

*From the Diocese . . .*

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends:** The last *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend* in 2015 will be **December 11-13** and the first in 2016 will be **February 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 Retreats/Workshops* will be:

- **November 14/15, 2015** at **Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer, Lemont**
- **January 16/17, 2016** at **Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer, Lemont**
- **March 5/6, 2016** at **Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer, Lemont**

To register or for more information, call **708-354-7211** or email them at [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com). Visit their website at [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org). Space is limited so please register early.

**CARD PARTY & SALAD BAR**

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary will hold their annual Card Party and Salad Bar on Sunday, October 11, 2015, from 12:30—4:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 187 S. Indiana Avenue; Kankakee. Salad Bar opens at 1:00 p.m. Donations: \$6.00.

Cards or board games of your choice....ladies and gentlemen welcome to enjoy an afternoon of fun, food and prizes.

**PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER  
(For the month of October)**

**Universal:** *Human Trafficking*  
That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.

**Evangelization:** *Mission in Asia*  
That with a missionary spirit, the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.

*Please pray for our Service Members . . .*

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

*Please pray for . . .*

- Francis Melson
- Those killed and wounded in the tragedy at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg, OR and for the family and friends of those killed

**2015 Public Square Rosary Rally**

*Please join us in praying for our nation.*

**Where:** St. Margaret Mary Church  
Main Street ~ Herscher, IL

**When:** Saturday, October 10, 2015  
ROSASRY WILL BEGIN AT 12 NOON  
(Please bring a lawn chair.)

In case of inclement weather, we will gather in the Church Hall. For more information, please call Janet Andrzejewski at 815-426-6239.

**An Evening of Spirituality**

*An Evening of Spirituality* reflecting on the Beatitudes, sponsored by the Joliet Diocesan CCW Spirituality Commission, will be presented by Timothy R. Botts on Wednesday, October 14, 2015, beginning at 6 p.m. in the Conference Rooms at the Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL. The cost to attend is \$10/person (checks payable to JDCCW) which includes a light meal and supplies to create your own word picture.

Mr. Botts's presentation will include:

- The value of meditation on Scripture through making word pictures
- Creating a live word picture of a sacred text
- Hands on opportunity for you to create your own word picture using Scripture verses

Mr. Botts will also have Religious books, cards and calendars available for purchase.

**ST. EDMUND CHURCH**

**219 EAST LOCUST STREET  
WATSEKA IL 60970**

**PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell**

**Rectory: 815-432-3274 ~ Office Hours: 8 a.m.—12 p.m. M-F**

**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, OCTOBER 4, 2015

Mon.	10/5	NO MASS	
Tue.	10/6	NO MASS	
Wed.	10/7	NO MASS	
Thur.	10/8	NO MASS	
Fri.	10/9	7:30 AM	Annalea Carson's Birthday by M/M Richard Ryan
Sat.	10/10	5:00 PM	Rodney Popham by His Family
Sun.	10/11	7:30 AM	Jennie Langner by M/M David Rogers
		9:00 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's
		10:30 AM	Adele Daszko Anniversary Remembrance by Christina Daszko



Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:  
28<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time "B"  
Mark 10:17-30  
*"He went away sad for his possessions were many!"*

- How can I sincerely ask Jesus what, as one of his disciples, I need to do?
- Do I have the resolve to listen to what he tells me?
- Am I called to leave all behind and follow Jesus in the consecrated life or in the priesthood?

**Prayer:** Help me Lord to follow you in the manner to which you call me. May neither earthly riches nor anything else hinder me from making you the center of my life. Amen!

<b>Weekly Parish Need for Operation:</b>	\$	<b>3,200.00</b>
Sunday Offering Sept. 26/27, 2015:	\$	2,442.04
<b>DEFICIT For the Week:</b>	\$	<b>(757.96)</b>
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Roof Fund Donations Sept. 26/27, 2015:	\$	140.00
<b>Total Roof Fund Donations:</b>	\$	<b>149,784.00</b>
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<b>Offering at St. Joseph's, Sept. 27, 2015</b>	\$	<b>1,209.00</b>

## ST. EDMUND CCW

The next meeting of St. Edmund's CCW is **Monday, October 5th** at 7 p.m. at the **Parish Center**. A presentation by IMH will be given.

Refreshments will be provided by Hayley Benner and Diane Buswell.

## ST. JOSEPH CCW

St. Joseph's CCW will be leading the Rosary, after Mass, each Sunday in October (4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>) in honor of our Blessed Mother, Mary. You are invited to stay.

## EUCHRE PARTY

St. Edmund's Senior Citizens will be having their next Euchre Party on **Thursday, October 8**, at 1 p.m. at the **Parish Center**. Parishioners, as well as non-parishioners, are welcome to attend. All attendees are asked to bring an item for our local food pantry.

## LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

October 10/11	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Doug Duffy	Rhonda Pence	Amy Curry
SERVERS	Max Gooding	Will Lyznicki	Cole Arseneau & Zakkary Clark
COMMUNION	Debbie McCullough	Lynette Moyer	Kevin Hemp
HOSPITALITY	Jeanette Reifel Jan Dillman Louise Bruens	M/M Ira Claire M/M Kent Schippert	M/M Kenneth Thiele & Autumn Julie Arseneau & Cole

## FORD-IROQUOIS DEANERY CCW FALL GATHERING

*"Sing Praise to The Lord"*

Saturday, October 17, 2015  
Mass: 9:00 a.m.  
St. Peter's Church  
204 Pine Street ~ Piper City

Brunch served by St. Peter's CCW  
Gospel Music Entertainment by Richard Powell

*We are continuing to collect school supplies and will accept donations that day.*

## FOOD FROM THE HEART Second Collection ~ October 24/25, 2015

The weekend of October 24/25 we will take up a 2nd Collection for **Iroquois County's Food Basket Program, Food from the Heart**, which is planning on distributing 400 food baskets the week before Christmas, in cooperation with Iroquois County's Toys For Tots.

The cost of one basket is approximately \$25, but any amount of donation is very much appreciated. **Checks are to be made out to Food From the Heart** (NOT St. Edmund's or St. Joseph's) and can be sent directly to them at 301 S. Fourth Street, Watseka, IL 60970. THEY ASK THAT YOU AVOID SENDING THEM CASH. Thank you!

Donations that we collect at Church will be sent directly to them, which means they will not show up on the year-end statements that several parishioners receive.

## SECOND COLLECTION This Weekend ~ October 3/4, 2015

This weekend's Second Collection will be for anyone wanting to give to the **Comboni Missionaries of the Heart of Jesus**. PLEASE NOTE: Checks for this are to be made out to St. Edmund's. Thank you.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting of our Knights of Columbus is **Thursday, October 8**, at 7:30 p.m. in the Church basement.

**Tootsie Rolls Sales** at St. Edmund's and St. Joseph's will be conducted the weekend of **October 24/25** after ALL Masses. A **box of 50 is \$8** and the **banks are 1/\$3 or 4/\$10**. Stock up to "treat" all those ghosts & goblins on Halloween.

**PLEASE NOTE** the changes in this week's daily Mass schedule, as Fr. Mike will be out of town at the Priest Convocation.

