

SEPTEMBER 28, 2014

Mon.	9/29	7:30 AM	For the Health & Happiness of Fr. Mike by the Morning Mass Group & Friends
Tue.	9/30	NO MASS	
Wed.	10/1	7:30 AM	For a Successful Year of Religious Education by Phyllis & Bob Tonner
Thurs.	10/2	7:30 AM	Ann Harwood by Our Church Family
Fri.	10/3	7:30 AM	Pauline Ringle Anniversary Remembrance by Phyllis & Bob Tonner
Sat.	10/4	5:00 PM	John & Ella Sheridan by Their Family
Sun.	10/5	7:30 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's
		9:00 AM	Rich Quinn Birthday Remembrance by His Family
		10:30 AM	Clarence Barlow by His Family



Dates to Remember in October . . .

- 1 RE Classes: 4 p.m.
- 3 First Friday: Adoration w/Benediction
- 4 K of C Ham & Beans @ Harvest Daze
- 4/5 Food Pantry
- 6 CCW Meeting: 7 p.m. @ Parish Center
- 6-10 Fr. Mike Gone to Priest's Convocation
- 8 RE Classes: 4 p.m.
- 9 Euchre Party: 1 p.m. @ Parish Center
Knights of Columbus Meeting: 7:30 p.m.
- 13 Columbus Day Observed
- 15 RE Classes: 4 p.m.
- 18/19 DOJ World Mission Collection
K of C Tootsie Rolls Sales after ALL Masses
- 22 RE Classes: 4 p.m. (ALL STUDENT MASS)
- 29 RE Classes: 4 p.m.
- 31 Halloween

Money Counters for October are:

Elsie Hankey & Joe Lyznicki

REMINDER: On Friday, October 3rd, after 7:30 a.m. Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for one-half hour with Benediction at 8:00 a.m.

FLOWERS FOR MARY'S ALTAR—OCTOBER

5	Chris Daszko
12	Larry & Diane Buswell
19	Pat & Jeanne Snyder
26	Leanora Marketto



CHRIST IS OUR HOPE MAGAZINE APPEAL This Weekend, September 27/28, 2014

This weekend is the Diocesan-wide Appeal for *Christ is Our Hope Magazine*, which all households registered with the Diocese receive 10 times per year.

Those of you receiving a solicitation letter in the mail from Bishop Conlon in regards to this, if giving, please **USE THE RETURN ENVELOPE and MAIL IT BACK DIRECTLY TO THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE.** Please **DO NOT** put it in the collection basket.

Those of you using the envelope from your Church Packet, these will be bundled and sent directly to the Development Office.

ALL CHECKS ARE TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO CHRIST IS OUR HOPE MAGAZINE and NOT St. Edmund's. Thank you.

LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

October 4/5	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Sue Butler	Julie Schippert	Nancy Cowan
SERVERS	C. Bossong & O. Simons	Wyatt Claire	A. Haskins & H. Lazarov
COMMUNION	Rosann Miller	Kevin Bohlmann	Lorraine Smith
HOSPITALITY	Pat King Family Mary Sorensen	M/M Keith Steffes Dr/M William Burwell	Ericka Clark Family M/M Robert Zummallen

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:
27th Sunday Ordinary Time "A"
Matthew 21:33-43
"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone!"

- How can I better welcome Jesus and those whom he sends to me?
- Do I have "produce," fruits of the gifts that God has given me? How can I return them to God by my words and actions?
- As a member of the Kingdom of God, how can my life reflect that citizenship?

Prayer: Father, you have called me to be a worker in your vineyard. May my work help to bring about an abundant harvest and grace me always to offer my thoughts, words and actions back to you. Amen!

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, Sept. 20/21, 2014:	\$ 2,748.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (452.00)

Total Roof Fund Donations:	\$ 118,201.00

St. Joseph's Offering Sunday, September 21, 2014	\$ 493.00

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Don't forget to stop by and fill up on our delicious **Ham & Beans**, which we'll be serving next Saturday, **October 4th**, at **Harvest Daze**, located on the grounds of the Courthouse Museum.

