

2014 CMAA PLEDGE REPORT

	ST. EDMUND	ST. JOSEPH
PARISH GOAL:	\$ 12,272.00	\$ 2,351.00
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$ 7,405.00	\$ 2,404.00
AMOUNT PAID:	\$ 6,611.00	\$ 2,026.00
BALANCE DUE:	\$ 794.00	\$379.00
# DONORS:	45	12

As we proceed with estate planning, let us remember our St. Edmund and St. Joseph Parishes. This generosity enables us to continue bringing the Good News of Jesus to our friends and neighbors.

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- Sr. Airman Thomas Westrick, son of Steve & Sharon Westrick
- Airman 1st Class Andrew Kelnhofer, son of Michelle Kelnhofer

Please pray for . . .
Francis Melson

From the Dioceses . . .

OFFICE FOR HUMAN DIGNITY

All Health Care Professionals are cordially invited to celebrate the **White Mass** and receive a special blessing from Bishop Joseph Siegel at **11 a.m. on Sunday, October 19, 2014** at the **Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet**. The Rosary will be prayed at 10:30 a.m. with special intentions for Health Care Professionals.

The **White Mass** celebrates "The Guardians and Servants of Human Life" - Physicians, Nurses, Health Care Providers, along with their families and friends.

RSVP: 815-221-6251 or prolife@dioceseofjoliet.org. An RSVP is suggested but not required to attend.

Refreshments will follow in the Commons.

St. Mary's Church ~ Beaverville, IL
18TH ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY
Sunday, September 7, 2014

MASS AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH ~ 10:00 AM

Tractor Drive & Show: Registration 8 a.m. ~ Drive 9-Noon
(For information contact Damon Schuldt, 815-370-4407)

8-9:30 ~ Coffee & Rolls in the Parish Hall
9:00 ~ Craft Fair & Famers' Market
11:00 ~ BINGO & Kiddie Barrel Rides
11:00-3:00 ~ Pork Chop or Boudain Dinner (\$8.00)
(Dinner includes Choice of One Meat)
(Extra Meat Tickets are at the Door for \$3.00 each)
1:00 ~ Church Tour & Kiddie Tractor Pull
4:00 ~ Raffle Drawings

Oberweis Ice Cream ~ Food Concessions Near Parish Hall
Pork Chops prepared by Iroquois County Pork Producers
Dunk Tank & Kid's Games Throughout the Day

St. Mary's Entertainment

2:30 ~ Outside on Church Grounds
(Please Bring Lawn Chairs)

Featuring:

Lupe Carroll

(Singer/Songwriter from Bourbonnais, IL who competed on NBC's top rated reality show THE VOICE, Season 5, where he was chosen by Ceelo Green.)

**Diocese of Joliet
VOCATIONS OFFICE**

All men age 17 and older are welcome to attend our **Men's Discernment Group** on **Sunday, September 14**, from **2-4 p.m.** at the **St. John Paul II House in Joliet**. There will be time for prayer and a discussion based on the book *To Save A Thousand Souls* by Fr. Brett Brannen. Books will be provided for those who don't have one. RSVP to Fr. Burke, 815-221-6171 or email vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org.

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

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, SEPTEMBER 7, 2014

Mon.	9/8	7:30 AM	Helene O'Brien by Our Church Family
Tue.	9/9	NO MASS	
Wed.	9/10	7:30 AM	Chester & Pauline Williams
Thur.	9/11	7:30 AM	Chester & Pauline Williams
Fri.	9/12	7:30 AM	Chester & Pauline Williams
Sat.	9/13	5:00 PM	Frank Coughenour Jr. by Our Parish Family
Sun.	9/14	7:30 AM	Richard Cailteux Anniversary Remembrance by Myron & Linda Cailteux
		9:00 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's
		10:30 AM	Gloria & Jack Lynch by DR/M William Burwell

Rejoice in the Lord always!



Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering Aug. 30/31, 2014:	\$ 2,573.52
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (626.48)

Total Roof Fund Donations:	\$ 116,906.00

Offering at St. Joseph's, Aug. 31, 2014:	
Sunday:	\$ 404.00

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:
Exaltation of the Holy Cross
 John 3:13-147
"So must the Son of Man be lifted up!"

- What "crosses" have I encountered in my life and how have I responded to them?
- How might I grow in my faith; my belief in Jesus?
- How can I better, in my thoughts, words and actions, show my love for Christ crucified?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, though I am a sinner, you gave your life for me as you were raised on the wood of the Cross. Keep that image of your love always before me. Whenever I make the sign of the Cross help me remember what it symbolizes. Amen!

MASS INTENTIONS NEEDED

St. Edmund's is in need of Mass Intentions. This is a wonderful way to remember a loved one, living or deceased, in prayer. A stipend of \$10 is usually given, but whatever you feel you can afford is fine too. Please call Colette, 815-432-3274, to schedule your Masses. Thank you.

EUCHRE PARTY

St. Edmund's Senior Citizens will be having their next Euchre Party on **Thursday, September 11, 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, September 6/7, 2014

This weekend's second collection is for our **Religious Education Program** which benefits all our parishioners, children to adults. Your generosity is greatly appreciate—thank you!

LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

Sept. 13/14	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Mary Decker	Debbie Ochs	Michael Bevelle
SERVERS	Conner & Claire Curry		Gabriel & Miryam Bevelle
COMMUNION	Diana Wessels	Julie Schippert	Kevin Hemp
HOSPITALITY	M/M Sam Stepp Laura Stepp Jeanette Reifel	M/M Terry Pence M/M Rich Moyer	M/M Tom Busick Linda Hunt; Carolyn Oster

From the desk of Patti Duffy . . .

Religious Education Registration Packets have been sent out. They are due back by Wednesday, September 17. For anyone who may not have received one, there are a few extra packets available on the table in the vestibule of the Church. **Classes start on Wednesday, September 24th at 4 p.m.** If you have any questions, please call our Religious Education Office at 815-432-5569 on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

REMINDER:

Our **Finance Council** will meet on **Thursday, September 18 at 6:30 p.m.** followed by our **Parish Council** meeting at **7:00 p.m.** If you are a member of either of these councils, please mark your calendar.

Music Notes . . .

It's that time of year again! St Edmund's Christmas Choir Practice begins this Sunday, September 7th at 9:30 a.m. in the choir loft. Bring your voice and your Christmas spirit! Hope to see you there!

Michelle Kelnhofer
Choir Director

From Bishop R. Daniel Conlon . . .

SECOND COLLECTION September 13/14, 2014

With the ongoing crisis in the Middle East, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops are asking Catholics from around the country to take up a 2nd collection for the purpose of providing relief and support to this troubled part of our world, so this is what next weekend's second collection is for.

These funds will be used by Catholic Relief Services and other Catholic agencies working in partnership with the local Church to meet the most urgent humanitarian needs facing the people in Iraq, Gaza and Syria and surrounding countries where refugees have fled. These organizations have well-established partnerships with the Catholic Church in the region which allow them to respond quickly and efficiently to victims in some of the hardest to reach areas. Collection funds will also be used to support programs to aid persecuted Christians and to respond to rebuilding needs of Catholic dioceses in the impacted areas.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting of our Knights of Columbus is **Thursday, September 11, at 7:30 p.m.** in the **Church basement**. Our Tootsie Roll Drive (street sales) will be September 26/27.