

# 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

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH  
307 UNION STREET  
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

MASS: SUNDAY AT 4:30 PM

MASS: SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

## SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY

One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center

**Caregiver Stress-Busting Program for Family Caregivers:** This program, focusing on stress management techniques and relaxation and coping strategies for caregivers of loved ones with a chronic illness, will be presented by Catholic Charities **Thursday afternoons**, from **1:30—3:00 p.m. beginning January 23, 2025 and concluding on March 20, 2025** at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center.

For more information or to register, please call Amanda at 815-523-9919.

*Those reading this online can click on the link below for more information or to register:*

[Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary \(sscm-usa.org\)](http://sscm-usa.org)

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2025 Lenten Programs

**2025 Busy Person's Lent Retreat:** This retreat is designed for:

- Both, women and men
- Those who desire a deeper prayer relationship with the Lord
- Those unable to experience a scheduled spiritual retreat due to home and/or work responsibilities

**You must be able to commit to:**

- At least 30 minutes of silent, personal prayer using scripture each day of the retreat (materials provided)
- Weekly meetings with a spiritual director via phone, a virtual meetings platform (Zoom, Messenger, FaceTime), or in person

A list of Spiritual Directors can be found on the link below. **You must contact your Spiritual Director of choice by February 19, 2025.**

The cost for this program is \$25.

**An Invitation to Joy:** This **1 Day Retreat**, open to both men and women and led by the SSCM Retreat Committee, will be held on **Saturday, March 8** from **8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.** at **One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center** and will focus on one of Jesus' most well-known parables, the Prodigal Son. We will look deeply at the roles of the main characters of this parable reflecting on what the younger son, the father and the older son have to teach us about ourselves and our relationship with God and others.

Coffee and rolls will be served in the morning and lunch will be provided. **The cost for this retreat is \$35 and the registration deadline is Monday, March 3.**

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“One of the most powerful ways  
to use our gift of speech

is to offer honest words of appreciation to the people we love, and to the people who help us in large and small ways as we journey through life.”

—Matthew Kelly

# SUNDAY, February 9, 2025

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR February 10—16, 2025

Monday, February 10, 7:30 AM  
 + *David Stepp Birthday Remembrance by His Family*

Tuesday, February 11: NO MASS

Wednesday, February 12: NO MASS

Thursday, February 13, 7:30 AM  
 + *Tina Gooding by Terry & Rosemary Popham*

Friday, February 14, 7:30 AM  
 + *Mary Claire by Leona Shafer*

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

Saturday, February 15, 5:00 PM  
 + *Amanda Harris Anniversary Remembrance by Her Family*

Sunday, February 16:  
 8:00 AM: + *Our Parish Families*  
 9:30 AM: *Fred Schmitt by Joan (Schmitt) Bolles*  
 4:30 PM: *Mass at St. Mary's*

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, February 1/2:	\$ 2,682.56
Online Giving:	\$ 475.00
<b>DEFICIT for the Week:</b>	<b>\$ ( 42.44)</b>
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, February 2:	\$ 2,900.00

## LAY MINISTERS for February 15/16, 2025


**SATURDAY, February 15, 5:00 PM**  
 Lector: Gene Ochs  
 Ushers: Don & Rosann Miller

**SUNDAY, February 16, 8:00 AM**  
 Lector: RaDonna Hasselbring  
 Usher: M/M Kyle Cluver Family

Money Counters: Dick Arie & John Tonner

**EUCHRE PARTY**  
 Thursday, February 13, 2025  
 1-3 p.m. - St. Edmund's 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.*



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING**  
 Thursday, January 13, 2025  
 6:30 p.m.  
 Church Basement

*Please pray for . . .*

- Gary Cahoe
- Morgan Shoemaker

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:  
 6<sup>h</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time C  
 Luke 6:17, 20—26  
 "Blessed....Woe....!"


- Am I blessed in simplicity of life or woeful in richness?
- Am I blessed with a hunger for what is right or am I filled beyond my needs?
- Do people hate me for the right reasons or love me for the wrong reasons?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, in your Sermon on the Plain you have called me to live in simplicity of life as one of your authentic disciples. Help me to live a manner of life that you will declare "blessed" and strengthen me to strenuously avoid all that might bring me woe. Amen!


Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That, like a tree planted near running water, the Church may be nourished and grow in faith,
- That all peoples may acclaim Christ, risen from the dead,
- That the poor and the hungry may know the love of God and the concern of his people,
- That those who now weep, may find solace in Christ,
- That those who are hated, insulted and denounced for their faith in Jesus, may be strengthened to witness to his Gospel,
- That trusting in the Lord, our parishioners who bring their prayers to the Lord may be heard by God,
- That those who have fallen asleep in Christ, may know the resurrection of the body,

*Let us pray to the Lord.*




**SHELDON COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE**  
 Sheldon Community Center  
 140 S. 4th St.  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025**  
 12:30—6:00 P.M.



For an appointment, please call Marilyn Busick at 815-429-3106, Cheryl Grant at 815-592-7034 or go to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org). Please bring a photo ID, your blood donor card, or two other forms of ID. You can save up to 15 minutes when you donate blood by using RapidPass! Visit [RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass](http://RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass) for more information.

Those viewing this online can also click on this link:  
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**WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP**  
 St. Edmund Parish Center  
 TUESDAYS at 1:00 p.m.  
**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**

HAPPY  
*Valentine's Day*