

*From the Diocese . .*

**Joyful Again!, a Widowed Ministry** has 2 upcoming week-ends in 2013 for their program, **September 28/29** at Good Shepherd Hospital (450 W. Highway 22; Barrington, IL) and **November 16/17** at Our Lady of the Angels (13820 Main Street; Lemont, IL) , which includes an overnight stay. Early registration is encouraged. For more information call 708-354-7211 or email joyfulagain@att.net. Please check out their website at www.joyfulagain.org.

Today's Gospel reading may sound a bit harsh at first, but it is meant to wake us up to the fact that God must be first place in our lives if we are to be a disciple of Christ. God must be first in our lives and first in our marriage. God needs to be the foundation that we build our life and marriage upon. Find out how to live out God's design for your marriage. Attend the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** on **October 12-14, 2013**. Contact Jim and Kris McCulloch, 630-577-0778. For more information visit our website at: wwmejoliet.org.

**One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center**

(Sponsored by *The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary*)

You are invited to come pray with us, *Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary*, on the **2nd Friday** of every month from 7-8 p.m. for **Adoration for Vocations** in the chapel at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center in Kankakee.

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

**Sunday, September 15, 2013 ~ 12:00-2:00 p.m.**

Iroquois Antiquers Quester Chapter 1396 invites you to an Ice Cream Social on the lawn of the historical Prairie Dell Church, 2250 East 2150 North Road, Watseka.

Our Quester Chapter supported the window restoration project and has plans to support future restoration projects at the church.

The church will be open for viewing.

For more information, please contact Jean Herron, 815-683-2560.

St. Mary's Church ~ Beaverville  
**17th ANNUAL FOUNDERS' DAY**  
Sunday, September 8th, 2013

**Mass at St. Mary's Church: 10:00 a.m.**

Tractor Drive & Show  
Registration @ 8 a.m. ~ Drive from 9—Noon  
(For more information contact Damon Schuldt @ 815-370-4407)  
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**8:00—9:30:** Coffee & Rolls in Parish Hall

**9:00:** Craft Fair & Farmer's Market

**9:00:** Car, Truck & Bike Show (Registration 8—Noon)

**11:00:** Kiddie Barrel Rides

**11-3:** Pork Chop\* ~ Chicken\*\* ~ Boudain\* Dinner—\$12.00  
(Dinner includes choice of 2 meats.)

~TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR ONLY BEGINNING @ 11 a.m.~

**Noon:** BINGO

**1:00:** Kiddie Tractor Pull

**2:00:** Church Tour

**5:00:** Raffle Drawings  
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Oberweis Ice Cream ~ Other Food Concessions Near Parish Hall ~  
\*Prepared by Papineau Locker ~ \*\*Grace's Country Table  
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**"ST. MARY'S SHOWCASE OF TALENT"**

3:30—In Historic St. Mary's Church

**Featuring:**

St. Mary's own young parishioners  
in dance & vocal performances

Alyssa Norden, Senior Voice Student at ONU  
(Broadway/Pop)

Lindsey Hayes, Senior Education Major at ONU  
(Sacred/Contemporary)

Andrew Johnston, well-known vocalist from Kankakee  
(Gospel)

**Things to Remember . . .**

Heroes are the people who do what has to be done, when it needs to be done, regardless of the consequences.

Maturity has more to do with what types of experiences you've had and what you've learned from them and less to do with how many birthdays you've celebrated.

**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 8, 2013

Mon.	9/9	7:30 AM	Reynold Morrical by the Morrical Family
Tue.	9/10	NO MASS	
Wed.	9/11	7:30 AM	Gerald Morrical by Linda & Rolland Morrical
Thur.	9/12	7:30 AM	Scott Demers by M/M Richard Ryan
Fri.	9/13	7:30 AM	Leonila Florido by John & Sharon Rose
Sat.	9/14	5:00 PM	Judy Krones by Ty & Jean Herron
Sun.	9/15	7:30 AM	Richard Cailteux 5th Anniversary Remembrance by Myron & Linda Cailteux
		9:00 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's
		10:30 AM	Leonila Florido by Our Church Family



**Carry the cross  
and follow me.**

**Weekly Parish Need for Operation:** \$ 3,200.00  
 Sunday Offering Aug. 31/Sept. 1, 2013: \$ 3,015.00  
**Bonus/Deficit For the Week:** (-)\$ 185.00  
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**Total Roof Fund Donations:** \$ 74,980.61  
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**Offering at St. Joseph's, September 1, 2013:**  
 Sunday: \$ 247.00

**Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:**  
**24th Sunday Ordinary Time "C"**  
 Luke 15:1-32  
*"Your brother was lost and has been found!"*

- Do I sincerely come to Jesus in contrition when I sin?
- Am I willing to welcome back those who have fallen away from the Church?
- How can I live as a sincere son or daughter of my heavenly Father?

