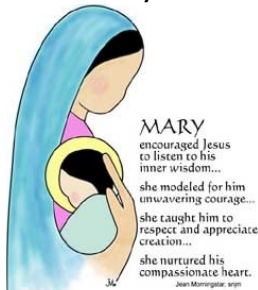


SUNDAY, MAY 13, 2018

Mon.	5/14	7:30 AM	Robert Lang by Eileen & Dave Rogers
Tue.	5/15	NO MASS	
Wed.	5/16	7:30 AM	Frank & Geraldine Langellier by Nick & Roxanne Adsit & Family
Thur.	5/17	7:30 AM	Vivian Lovelass by Bernadine Buswell
Fri.	5/18	7:30 AM	Lee Ryan by Mike & Jodi Schuler
Sat.	5/19	5:00 PM	Deceased Members of the Jo Ann White Family
Sun.	5/20	7:30 AM	Rodney Popham by His Family
		9:00 AM	Shirley Peterson by A Friend
		10:30 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's



Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, May 5/6, 2018:	\$ 2,683.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (517.00)

Offering at St. Joseph's, May 6, 2018:	\$ 625.00

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:
Solemnity of Pentecost
John 14:15-16; 23-26
"The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything!"

By Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation, I have been made a Temple of the Holy Spirit.

How can I better live out the gifts of the Holy Spirit in my life, namely, wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord?

Prayer: Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you will renew the face of the earth. Amen!

One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center
A TIME OF PRAYER
"Mandala Meditation"

One form of mandala meditation is to make a mandala of your own. Through painting and drawing mandalas, we allow our right brain creative selves to come out and play, which can often lead to constructive healing and insight into us and our lives.

WHEN: Thursday, June 7, 2018; 9 a.m.—12 p.m.
SPONSORED BY: Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary
PRESENTER: Alice Sparks
COST: Free-will offering
TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call 815-935-0800 or just stop by.

ST. JOSEPH'S HONORING OF MARY

This weekend we honor all Mothers, but especially the Mother of God. Mary was instrumental in bringing Jesus to the world when she gave birth to Him. Jesus is pleased with a people who honor his Mother.

Pamela Fink, St. Joseph CCW's *Woman of the Year*, has the honor of placing a bouquet of flowers at Mary's feet at today's 9:00 a.m. Mass.

*Speak kind words,
 And you will hear kind echoes.
 Thanks for all the kind echoes, Mom.*

God's Tender Promises for Mothers

LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Weekend

May 19/20	5:00 PM	7:30 AM	10:30 AM
LECTOR	Dick Arie	Rhonda Pence	Steve Westrick
SERVERS	M. Gooding & A. Kingdon		Megan & Dane Martin
COMMUNION	Host: Rosann Miller	Host: Mary Jane LaFond	Cup: Kevin Hemp & Julie Arseneau
HOSPITALITY	M/M Doug Duffy	M/M Kevin Bohlmann Fam.	Sheila Harman; Linda Hunt

From the desk of Patti Duffy . . .

St. Edmund's 2017-2018 year of Religious Education is complete. **THANK YOU TO ALL THE WONDERFULLY DEDICATED VOLUNTEER TEACHERS, AIDS and SUBS** who gave so generously of their time.

We had a very successful year. **THANK YOU** to the parents for making sure their children regularly attended class.

A special **THANK YOU**, also, to our **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** for once again generously providing Monical's Pizza as a special end-of-the-year treat for all the classes....the students really look forward to it and, of course, enjoy eating it!

ST. EDMUND CCW

Another successful May Banquet has come and gone....thanks to all who attended and **THANK YOU** Sue Butler, Rosann Miller, Barb Mayotte, Jeanette Reifel, Mary Claire and Rhonda Pence for all your hard work! **Our officers for 2018-2020 are:**

Co-Presidents: Louise Bruens and Jeanette Reifel
Secretary: Jan Dillman
Treasurer: Barb Mayotte

Also, we will begin working on our new Directory soon. If you have changed your phone number or dropped your land line and went to cell phone only, please call Colette at the Rectory with that information. We would like everyone's current phone number so that we have the most accurate information as possible. Thank you!

