

# ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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MASSES: M-W-TH-F 7:30 AM  
SATURDAY 5:00 PM  
SUNDAY 7:30 & 10:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 4:30-4:50 PM or by appointment

“Transforming the world in which we live by bringing the  
teachings of Jesus Christ to every living person.”

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

(A mission of St. Edmund Church)  
307 UNION STREET  
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

MASS: SUNDAY 9:00 AM

# SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2014

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER 15-21, 2014

<b>Monday, December 15, 7:30 AM</b> Clarence & Anna Donohue by Their Family
<b>Tuesday, December 16</b> NO MASS
<b>Wednesday, December 17, 7:30 AM</b> Chester & Pauline Williams
<b>Thursday, December 18, 7:30 AM</b> Chester & Pauline Williams
<b>Friday, December 19, 7:30 AM</b> Landon Miller by His Family
<b>Saturday, December 20, 5:00 PM</b> Ralph Buswell by His Family
<b>Sunday, December 21</b> 7:30 AM: Rodney Popham by His Family 9:00 AM: Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's 10:30 AM: Our Military in Harm's Way by Peg & Bill Burwell

## LAY MINISTERS For DECEMBER 20/21, 2014

### SATURDAY, December 20, 5:00 PM

**Lector:** Jeanette Reifel  
**Host:** Debbie McCullough  
**Altar Servers:** Kaitlyn & Conner Bell  
**Hospitality:** Ray Gullquist, Nick Harvey  
 M/M Carl Gullquist

### SUNDAY, December 21, 7:30 AM

**Lector:** RaDonna Hasselbring  
**Host:** Lynette Moyer  
**Altar Server:** Wyatt Claire  
**Hospitality:** M/M Dick Arie & M/M Nick Arie Family

### SUNDAY, December 21, 10:30 AM

**Lector:** Amy Curry  
**Host:** Rosann Miller  
**Altar Servers:** Cole Arseneau & Zakkary Clark  
**Hospitality:** Marion Jaworski Family

<b>Weekly Parish Need for Operation:</b>	<b>\$ 3,200.00</b>
Sunday Offering December 6/7, 2014:	\$ 2,281.14
<b>DEFICIT For the Week:</b>	<b>\$ ( 918.86)</b>
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<b>Total Roof Fund Donations:</b>	<b>\$ 123,435.00</b>
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<b>Sunday Offering at St. Joseph's, Dec. 7, 2014:</b>	<b>\$ 697.00</b>

This weekend's 2nd collection is for the diocesan **Retirement Fund for Religious**.

The lambs that you see in front of the altar were put there by our 2nd grade class after receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time last Wednesday. They represent good deeds and acts of forgiveness. Congratulations to these young people and their families!

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent "B"

Luke 1:26-38

**"You will bear a son and name him Jesus!"**

- How does the Lord call me to bring Jesus to others?
- Mary welcomed God's messenger Gabriel; how do I receive those whom God send to me?
- How can I better live Mary's prayer: "Behold the servant of the Lord, be it done to me according to your word?"

**Prayer:** Lord God, you sent your Archangel Gabriel to Mary to bring her the good news of the Incarnation of Jesus your Son; help us to hear the messages you send to us and, like Mary, always say "yes" to you. Amen!

## Our Christmas and New Year's Mass Schedule:

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Dec. 24</b>	<b>4:00 &amp; 6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Dec. 25</b>	<b>9:00 &amp; 10:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Dec. 31</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Jan. 1, 2015</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>

On **Wednesday, December 17, Individual Confessions** will be heard from **11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.** There will also be a **Penance Service** that evening at **7 p.m.**

## ST. JOSEPH CCW

**DON'T FORGET** St. Joseph's CCW are having their annual **Christmas Coffee and Homemade Cookies** after today's 9:00 Mass. Church decorating will follow the Coffee. All are invited to stay, help decorate and enjoy the fellowship.

## DECORATING ST. EDMUND'S

Church decorating at St. Edmund's will be on **Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>**, following 10:30 Mass. Parishioners are invited to come and help make St. Edmund's ready for the Christmas season.

**CONDOLENCES TO** Don and Rosann Miller, and their families, on the passing of their loved one, Landon Miller.

*May God's peace be with him.*

The 2015 Church Contribution Packets are still available for pick-up from the table in the Church basement.

## Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- \* Sr. Airman Thomas Westrick, son of Steve & Sharon Westrick
- \* Airman 1st Class Andrew Kelnhofer, son of Michelle Kelnhofer
- \* Hm3 Richard Kelnhofer, son of Michelle Kelnhofer
- \* Sgt. Erik Shepherd, son-in-law of Michelle Kelnhofer
- \* PFC Allison Shepherd, daughter of Michelle Kelnhofer
- \* Lance Corporal Samuel Gross, grandson of Linda Hunt

Please pray for . . . Francis Melson