**Prayer:** Father of mercy, Jesus taught us that you are anxious to forgive the repentant sinner. Help me to be truly sorry when I abandon you and let the wisdom of your Holy Spirit always guide me back to you. Amen!

*From the desk of Patti Duffy . . .*

**Registration packets for the 2013-2014 year of Religious Education have been sent out.** For anyone who may not have received one, there are a few extra packets available on the table in the vestibule of the Church. PLEASE READ ALL REGISTRATION PAPERS CAREFULLY. Every Religious Education family **MUST** complete ALL registration forms along with required signatures. **All forms are due back to our Religious Education Office by WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2013.** If you have any questions, please call our Religious Education Office @ 815-432-5569 on Tuesdays or Wednesdays.

**Both, Religious Education Classes & Youth Group resume on Wednesday, September 25th.**

**ST. EDMUND CCW**

**SAVE THE DATE:** This year's Turkey Dinner will be on Sunday, October 20th.

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**There are still a few really nice bowls with parishioner's names on them that need to be picked up from the counter in the basement.**

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**Our new 2013-2014 Directories are available for pick-up from the vestibule of the Church.** If any of the information we have is incorrect and needs to be updated, please call Colette at the rectory, 815-432-3274. Please leave a message on her voicemail if necessary.

**PLEASE NOTE:** In our Directory on the page with the list of monthly callers for funeral dinners, Bernadine Buswell's phone number should be 815-432-3217. Please make the change in your Directory if you already picked up a copy. Thank you!

## LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

Sept. 14/15	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Amy Curry	Rhonda Pence	Ericka Clark
SERVERS	Samantha & Max Gooding	Justin Moyer	Landon & Trenton Hemp
COMMUNION	Diana Wessels	Mary Jane LaFond	Julie Arseneau
HOSPITALITY	M/M Doug Duffy Family	M/M Jeff Claire Family	M/M Mike Bevelle Family

**St. Peter Catholic Church ~ Clifton**  
**FAMILY STYLE CHICKEN DINNER & BAZAAR**  
**Sunday, September 29, 2013**  
 11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Adults & All Carry-Outs: \$9.00  
 Children 5-10: \$4.00  
 Children Under 5: Free

Dessert and your drink are included in the price of your meal

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA**  
**96th Anniversary Mass**  
**Sunday, October 13, 2013 @ 2:15 p.m.**  
**Holy Name Cathedral**  
 (800 North State Street, Chicago)

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME**

Pope Francis has designated Sunday, October 13, 2013 a day to consecrate the world to Our Lady of Fatima's Immaculate Heart. The message given by Our Lady to the children at Fatima 96 years ago is increasingly relevant in today's turbulent times. Come and join in the celebration of the Eucharist at this special Mass, and join in prayers to Our Lady for Her intervention at this time for our world and our own personal intentions. As we all know, Our Lady intervenes to Her Son for our petitions.

**The Most Reverend Joseph M. Siegel, Aux. Bishop DOJ**  
*Principal Celebrant of the Mass*  
 Donner Music Singers  
 Gospel Singer, Sam Parker  
 Joe Scheidler, Pro-Life Speaker

A big **THANK YOU** to all who contributed to our **Religious Education Collection** last weekend. We had **\$1762** in contributions. If you have not already done so, please consider making a contribution.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
*Meeting & Tootsie Roll Drive*

The next meeting of the Knights of Columbus is **Thursday, September 12, at 7:30 p.m.**

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Our upcoming *"Tootsie Roll Drive"* will be **September 20-21**. We will also be selling them at Church in October, but you can place an order for some now by contacting Dick Arie at 815-471-5569.

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**PLEASE NOTE:** The Tootsie Roll Midgies that come in the Bank Tube will be mixed multiple flavors instead of just chocolate.

**Case of 300** \$ 45.00  
**Box of 50** \$ 8.00  
**Tootsie Roll Bank Tube:** \$ 3.00 ea. or 4/\$10.00

**EUCHRE PARTY**

St. Edmund's Senior Citizens will be having their next Euchre Party on **Thursday, September 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.

**ST. JOSEPH CCW**

The first meeting of our new year will be on **Sunday, September 15, following our 9 a.m. Mass.** All ladies of St. Joseph's are cordially invited to attend.

*The Saints Speak to Us . . .*

Sorrow can be alleviated by good sleep, a bath and a glass of wine!

-St. Thomas Aquinas