

JULY 31, 2016

Mon.	8/1	7:30 AM	Richard Song Birthday by His Family
Tue.	8/2	NO MASS	
Wed.	8/3	7:30 AM	Irena Daszko Anniversary Remembrance by Christina Daszko
Thurs.	8/4	7:30 AM	James Bowers by His Family
Fri.	8/5	7:30 AM	Kathy Shafer Anniversary Remembrance by Her Family
Sat.	8/6	5:00 PM	Ralph Buswell Birthday Remembrance by His Family
Sun.	8/7	7:30 AM	Marybeth Claire by Knight of Columbus
		9:00 AM	Ted Lavoie by Knights of Columbus
		10:30 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's



DATES TO REMEMBER IN AUGUST . . .

- 6/7 Food Pantry
- 11 Euchre Party: 1 p.m. @ Parish Center
Knights of Columbus Meeting: 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
(Not a Holy Day of Obligation This Year)
- 24 School Resumes for Watseka Unit 9
RE Registration Packets Mailed Out

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$	3,200.00
Sunday Offering, July 23/24, 2016:	\$	2,407.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$	(793.00)

St. Joseph's Offering		
Sunday, July 24, 2016:	\$	525.00

FLOWERS FOR MARY'S ALTAR—AUGUST

- 7 Anne Eaton
- 14 Sue Butler
- 21 Richard & Peg Arie
- 28 Children of Jim & Judy Krones



TO: St. Edmund CCW
FROM: St. Joseph CCW

Last year, St. Joseph's CCW "adopted" seminarian, Michael Groth. They cordially invite us to come hear him speak on **Wednesday, August 10, at 6 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church in Crescent City.** A light sandwich supper with dessert and coffee will also be available.

They would like a head count, if possible, so, if you are planning on attending, please call Colette at the Rectory and let her know. Please leave a message on her voice mail, if necessary. Thank you.

A JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY (Diocese of Springfield in Illinois) 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Don't be hard hearted. We have all heard stories of relatives who fight over an estate or a supposed inheritance. Luke recounts the Jesus parable of packing away so many possessions in order to "rest, eat, drink, be merry!" It is Jesus who said to the crowd, and says to us today: "One's life does not consist in possessions." On hearing Christ, the logical philosopher lays out this syllogism: (1) Guard against all greed; (2) because life does not consist of possessions; (3) therefore, give away some things, some time, some effort, some of self.

- What things can I give away?
- What time and effort can I expend to another?
- How will I reuse, use up, recycle?

LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

August 6/7	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Jeanette Reifel	Julie Schippert	Mary Decker
SERVERS	O. Simons & M. Lopez		Trenton & Sam Hemp
COMMUNION	Rosann Miller	Lynette Moyer	Anne Zumwalt
HOSPITALITY	John Gooding Family	M/M Ira Claire Gail Kaufman Pat McTaggart	M/M Gene Ochs

From St. Edmund's RE Office . . .

If you have a child who will be **4-years-old by September 1, 2016** and would like to enroll your child in our **Preschool Religious Education Class** or, if you have a child who will be **5-years-old by September 1, 2016** and would like to enroll your child in our **Kindergarten Religious Education Class**, please call our Religious Education Office, 815-432-5569, so that materials can be ordered. Families (with children) new to St. Edmund's can call our Religious Education Office so that registration forms can be mailed to you in August. Thank you.

Religious Education packets will be mailed out on August 24. Fees will remain the same at \$40/child with a cap of \$100.

PLEASE NOTE: Beginning this year we are implementing a **NEW POLICY** which states **"any registration forms NOT turned in by 3:00 p.m. the DAY BEFORE the FIRST DAY of class will result in the student/s not being able to attend the first class"**.

A copy of this policy will be included in all registration packets so please read through all the registration information thoroughly to ensure your children may attend the first class on 9/21/16.

One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center A TIME OF PRAYER "Listening With the Ear of the Heart"

WHEN: Thursday, August 11th; 9 a.m.—12 p.m.

SPONSORED BY: Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

PRESENTED BY: Sister Anne Jaeger, sscm

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.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The **38th Annual Diocese Wedding Anniversary Mass** will be celebrated on **Sunday, August 28, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.** at the **Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet.** Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years, 50 years and more than 50 years are welcome to attend the event. Couples will receive a special blessing during the liturgy and will receive an anniversary certificate after Mass. Our celebrant will be Bishop R. Daniel Conlon. Because of space limitations, there is not room for additional guests. However, if necessary, a caregiver/helper is very welcome to attend with the couple. Pre-registration is required. **Forms can be found on the table in the vestibule of the Church or register online by August 8 at:** <http://conta.cc/28LaP2x>.

AUGUST'S items needed for the **WATSEKA AREA FOOD PANTRY** are: **Kidney Beans, Pork & Bean, Chili Beans.** This is only a suggestion...any items with current dates are welcome. *Thank you.*

AUGUST'S items needed for **HARBOR HOUSE** are: **School Supplies (Notebooks, Paper, Pens, Rulers, Glue Sticks, Crayons, Markers, Pencils, Pencil Bags).** Paper Products of all kinds are always appreciated! *Thank you.*

MONEY COUNTERS FOR AUGUST ARE:

7	Pat McTaggart & Bette Maxheimer
14	Sam Ochs & Jennifer Dixon
21	Elsie Hankey & Barb Mayotte
28	Jamie Knapp & Bill Janssen

From the Diocese . . .

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends: Upcoming *Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends in 2016* are: **August 12-14, October 7-9 and Dec. 9-11** 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: **August 13/14** at Mary Queen of Heaven Parish in Elmhurst (No overnight availability) and **October 22/23** at the **Nazareth Retreat House** in Batavia (Overnight—no commuters). 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.

REMINDER: On **Friday, August 5th**, after 7:30 a.m. Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for 1/2 hour with Benediction at 8:00 a.m.

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- Staff Sgt. 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
- Mark Smith, grandson of Lorraine Smith
- Those affected in any way by the recent flooding in China
- Those dealing with or affected by the wildfires in California

Stress in Your Marriage? - Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. 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 September program beginning with a weekend on September 9-11, call 815-246-2080 or email: retrouvaillejoliet@gmail.com or visit the website at <http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com>.

Saints of the Week . . .

Monday, August 1:

St. Alphonsus Liguori

Tuesday, August 2:

St. Eusebius of Vercelli

St. Peter Julian Eymard

Thursday, August 4:

St. John Vianney

A belated CONGRATULATIONS to Miss Olivia Claire, this year's Miss Iroquois County Fair....well done, Oliva!

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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WATSEKA IL 60970

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Website: www.stedstjoe.org

MASSSES:

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