#### ST. EDMUND CHURCH 219 EAST LOCUST STREET WATSEKA IL 60970

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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

MASS: SUNDAY AT 4:30 PM

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH 307 UNION STREET CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

MASS: SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

## WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUPS St. Edmund Parish Center

MONDAY, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. (Tracy Kelch, 815-471-2274)

TUESDAYS at 1:00 p.m.

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!** 

#### 2024 CMAA REPORT

	ST. EDMUND	ST. JOSEPH
PARISH GOAL:	\$ 12,000	\$ 4,000
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$14,178	\$6,335
AMOUNT PAID:	\$13,608	\$4,215
BALANCE DUE:	\$570	\$2,120
# DONORS:	37	14
REBATE: (70% of amount over our goals)	\$1,126	\$151

#### Please pray for our Service Members . . .

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

#### Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Tina Gooding

## SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2024 PROGRAMS

This is My Body (Book Study): While this program will be held at the Nazareth Spirituality Center in Batavia, IL on May 1 and June 5 from 6:30—8:00 p.m., presented by Sr. Myra Lambert, sscm, it will also be available online. The book being used for this program is This is My Body by Bishop Robert Barron. Cost for this program is \$20.

Sacraments: The Language of God—Touching Life, Touching God, Touching Life: Held at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center in Kankakee, participants will be able to explore this topic with Fr. Vern Arseneau on Thursday, May 9 from 9:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Cost for this program is \$35.

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)



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HUGE RUMMAGE & PLANT SALE St. Mary's Parish Hall ~ Beaverville Benefitting Cemetery Fund

Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>: 8 a.m.—6 p.m. Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>: 8 a.m.—6 p.m. Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>: 8 a.m.—12 p.m.

\$6.00 BAG SALE all day Friday

\$3.00 BAG SALE all day Saturday

\*\*Refreshments for Sale\*\*



### SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR April 22-28, 2024

Monday, April 22, 7:30 AM:
+ Vern Gross by His Family

Tuesday, April 23: NO MASS

Wednesday, April 24, 7:30 AM
David Hardesty by Christine Ryan

Thursday, April 25, 7:30 AM:

+ Greg Hankey by Knights of Columbus Council 4391

Friday, April 26, 7:30 AM: + Greta Burns by Nick Burns

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, April 27:

10:00 AM: Deceased & Living Members of St. Joseph's Parish 5:00 PM: + Bernadine Buswell Birthday Rem. by Mary Jean Hartlep

#### Sunday, April 28:

8:00 AM: + Ann Lola Kelly by Paul Kelly 9:30 AM: Our Parish Families

11:00 AM: (First Communion) Our First Communicants

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

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, April 13/14:	\$ 2,261.00
Online Giving:	\$ 140.00
DEFICIT for the Week:	\$ ( 799.00)
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, April 14:	\$ 2,234.00

#### LAY MINISTERS for April 27/28, 2024

SATURDAY, April 27, 5:00 PM

**Lector:** John Gooding **Ushers:** Mike & Mary Ann Kiefer

SUNDAY, April 28, 8:00 AM Lector: Mark Calvin Usher: Gene Ochs

Money Counters: Brittany Cluver & Sue Butler

St. Edmund CCW

SPRING BANQUET

Monday, May 6, 2024 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Church Basement

Sign-up sheets are now up in the vestibule of the Church for our Spring Banquet. Our meal will be catered by Woodby's Catering, located in Milford. Free-will offerings will be accepted to help defray the cost of the meal. We will play BINGO for entertainment and there will be prizes! Last day to sign up is April 28<sup>th</sup>. They will be given a head count on the 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### MENU

Pork Loin ~ Green Beans ~ Cheesy Potatoes ~ Fruit Plate

Rolls ~ Dessert ~ Drinks

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter B

John 15:1—8

"I am the vine, you are the branches!"

- At the Last Supper Jesus told me that he was the vine and I am the branch, how do I prove myself a fruitful branch?
- How can I "remain on the vine," which means, "how can I remain in Jesus?"
- What "pruning" that is correcting do I need from the Father?

**Prayer:** Risen Lord Jesus, you are the vine that your Father brings to growth. Help me stay connected to you as the true source of my life in this world and the next. Help me to appreciate and to cooperate with the "pruning" your Father provides for me to help me bear more fruit in you and for you. Amen!

#### Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That like Barnabas who welcomed Paul into the Church, God may bless his Church today with the gift of hospitality,
- That all believers may be strengthened in their belief in the name of Jesus Christ, the only Son of the Father,
- That we may always remain in Christ as he remains in us,
- That the grace of announcing the Good News of Jesus may be given to those who, at Easter, were reborn of water and the Spirit,
- That God may answer the prayers of the poor, the sick, the lost and despairing through our deeds of Love,
- That prayers brought by our parishioners in faith to the Risen Lord may be answered,
- That the faithful who have died may be joined to Jesus through all eternity,

We pray to the Lord.

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH SESQUICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Saturday, April 27, 2024 St. Joseph Church

Please join us in celebrating St. Joseph's Sesquicentennial Anniversary!

We will start our celebration with a Mass at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph's Church, immediately followed by a Brunch to be held at the Crescent City Community Center located on Main St. (Rte. 24). We will also have Church memorabilia available for viewing.

"We celebrate this day in the Church with joy in our hearts. God sought to observe this glorious day and we are ever thankful to him for allowing our Church to thrive."

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PLEASE NOTE: Last weekend we had \$235 in Loose Checks put in the Collection Basket but, unfortunately, they did not get recorded on our Loose Checks Form, so, those of you who gave these checks will not get credit for them. St. Edmund's regrets the error.

Iroquois Memorial Hospice
ANNUAL BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION
Sunday, April 21, 2024
8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
Watseka Community High School Cafeteria
Free-Will Donations Gladly Accepted for Brunch