SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2024

Mon.	3/11	7:30 AM	* Kelli Burns Hendryx by Nick Burns
Tue.	3/12	NO MASS	
Wed.	3/13	7:30 AM	* Russell Patnaude by Parr and Pat Schoolman
Thur.	3/14	7:30 AM	* Greg Hankey by Knights of Columbus Council 4391
Fri.	3/15	NO MASS	
			Morning Masswhat a way to start the day!!
Sat.	3/16	5:00 PM	Connor Curry by Knights of Columbus Council 4391
Sun.	3/17	8:00 AM	Our Parish Families
		9:30 AM	* Fred Formas by Jean and Ty Herron
		4:30 PM	Mass at St. Mary's

Weekly Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, March 2/3:	\$ 4,629.00
Online Giving:	\$ 343.00
BONUS For the Week:	\$ 1,772.00
St. Joseph's Offering, March 3:	\$ 875.00

LAY MINISTERS for March 16/17, 2024

SATURDAY, March 16, 5:00 PM Lector: Amy Curry Ushers: Louise Bruens & Jami Overacker

> SUNDAY, March 17, 8:00 AM Lector: Sara McTaggart Usher: Gene Ochs

Money Counters: Dick Arie & Laura Stepp

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

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

Please pray for . . .

- Tina Gooding
- Gary Cahoe

Notes 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.

St. Joseph's Church will be holding their annual St. Joseph Feast on Tuesday, March 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the Church. The celebration will begin with a Mass and after Mass, hors d'oeuvres will be available at the back of the Church. It's not an actual Feast this year, since they will be having their bigger celebration in April (see above). Parishioners of St. Joseph's and St. Edmund's are cordially invited to a attend.

Please remember in prayer those called to eternal life. We extend our prayers and heartfelt sympathy to the friends and family of:

Jim McTaggart, Husband of Connie McTaggart and

Robert Butzow, Brother of Kathy McTaggart

My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest. Exodus 33:14 Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel: 5th Sunday of Lent "B" John 12:20—33

"When I am lifted up, I will draw everyone to myself!"

- What would I do if someone asked me (as Philip was asked) to see Jesus?
- Do I love my life in a holy manner or in a selfish manner?
- How can I let Jesus, lifted up from the Earth, draw me to himself?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you taught me by your words, and even more by your actions, to love my life by losing it in serving and following you. Make these last weeks of Lent a sacred time for me to prepare for the Holly Week to come. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That all who have entered the New Covenant that God has made with his people, may be strengthened to remain always faithful,
- That in suffering and in trials we may learn obedience and be perfected in Christ,
- That all those troubled in body, mind or spirit, may be consoled by the Lord, through his Church,
- That disciples of Jesus, like Andrew and Philip, may always bring others to Christ,
- That catechumens and candidates for confirmation may come to know the Lord and have his Law written on their hearts,
- That the intentions of our parishioners may be joined to the prayers and supplications, cries and tears of Jesus,
- That all who have finished their earthly lives may be drawn to Christ, lifted up in glory,

We pray to the Lord.

SOIL & SEED MASS March 16/17, 2024

Next weekend Fr. Mike will be blessing soil and seeds at both of our weekend Masses, as well as at St. Joseph's. All you need to do is bring a small sample of soil and



any seeds that you will use this year and keep them in your pew with you. Fr. Mike will bless them at the time of the Prayers of the Faithful.

EUCHRE PARTY

Our next Euchre Party will be on Thursday, March 14th from 1-3 p.m. at the Parish Center. *Parishioners, as well as non-parishioners, are welcome!* We gladly accept donations to our local Food Pantry, but are not a requirement in order to play. Dessert follows card play.





HOLY WEEK/EASTER WEEKEND SERVICES St. Edmund & St. Joseph

Holy Thursday and Good Friday Services: 7:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Mass Schedule:

- 7:30 a.m. at St. Edmund
- <u>9:00 a.m. at</u> St. Joseph
- 10:30 a.m. at St. Edmund

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 EX-PIRED ITEMS BE GIVEN.

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 current, 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 current, 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.

ALL applications are to be returned by WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH, 2024.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL APPLICANTS!



Lenten Stations of the Cross with Benediction

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

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

Lenten Stations of the Cross (No Benediction)

St. Mary's: Sundays at 3:45 p.m.

ST. EDMUND CCW WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Patti Duffy, this year's St. Edmund CCW's Woman of the Year! Patti, and her family, became members of St. Edmund's in 1998 after moving to Watseka from Aurora, IL. Patti is married to Doug Duffy and they have three grown children, DJ, Kayla and Dylan. She and Doug have also been blessed with five grandchildren, Kayson, Carson, Kinsley, Brandon and Kyler, who can keep them pretty busy!

Patti became our Director of Religious Education in July of 2012 after the retirement of Judy Krones. The formation of the FIK (Ford, Iroquois, Kankakee) Deanery for all DREs has added to Patti's duties. Besides attending the meetings, she held the office of Secretary for three years and is currently serving her second three-year term as Chairperson.

As far as her service to St. Edmund's, Patti has served as a Eucharistic Minister to Shut-Ins, served as a Eucharistic Minister at Church, and is currently an usher, along with her husband, Doug. Within our RE program, she was a preschool Catechist Aide prior to becoming our DRE. Patti is also currently serving as the Recording Secretary for our Parish Council.

St. Edmund's is fortunate to have Patti as a memberl

Patti, and her fellow CCW Women of the Year, will be honored at a Mass at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet on Saturday, April 20th.

Congratulations to Patti and all her fellow Women of the Year!

> KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING Thursday, March 14, 2024 6:30 PM **Church Basement**

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St. Edmund/St. Joseph Website: www.stedstjoe.org St. Mary Website: www.stmaryschurchbeaverville.com

> 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

MASSES:

308 ST. CHARLES STREET **BEAVERVILLE IL 60912** PHONE: 815-435-2432

MASS: Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH **307 UNION STREET CRESCENT CITY IL 60928**

MASS: Sunday at 9:30 a.m.