

# ST. EDMUND CHURCH

219 EAST LOCUST STREET  
WATSEKA IL 60970

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

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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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"Transforming the world in which we live by bringing the  
teachings of Jesus Christ to every living person."  
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# 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 15, 2013

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR DEC. 16-22, 2013



<b>Monday, December 16, 7:30 AM</b> John McGuire by M/M Edwin Movern
<b>Tuesday, December 17</b> NO MASS
<b>Wednesday, December 18, 7:30 AM</b> Greta Burns by Ellen Brown & Family
<b>Thursday, December 19, 7:30 AM</b> Joyce Donohue by Ellaretta Ziemer
<b>Friday, December 20, 7:30 AM</b> Brent McTaggart by Randy & Margaret Feller
<b>Saturday, December 21, 5:00 PM</b> Ralph Buswell by His Family
<b>Sunday, December 22</b> 7:30 AM: Rodney Popham by His Family 9:00 AM: Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's 10:30 AM: Esther Ingram by Her Family

## LAY MINISTERS For DECEMBER 21/22, 2013

### SATURDAY, December 21, 5:00 PM

Lector: Steve McCullough

Host: Rosann Miller

Altar Servers: Katie & Justin McTaggart

Hospitality: DR/M Phil Zumwalt Family

### SUNDAY, December 22, 7:30 AM

Lector: RaDonna Hasselbring

Host: Ira Claire

Altar Servers: Will Lyznicki

Hospitality: M/M Kevin Bohlmann Family

### SUNDAY, December 22, 10:30 AM

Lector: Michael Bevelle

Host: Jane Zummallen

Altar Servers: Landon & Trenton Hemp

Hospitality: Peg Hofbauer (Will need someone to help her.)

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering Dec. 7/8, 2013:	\$ 2,582.00
<b>DEFICIT For the Week:</b>	<b>\$ (618.00)</b>

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Total Roof Fund Donations: \$ 88,074.22  
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### Offering at St. Joseph's, Dec. 8, 2013:

Sunday: \$

## ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH DECORATING

St. Joseph's is decorating for the Christmas season today after their 9 a.m. Mass, for anyone wanting to help with this task. Cookies & cakes will be provided for all decorators to enjoy!

## ST. EDMUND'S PRAYER LINE

**LAST CHANCE:** If anyone is wanting ON or OFF of our Prayer Line, please call Colette by December 18 and let her know. The revised information needs to get sent out as soon as possible. Thank you.

## Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

### 4th Sunday of Advent "A"

Matthew 1:18-24

*"Mary will bear a Son and you will name him Jesus."*

- How, like Joseph, has God surprised me in my life?
- Do I obey God the way Joseph did?
- How do I welcome Jesus, Mary and Joseph into my home?

**Prayer:** Like the Joseph in Genesis who was a dreamer, you called St. Joseph in dreams to be the husband of Mary and the foster-father of Jesus, your Son. Give us the Christmas grace to, like Joseph, always rise and do what you command. Amen!

**The lambs you see at the foot of the altar this weekend are from our students who placed them there after receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time last Wednesday. They represent good deeds and acts of forgiveness. Congratulations to them and their families.**

The 2014 Church Contribution Packets are available in the Church basement. They are in alphabetical order. **Please write your name on the front of your envelopes for the first few weeks of the new year.**

We have one new monthly envelope in our packet this year. It is our **Building Fund** envelope and for right now will be used for Roof Fund offerings. In the future it will be used for other needs for our Church.

If you were new to St. Edmund's this past year and asked for (and used) envelopes or you signed up for a box last year, there should be a box with your name on it.

If you do not see a box with your name on it and would like a box, please take a box in numerical order and write your name on the corresponding line on the envelope sign-up sheet on the table in the basement. **DO NOT** sign up for envelopes if there is already a box with your name on it. **DO NOT** take someone else's envelopes. If you **DO NOT** wish to receive envelopes in the future, please call the rectory, 815-432-3274, and leave a message, if necessary.

*Thank you.*

Here is the Mass schedule for the upcoming holidays. All Masses are at St. Edmund's except for the 9 a.m. Mass, which is at St. Joseph's.

Tuesday	December 24	4:00 & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 25	9:00 & 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday	December 31	5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Jan. 1, 2014	10:30 a.m.

On Wednesday, December 18, 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. EDMUND'S CHURCH DECORATING

Church decorating, for both inside and outside, at St. Edmund's will be on **Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** following 10:30 Mass. Parishioners are invited to come and help make St. Edmund's ready for the Christmas season.

*Please pray for our Service Members . . .*

Major Saul Decker, son of Mary Decker