SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

Mon.	2/12	7:30 AM	Deceased & Living Members of the Krones/Bruens Families
Tue.	2/13	NO MASS	
Wed.	2/14	7:30 AM 7:00 PM	* Betty Campbell by the FIK RE Deanery Mass at St. Mary's
Thur.	2/15	7:30 AM	* Sam Ochs by Shirley, Bonnie & Anna Willis
Fri.	2/16	7:30 AM	* Marilyn Smitley by Stephen Quick
			Morning Masswhat a way to start the day!!
Sat.	2/17	5:00 PM	* Greg Hankey by A Friend
Sun.	2/18	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 4:30 PM	Our Parish Families * Fred Schmitt by Joan (Schmitt) Bolles Mass at St. Mary's

Weekly Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, February 3/4:	\$ 2,856.00
Online Giving:	\$ 305.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$(39.00)
St. Joseph's Offering, February 4:	\$ 2,710.42

LAY MINISTERS for February 17/18, 2024

SATURDAY, February 17, 5:00 PM Lector: Paula Williamson Ushers: Don & Rosann Miller

SUNDAY, February 18, 8:00 AM Lector: Mark Calvin Usher: Carol Houmes

Money Counters: Brittany Cluver & Laura Stepp

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

MCSN (USN) Justin McTaggart, son of Kirk & Christine McTaggart

Please pray for . . .

- Tina Gooding
- Gary Cahoe

A Note From St. Joseph's....

On FEBRUARY 18th & 25th, St. Joseph's will have a Second Collection for *Heifer International*, a charity working to end hunger and poverty in partnership with the communities they serve. Their programs support entrepreneurs in 19 countries across 4 continents, which includes the US, creating lasting change from the ground up.

There are a few different items that can be purchased with donations, but we will be purchasing farm animals to donate to those wanting to make a better life for themselves, their family and their community. Please be as generous as you feel you can. Thank you!

You can check out this very worthy cause at: heifer.org



Knights of Columbus CHURCH BREAKFAST Sunday, February 25th 8:00—10:00 AM MENU: Pancakes ~ Sausage ~ Eggs Biscuits & Gravy Juice ~ Coffee ~ Milk

FREE-WILL OFFERINGS WILL BE ACCEPTED CARRY-OUT ARE AVAILABLE

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel: 1st Sunday of Lent "B" Mark 1:40—45 "You can make me clean!"

- How am I tempted?
- Angels ministered to Jesus in the desert, how aware am I of God's helping me in my life?
- How can I, by my words and actions, witness to the Kingdom of God and call people to repent and believe?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you have given me the gift of another Lent. Help me grow during these forty holy days that I may observe once again your Holy Week of death—resurrection. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ may enrich us in every way,
- That despite our sinfulness, the Lord may rend the heavens and come to us,
- That the Lord may call more people to his service, and that they may be found awake and at work when he returns,
- That God may give us the strength and courage to remain steadfast in faith watching for his return in glory,
- That those who have left the Church of Christ may return with gladness to joyful service,
- That our parishioners, confident in faith, may bring their concerns to the Lord and receive divine hearing,
- That those who remained firm in faith in this life may be found irreproachable on the day of our Lord, Jesus Christ,

We pray to the Lord.

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUPS St. Edmund Parish Center

MONDAYS at 6:00 p.m. Attendees are welcome to bring their own Bibles. Traci's Phone Number: 815-471-2274

TUESDAYS at 1:00 p.m.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE			
	February 14, 2024		
7:30 AM	Mass at St. Edmund's		

4:15 PMRE Student Lenten Service5:00 PMASHES ONLY at St. Edmund's7:00 PMMass at St.Mary's

Ash Wednesday Special Collection CHURCH IN EASTERN & CENTRAL EUROPE

There will be a basket in the entrance of the Church in which to place your offering for this collection.



St. Mary's: Sundays at 3:45 PM

St. Edmund's: Fridays at 7:00 PM

LENTEN REGULATIONS AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and ALL Fridays of Lent.

Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each ones' needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

RE LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

As a special Lenten project, starting next weekend and continuing through Lent, our Religious Education department will be holding a drive to collect items for the Watseka Area Food Pantry located

at the Methodist Church. Parishioners of St. Edmund's are invited to donate items to this most worthy cause.



Any non-perishable food items will be accepted, along with paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, etc.), personal care items (bar soap, shampoo, etc.), diapers, baby wipes, and laundry detergent. **PLEASE NOTE:** Regarding food items, please check the expiration

dates on the packaging. We cannot accept any expired items.

Please put your items in the box in the vestibule of the Church, just like you would for

our regular Food Pantry weekends.

Thank you!



The little lambs that you see at the foot of the altar this weekend are from our 2^{nd} graders who placed them there after receiving the *Sacrament of Reconciliation* for the first time on Wednesday, February 7th. They represent good deeds and acts of forgiveness. Congratulations to these young ones and their families. The smiles on the students (above) says it all!

SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2024 LENT PROGRAMS

1 Day Retreat (Saturday, March 9 from 8:30 a.m.— **4:00 p.m.):** Led by Sr. Linda Hatton, sscm, and Frank Modica, this retreat, which will be held at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center in Kankakee, and also via ZOOM, is open to both, women and men.

* Cost for this retreat is \$35. ** Registration deadline is Friday, March 1st, 2024.

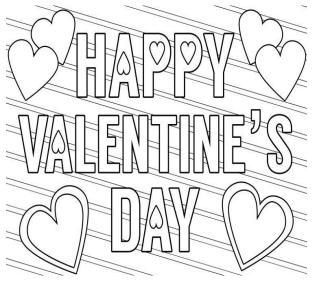
Lent Gospel Film Series (Via ZOOM): 5 Sessions (February 18 & 25, March 3, 10 & 17) 3:00—6:00 p.m. Facilitated by Sr. Myra Lambert, sscm. * Cost for this series is \$5/session.

Payments can be made by check, or credit card. Registrations cannot be confirmed until payment is received in full.

Checks may be mailed to: Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary Attn: Susan Amann 2041 W. State Route 113 Kankakee IL 60901 Please make checks payable to *Servants of the Holy Heart* of Mary.

For further information or to register, you can go to their website, www.sscm-usa.org, call Susan Amann at 708-790-8141, or online readers can click on the link below : Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary (sscm-usa.org)

A LITTLE SOMETHING FOR THE KIDS TO COLOR!



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> M-W-TH-F 7:30 AM SATURDAY 5:00 PM SUNDAY 8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 4:30—4:50 PM or By Appointment

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MASSES:

MASS: Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH 307 UNION STREET CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

MASS: Sunday at 9:30 a.m.