Summer ~ Fall Series
 St. Edmund Parish

Bishop Robert Barron
Catholicism: The Pivotal Players

Bishop Robert Barron is on a new journey to unlock the truth behind the Catholic Church's most influential people. "Catholicism: The Pivotal Players," is a new film series that illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but also changed the course of Western Civilization.

The programs he has prepared include beautiful footage of the areas of the world these Pillars lived in as well as historic sights and buildings from their times. Bishop Barron's insights are both educational and entertaining.

Scheduled dates are Thursdays at 7 p.m. at the Parish Center:

June 7: St. Frances, the Reformer
July 5: St. Thomas Aquinas, the Theologian
August 2: Blessed John Henry Newman, the Convert
September 6: St. Catherine of Sienna, the Mystic
October 4: G. K. Chesterton, the Evangelist
November 15: Michelangelo, the Artist

Mark your calendar for these special evenings.

*Pleasant words are like a honeycomb,
 Sweetness to the soul and health to the bones.*
Proverbs 16:24

God's Tender Promises for Mothers

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- Staff Sgt. (USAF) Andrew Kelnhofer, son of Michelle Hastings
- Staff Sgt. Army Reserve Allison Shepherd, daughter of Michelle Hastings
- Staff Sargent Rori Sorensen, granddaughter of Mary Sorensen



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL

The Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal helps our parish and the Diocese of Joliet to provide countless ministries, programs and services to support our friends and neighbors in immeasurable ways.

A mailing will soon be sent to all parishioners who have not yet made a gift to the CMAA. Despite the severe February snowstorm we encountered over Commitment (In-Pew) Weekend, we are confident we can still meet our goal if we all partner together. If you have not already done so, I ask that you please reflect on God's gifts to you and prayerfully consider supporting the CMAA. A gift to the CMAA, no matter the amount, will make a difference!

By partnering together, we can continue to spread the Gospel message in our Diocese through our ministries. Thank you for your support.

2018 CMAA PLEDGE REPORT

	ST. EDMUND	ST. JOSEPH
PARISH GOAL:	\$ 13,300.00	\$ 3,000.00
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$ 9,830.00	\$ 3,481.00
AMOUNT PAID:	\$ 7,770.00	\$ 3,101.00
BALANCE DUE:	\$ 2,060.00	\$380.00
# DONORS:	33	12

ITEMS NEEDED FOR HARBOR HOUSE

Below is a list of items needed at Harbor House:

Size 7 & 8 Women's Underwear; Baby Shampoo/Bath Wash; Gas Cards; Walmart Cards

These may be brought to the Church at any time and placed in the basket for Harbor House. *Thank you!*

When God Created Mothers by Erma Bombeck

When the Good Lord was creating mothers, He was into His sixth day of "overtime" when the angel appeared and said, "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one."

And God said, "Have you read the specs on this order? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic. Have 180 moveable parts...all replaceable. Run on black coffee and leftovers. Have a lap that disappears when she stands up. A kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair. And six pairs of hands."

The angel shook her head slowly and said, "Six pairs of hands...no way."

"It's not the hands that are causing me problems," God remarked, "it's the three pairs of eyes that mothers have to have."

"That's on the standard model?" asked the angel. God nodded.

"One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, 'What are you kids doing in there?'" when she already knows. Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know, and of course the ones here in front that can look at a child when he goofs up and say 'I understand and I love you.'

"God," said the angel touching his sleeve gently, "Get some rest, tomorrow...."

"I can't," said God, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick...can feed a family of six on one pound of hamburger...and can get a nine-year-old to stand under a shower."

The angel circled the model of a mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed.

"But tough!" said God excitedly. "You can imagine what this mother can do or endure."

"Can it think?"

"Not only can it think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator.

Finally, the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek.

"There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told You that You were trying to put too much into this model."

"It's not a leak," said the Lord. "It's a tear."

"What's it for?"

"It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness, and pride."

"You are a genius," said the angel.

Somberly, God said, "I didn't put it there."

Happy Mother's Day!

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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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