May we be built like "Living Stones!"

This week saw the beginning of our Religious Education classes. Our theme for this year is taken from the First Letter of Peter. In this Epistle, Peter is welcoming the newly baptized into the Church, reminding them that they are "being built like Living Stones into a spiritual house." While we have been baptized, some days ago and others decades ago, let us all, always and everywhere, continue growing in our knowledge of the faith. When it comes to learning more about Jesus and his Church...we are all still in First Grade! Blessings on our catechists and students.

Fr. Mike

St. Edmund CCW News . . .

Our Annual Turkey Dinner will NOT be held this October, but this fundraiser will be brought up for discussion again in the spring. Our CCW group will be working with the Knights of Columbus on a couple of other projects for the coming year. Watch for any news updates to come in our weekly bulletin.

Our next meeting will be Monday, October 6th at 7 p.m. at the Parish Center. Our guest speaker will be Kathy Blunk of Studio 210 Boutique. Refreshments will be provided by Rhonda Pence and Margaret Ochs.

Condolences to the Harwood Family (and friends) whose loved one, Ann Harwood, was called home to our Lord.

May God's peace be with her.

**One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center
A Time of Prayer**

(Let the silence and atmosphere of peace bring you to a deeper place within yourself. Treat YOURSELF to a Time of Prayer.)

WHAT: Luminous Mysteries

WHEN: Thursday, October 9th, 2014

SPONSORED BY: Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

PRESENTED BY: Sister Mary Stella Schellenberger

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

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

OCTOBER'S item needed for the **Watseka Area Food Pantry** is: **Rice**. This is only a guideline—ALL donations are welcome, as well as monetary donations. *Thank you.*

OCTOBER'S items needed for **Harbor House** are: **Phone Cards & Gas Cards**. As usual, **Paper Products of any kind are always needed**. *Thank you.*

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

Baptized here last weekend was **Lyla Ruth German**, daughter of Andrew and Kelly (Stephenson) German.

We warmly welcome Lyla into our Church family.

From the Diocese . . .

VOCATIONS OFFICE

DIACONATE ORDINATION FOR SEMINARIAN PAUL SOLOMON IN ROME. Please pray for our seminarian Paul Solomon who will be ordained a transitional deacon on Thursday, October 2, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. Rome time (2:30 a.m. CST) in St. Peter's Basilica. Paul will then be one of four men who will be ordained priests for the Diocese of Joliet on Saturday, May 16, 2015 at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Please mark your calendars for both ordinations. Please pray for Paul on October 2nd and all are welcome to attend the priestly ordination here next May.

COLLEGE SEMINARY VISIT: The Vocations Office will be sponsoring a trip for all men who are 16 years of age and older to St. John Vianney College Seminary in St. Paul, MN. There is no cost for this trip. This is a great opportunity to visit the seminary, meet seminarians and see seminary life first-hand. We will leave Thursday morning, November 13, at 9 a.m. and return about 5 p.m. on Saturday, November 15. Please RSVP to Fr. Burke at 815-221-6171 or email vocations@dioceseofjoliet.org by November 6 if you are interested. Each participant will need to fill out a permission form and waiver.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends: The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** will be **October 10-12, 2014, December 5-7, 2014 and February 13-15, 2015**, all at **Elk Grove Village, IL**. Early registration is highly recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or find them at www.wvmejoliet.org.

Joyful Again! (A Widowed Ministry): The next **Joyful Again Widowed Retreat/Workshop** will be **November 15-16, 2014** at **Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer**, located in **Lemont on Alvernia Manor's campus**. To register or for more information, call **708-354-7211** or email them at joyfulagain7211@gmail.com. Space is limited so please register early.

REMINDER: Christmas choir practice is ongoing each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. in the choir loft. It is still not too late to come and lend your voice in preparation for the birth of Jesus!

With the start of the fall harvest season, let's everyone be careful and watch out for slow moving farm vehicles. Stay safe everyone!

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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

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MASS:

SUNDAY

9:00 AM