

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

219 EAST LOCUST STREET
WATSEKA IL 60970

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MASSSES:

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.

“Transforming the world in which we live by bringing the teachings of Jesus Christ to every living person.”

ST. MARY CHURCH
308 ST. CHARLES STREET
BEAVERVILLE IL 60912

MASS: SUNDAY AT 4:30 PM

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
307 UNION STREET
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

MASS: SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

DATES TO REMEMBER IN MARCH:

- 1 **First Friday:** Benediction w/Adoration Following AM Mass
- 2/3 Food Pantry
- 4 **CCW Meeting:** 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Center
- 10 **Daylight Saving Time Begins**
- 14 **Euchre Party:** 1:00—3:00 p.m. at the Parish Center
Knights of Columbus Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
- 17 **St. Patrick's Day** 
- 19 **First Day of Spring**
- 21 **Individual Confessions:** 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
(At St. Edmund's)
- 22 **Knights of Columbus Fish Fry:** 5:00—7:00 p.m.
- 24 **PALM SUNDAY**
Individual Confessions at St. Mary's: 3:45 p.m.
- 29 **HOLY THURSDAY**
- 30 **GOOD FRIDAY**
- 31 **EASTER SUNDAY** 

RE LENTEN FOOD DRIVE (Running now through mid-April)

Any items that the Watseka Area Food Pantry usually accepts can be donated and placed in the box in the vestibule of the Church. We kindly ask that NO EXPIRED ITEMS BE GIVEN.

ST. EDMUND CCW MEETING

Monday, March 4, 2024 ~ 6:30 p.m.
Parish Center

Darcy Wallace, Director of the Watseka Public Library, will be our guest speaker and will tell us about all of the things our local library has to offer its patrons.

We will also be choosing our Woman of the Year, so please be thinking about who you would like to nominate.

Refreshments will be provided by Cheryl Geiger and Sue Stepp.

Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal

If you have already pledged your support to the CMAA, we sincerely thank you! Each and every gift, regardless of size, truly matters and makes a difference.

If you still plan on giving, pledge envelopes are still available in the Church, or you can use the envelope you received in the mail from the diocese. We also welcome online gifts at jolietdioceseappeal.org.

St. Edmund's goal is \$12,000 and St. Joseph's goal is \$4,000. 70% of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us to use within our own parishes....an incredible opportunity and blessing!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

Friday, March 22, 2024

5:00—7:00 p.m.

MENU:

Fried or Baked Pollack ~ Baked Beans ~ Coleslaw

Baked Potato or Chips ~ Dessert ~ Drink

COST: Free-Will Donation

Carry-Outs Available

PUBLIC INVITED



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS FOR February 26—March 3, 2024

Monday, February 26, 7:30 AM:

+ Elizabeth Rogers by Dave & Eileen Rogers

Tuesday, February 27: NO MASS

Wednesday, February 28, 7:30 AM:

+ Shirley Baslone by Beulah Carrie

Thursday, February 29, 7:30 AM:

+ Marybeth Claire by Chris & Amy Curry and Family

Friday, March 1, 7:30 AM:

+ Margie McNamara by Beulah Carrie

Morning Mass...what a way to start the day!!

NOTE: Daily Morning Mass is held at the Parish Center. *Holy Day* Morning Masses and *First Friday* Masses are held at the Church

Saturday, March 2, 5:00 PM:

+ Betty L. Campbell by Our Parish Family

Sunday, March 3:

8:00 AM: + Fr. Robert Markovitch by Dr./Mrs. Gonzalo Florida

9:30 AM: Our Parish Families

4:30 PM: Mass at St. Mary's

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation: \$ 3,200.00

Sunday Offering, January February 17/18: \$ 1,967.00

Online Giving: \$ 255.00

DEFICIT for the Week: \$ (978.00)

St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, February 18: \$ 610.00

LAY MINISTERS for March 2/3, 2023

SATURDAY, March 2, 5:00 PM

Lector: Gene Ochs

Ushers: Mike & Jodi Schuler

SUNDAY, March 3, 8:00 AM

Lector: Nancy Cowan

Ushers: Chuck & Marie Garfield

Money Counters: Bill Janssen & Kendra Martin

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

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

Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Tina Gooding



Lenten Stations of the Cross with Benediction
ST. EDMUND: Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

(On Friday, March 22nd, there will be NO BENEDICTION, just Stations of the Cross.)

Lenten Stations of the Cross (No Benediction)
ST. MARY: Sundays at 3:45 p.m.

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

3rd Sunday of Lent "B"

John 2:13—25

"Zeal for your house consumes me!"

- How can I show better respect for sacred space, sacred time, and sacred action?
- Do I wait to see "signs" from God for what he does?
- Have I come to believe the Scriptures and the word that Jesus has spoken to me?

Prayer: God our Father, in his zeal for your House, Jesus, your Son manifested his devotion to you and to your holiness. Help me, during this sacred season, to grow in my love for you and for the places in my life that you have made sacred by the actions of Jesus, who is Lord forever and ever. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That God may strengthen his Holy Church to always obey his life-giving commandments,
 - That the Holy Spirit may always instill in us a profound respect and reverence for this sacred place,
 - That the wisdom of God and the power of God may guide leaders of nations to act in justice and peace,
 - That all peoples may come to believe in the name of the Lord Jesus,
 - That all catechumens and candidates for the sacraments of initiation may be filled with the grace of new life in Christ,
 - That the needs of our parishioners may win a hearing before God,
 - That those who have died in Christ may know eternal life in him,
- We pray to the Lord.**

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

St. Joseph's Church will be celebrating their Sesquicentennial (150th Anniversary) on Saturday, April 27th. Anyone that would have memorabilia or pictures that could be used for the day would be appreciated. Items can be brought to St. Joseph's or mailed to Jean Herron: PO Box 224, Crescent City, IL, 60928. More information about the celebration will be forthcoming in the bulletin.

CHURCH BREAKFAST

(Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 4391)

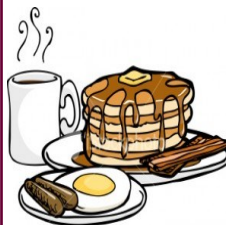
Sunday, February 25th

8:00—10:00 AM

MENU:

Pancakes ~ Sausage ~ Eggs ~ Biscuits & Gravy
~ Juice ~ Coffee ~ Milk

FREE-WILL OFFERINGS WILL BE ACCEPTED
CARRY-OUTS AVAILABLE



FLOWERS FOR MARY'S ALTAR—MARCH

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| 3 | John Anderson |
| 10 | Jane & Robert Zummallen |
| 17 | Louise Bruens |
| 24 | Jodi & Mike Schuler |
| 31 | EASTER: St. Edmund |

