

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

Mon.	3/18	7:30 AM	* Joe Fordyce by David & Rita Brutlag
Tue.	3/19	NO AM MASS	
		6:30 PM	ST. JOSEPH FEAST DAY: MASS AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
Wed.	3/20	NO MASS	
Thur.	3/21	7:30 AM	* Ken & Mary Sorensen by Suzanne & Mike Sorensen
Fri.	3/22	7:30 AM	* Diana German Pechauer by Nick & Roxanne Adsit and Family
Morning Mass....what a way to start the day!!			
Sat.	3/23	5:00 PM	* Gloria Zirkle Birthday Remembrance by Her Family
Sun.	3/24	8:00 AM	* Bernadine Buswell by Mary Langellier
		9:30 AM	Our Parish Families
		4:30 PM	Mass at St. Mary's

Weekly Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, March 9/10:	\$ 1,757.00
Online Giving:	\$ 184.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (1,259.00)
St. Joseph's Offering, March 10:	\$ 2,224.00


LAY MINISTERS for March 23/24, 2024

SATURDAY, March 23, 5:00 PM
Lector: Doug Duffy
Ushers: Amy Curry
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SUNDAY, March 24, 8:00 AM
Lector: Mark Calvin
Ushers: M/M Kyle Cluver Family
Money Counters: Bill Janssen & Louise Bruens

Please pray for our Service Members . . .
• MCSN (USN) Justin McTaggart, son of Kirk & Christine McTaggart
Please pray for . . .
• Tina Gooding
• Gary Cahoe

PRAYER OF BLESSING OVER SEEDS & SOIL

God our Father, your first words to us, at the moment of creation, were: "Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and subdue it. See, I give you every seed bearing fruit on it to be your food." Bless this soil and bless these seeds. (+) May your life-giving Spirit quicken them to bring forth a harvest of abundance. Bless us with the fruits of the earth and give us the love to share all the blessings you



pour out on your people, You who live and reign with Jesus, your Son, our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen!!

HOLY WEEK/EASTER SERVICES

St. Mary

Holy Thursday and Good Friday Services: 4:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday Vigil Mass: 8:00 p.m.



HAPPY

ST. PATRICK'S DAY!



Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

Palm Sunday "B"

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark Mark 14 & 15

- How does the passion of Jesus 2000 years ago impact my life today?
- How do I live out the passion of Jesus in my life?
- How can I ensure that this will be a "Holy" week for me this year?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, if I am to share with you in the joys of your resurrection, I have to also share in your sufferings. Help me to re-create this week in which my world was created anew, in such a manner that I may grow in holiness and prepare for the feast of Easter. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That the mysteries of this Holy Week may unite us more closely to Christ in his sufferings,
- That, praying with the psalmist, God may bless Jerusalem and all the Holy Land with peace,
- That those who have betrayed Jesus, denied him or never accepted him, may come to acknowledge Jesus as the savior of the world,
- That this community, gathered in faith, may join together, fervent in prayer, constant in love and certain in hope,
- That those preparing for baptism and reception into the Church may be enlightened by the Spirit of truth,
- That all who, like Jesus, suffer unjustly, may see in him their hope and consolation,
- That those who have tasted death may, this day, be with Jesus in Paradise,

We pray to the Lord.

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
- 9:00 a.m. at St. Joseph
- 10:30 a.m. at St. Edmund



Fr. John Sebahar Scholarship

Applications for this scholarship may be picked up from the table in the vestibule of the Church.

Notes From St. Joseph's....

St. Joseph's Church will be celebrating their Sesqui-centennial (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 attend.

ST. JOSEPH CCW'S WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Cathy Cross, this year's St. Joseph CCW's Woman of the Year!

Cathy has been a members of St. Joseph's Church for 25 years and a member of their CCW for 10 years. She lives in Milford, IL and has two grown children, Amy and Jacob, and one grandson, Damon Cross. She was married for 45 years to Dan Cross before he passed away in 2019. Cathy works in Sales and had been employed with the Robert Bosch Tool Corporation for 33 years.

Cathy has served on the Community Concerns Commission, overseeing projects such as Caps of Love, which provided money to purchase wheelchairs for disabled children. Another program she co-chaired was the Recycled Card Program, which worked with St. Jude's Ranch for Children. For Veteran's Day, she put together a presentation honoring our Veterans with a thank you card and a flower during Mass. Cathy has done St. Joseph's proud over the years and they are blessed to have her as a member of their Church family!

Cathy's hobbies are gardening and going to her grandson's ball games, which keeps her very busy!

Cathy, 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 Cathy and all her fellow Women of the Year!



**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!

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

St. Edmund Parish Center

MONDAYS at 6:00 p.m.

TUESDAYS at 1:00 p.m.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

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

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

- **ST. EDMUND'S: Thursday, March 21st from 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. and again at 7:00 p.m.**
- **ST. MARY'S: Sunday, March 24th at 3:45 p.m.**

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

(Call 815-471-5569 after 3:00 p.m. to place orders.)

PUBLIC INVITED

HOLY SATURDAY

March 30, 2024

On Holy Saturday, at 10:00 a.m., we will have a ***Blessing of Easter Food and Easter Baskets*** at St. Edmund Church. Parishioners from St. Edmund's, St. Joseph's and St. Mary's are welcome to attend this event.

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.**

PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Friday, March 29, 2024

This collection offers Catholics an opportunity to express their solidarity with Christians in the Holy Land and help make a difference in the lives of Christians.

SAVE THE DATE!!

The IMH Hospice Brunch and Silent Auction will make it's Spring debut on **Sunday, April 21, 2024 from 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.** at the **Watsseka Community High School Cafeteria**. The Brunch is a free-will donation and Silent Auction, Raffle Baskets will also be available to bid upon during the event. **The menu will include:** Biscuits & Gravy, Egg Casserole, Pastries, Coffee, Juice and other delights. *See you there!*

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

219 EAST LOCUST STREET
WATSEKA IL 60970

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

Rectory: 815-432-3274 ~ **Office Hours:** 8 a.m.—12 p.m. M-F

Religious Education Office: 815-432-5569

St. Edmund/St. Joseph Website: www.stedstjoe.org

St. Mary Website: www.stmaryschurchbeaverville.com

MASSES:	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
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.