

**2015 CATHLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL**  
**Please Make a Generous Gift—Consider Pledging**

This week you are asked to review the 2015 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) materials that you will receive with your bulletin today. The CMAA is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a pledge and pay it in 10 payments.

A significant gift to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. The Annual Appeal provides a significant portion of the budget of our Diocese of Joliet. Most dioceses in the country conduct an appeal, once a year, to help with the costs of providing services and programs to their parishes and people. The Diocese of Joliet is no exception.

As you review the work enabled by your contribution to the CMAA, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the diocese and to the work of the church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you. God extends His mercy to us each day and you can be a part of "Extending God's Mercy" to others through the CMAA.

Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our diocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference, because all parishes participate in the campaign, and the gifts of many enable our diocese to deliver needed education, ministry and services. Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our diocese.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. **For those of you who did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our Commitment/In-Pew Weekend process at all Masses next weekend.**

St. Edmund's goal is \$13,270 and St. Joseph's goal is \$2,245. After our parishes exceed their goals in **paid pledges**, 65% of any additional funds are returned for use in our parishes.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

**Did You Know . . .**

During the years of 1885 to 1900, Chicago became an important Czech Center for the Benedictine Sisters.

**From the Diocese . . .**

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends:** The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** in 2015 will be **April 17-19** or **June 12-14** at **Elk Grove Village, IL**. Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call **Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778** or contact them at <http://wwme-chicagoland.org>.

**Joyful Again! (A Widowed Ministry):** The next **Joyful Again Widowed Retreat/Workshop** will be **March 7/8, 2015** at **Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer**, located in **Lemont on Alvernia Manor's campus**. An additional program will be held **March 21/22, 2015** at **Holy Family Medical Center** (now Presence) located at **Golf Road & River Road in Des Plaines**. To register or for more information, call **708-354-7211** or email them at [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com). Space is limited so please register early.

**One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center**  
**A TIME OF PRAYER—Love Does Such Things**

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 12, from 9 a.m.—12 p.m.

**SPONSORED BY:** Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

**PRESENTED BY:** Sister Mary Stella Schellenberger, SSCM

**COST:** \$5 if possible. If not, come anyway.

**TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Call 815-935-0800 or just stop by.

**LENTEN DAY RETREAT**

**WHAT:** A *Lenten Day Retreat* open to BOTH WOMEN AND MEN who desire to enrich their spiritual growth during the Lenten Season.

**SPONSORED BY:** Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

**WHERE:** One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center

**WHEN:** Saturday, February 14, 2015—8 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
(Registration Deadline: Wednesday, Feb. 11)

**COST:** \$20 per person....Lunch provided

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER:** Call Sister Mary Stella at 815-933-0800, Monday—Friday.

**ST. EDMUND CHURCH**

219 EAST LOCUST STREET  
WATSEKA IL 60970

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

Rectory: 815-432-3274

Religious Education Office: 815-432-5569

Website: [www.stedstjoe.org](http://www.stedstjoe.org)

**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, FEBRUARY 8, 2015



Mon.	2/9	7:30 AM	Richard Ryan by Penny Hardesty
Tue.	2/10	NO MASS	
Wed.	2/11	7:30 AM	Landon Miller by Knights of Columbus Council #4391
Thur.	2/12	7:30 AM	Chester & Pauline Williams
Fri.	2/13	7:30 AM	John & Mary German by Nick & Roxanne Adsit & Family
Sat.	2/14	5:00 PM	Landon Miller by Sam & Debbie Ochs
Sun.	2/15	7:30 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's
		9:00 AM	Fred Schmitt by Joan Bolles
		10:30 AM	Wilfred & Verona Arseneau Anniversary Remembrance by Donna Dowling

<b>Weekly Parish Need for Operation:</b>	<b>\$ 3,200.00</b>
Sunday Offering Jan. 31/Feb. 1, 2015:	\$ 2,485.00
<b>DEFICIT For the Week:</b>	<b>\$ (715.00)</b>
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<b>Total Roof Fund Donations:</b>	<b>\$ 131,170.00</b>
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<b>Offering at St. Joseph's, Feb. 1, 2015:</b>	
Sunday:	\$ 162.00

**Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:**  
**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time "B"**  
**Mark 1:40-45**  
**"If you wish, you can make me clean!"**

- What do I need for Jesus to heal in me?
- How can I better spread the news about what Jesus had done for me?
- Jesus told the cured man to do "what Moses prescribed"; how can I do more sincerely what the Church prescribes?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus came to us in history, you come to us in mystery and you will come to us in majesty. Help us to sincerely call out to you for help, as did the man you healed in the Gospel story. Amen!

## ADULT ENRICHMENT

Fr. Mike's next Adult Enrichment session will be **Thursday, February 19** at 7 p.m. at the **Parish Center**.

## EUCHRE PARTY

St. Edmund's Senior Citizens will have their next Euchre Party on **Thursday, February 12** at 1 p.m. at the **Parish Center**. Parishioners, as well as non-parishioners, are welcome to attend. All attendees are asked to please bring an item for our local Food Pantry.

## SECOND COLLECTION

**This Weekend - February 7/8, 2015**

This weekend's 2nd collection is for the diocesan **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**, which provides catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses across the U.S.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting of our Knights of Columbus is **Thursday, February 12**, at 7:30 p.m. in the **Church basement**.

## LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

Feb. 14/15	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
<b>LECTOR</b>	Sue Butler	Julie Schippert	Ericka Clark
<b>SERVERS</b>	K. & J. McTaggart		M. Bevelle & C. Arseneau
<b>COMMUNION</b>	Patti Duffy	Diane Buswell	Barbara Quigley
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	Pat King Family Mary Sorensen	M/M Kevin Bohlmann Fam.	Marion Jaworski Family

### 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

## ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH LENTEN FISH FRIES

St. Anne Catholic Church in St. Anne, IL will host 4 Fish Fries this Lenten season from 5-7 p.m. at their Parish Hall.

**Dates:** February 20th & 27th and March 13th & 27th

**Menu:** Fried or Baked Pollock, Baked Potato, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Dessert & Beverage

**Cost:** Adults \$9.00  
Children (12 & under) \$4.00

**Also available:** 1/4 Cheese Pizza, Chips and Dessert for \$4.00.

### Parishioners of St. Edmund's . . .

When leaving Mass, PLEASE DO NOT USE the door closest to the Sacristy (in the area between the breezeway and stairs leading to Sacristy) that leads to the street. This door is being left unlocked and we had a transient man walk in that door last week. I was here by myself and luckily the breezeway door was locked and he couldn't get to the Rectory (and luckily he did not go into the Church either).

We have 4 other doors that you can use—2 east side doors, one west side door and the main entrance door. Please use one of these when exiting the Church. I am sometimes here by myself and I'd like to feel safe at my job! Thank you.

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Carlson Specialty Temps is currently looking for Product Ambassadors to promote a cell phone plan/minutes at a local retailer. Pay is \$10/hour. You would be supplied promotional items to help you promote the product.

### DATES:

February 13th, 2-8 p.m.  
February 14th, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
February 20th, 2-8 p.m.

For more information, call Carlson Specialty Temps at 800-435-9390 or visit their website at [www.carlsonspecialtytemps.com](http://www.carlsonspecialtytemps.com).