00pm, Niebrugge/Geier Wedding at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Sun., Jan. 27, 5:00pm, Priest Support Group at Carlyle

Mon., Jan. 28, 7:00pm, Tri-Parish Pastoral Council at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Tues., Jan. 29, 7:00pm, RCIA at St. Joseph-Olney

Wed., Jan. 30, 6:30pm, PSR/Mass Server Training at Holy Cross-Wendelin

Thurs., Jan. 31, 3:30pm, Science Fair Judging at St. Joseph-Olney

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MASS SERVERS:

\*Sun., Jan. 27: Andrew Kuhl +,

Anna Weidner, Lilly Kessler

JANUARY 2019 - LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Eucharistic Ministers: Jeannie Nix, Milissa Buerster, Laura J. Geier, Diane Schackmann

RMH: 1/20 Lynn Weidner

Lectors: Tony Kuentler

Gifts: Greg Amerman Family

Ushers: Rusty Hall (Head), Garrett Hall, Greg Amerman, Neal Weber

Collection: Tony & Penni Kuentler

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GRADE SCHOOL RELIGION

PSR CLASSES: Classes, Wed., Jan. 23, 6:25pm to 7:30pm.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD each Sunday morning. Bring your children to the rectory basement classroom before mass.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY - Resumes with the "Book of Samuel.

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THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

(RCIA) The Christian Initiation process offers an environment of support and guidance as you discover God is working in your life. Please

contact Fr. Mark for more information 618-841-7324.

THE MESSENGER Subscription Renewal Weekend-February 2-3. Use The Messenger envelope or go on line www.bellevillemessenger.org Cost \$25.00

FLOKNOTE: Stay connected to the parish:

Members can text the unique keyword of stjeholycross to 84576 (which we call text-to-join). Free text-to-join.

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, MASS WILL BE CANCELED,

when school has been canceled due to the weather. Sign up for Flocknote which allows us to reach all members at a moment's notice. Members can text the unique keyword of stjeholycross to 84576 to get connected with the church (which we call text-to-join). Free-text-to-join.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL NEWS:

Mon., Jan. 21-No School-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

AROUND AND ABOUT EVENTS

WALKING IN HOLY CROSS PARISH CENTER

Jan. 21 – 24 (Mon., Tues., Wed., & Thurs.– 8:00am to 11:00am.

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\$15,000 CASH RAFFLE – Tickets available.

Holy Cross Parish will have a \$15,000 Cash Raffle.

Drawing will be Saturday, March 23 at the Wine Tasting Event. Tickets available at Wakefield Mill, Ingraham Banking Center, Parish Office or any member of committee. \$100.00 each tickets.

(Kelly-Sherry Geier, Tony-Missy Buerster or Chris-Melanie Waller or Fr. Mark Stec)

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OLNEY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

\*\*K of C Catholic Citizen Essay - Contest for 8<sup>th</sup> Graders. "The Importance of Religious Freedom". Deadline February 14<sup>th</sup>.

WENDELIN PSR Spelling Bee-Wed., Feb. 6-6:30pm at Wendelin. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders to compete with St. Joe students. 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade to follow.

All PSR students welcome. Cash prizes .

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus.

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STE. MARIE TACOS – Ste. Marie American Legion serving "Walking Tacos" , Sunday, January 20-- 4:00-7:00pm. Cost \$6.00, children 5 / under free.

ST. THOMAS ANNUAL WINE TASTING – Saturday, January 26, 6:30pm, Newton K. C. Hall - \$10.00

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE - Holy Cross Parish Center, Sunday, January 27, 8:00am to 12:00 Noon.

""Emergency" Red Cross in dire need of donations. "Please" come and bring all friends.

TRIVIA NIGHT and Silent Auction at St. Thomas, Newton– Saturday, February 2, at St. Thomas Parish Center. Doors open 6:30pm, Trivia begins 7:30pm. For everyone over age of 21.

Sandwiches & drinks available for purchase. 618-783-3517 sign up- team. Register early/ save!

