

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- Sr. Airman Thomas Westrick, son of Steve & Sharon Westrick
- Sr. Airman Andrew Kelnhofer, son of Michelle Hastings
- Hm2 Richard Kelnhofer, son of Michelle Hastings
- Sgt. Erik Shepherd, son-in-law of Michelle Hastings
- Sgt. Allison Shepherd, daughter of Michelle Hastings
- Lance Corporal Samuel Gross, grandson of Linda Hunt
- Sr. Airman Rori Sorensen, granddaughter of Mary Sorensen

Please pray for . . .

- Francis Melson

From the Diocese . . .

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends: Upcoming *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in 2016* are: **June 10-12, August 12-14 and October 7-9** 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 in 2016* will be: **April 9/10** at **Holy Family Medical Center** (now Presence/Resurrection) in **DesPlaines** (Sponsored by Rainbow Hospice).

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

Saints of the Week . . .

Tuesday, April 5:

St. Vincent Ferrer

Thursday, April 7:

St. John Baptist de la Salle

KIWANIS CLUB BREAKFAST

Our local Kiwanis Club will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast next **Saturday, April 9th**, from **6-10 a.m.** in the **St. Edmund Parish basement**. The donation is \$5/person or \$15 for families. Proceeds will enable the Kiwanis to better serve the children of our community. All are invited!

**CCW SCHOLARSHIP
&
ROBERT HAAS MEMORIAL/
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP**

Applications are now available for the St. Edmund CCW Scholarship and the Robert Haas Memorial/Knights of Columbus St. Teresa of Avila Council #4391 Scholarship.

CCW Scholarship

- Must be an active, registered member of St. Edmund's.
- Must have already been accepted by a college/university/trade school.

Robert Haas Mem./Knights of Columbus Scholarship

- Must be an active, registered member of any Parish served by our Knights of Columbus St. Teresa of Avila Council #4391.
- Must have already been accepted by a college/university/trade school.

NOTE: Active, registered members of St. Edmund's may apply for BOTH scholarships. Xeroxed copies of your Letters of Recommendation may be used.

Applications may be picked up from the table in the vestibule of St. Edmund's Church or from the Rectory. The Knights of Columbus will distribute copies of the Robert Haas Memorial/Knights of Columbus St. Teresa of Avila Council #4391 Scholarship to other parishes to which members belong.

ALL applications are to be returned by WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20TH, 2016. If mailing them back, they must be postmarked no later than April 20th. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. They may be dropped off at St. Edmund's Rectory between the hours of 8 a.m.—12 p.m. M-F or mailed to: St. Edmund Catholic Church; ATTN: Scholarship Committee; 219 E. Locust Street; Watseka, IL, 60970. **Please note on your return envelope which organization's scholarship application it is.** Both organizations will have their own Scholarship Committee to screen applications.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL APPLICANTS!

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

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, APRIL 3, 2016

Mon.	4/4	7:30 AM	Bernadette Flook by Phyllis Tonner
Tue.	4/5	NO MASS	
Wed.	4/6	7:30 AM	Bob Tonner by the Knights of Columbus
Thur.	4/7	7:30 AM	Joyce Donohue by Bob Donohue
Fri.	4/8	7:30 AM	Those in our Parish Who are Ill by Phyllis Tonner
Sat.	4/9	5:00 PM	Jack Dillman Anniversary Remembrance by His Family
Sun.	4/10	7:30 AM	Penny Hardesty by Christine Ryan
		9:00 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's
		10:30 AM	Jim Butler by the Knights of Columbus



Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering Mar. 26/27, 2016:	\$ 3,069.25
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (130.75)

Roof Fund Donations Mar. 26/27, 2016:	\$ 635.00
Total Amount of Roof Fund:	\$ 174,670.01

Offering at St. Joseph's, Mar. 27, 2016:	\$ 696.00

EUCHRE PARTY

St. Edmund's Senior Citizens will be having their next **Euchre Party** on **Thursday, April 14th**, 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.

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:
3rd Sunday of Easter "C"
John 21:1-19
"It is the Lord!"

- Have I ever "bumped" into Jesus unexpectedly during everyday activities?
- The disciples obeyed Jesus when he told them to cast their nets into the sea. How can I better respond to what Jesus tells me to do?
- Three times Simon Peter declared that he did, indeed, love Jesus. Do I truly love Jesus in my words and actions?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, on a quiet morning you appeared to your disciples by the sea. You brought their work of fishing to an abundant success and commissioned Peter to join you, the Good Shepherd, in tending your sheep. Renew my love for you in this blessed Easter season and strengthen me to join you in your care for us. Amen!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next meeting of the Knights of Columbus will be on **Thursday, April 14th**, at **7:30 p.m.** in the **Church basement**.

REMINDER: Our CASH BASH will be held on Saturday, May 7th at Celebrations.

Please remember in your prayers those called home to our Lord....

Marybeth Claire, wife of Jeff and mother of Olivia & Wyatt

Donna Eastburn, wife of Lloyd

May God's peace be with them.

LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

April 9/10	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Doug Duffy	Amy Curry	Mary Decker
SERVERS	R. Gooding & O. Simons	Justin McTaggart	Meredith & Mallory Drake
COMMUNION	Patti Duffy	Ira Claire	Anne Zumwalt
HOSPITALITY	M/M Mike Schuler Nick Harvey	M/M Kyle Cluver Family M/M Rick McTaggart	M/M Kevin Verkler

2016 CMAA PLEDGE REPORT

	ST. EDMUND	ST. JOSEPH
PARISH GOAL:	\$ 13,082.00	\$ 2,470.00
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$3,980.00	\$3,175.00
AMOUNT PAID:	\$2,705.00	\$2,924.00
BALANCE DUE:	\$1,275.00	\$251.00
# DONORS:	22	8

You Can Help Your Marriage—Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the April program beginning with a weekend on April 15-17, call 630-541-8833 or email: retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center A TIME OF PRAYER *"The Name of God is Mercy"*

WHEN: Thursday, April 14th, from 9 a.m.—12 p.m.

SPONSORED BY: Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

PRESENTED BY: Mrs. Judy Bumbul, Director of Spiritual Ministries for the Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

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

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

Come away for 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.

ST. EDMUND CCW

The next meeting of St. Edmund's CCW is **Monday, April 4th at 7 p.m. at the Parish Center.**

Kris Lundquist will be helping us get in touch with our inner child by offering a program, **"An Evening of Color"**, where we will get to "color", learn about the benefits of coloring, and, possibly, learn how to frame our artwork. With the popularity of the "adult coloring craze", this is a great opportunity to express ourselves through the creativity of coloring!

Refreshments will be provided by Cheryl Geiger and Anne Zumwalt.

The next meeting of our **YOUTH GROUP** will be on **Wednesday, April 6th, at 7 p.m. at the Parish Center.**