

# ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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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

## The 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!

As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are humbly asking all parishioners to pledge their support for this important effort, as together we can make a profound difference.

This year's CMAA theme is *For the Glory of God*. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we can help provide safe shelter for the homeless, feed the physical and social needs of those who are hungry, inspire those discerning a life of vocation, and aid in the education of our next generation of Catholics. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own, but together through the appeal we can do so much more.

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 and used fruitfully within our own parish. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

## SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2024 PROGRAMS

- **Reviving our Love of the Eucharist:** Presented by Sr. Linda Hatton, SSCM, please join her via ZOOM for this 4-part series on the following Wednesdays: January 17<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> and February 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30—8:00 p.m. Together we will review the history and praxis of our worship and included in each session, will be an opportunity to discuss Cardinal Blaze J. Cupich's booklet: *Take, Bless, Break, Share: A Strategy for a Eucharistic Revival*, which can be purchased at Amazon. The cost for this series is \$35.

For further information or to register, you can go to their website, [www.sscm-usa.org](http://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 \(sscm-usa.org\)](http://www.sscm-usa.org)

## WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

St. Edmund Parish Center

Monday, January 22, 6:30 p.m.

(Attendees are welcome to bring their own Bibles.)

Tuesday, January 23, 1:00 p.m.

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

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

Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Tina Gooding

## IMH HOSPICE Memory Pillows

All families who are served by Iroquois Memorial Hospice have an opportunity to remember their loved one through a *Memory Pillow*, which is offered through the Iroquois Memorial Hospice Bereavement program. The pillows are made from an article of clothing of your loved one and is carefully made into a quality pillow. The hope is that Memory Pillows will be something that families will cherish for years as a tangible reminder of their loved one. So, if a family member has received hospice care from IMH Hospice, you may contact Traci Bishop, LCSW, at 815-432-0185 to arrange to have a *Memory Pillow* made.

# SUNDAY, JANUARY 21, 2024

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR January 22—28, 2024

**Monday, January 22, 7:30 AM:**

+ Art Burns by Nick Burns

**Tuesday, January 23: NO MASS**

**Wednesday, January 24, 7:30 AM:**

+ Justo Florido Jr. by Dr. & Mrs. Gonzalo Florido

**Thursday, January 25, 7:30 AM:**

+ Russell Patnaude by the Ira Claire Family

**Friday, January 26, 7:30 AM:**

+ Philip Tuelp by Christina Daszko

**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, January 27, 5:00 PM:**

+ Ron Morriral by Our Parish Family

**Sunday, January 28 :**

**8:00 AM:** + Melissa Brassard by Nick & Roxanne Adsit & Family

**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 13/14:	\$ 1,925.00
Online Giving:	\$ 127.00
<b>DEFICIT for the Week:</b>	<b>\$ (1,148.00)</b>
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, January 14:	\$ 1,790.00

## LAY MINISTERS for January 27/28, 2023

**SATURDAY, January 27, 5:00 PM**

Lector: John Gooding

Ushers: Mike & Mary Ann Kiefer

**SUNDAY, January 28, 8:00 AM**

Lector: RaDonna Hasselbring

Usher: Sue Butler

Money Counters: Brittany Cluver & Kendra Martin

## LOOSE CHECKS

The Loose Checks that were given last weekend did not get listed on our Loose Checks Form, so therefore, those who gave them, did not get credit for them.

If you gave a Loose Check last weekend and want to get credit for it, please contact Colette, at the Rectory as soon as possible, and let her know. We apologize for this oversight.

## SECOND COLLECTION

Next Weekend ~ January 27/28, 2024

Next weekend's Second Collection is for the *Church in Latin America*.

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time "B"

Mark 1:21—28

"Silence, Come out!"

- What evil in my life needs to be cast out?
- How do I listen to and obey Jesus' new teaching with authority?
- How can I help Jesus' fame spread in my town today?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, you show your concern for the welfare of your people and you manifest your power to effect that good and to bring it about. Cast out whatever in my life keeps me from you and empower me to witness to you to others in my words and actions. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- For the wisdom and will to listen to the words of Jesus who was sent to us by the Father,
- For the grace of God in sending the Church leaders who truly speak in his name,
- For those called to serve the Lord in the celibate state,
- For a sharing in the victory of Christ over all that is harmful, unclean or evil,
- For the strength that comes from God and for his healing and help for us all,
- For all our parishioners who confidently cast their cares before the Lord,
- For all who were marked with the sign of Christ in this life, that in the life that never ends, they may join in the banquet of the Lamb,

*We pray to the Lord.*

Below is a thank you we received from the *Food From the Heart Team*:

"Thank you St. Edmund Catholic Church.

You have our heartfelt thanks for your generous donation toward our 2023 Christmas Food Basket Project. We presented over 400 baskets to needy families throughout Iroquois County, hopefully making their holiday more joyful.

May God bless your new year.

Sincerely,  
*Food From the Heart Team"*



Gene Ochs, Sacramental Prep RE teacher, along with his class, put on his yearly *Epiphany Play* for the rest of the RE staff and students on Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>.