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EUCHRE TOURNAMENT RESULTS:

24 Players present.

1<sup>st</sup> Place-Donna Buerster and Herb Deimel

2<sup>nd</sup> Place-Joyce Brokhoff

3<sup>rd</sup> Place-Connor Will

Another tournament Friday, January 25, 7:00pm and Sunday, February 17 at 6:30pm

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Holy Cross Parish Ladies Organization:

Ladies Sodality 2019 Officers

Cheryl Colwell – Chairman

Rose Frohning-Vice Chairman and (Cake/Craft

Drawings)

Rhonda Kuentler-Treasurer

Lauren Lybarger-Secretary

Stephanie Ochs-Blood Drives

Phyllis Eggers-Blood Drives

Lisa Rauch – Funeral Dinners

Leah Myers-Funeral Dinners

Next meeting – Thursday, February 7, 6:00pm

**THANK YOU:** Thanks to the “Church Decorating Crew” for putting up and taking down the crib . They are: Bob & Kathy Kuenstler, David & Joan Buerster, Ben & Gail Niebrugge, Jeannie Nix, Terri Uebinger, Jan Kistner, Gerry Carter, Eric Phillips, Myron Kessler, Tony Kuenstler, Dan Kessler, Keith Kuhl and Marge Kessler. Your help was much appreciated. -- Marge Kessler

**PARISH HALL - - The Pastoral and Finance Councils has been working hard these last few months updating contracts and fee structures for the use of the Parish Hall. We took into consideration all Diocesan, Insurance and Government policies and laws. We looked at the fee structures and hall rental policies of our neighboring parishes when updating the contracts.**

**The Pastoral and Finance Councils are committed to having our parish hall available for many years to come for the benefit of all parishioners.**

**All documents can be found on our web page under “Resources”. --Fr. Mark**

**FROM FR. MARK:**

**Pope Saint John Paul II, in Evangelium Vitae,** stated, “A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer.” I hope that many of you are taking advantage of our 9 day novena for life ([www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)). I would also invite you to gather as a community before the Blessed Sacrament. This weekend, at all the weekend masses, their will be a blessing for parents that are expecting. And finally, please pray for the 5 students and 1 adult from our parishes who are traveling to Washington, D.C. for the annual March for Life. --Fr. Mark

**Journey Onward Ye Sojourners**

**+ J.O.Y.S.+**

**Caroline Trimble Pastoral Associate**

**“Do Whatever THEY Tell You”**

Mary tells the waiter, “Do whatever he tells you.”...and in that the same breath it echoes...do whatever I Tell You...Because SHE (Mary) is always pointing the way to her Son. Our Lady’s mission is always and everywhere to point the way to Our Lord saying, “Do whatever He tells you.” At Fatima She revealed that it is the will of Her Son to point the way to His Blessed Mother as if to say: “Do whatever SHE tells you.” What is She telling us? What is she showing us? That SHE – will never, ever, leave her children! She fights for us, and She needs us to aid in Her battle! She is telling us to put on the armor-to use the tools-RNR! That would be our Rosaries, be Nourished by the Holy Word of God, and Receive the Holy Sacraments-especially Eucharist and Reconciliation (at least once a month)! One does not listen to the Son and not hear the Mother, nor does one listen to the Mother and not the Son! Do-Whatever-THEY tell you to do and you will live a LIFE of LOVE!

**Do you Need some Spiritual Direction?**

Do you desire a closer relationship with God? Has your prayer life become stagnant? Unfulfilling? Is there something missing in your life that you can’t quite put your finger on? If you answered yes, maybe, or unsure, then consider seeking some Spiritual Direction! We all need direction and guidance to help us navigate this physical and spiritual life. The purpose of Spiritual Direction is to help one grow in holiness and to better discern the promptings of the Holy Spirit. Stop by the office or call Caroline Trimble, Pastoral Associate, to set up an appointment.

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**All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,  
and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name,  
O Most High!**

**Holy Cross - Wendelin**

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**Fax: 618-752-6006**

**Maria Rudolphi Home: 752-5900**

**Mass Schedule: Sunday 10:00am**

**Thursday 8:00am**

**Website: [www.holycrosswendelin.com](http://www.holycrosswendelin.com)**